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Mass Times:

Tuesday – Friday: 9am (English)

Saturday: 6pm (English)

7:30pm (Vietnamese)

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

12pm (Vietnamese)

Prep: Juliana Bizjak, Lorna Naidu & Christopher O'Reilly

Grade 1: Samenta Ganesanantham, Rebecca Howard & Thomas Phan

Grade 2: Joseph Adams, Mary James & Thilini Nanayakkara

Grade 3: Allana Curmi, Angela Lopez-Dee & Dion Xuereb

Grade 4: Jo Dragovic, Zachary Gordon & Tommy Lee

Grade 5: Jacelle Cablao, Janelle Dumaguit, Richard Hoult & Julie Murnane

Grade 6: Kathryn Barrie, Allison Diaco/Michael Higgins, Matthew Laureano & Raquel McClurg,

Education in Faith/ICT Leader: Clare Christie

Learning & Teaching Leader: Erin McNally

Literacy Leader/Intervention: Jane Hurren

Literacy Intervention: Jocelle Cachero & Thy Tran

Maths Leader P-6: Erin McNally

Maths Intervention: Maryanne Camilleri

Learning Diversity Leader/ Intervention: Julie Semcesen

Family & Community Engagement/

Wellbeing Leader: Crystal Carmuciano

Mental Health in Primary Schools Leader (MHIPS) / School Counsellor: Edward Faraci

Speech Pathologist: Claire Huntington

Music: Colleen Azzopardi

STEM: Di Woodburn

Visual Arts: Stefany Nemet

Physical Education: Jake Franze

Visual Arts/Physical Education: CB

LOTE: Christine Saunders P-2, Simona Grippi 3-6

EAL/New Arrival: Irene Jurista

Relieving Teacher: Tania Gatt

Library: Jenny Bistricki

Business Manager: Sue Smart

Administration Staff: Mandy Huang, Stefani Richardson, Georgina Vella

Learning Support Officers:

Nwanes Bahnam, Nu Cuai, Menka Dave, Ester Dawt Thluai, Jessica Di Pietro, Rebecca Galea, Catherine Hoang, Sara Kasko, Erica (Thoa) Le, Celia (Thoi) Nguyen, Chau Nguyen, Trang Nguyen, Thi Phan, Elizabeth Sant, Rosemarie Slater, Alesha Tran, Frances Wulf, Mary Xuereb, Sarah Xuereb, Rita Zammit,

Cleaners: June Balatbat & Maria Attard

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Holy Eucharist School - St Albans South

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2026 Jubilee Year of St Francis of Assisi

Pope Leo XIV has officially proclaimed 2026 as a special Year of St. Francis of Assisi to mark the 800th anniversary of the death of St. Francis.



Prayer of St Francis of Assisi- Prayer for Peace)

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:

where there is hatred, let me sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light;

where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek

to be consoled as to console,

to be understood as to understand,

to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive,

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Dear Holy Eucharist Community,

Welcome back to another exciting year at Holy Eucharist School. I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and a positive start to the New Year. I would like to extend a warm welcome to all our new students, families, and staff. I am confident you will find our school community to be welcoming, caring, and supportive.

This year, we have a total of 544 students, including 73 new Prep children and several new students across other year levels. On the day before students commenced school, our entire staff were onsite preparing for the year ahead. We began the day by celebrating Mass in the Church with our parishioners. Following Communion, our staff participated in a Commissioning Ceremony and received a special blessing from Fr Robin.

All students, including our youngest learners, have settled in well and successfully completed their first week. The Preps and their teachers enjoyed an exciting first day, while the rest of the students and staff were eager to return after the summer break.

This year, we are delighted to welcome ten new staff members to our school, two of whom have previously worked at our school. Mr Christopher O'Reilly and Ms Lorna Naidu join us in Prep; Mr Thomas Pham in Year 1; Mr Joseph Adams in Year 2; Mr Tommy Lee in Year 4; and Mr Richard Hoult in Year 5. Ms Simona Grippi will be teaching Italian across Years 3 - 6. We also warmly welcome back Ms Rebecca Howard, who has returned from the United Kingdom and will teach Year 1, and Mrs Allison Diaco, who has returned from maternity leave and will teach Year 6 part-time with Mr Higgins. In addition, we welcome Rebecca Galea, who will be working with the Prep students as a Learning Support Officer. We extend our very best wishes to all staff for a rewarding and successful year ahead.

This year, we have moved our Family School Picnic forward by one week. Traditionally our Family Picnic is usually held on Shrove Tuesday. However, this year the picnic coincides with the Lunar New Year festivities. As many families in our community will be celebrating this important event, the picnic will now take place on **Tuesday, 10th February, from 5:00-7:00 pm** on the school oval (weather permitting). There will be a jumping castle and a variety of activities for everyone to enjoy, along with a sausage sizzle, drinks, fairy floss, and popcorn. We hope to see many of you there as we come together to celebrate our school community.

As I have shared before, it is both an honour and a privilege to lead and serve the Holy Eucharist School community as Principal. I am deeply grateful for the ongoing support and partnership of our students, staff, families, and parish community. May God bless and protect us throughout 2026. Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Michael Bonnici.

Principal

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A SPECIAL JUBILEE: Celebrating the Year of St. Francis of Assisi

2026 has been officially proclaimed the Year of St. Francis of Assisi by Pope Leo XIV. This global celebration marks the 800th anniversary of the saint's passing in 1226 and invites us all to reflect on his legacy of peace, humility, and love for all of God's creation.

Why is this year significant?

St. Francis (1181 - 1226) is one of history's most beloved figures. After trading his life of wealth for a journey of service, he founded the Franciscan Order and became a champion for the poor and the environment.

Key Highlights for the 2026 Jubilee:

- **The Celebration Period:** The Jubilee runs from 10th January 2026 to 10th January 2027.
- **A Historic Opportunity:** The remains of St. Francis will be on public display at the Basilica in Assisi, the first time such an event has occurred.

We look forward as a school community to acknowledging this special year together. It is a beautiful chance for our students to lead the way in showing kindness to one another and being 'stewards of the earth' in our own backyard.



SR LEONIE GLENNEN RSM

A much-loved Sister of Mercy, Sr Leonie Glennen RSM died peacefully at Mercy Place Parkville on 4 January, in the 74th year of her Religious Profession. She was 93 years old.

Sr Leonie was appointed as the first Principal of Holy Eucharist Primary School, St Albans South, when the school opened in 1975. She worked alongside Sr Margaret Broadbent, Sr Margaret McHugh and Sr Helen Duffy (dec.), who taught at the school and served the parish community. The Sisters lived in the convent on O'Brien Drive until 1979.

More recently, Sr Leonie returned to Holy Eucharist together with the Sisters of Mercy, for the blessing and opening of the Catherine McAuley Learning Centre and to participate in the school's 50th Anniversary celebrations.

Sr Leonie's lifelong love of learning, deep commitment to education in all its forms, dedication to pastoral care, and her practical witness to Mercy were exemplary and leave a lasting legacy within the school and wider community.

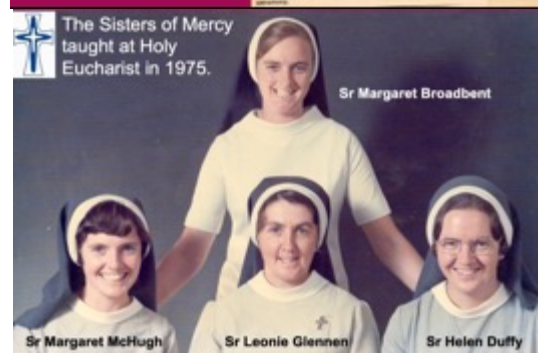
May Sr Leonie rest in peace.



Holy Eucharist Staff 1975



1978



2025 - Holy Eucharist's 50th Anniversary

BELL TIMES IN 2026

All classes (Prep to Year 6) begin at 8:55 am.

Morning Routine:

- Gates open at 8:30 am
- Classrooms open at 8:45 am
- **Teaching begins at 8:55 am (all gates will close at this time)!**

NB: Students arriving after 8:55 am must obtain a late pass from the school office.

Dismissal Times:

Students in Year 3 follow the Junior Bell and Junior timetable. Therefore:

- Years 1, 2 and 3 commence school at 8:55am and finish school at 3:10pm.
- Years 4, 5 and 6 commence school at 8:55am and finish school at 3:15pm.

HOLY EUCHARIST SCHOOL - ST ALBANS SOUTH			
BELL TIMES FOR THE JUNIOR AND SENIOR SCHOOL			
SPECIALISTS - JUNIORS (Chime)		SPECIALISTS MID/SENIORS (Bell)	
8:45	Students enter classroom (chime)	8:45	Students enter classroom (bell)
8:55	Session 1 (60min) (chime)	8:55	Session 1 (60min) (bell)
9:55	Session 2 (40min) (chime)	9:55	Session 2 (60min) (bell)
10:35	Recess (30min) (chime)	10:35	Lunch Eating (10 min) (bell)
11:00	Toilet bell (chime)	11:00	Lunch (40 min) (bell)
11:05	Session 3 Cont'd (+20min) (chime)	11:42	Toilet bell (bell)
11:25	Session 3 (60min) (chime)	11:45	Session 3 (60min) (bell)
12:25	Session 4 (30min) (chime)	12:45	Session 4 (60min) (bell)
1:00	Eating (10min) (chime)	1:45	Recess (30min) (bell)
1:10	Lunch (35min) (minus 5min early finish) (chime)	2:12	Toilet bell (bell)
1:42	Toilet bell (chime)	2:15	Session 5 (60min) (bell)
1:45	Session 4 Cont'd (+25 min) (chime)	3:15	Dismissal (bell)
2:10	Session 5 (60min) (chime)		
3:10	Dismissal (chime)		
Junior Recess = 30 min		Senior Recess: 30 min	
Junior Lunch = 10 min eating + 35 min play = 45min		Senior Lunch: 10 min eating + 40 min play = 50 min	
NB: -5 min lunch due to early finish			

M Bonnici – Principal

CLASS TEACHERS IN 2026

JUNIOR SCHOOL

Grade Prep

-Miss Juliana Bizjak
-Mr Christopher O'Reilly
-Ms Lorna Naidu

Grade 1

-Ms Samenta Ganeshanantham
-Mr Thomas Pham
-Ms Rebecca Howard

Grade 2

-Ms Mary James
-Ms Thilini Nanayakkara
-Mr Joseph Adams

Religious Education / ICT Leader

-Miss Clare Christie

Learning & Teaching / Numeracy Leader

-Ms Erin McNally

Literacy Leader / Intervention Teacher

-Mrs Jane Hurren

Learning Diversity/Intervention Teacher

-Mrs Julie Semcesen

Family School Partnerships / Wellbeing

Leader: -Ms Crystal Carmuciano

Mental Health in Primary Schools

Leader/Counsellor -Mr Edward Faraci

Music -Mrs Colleen Azzopardi

Visual Arts -Mrs Stefany Nemet

Physical Education -Mr Jake Franze

Visual Arts/Physical Education/Support

-Ms CB

LOTE (Italian):

-Mrs Christine Saunders
-Ms Simone Grippi

STEM -Mrs Dianne Woodburn

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Grade 3

-Ms Angela Lopez-Dee
-Mr Dion Xuereb
-Miss Allana Curmi

Grade 4

-Mrs Jo Dragovic
-Mr Zachary Gordon
-Mr Tommy Lee

Literacy Intervention Teachers

-Ms Jocelle Cocheron
-Ms Thy Tran

Relieving Teacher

-Mrs Tania Gatt

Refugee/English Proficiency (EAL)

-Mrs Irene Jurista [P/T]

Numeracy Intervention

-Ms Maryanne Camilleri [P/T]

Learning Support Officers (LSOs)

-Ms Catherine Hoang
-Miss Alesha Tran
-Ms Chau Nguyen
-Ms Frances Wulf
-Mrs Jenny Bistricki (Library)
-Mrs Rita Zammit
-Mrs Mary Xuereb
-Ms Nu Cuai
-Ms Rosemarie Slater
-Mrs Thi Phan
-Mrs Trang Nguyen
-Ms Ester Dawt Thluai
-Ms Erica (Thao) Le
-Ms Celia (Thoai) Nguyen
-Mrs Jessica DiPietro
-Mrs Elizabeth Sant
-Mrs Sara Kasko
-Mrs Nwares Bahnam
-Ms Menka Dave
-Mrs Sarah Xuereb
-Miss Rebecca Galea

SENIOR SCHOOL

Grade 5

-Miss Julie Murnane
-Miss Janelle Dumaguit
-Ms Jacelle Cablao
-Mr Richard Hoult

Grade 6

-Ms Kathryn Barrie
-Mr Michael Higgins/Mrs Allison Diaco
-Mr Matthew Laureano
-Ms Raquel McClurg

Speech Pathologist (SPS)

-Ms Claire Huntigton

Cleaners

-Mrs Maria Attard
-Mr June Balatbat

Administration

-Mrs Sue Smart
-Mrs Mandy Huong
-Ms Stefani Richardson
-Ms Georgina Vella

Priests at Holy Eucharist

-Fr. John Hodgson CSsR (Administrator)
-Fr. Joseph Nguyen CSsR
-Fr. Robin Lomangkok CSsR

Deputy Principal/School Improvement Leader

-Ms Anne-Marie Conte

Principal

-Mr Michael Bonnici

LINE-UP AREAS: Before school and at the end of recess and lunch

Last year, our Preps and Year 1 classes relocated to different classrooms in preparation for the refurbishment works, which are scheduled to begin in mid-February this year. With the majority of classes now situated at the back of the school, we have made some important changes to where students will be required to line up.

Students will no longer line up outside their classrooms before school, during recess, or at lunchtime. When the bell rings at 8:45am, students are to move directly to their designated line-up areas and wait for their teachers.

For safety reasons, no students or parents are permitted to wait outside classrooms or between buildings before school or during recess and lunch.

New Line-Up Locations:

- **Prep, Year 1, Year 2, and Year 3:**

Students will line up on the Basketball Court with their bags at 8:45am and whenever the bell rings at the end of recess and lunch.

- **Years 4, 5, and 6:**

Students will line up on the Oval with their bags at 8:45am and whenever the bell rings at the end of recess and lunch.

These changes have been introduced to support smoother transitions, improve supervision, and enhance student safety. Please note that for safety reasons:

- Students are **not permitted to play ball games** on the oval or basketball court **before or after school**.
- Students are **not permitted to use the adventure playground** before or after school.

We appreciate your cooperation and support as we implement these procedures. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to see me.



PREPS 2026

Preps will be at school from 8:55am to 3:10pm every day except for Wednesdays in February. The Preps will have no school on:

- Wednesday 4th February,
- Wednesday 11th February,
- Wednesday 18th February,



PARKING ENFORCEMENT BLITZ

Brimbank Council will continue monitoring the vicinity of the school in regards to parking. This 'Parking Enforcement Blitz' around the school aims to ensure the safety of all members of our community.

The council has advised that fines will be issued to motorists who:

- Park in 'No Standing Anytime' zones
- Park outside the restrictions indicated on signposts
- Double park to drop off or pick up children
- Park illegally in residential driveways
- Speed in the 40km/h school zone



This Parking Blitz is a response to increasing complaints from parents, carers, and local residents. The safety of our students and community members is a priority, and we appreciate your cooperation in adhering to traffic and parking rules.

Please note that fines are issued by the council, not the school. **The school will not be responsible for any infringements incurred.**

Thank you for your understanding and support in keeping our school community safe.

PARKING AROUND THE SCHOOL PREMISES AND CHURCH GROUNDS

The driveway next to the church is a '**Kiss and Go**' zone. This means that **parents/carers cannot get out of the car to escort their children to gate/classroom**. Students need to have their school bag ready next to them before leaving home, so that they can leave the car as soon as the driver has stopped in the 'Kiss and Go' zone. Please ensure that you adhere to the following road rules:



- Do not leave your car unattended in the church driveway
- Do not park your car in the staff/parish carpark
- Do not block or park in neighbouring driveways
- Do not double park. Even if it is for a few seconds.
- Only those persons with **DISABLED** stickers are permitted to park in the disabled parking bays in the church carpark.
- Do not park on people's nature strips.

STAFF LEAVING

We say farewell to Mrs Shobha Hickey, who finished her time at Holy Eucharist School at the end of the year, following 45 years of service. We thank Mrs Hickey for her contribution to the school, particularly in the area of the Arts, and to Catholic education over many years. We wish her all the best for the future.



In mid-February, we will also be saying goodbye to Celia (Thoai) Nguyen, who has worked at the school as a Learning Support Officer for the past three years. We thank her for her contribution and wish her all the very best in her future endeavours.

UNIFORM GROUP (PSW UNIFORMS)

Holy Eucharist School has a Uniform Policy. **It is an expectation that all students are always wearing the correct school uniform.** If students are not wearing the correct uniform, they are required to have a written letter from their parent/carer explaining why they are out of uniform.

Holy Eucharist School uniform is available for purchase at PSW Uniforms in Ravenhall. For more information please visit <https://www.psw.com.au/schools/holy-eucharist-school-st-albans.html>

The Uniform Group (PSW Uniforms).

UNIT 2, 51-53 WESTWOOD DRIVE,
RAVENHALL VIC 3023

(03) 9768 0342



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 JB</u> Week 1: Ying Week 2: Rosa	<u>Prep LN</u> Week 1: Bryan Week 2: Alina	<u>Prep CO'R</u> Week 1: Alan Week 2: Adol	
<u>Year 1 SG</u> Week 1: Kalilah Week 2: Eric	<u>Year 1 RH</u> Week 1: Nickey Week 2: Liam L	<u>Year 1 TP</u> Week 1: Thien Week 2: Jason	
<u>Year 2 JA</u> Week 1: Seayoo Week 2: Angel	<u>Year 2 MJ</u> Week 1: Anna Week 2: Ana	<u>Year 2 TN</u> Week 1: Dexter Week 2: Sally	
<u>Year 3 AC</u> Week 1: Felicia Week 2: Kenrich	<u>Year 3 AL</u> Week 1: Elisia Week 2: David	<u>Year 3 DX</u> Week 1: William Week 2: Bei Bei	
<u>Year 4 JD</u> Week 1: Connor Week 2: Hannah	<u>Year 4 ZG</u> Week 1: Hayley Week 2: Frank	<u>Year 4 TL</u> Week 1: Kaitlyn Week 2: Zoe	
<u>Year 5 JC</u> Week 1: Melody Week 2: Layla	<u>Year 5 JD</u> Week 1: Philia Week 2: Phong	<u>Year 5 RH</u> Week 1: Seal Week 2: Elayne	
<u>Year 6 AD/MH</u> Week 1: Jasmine Week 2: Aparer	<u>Year 6 KB</u> Week 1: Angela Week 2: Henry	<u>Year 6 ML</u> Week 1: Vivian Week 2: Albert	<u>Year 5 JM</u> Week 1: Jonathan Week 2: Emily
			<u>Year 6 RMc</u> Week 1: Mi Vi Week 2: Khamh Bawi

MAP TO SHOW CLASSROOMS - 2026



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FAMILY SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS/WEELLBEING

Nutritious lunches fuel learning! 🍎 Some classes have a 10am 'brain break' for fruits and veggies. All students have 2 eating breaks; recess (snack) and lunch.

Involve your child in lunch preparation, choosing foods they enjoy. Together, we'll keep students energized and focused. 🥦

Thank you for working in partnership with us,

Mrs Crystal Carmuciano
Family School Partnerships/Wellbeing Leader
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If there are any families experiencing hardship, please see the office for support



Holy Eucharist Canteen Menu 2026

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 🟡 Spaghetti Bolognese with parmesan cheese \$5.00 🟡 Steam Bun (BBQ Pork/Vegetable) \$3.00 Each 🔴 Beef / Chicken noodle \$4.00 🟢 Steam Dimsim \$3.00 for 2 🟡 Baked Chicken nuggets \$3.00 for 5 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 🟢 Tuna / Chicken Sushi \$3.00 Each 🟡 Steam Bun (BBQ Pork/Vegetable) \$3.00 Each 🔴 Beef / Chicken noodle \$4.00 🟢 Steam Dimsim \$3.00 for 2 🟡 Baked Chicken nuggets \$3.00 for 5 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 🟡 Beef Lasagna \$5.00 🟡 Steam Bun (BBQ Pork/Vegetable) \$3.00 Each 🔴 Beef / Chicken noodle \$4.00 🟢 Steam Dimsim \$3.00 for 2 🟡 Baked Chicken nuggets \$3.00 for 5 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 🟡 Fried rice with ham and vegetables \$5.00 🟡 Steam Bun (BBQ Pork/Vegetable) \$3.00 Each 🔴 Beef / Chicken noodle \$4.00 🟢 Steam Dimsim \$3.00 for 2 🟡 Baked Chicken nuggets \$3.00 for 5 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 🔴 Hot dog \$3.00 🟡 Steam Bun (BBQ Pork/Vegetable) \$3.00 Each 🔴 Beef / Chicken noodle \$4.00 🟢 Steam Dimsim \$3.00 for 2 🟡 Baked Chicken nuggets \$3.00 for 5

No deep fryer – Only air fryer and oven is used

Available Everyday

- 🟡 Ham Cheese croissant \$4.00
- 🟢 Ham Cheese pocket \$3.00
- 🟡 Jam and Butter sandwich \$3.00

Beverage

- 🟡 Chocolate / Strawberry milk \$2.00
- 🟢 Spring water \$1.50
- 🟡 Juice \$1.50

Snack

- 🟢 Seasonal Fruit cup \$1.50
- 🟢 Steam corn cob \$1.00
- 🟡 Jelly cup \$1.00
- 🟡 Popcorn \$0.50
- 🟡 Biscuit stick \$2.50
- 🟡 Tiny Teddy Biscuit \$1.00

- 🔴 Shapes \$1.00
- 🔴 Red Rock Deli Potato Chips \$1.50

Ice cold

- 🔴 Zooper Doopers \$1.00
- 🔴 Ice cream \$1.00 – \$2.00
- 🟡 Frozen Yoghurt Stick \$1.00

HEALTHIER OPTIONS (Available Everyday)

Sandwich/ Wrap with

- Grilled Chicken, lettuce and Mayo. **\$6.00**
- Roast vegetables, Spinach and Cheese **\$5.50** (Vegetarian/ Vegan without cheese \$5.00)
- Lettuce, Tomato and Cheese **\$3.50**
- (Vegetarian/ Vegan without cheese \$3.00)
- Seasonal fruit **\$1** (Apple, Banana, Mandarin)

Please write your lunch order bag or note as shown here

CLASS _____

NAME & SURNAME _____

FOOD ITEM	PRICE	\$.....
TOTAL		\$.....
MONEY ENCLOSED		\$.....
CHANGE REQUIRED		\$.....

The Traffic Light System: Foods and drinks are classified as **GREEN**, **AMBER** or **RED** according to their nutritional value:



RED – OCCASIONAL FOOD

AMBER – SELECT CAREFULLY FOOD

GREEN – EVERYDAY FOOD



Child Safe Standard 1

"Establish culturally safe environments in which the diverse and unique identities and experiences of Aboriginal children, young people and students are respected and value"

As Catholic educators, we have a moral, mission-driven and legal responsibility to uphold and actively promote the wellbeing and safety of every student entrusted in our care. Our commitment to the protection of students is enabled in nurturing, respectful and safe communities where the uniqueness and sacred dignity of every young person are celebrated, and they can flourish in their learning and development.

This newsletter series provides an overview of what the Child Safe Standards are, how they are designed to help keep children and young people safe and what school governed by Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools (MACS) are doing to prioritise and achieve this.

Overview of the Victorian Child Safe Standards

The Victorian Child Safe Standards are a set of 11 minimum requirements that all organisations working with children must meet. These standards are designed to:

- Prevent child abuse and harm
- Make child safety a shared responsibility
- Support the wellbeing of all children, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and children with disabilities
- Promote the participation and empowerment of children and young people

These standards apply to all school staff, volunteers, contractors, and anyone working with children in schools.

Our Commitment

Our commitment to the protection of students is enabled in nurturing, respectful and safe communities where the uniqueness and sacred dignity of every young person are celebrated, and they can flourish in their learning and development.

This vision is driven by the Gospel message of love, justice and abundance, beautifully reflected in the words of John:

"I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full"

(Jn 10:10)

Note: The term 'Aboriginal' includes Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. It is important to be respectful of how individual children, students, their families and community refer to themselves and use appropriate language when referring to individuals or communities.

Spotlight on Child Safe Standard 1

Creating a Culturally Safe Environment for Aboriginal Children

Child Safe Standard 1 relates to children and young people feeling culturally safe, respected, and valued.

What does this look like in a school environment?

- **Celebrating culture:** We include and celebrate Aboriginal culture in our classrooms/events e.g. NAIDOC Week, researching stories to share, inviting guest speakers.
- **Taking a stance:** We lead by example against racism and swiftly respond if it is observed.
- **Working together:** We contact and engage with Aboriginal families and communities to make sure our school is welcoming and inclusive. We ask families what they need to feel supported at our school.
- **Ongoing development:** Our staff receive training and knowledge to better understand and support cultural safety.



How Parents, Carers and Guardians can get involved!

Here's how you can support:

- **Familiarise** yourself with the school's child safety policies and understand how they support student wellbeing.
- **Provide feedback** when you notice something that may impact a child's safety or wellbeing.
- **Support** your child when they express their views and that their opinions are valued and heard.
- **Join in** on school activities, parent committees or forums that promote child safety and wellbeing.

Want to know more?

If you have any questions or would like to learn more about how we're supporting child safety, please get in touch.

More information on the Child Safe Standards can be found via the [Commission for Children and Young People \(CCYP\) website](#).

Check out these additional resources below to learn more!

- [Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation](#)
- [Koori Heritage Trust](#)
- [Aboriginal Catholic Ministry Victoria](#)
- [AIATSIS: Map of Indigenous Australia](#)
- [Yoorrook Justice Commission](#)



Working together for Child Safety



NORTH SUNSHINE FC

PLAY FOOTBALL FOR FREE!

BOYS & GIRLS JUNIOR FOOTBALL
AGES 5-14

TRAINING EVERY
MONDAY & WEDNESDAY
EVENING

5PM START

Dempster Park
Phoenix Street,
Sunshine North

FAMILY FUN FOOTBALL CLUB



BOYS & GIRLS AUSKICK

EVERY THURSDAY EVENING

STARTING APRIL 30TH

Dempster Park
Phoenix Street,
Sunshine North



AGES 4-12
5PM START

CONTACT US:

CAMERON: 0412 642 526

junior.roadrunners1967@gmail.com



NORTH SUNSHINE FC

CHƠI BÓNG ĐÁ ÚC MIỄN PHÍ!

BÓNG ĐÁ ÚC
DÀNH CHO NAM & NỮ
LỬA TUỔI 5-14

TẬP LUYỆN HÀNG TUẦN
VÀO TỐI THỨ HAI & THỨ TƯ

BẮT ĐẦU LÚC 5PM

Dempster Park
Phoenix Street,
North Sunshine

AUSKICK

DÀNH CHO NAM & NỮ

BẮT ĐẦU TỪ NGÀY 30 THÁNG 4

Dempster Park
Phoenix Street,
North Sunshine



AGES 4-12
LỬA TUỔI 4-12

LIÊN HỆ:

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AI CÙNG CÓ THỂ THAM GIA



School Crossings Victoria Inc.

Is your School Crossing Supervisor the best?

Nominate your School Crossing Supervisor for the 2025/2026 School Crossing Supervisor of the year award.

Jump online and complete a nomination at
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IMPORTANT DATES

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Thursday 29 th January 2026	- Preps begin - Preps - No school on Wed 4 th , 11 th , 18 th Feb.
Tuesday 10th February	- Family Picnic from 5-7pm on the oval
Wednesday 18 th February	- Ash Wednesday Mass (Years 1-6 at 12pm)
Monday 23 rd February	- Years 3 & 4 Incursion St John's Ambulance
Monday 2 nd March	- School Photo Day (Summer Uniform)
Wednesday 4 th March.	- Parent/Teacher Conversations (Students finish school at 12pm)
Monday 9th March	- Labour Day – Public Holiday
Wednesday 11th March	- NAPLAN Writing 9:15am, Reading 12pm
Thursday 12 March	- NAPLAN Language Conventions at 9:15am
Friday 13th March	- NAPLAN: Numeracy 9:15
Monday 16th -23rd March	- NAPLAN Catch Up
Thursday 2nd April	- End of Term 1 (2:30 pm finish)

School holidays:

Fri 3rd April	- Good Friday – Public Holiday
Monday 6th April	- Easter Monday – Public Holiday

TERM 2

Monday 20 th April	- Term 2 begins
Friday 24th April	- School Closure Day [1]
Saturday 25th April	- ANZAC DAY (Falls on Saturday in 2026)
Tuesday 28th April	- Confirmation: Family Faith Evening at 6:30pm
Sunday 10th May	- Confirmation Presentation Mass at 10:00am
Friday 15th May	- Confirmation (Aux Bishop Martin Ashe) 7:00pm
Monday 25 th May	- Yr 6 Camp (Doxa Malmesbury – Group 1)
Tuesday 26th May	- First Eucharist Family Faith Evening 6:30pm
Wednesday 27 th May	- Yr 6 Camp (Doxa Malmesbury – Group 2)
Sunday 31st May	- First Eucharist Presentation Mass at 10:00am
Friday 5th June.	- School Closure Day [2]
Monday 8th June	- King's Birthday – Public Holiday
Sunday 14th June	- First Eucharist Mass at 10:00am
Friday 26th June	- End of Term 2 (2:30pm finish)

School holidays:

Sun 5 th July – Sun 12 th July	- NAIDOC Week
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TERM 3

Monday 13th July	- School Closure Day [3]
Tuesday 14th July	- Term 3 begins
Wednesday 22nd July	- Parent/Teacher Interviews (Students finish school at 12pm)
Monday 24 th – 26 th August	- Year 5 Camp (Log Cabin – Creswick)
Friday 11th September	- School Closure Day [4] Review
Friday 18th September	- End of Term 3 (2:30pm finish)

School holidays:

TERM 4

Monday 5 th October	- Term 4 begins
Tuesday 13 th October	- Family Faith Evening Reconciliation: 6:30pm
Sunday 18 October	- World Mission Sunday (Staff at 10am Mass)
Tuesday 20 th October	- Reconciliation 6:30pm
Monday 2nd November	- School Closure Day – Report Writing Day [4]
Tuesday 3rd November	- Melbourne Cup – Public Holiday
Tuesday 1 st December	- Orientation Day from 2pm – 3pm
Wednesday 2 nd December	- Family Picnic at 5pm/School Carols 6:30pm
Monday 7 th December	- Grade 6 Graduation Mass at 6:30pm
Tuesday 15th December	- Last Day for Students (2:30pm finish)
Wednesday 16th December	- School Closure– Last day for staff

HOLY EUCHARIST PRIMARY SCHOOL



ENROLMENTS OPEN FOR 2027

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

Refurbishment and extension of the junior building commencing 2026 for early 2027 completion - 8 fully refurbished classrooms!



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MORE INFORMATION

Principal: Mr Michael Bonnici

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PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2027 - NOW OPEN

Enrolments are now open for Prep 2027. Children commencing Prep next year must be 5 years of age by 30th April 2027.

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 2027.

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

Tues, Feb 10th

FAMILY SCHOOL PICNIC

5pm - 7pm

School Oval

Sausages, drinks and zooper doopers for sale

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.hestalbanssth.catholic.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.