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Tuesday – Friday: 9am (English)

Saturday: 5pm (English)

7:30pm (Vietnamese)

Sunday: 8:45am, 10.00am, 6pm (English)

12pm (Vietnamese)

Prep: Samenta Ganeshanatham, Juliana Bizjak & Thy Tran

Grade 1: Dion Xuereb, Jo Dragovic &

Jin-Young Lee,

Grade 2: Mary James, Thilini Nanayakkara & Celine Goulding

Grade 3: Christine Saunders/CB, Angela Lopez-Dee & Allana Curmi

Grade 4: Elise Ring, Beatrice Mariano, Stefany Nemet & Zachary Gordon

Grade 5: Julie Murnane, Raquel McClurg, Janelle Dumaguit & Matthew Laureano

Grade 6: Kathryn Barrie, Jacelle Cablaio, & Michael Higgins/Kathleen Morrison

Education in Faith Leader: Anne-Marie Conte

Learning & Teaching Leader: Erin McNally

Literacy Leader/Intervention: Jane Hurren

Literacy Intervention: Karen Colman.

Maths Leader/Tutoring P-6: Erin McNally

Maths Intervention: Maryanne Camilleri

Learning Diversity/Wellbeing Leader:

Julie Semcesen

Family & Community Engagement/

Wellbeing Leader: Crystal Carmuciano

Mental Health in Primary Schools Leader

(MHIIPS) / School Counsellor: Edward Faraci

Speech Pathologist: Claire Huntington

STEM/ ICT Leader Clare Christie

Music: Colleen Azzopardi

Visual Arts: Shobha Hickey

Physical Education: Jake Franze

LOTE: Joe Sirianni

EAL/New Arrival: Irene Jurista

Library: Jenny Bistricki

Business Manager: Sue Smart

Administration Staff: Mandy Huong,

Stefani Richardson, Georgina Vella

Learning Support Officers:

Nwanes Bahnam, Nu Cuai, Menka Dave,

Ester Dawt Thluai, Jessica Di Pietro,

Catherine Hoang, Sara Kasko, Erica (Thoa) Le,

Celia (Thoi) Nguyen, Chau Nguyen, Trang

Nguyen, Van Nguyen, Thi Phan, Elizabeth Sant,

Rosemarie Slater, Alesha Tran, Frances Wulf,

Mary Xuereb, Sarah Xuereb, Rita Zammit,

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HOLY EUCHARIST PRIMARY SCHOOL

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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C



✠ *A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke* (Luke 12:13-21)

To whom will all this wealth of yours go?

A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied, 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.'

Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do; I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul: My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time." But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Dear Holy Eucharist Community,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a restful and peaceful break with your families.

Term 3 is off to a busy and exciting start. It was wonderful to see so many of our Year 3 families and staff attend the Reconciliation Family Faith Evening last week. Despite the chilly weather, our Year 4 families also joined us this week for the First Communion Family Evening—thank you for your continued support.

Unfortunately, our Athletics Carnival at Keilor Downs was cancelled due to poor weather. We'll let you know once a new date has been confirmed.

On a more joyful note, our Year Prep students celebrated 100 Days of School last Tuesday! They had a great time dressing as elderly citizens and enjoyed a special sausage sizzle lunch.

Thank you to all parents, carers, and interpreters who attended Parent/Teacher Interviews this week. Your involvement is so important to your child's success. We received very positive feedback from families, staff, and interpreters, and we are especially grateful to the 26 interpreters who supported these important conversations.

At the end of last term, we farewelled Miss Caitlyn Tamchai, one of our LSOs. We now look forward to welcoming Shalindi Pandithakoralage, who will be supporting students in the middle and senior year levels starting next week.

Finally, a heartfelt thank you to all parents and carers who participated in Parent Support Group (PSG) meetings over the past few months. It's inspiring to see such strong partnerships between families and staff in supporting our students with diverse learning needs. A special thanks to Mrs. Julie Semcesen for her dedication in organising these meetings and for coordinating the National Consistent Collection of Data (NCCD) submission—an essential part of our school's support for inclusive education.

Wishing you a restful and joyful weekend.

God Bless,

Michael Bonnici

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NAPLAN REPORTS

Last week, our Year 3s and Year 5s received their 2025 NAPLAN reports. From 2023, new standards were introduced to NAPLAN reporting. This reporting replaces the previous numerical NAPLAN reporting bands and national minimum standards. Education ministers agreed 2023 was the right time to introduce this change alongside moving NAPLAN to March. Proficiency standards provide clear information on student achievement. They are set at a challenging but reasonable level expected for the child at the time of NAPLAN testing, based mainly on what has been taught in previous years of schooling.

There are 4 proficiency levels:

- Exceeding: The student's result exceeds expectations at the time of testing.
- Strong: The student's result meets challenging but reasonable expectations at the time of testing.
- Developing: The student's result indicates that they are working towards expectations at the time of testing.
- Needs additional support: The student's result indicates that they are not achieving the learning outcomes expected at the time of testing. They are likely to need additional support to progress satisfactorily.

For more information please visit <https://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/assessment/f-10assessment/naplan/Pages/parents/index.aspx>



SWIMMING

As part of the Sports Program at Holy Eucharist, students from Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6 will be participating in a Swimming Program in Week 3 and Week 4 of Term 3, 2025. The program will include a 45-minute swim session each day for 2 weeks at the **Sunshine Leisure Centre**, 5 Kennedy St, Sunshine VIC 3020.

The dates of the 10 swimming lessons are:

Monday 4/8/25 - Friday 8/8/25 and Monday 11/8/25 - Friday 15/8/25

The swimming program will be a fantastic opportunity for your child to develop their coordination and confidence in the water, as well as learn essential water safety skills.



YEAR 6 CAMP

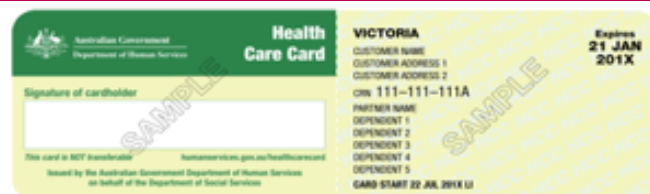
The Year 6s will be attending Log Cabin Camp in Creswick on Monday 1st September until Wednesday 3rd September 2025.

Log Cabin Camp, located on 36 acres near Creswick, offers bunk-style heated cabins with ensuites, indoor meeting spaces, and a wide range of outdoor activities like zip-lining, canoeing, archery, and more. Dedicated staff members will also attend the camp to assist with supervision.



HEALTH CARE CARD

If you have a valid Health Care Card, you are eligible for some financial support through the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF). For more information or assistance, please contact the staff in the office.



IS YOUR CHILD'S MEDICAL INFORMATION AND LIST OF EMERGENCY CONTACTS UP-TO-DATE?

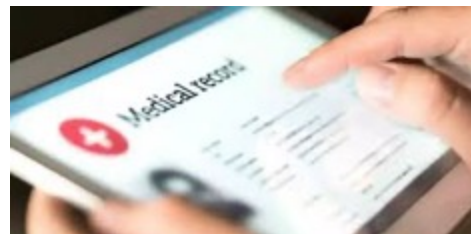
Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools Ltd (MACS) schools have a duty of care to ensure that reasonable care is taken and appropriate processes are in place when administering all medications in the school environment and during school related activities. Keeping your child's medical record up-to-date at school is crucial for their safety, well-being, and effective support. Accurate and current information allows school staff to respond appropriately to any health issues, ensuring that your child receives necessary care and assistance. It also helps with managing potential emergencies and promoting a safe learning environment.

It is the parents/guardians/carers responsibility to make sure that their child's medical information at the school is up to date. The 'Administration of Medication Policy for MACS Schools' stipulates that:

- Parents/guardians/carers are required to provide the school with current medical information as it becomes available" (MACS, 2024).
- MACS school principals require that parents/guardians/carers notify the school when medication is required to be taken during school hours or during school related activities, at the time of student enrolment at the school.

Keeping your child's emergency contact information up-to-date with the school is crucial for ensuring your child's safety and well-being. In case of an emergency or incident at school, having accurate contact details allows the school to quickly and effectively reach the appropriate individuals to provide necessary support and information. This includes situations like illness, injury, or unexpected events requiring parental notification.

If you need to update your child's medical information or emergency contacts details, please visit the office without delay.



IS YOUR CHILD UNWELL? IF YES...PLEASE KEEP THEM AT HOME!

Students must stay at home if they are genuinely sick.

This will prevent other students and staff from becoming unwell.

Students should stay at home if they have any of the following symptoms:

- persistent cough, runny nose, shortness of breath.
- tummy pains
- sore throat, loss of taste or smell
- temperature
- vomiting

It is important that your emergency contact details are up to date. It is also essential that your emergency contact person is available if, for any reason you are unable to pick up your child if we ring you.

PLEASE KEEP YOUR CHILD HOME
if they have the following symptoms:



WHOLE SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

All staff at Holy Eucharist School will be participating in Professional Learning on Friday 12th September 2025 (the second last week of Term 3). As a result, the school will be closed on this day. All teaching staff, Learning Support Officers (LSOs), and administration staff will be required to attend this professional learning.



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

As of this term, the school newsletter will no longer be printed and sent home with students. Instead, it will be available digitally via ClassDojo and on our school website.

For families who still wish to receive a printed copy, a limited number will be available for collection from the Administration Office. We take this step to have more environmentally sustainable practices at Holy Eucharist and to avoid increasing printing costs.

CAMP AUSTRALIA – Out of Hours Care

If you need to go to work or have other commitments before 8:30am, then your child/ren will need to go to **Before School Care**. Camp Australia is contracted by the school to provide this service from 7am each day until 8:30am. **After School Care** is also available from 3:10am until 6pm. Parents/Carers will need to enrol their child prior to their child attending the service, which will incur a fee (*Please note, you may be eligible to receive subsidies of up to 90% on Your OSHC fees with the Child Care Subsidy (CCS). We strongly recommend you apply for the CCS to determine your eligibility*).



For more information regarding Out of Hours Care (Camp Australia), please visit our school website for more information <https://www.hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au/enrolment-information/before-after-school-care/>

MACSSIS

Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools – School Improvement Surveys
1–19 September 2025



Melbourne Archdiocese
Catholic Schools

MELBOURNE ARCHDIOCESE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS – SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT SURVEYS (MACSSIS)

Throughout each year, we pause to listen to our students, families and staff to gauge how our learning community is travelling. This feedback is invaluable to our progress as effective school communities and is backed by evidence-based research and best practices.

A significant and formal way in which we engage and gather data is through MACSSIS, the Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools – School Improvement Surveys. One of the main goals of the MACSSIS survey is to identify the strengths and areas for improvement within our school. We believe it is important that you have a voice in order to contribute to shaping the ongoing improvement of Holy Eucharist School.

The survey will be accessible online in English and in various other languages and dialects, from Monday 1st September and will need to be completed by Friday 19th September 2025. All participation is invited, welcomed and 100% voluntary. The surveys are not a test; they are an inclusive way to inform the work we are already doing to improve our school. Everyone has the right to refuse to participate, or withdraw from the survey at any point before, during, or after completion of the survey. Please notify the school if your child (Years 4–6) does not wish to participate. If you would like more information, please free to contact Mr Michael Bonnici or Mrs Crystal Carmuciano at the office.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Class teachers will select one student per week to receive the "Student of the Week" award. The names of these students (first name only) will be published in our newsletter. This week we congratulate the following students:

<u>Prep TT</u> Week 1: Majak Week 2: Liam	<u>Prep SG</u> Week 1: Chloe Week 2: Isaac	<u>Prep JB</u> Week 1: Nickey Week 2: Liam	
<u>Year 1DX</u> Week 1: Anna Week 2: William	<u>Year 1JL</u> Week 1: Daniel Week 2: Lois	<u>Year 1JD</u> Week 1: Lucas Week 2: Sophia	
<u>Year 2TN</u> Week 1: Kenrich Week 2: Timothy	<u>Year 2CG</u> Week 1: Andy Week 2: Amber	<u>Year 2MJ</u> Week 1: Tommy H Week 2: Thea	
<u>Year 3AL</u> Week 1: Dante Week 2: Ayik	<u>Year 3 AC</u> Week 1: Andy Week 2: Emilia	<u>Year 3S/B</u> Week 1: Michael Week 2: Lois	
<u>Year 4ZG</u> Week 1: Kelvin Week 2: Ayom	<u>Year 4SN</u> Week 1: Sophie Week 2: Brandon	<u>Year 4BM</u> Week 1: Hannah Week 2: Sammie	
<u>Year 5RM</u> Week 1: San Week 2: Aparer	<u>Year 5JM</u> Week 1: Riley Week 2: Lucas	<u>Year 5JD</u> Week 1: Milena Week 2: Lily	
<u>Year 6JC</u> Week 1: Gia Hy Week 2: Angwaed	<u>Year 6H/M</u> Week 1: Micky Week 2: Bao	<u>Year 6KB</u> Week 1: Dhanuka Week 2: Elaine	
			<u>Year 4ER</u> Week 1: Kendrick Week 2: Phuc
			<u>Year 5ML</u> Week 1: Jasmine Week 2: Rio

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100 DAYS OF PREP



IMPORTANT DATES:

- 3 Aug, Sun **18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
 4 Aug, Mon Saint John Vianney
 4 Aug - 8 Aug **Grade 2, 4 & 6 Swimming program**
 5 Aug, Tue **6:30pm Reconciliation Ceremony (Gr 3)**
 The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major
 6 Aug, Wed The Transfiguration of the Lord
 7 Aug, Thurs Saint Sixtus II and companions
 Saint Cajetan
 8 Aug, Fri **SAINT MARY OF THE CROSS (MACKILLOP)**
 9 Aug, Sat Teresa Benedicta of the Cross
 10 Aug, Sun **19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
 11 Aug, Mon Saint Clare
 11 Aug - 15 Aug - **Grade 2, 4 & 6 Swimming program**
 12 Aug, Tues Saint Jane Frances de Chantal
 13 Aug, Wed Saints Pontian and Hippolytus
 14 Aug, Thurs Saint Maximilian Kolbe
 15 Aug, Fri **THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**
 16 Aug, Sat Saint Stephen of Hungary
 17 Aug, Sun **20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
 18 Aug, Mon Science Discovery Dome Incursion Grade 6
 21 Aug, Thurs St Albans Secondary PAT M/R testing for Year 7 2026
 Grade 4s attending CRC Musical performance
 24 Aug, Sun **21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
 10am First Holy Communion Presentation Mass (Gr 4)
 25 Aug - 29 Aug - **Grade 3 & 5 Swimming program**
 26 Aug, Tues 6:30 pm Grade Six Puberty Night
 31 Aug, Sun **22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Social Justice Sunday**
 10am First Holy Communion Ceremony Mass (Gr 4)
 1 Sep **World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation**
 1 - 3 Sep Year 6 Camp - Log Cabin Creswick
 1 - 5 Sep Grade 3 & 5 Swimming program
 3-4 Sep Father's Day Stall
 4 Sep Father's Day Breakfast & Assembly

IMPORTANT SACRAMENT PREPARATION DATES:

- 5 Aug, Tues 6.30pm Sacrament of First Reconciliation (Gr 3)
 24 Aug, Sun 10am First Communion Presentation Mass (Gr 4)
 31 Aug, Sun 10am Sacrament of First Communion (Gr 4)

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ENROLMENTS OPEN FOR 2026

- ✓ Celebrate Diversity
- ✓ Positive NAPLAN results
- ✓ Specialist programs include:
Physical Education, STEM, Music,
Visual Arts and Italian language

MORE INFORMATION

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PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2026 - NOW OPEN

Enrolments are now open for Prep 2026. Children commencing Prep next year must be 5 years of age by 30th April 2026. We already have a number of applications for next year and have started interviewing families.

It is important that our current families also register their child/children at the office if they wish to enrol them for Grade Prep in 2026.

Tours of the school are now taking place after school. Please contact the office to make a booking.

SAFETY OF CHILDREN AND ALL VULNERABLE PEOPLE:

We hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and all vulnerable people as a central and fundamental responsibility for our community. The Holy Eucharist Commitment to Child Safety and Reporting Process are on display in the Administration foyer of the School and School Policies are available on the website at www.hestalbansstcatholic.edu.au

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

At Holy Eucharist School, we are honoured to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land, the Wurundjeri People of the Kulin Nation, the first and enduring caretakers of the land in which we work and live.

We pay our respects to the Traditional Elders, both past and present, who have walked this country for countless generations.

We value the diversity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural heritages and recognise the impacts of colonisation and pledge our ongoing commitment to reconciliation.

