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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 Ganeshanantham, 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 Dumaguitt, 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:

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

Cleaners: June Balatbat & Maria Xardar

ENGAGE

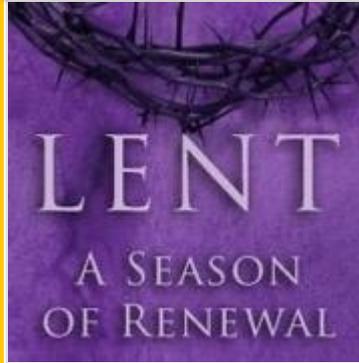


Holy Eucharist School - St Albans South

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Lord God,
you who breathed the spirit of life within me.
Draw out of me the light and life you created.
Help me to find my way back to you.
Help me to use my life to reflect your glory
and to serve others
as your son Jesus did.

Lent is a period of preparation in the Church's Liturgical Year that orients the community towards **Holy Week** and the Season of **Easter**. It is a time of **prayer, fasting and good works**. The Season of

Lent begins with **Ash Wednesday** and concludes on **Holy Thursday** Evening (the Vigil of Good Friday).

Dear Holy Eucharist Community,

Chúc mừng năm mới ! I would like to wish all those celebrating the Lunar New Year a joyful and prosperous New Year!

Thank you to everyone who made our recent Family Picnic, last Tuesday, such a huge success. It was wonderful to see so many of our families join us, showing their support and enjoying time together at school. The weather was certainly kind to us, with the sun making a welcome appearance later in the afternoon and early evening, adding to the warm and positive atmosphere.

A special thank you to Mrs Crystal Carmuciano for organising the activities and coordinating the event so smoothly. Thank you also to Mrs Carmuciano, Ms Anne-Marie Conte and Mrs Georgina Vella for ordering/purchasing items for the picnic, and to Mr June Balatbat and the staff who assisted with cooking the BBQ. I would also like to extend my sincere thanks to all staff who stayed behind after school to support the pack-up of our Family Picnic.

I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank our generous families for their donations towards our Family School Picnic. In particular, thank you to Mr Nguyen from White Knight Real Estate for his very generous donation of \$1,000. Thank you also to the Nguyen family from A&M Kitchen Cabinets for donating \$200, and to the Pham family for kindly donating lots of Zooper Doopers. We raised \$1978.72! Your generosity and community spirit are deeply appreciated.

Last week, our Year 6 Captains, Vice Captains and Sport Captains were formally presented to the school community during our first school Mass for 2026. They also received a special blessing from Fr Robin. I would like to congratulate our student leaders and thank them for their willingness to serve our school community. We are very proud of the way they have already begun modelling leadership, responsibility and commitment to our school values.

As we entered the season of Lent with Ash Wednesday this week, our school community came together to mark the beginning of this solemn period. Our students in Grades 1 to 6 participated in a meaningful Mass led by Father Robin, where they received ashes as a symbolic reminder of our Lenten journey ahead. I would like to extend my gratitude to Miss Clare Christie for her thoughtful preparation of the liturgy, and to our students for their reverent participation in the readings and for guiding us in prayer.

Looking ahead, I would like to remind you of our upcoming Parent/Teacher Conversations scheduled for Wednesday 4th March 2026. Students in Prep to Year 3 will be dismissed at 11:55am, and students in Years 4 to 6 will be dismissed at 12:00pm on this day. We kindly ask parents and carers to adhere to their scheduled 10-minute appointment times. After School Care will be available in the hall for those who require it; however, please remember to book in advance. We look forward to this valuable opportunity to discuss your child's progress and achievements with you.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support. I hope you have an enjoyable weekend. God bless,

Michael Bonnici.

Principal

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LENT

This week we celebrated Ash Wednesday, which marks the beginning of the season of Lent. Lent is a forty-day season from Ash Wednesday to Easter, reflecting Jesus' time in the desert. It is a sacred time of preparation in the Church's liturgical year that orients the community toward Holy Week and the joyful celebration of Easter. During this Season, the faithful are invited to deeper prayer, fasting, and works of charity. The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and concludes on Holy Thursday evening, just before the start of the Sacred Triduum (i.e. The three-day period that concludes Holy Week and commemorates the **Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus**).



CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK: 15th – 22nd MARCH 2026

This year, all Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Melbourne will celebrate Catholic Education Week 2026 from 15th to 22nd March. It is an opportunity for all Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Melbourne to celebrate their Catholic identity and community contribution, and the strength of the sector.

The 2026 theme, 'Christ beside me: Walking in the footsteps of Saint Patrick', celebrates the significance of Saint Patrick, the patron saint of our local Church in Melbourne.

Our school leaders will be attending the Mass of Saint Patrick for Schools, on Friday 20th March.



PARENT/TEACHER CONVERSATIONS

Holy Eucharist School will be hosting our annual Parent/Teacher Conversations at school on **Wednesday 4th March 2026** from 12:10pm until 6:00pm. Please note that **students in P-3 will be finishing school at 11:55am and students in 4-6 will be finishing school at 12pm on this day**. After school care will be available.

Parent/Teacher Conversations are a great opportunity to communicate with your child's teacher and to hear about how your child has settled into their new class. However, they are also a great way to discuss any concerns or questions you may have regarding your child. It is important that you take the time to think about the things you would like to discuss with your child's teacher, to ensure you make the most of your allocated time.

The Parent/Teacher Conversations will be approximately **10 minutes in length** – just enough time for you and your child's teacher to meet and communicate. During this meeting, your child's teacher will be asking questions which will provide them with important information. The information gathered will assist the class teachers in supporting your child's learning. *eg: home-living arrangements, homework and contact details, etc.*

Online Booking System

The online booking system allows you to browse available time slots and book interviews with teachers. **You can also indicate if you require an interpreter.**



To book in your interview with the teacher, you need to do the following:

1. Click onto the following link or scan the QR Code <https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/>
2. Enter the event code **thnmw**
3. Follow the 3 simple prompts
4. You will receive a confirmation email once the booking is complete.



Please remember, if you have any questions or need assistance with this, please come and see us at the office

REMINDER - GATES CLOSE AT 8:55AM

All Prep to Year 6 classes begin at 8:55am. If your child **arrives at school after 8:55am, they will need to enter via the Administration Gate**, as all other gates will be locked. **If your child arrives at school after 8:55am, they will need to obtain a late pass from the school office.** Each time a student is issued with a late pass, it is recorded on the attendance roll and will appear on the student's report card each semester.

The whole school has a literacy block in the morning where students participate in intensive reading and writing activities. Students who arrive late each day are missing out on specific instructions for given tasks. When children are late, teachers have to repeat instructions again, which takes them away from teaching the rest of the class who are at school on time.



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.**

IMPORTANT REMINDER 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.**



GLENNEN BUILDING RENOVATION UPDATE

Following our recent on-site meeting with the architect and builder, I am very pleased to inform our school community that renovation works on the **Glennen Building**, including the construction of our new multipurpose space, will officially commence on **Monday 23rd February 2026**.

The building company engaged to undertake this project is **Raysett**. We look forward to working closely with Raysett to bring this exciting development to life for our students and community.

As preparations begin, there will be several important changes to site access and parking arrangements:

Parking Changes

- **From Wednesday 18th February 2026**, staff and LSOs will no longer be able to park on the rounders court. The temporary fencing currently hired by the school will be removed in preparation for the project.
- **On Thursday 19th February 2026**, Raysett will deliver site sheds, which will be positioned on the rounders court in the area previously used by LSOs for parking.

Fencing and Safety Measures

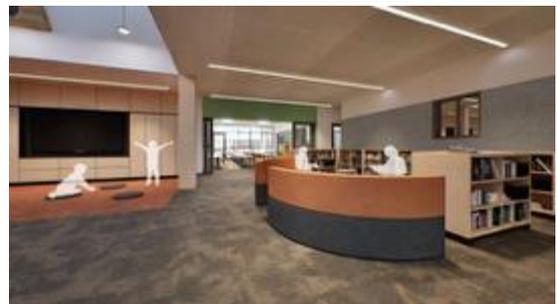
- The builders will install their own temporary fencing around the perimeter of the construction site.
- Additional temporary fencing will be placed along the driveway adjacent to the Hall and Gate 1 to ensure student safety when accessing the canteen, Hall, and Before/After School Care and Holiday Program.

Gate 1 Carpark Gate - Weekend Masses Access Only

- From **19th February 2026**, the Gate 1 carpark gate will only be used by the builders during the week.
- Arrangements have been made to allow parish access for weekend Masses from **4:00pm Saturday and all day Sunday**.
- Late each Saturday afternoon, the builders will temporarily move a section of fencing to allow vehicles to enter through Gate 1 and park on the basketball court from **4:00pm onwards**.

We thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation as we begin this exciting phase of development. These improvements will greatly enhance our facilities and learning environment for all students.

Further updates will be shared as the project progresses.



NAPLAN 2026

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) for Year 3 and Year 5 will commence on Wednesday 11th March 2026 and finishes on Monday 23rd March 2026.

Schools have been asked to prioritise the tests within the first week of the testing window in order to accommodate students who may be absent from 11th – 23rd March. These students will have the opportunity to complete the catch-up tests (for most subject areas) the following week.

NAPLAN is a nationwide measure through which parents, teachers, schools, education authorities, governments and the broader community can determine whether or not young Australians are developing the literacy and numeracy skills that provide the critical foundation for other learning and for their productive and rewarding participation in the community.

NAPLAN results allow parents/carers and educators to see how students are progressing in literacy and numeracy over time – individually, as part of their school community, and against national standards. The assessments are undertaken nationwide, every year, in the second full week in May.

NAPLAN is made up of tests in the four areas (or 'domains') of:

- Reading
- Writing
- Language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation)
- Numeracy.

For more information regarding NAPLAN 2026, please visit https://www.nap.edu.au/docs/default-source/naplan/naplan-information-brochure-for-parents-and-carers.pdf?sfvrsn=2551405e_1



SCHOOL HATS IN TERM 1

There are a number of students at our school who do not have a school hat. In Australia we have "one of the highest rates of melanoma diagnoses in the world...two in three Australians will be diagnosed with skin cancer by the age of 70" (SunSmart, 2019). The good news is that almost all skin cancers are preventable. It is recommended that staff and students use a combination of sun protection measures (i.e. sun hat, sunscreen, clothing, shade and sunglasses when outdoors, avoid deliberate and extended sun exposure) when UV index levels are 3 or above (generally from mid-August to the end of April in Victoria). In Term 1 and Term 4 all students and teachers are required to wear a hat when they are outside. It is an expectation and school policy that all students wear their school hat and their correct school uniform at all times.



M Bonnici – Principal

SCHOOL UNIFORM

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. Please find an explanation of the school uniform listed below. Alternatively, you can visit our school website to view our school uniform policy https://www.psw.com.au/schools/holy-eucharist-school-st-albans.html?_t=1660168686498&product_list_limit=36&product_list_order=price

Girls - Summer:

Maroon Check Dress
White socks / Black shoes – **no runners**
Woollen jumper with school logo – **not the PE tracksuit top**
School Hat – In Term 1 and Term 4

Girls- Winter

Maroon check pinafore or Maroon slacks
Yellow skivvy or yellow polo shirt with logo
White socks / Black shoes - **no runners**
Woollen jumper with school logo - **not the PE tracksuit top**

Girls – Sport (Only on Sport Days)

Maroon shorts or Maroon skirt/skort
Maroon tracksuit with school logo on top
Gold polo shirt with school logo
White socks and runners

Please note: If students are **not wearing the correct school uniform**, a note from the school will be sent home informing the parent/guardian. This note will need to be signed by the parent/guardian. If you require any information or support in regarding the school uniform, please see Michael at the office.

Boys - Summer:

Grey Shorts
Gold polo shirt with school logo
Grey socks / Black shoes - **no runners**
Woollen jumper with school logo - **not the PE tracksuit top**
School Hat – In Term 1 and Term 4

Boys Winter

Long grey pants
Yellow skivvy or yellow polo shirt with logo
Grey socks / Black shoes - **no runners**
Woollen jumper with school logo - **not the PE tracksuit top**

Boys - Sport

Maroon shorts
Maroon tracksuit with school logo on top
Gold polo shirt with school logo
White socks and runners

SCHOOL PHOTOS

School Photos will be taken on Monday 2nd March 2026. All students need to wear their full Summer Uniform and black school shoes. Each student was given an individual order form. If you would like to order photos, you will need to order them online.



SCHOOL LEADERS

A big congratulations to our School Captains, Vice Captains and House Captains! Our Year 6 students were invited to apply for the leadership positions, and we were truly impressed by their enthusiasm and dedication. The students we interviewed demonstrated a strong passion for leadership and a genuine commitment to being positive role models for their peers.

We are proud to announce our:

School Captains:

- **School Captains:** Evie-Mae (6KB) and Anthony N (6RMc)
- **Vice Captains:** Olivia (6RMc) and Megan (6ML)

Sport Captains:

- **Stevens (Red):** Shalom (6ML) and Elisa (6ML)
- **Clarke (Blue):** Simon (6HD) and Liam (6HD)
- **Taylor (Green):** Jasmine (6ML) and Elen (6ML)
- **Padley (Yellow):** Celine (6RMc) and Jasmine (6HD)



Congratulations to our student leaders! We look forward to seeing them embrace their roles and contribute to our school community.

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

“The School Advisory Council is a living expression of the principle of subsidiarity in action and is informed by the theology and vision articulated in the MACS Statement of Mission and Working Together in Mission charter. In this light, School Advisory Councils play such a crucial role in the governance framework of MACS...”

The parish priest and school principal hold distinctive roles of leadership in their parish and school communities, and therefore it is essential that they work collaboratively to ensure that the relationship between parish and school is central to providing the religious leadership necessary for the success of the mission (Working Together in Mission, p. 1).

Holy Eucharist School's School Advisory Council is currently seeking council members from the school/parish community. No expertise is required, just a desire to represent and give voice to the school/parish body in advising the principal about important matters particularly related to the school's ongoing desire to provide the best possible education for our children.

If you are a member of the parish and/or have children in the school and wish to be part of the School Advisory Council, we welcome your application in writing to Mr Michael Bonnici (Principal@hestalbansst.catholic.edu.au)

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 10th March 2026



PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2027 - NOW OPEN

Enrolments are now open for 2027. Children commencing Prep next year must be 5 years of age by 30th April 2027. We already have a number of applications for next year and we will begin interviewing families soon.

It is really 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.

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!

MORE INFORMATION

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Scan to enrol or book a tour

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:

Prep JB Week 3: Jun Week 4: Linh	Prep LN Week 3: Liam Week 4: Katrina	Prep CO'R Week 3: Gloria Week 4: Helen		
Year 1 SG Week 3: Margaret Week 4: Kevin	Year 1 RH Week 3: Zoye Week 4:	Year 1 TP Week 3: Irene Week 4: Celine		
Year 2 JA Week 3: Lucy Week 4: Skylar	Year 2 MJ Week 3: Tracy Week 4: Dustin	Year 2 TN Week 3: Louis Week 4: Giovanni		
Year 3 AC Week 3: Jelsie Week 4: Sui	Year 3 AL Week 3: Kris F Week 4: Miriam	Year 3 DX Week 3: Nathan Week 4: Kara		
Year 4 JD Week 3: Dante Week 4: Chanel	Year 4 ZG Week 3: Regina Week 4: Courage	Year 4 TL Week 3: Evan Week 4: Carson		
Year 5 JC Week 3: Rijul Week 4: Jayden D	Year 5 JD Week 3: James C Week 4: Kaitlyn	Year 5 RH Week 3: Johnny Week 4: Kylie		Year 5 JM Week 3: Sharlie Week 4: Gabriel
Year 6 AD/MH Week 3: Sophia Week 4: Isaac	Year 6 KB Week 3: San Week 4: Mason	Year 6 ML Week 3: Mymy Week 4: Elisa		Year 6 RMc Week 3: Anthony Week 4: Louis

Mr Michael Bonnici

Principal

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FAMILY SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS

FAMILY SCHOOL PICNIC 2026

We celebrated our annual Family School Picnic last week on Tuesday, February 10th. We had so many families attend and participate in all the fun activities on the oval. It was great to see families getting to know one another, students playing different sport activities or jumping on the jumping castle. We had a stall promoting the upcoming Project Compassion by Caritas where students had to guess how many water droplets were in the jar. Congratulations to Lucy L (2JA) for winning this prize with the closest guess! Congratulations also to Milly B (6HD) for winning the Guess the Lolly jar prize.

We wish to thank our generous families for their donations towards our Family School Picnic. Thank you **White Knight Real Estate** (Liam 3DX) for your \$1000 donation. Thank you **A&M Kitchen Cabinets** (Amin 5JM & Emmy 1RH) for your \$200 donation. Thank you to the **Pham family** (Benjamin 5JC) for donating lots of Zooper Doopers. We are truly grateful for your donations. We were able to raise **\$1978.72** at our Family Picnic this year.

CONTAINER DEPOSIT SCHEME AT HOLY EUCHARIST

Dear families,

Did you know that some containers can be recycled for 10 cents at your local Container Deposit Scheme depots? If you are not collecting at home, we would appreciate it if you could send your containers to school with your child. We have designated bins around the school for these containers. We are also encouraging students to recycle their water bottles, milk or juice boxes from the canteen as these have the 10 cent recycle symbol on them. Every container counts! Will you help us raise money!? The money raised will go towards important school resources.

Thank you for your support,

Mrs Crystal Carmuciano

Family School Partnerships/Wellbeing Leader

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Child Safe Standard 2

“Child safety and wellbeing is embedded in organisational leadership, governance and culture.”

Rooted in the Gospel and the teachings of the Church, MACS Catholic schools uphold the sacred dignity of every child as created in the image and likeness of God (Genesis 1:27). This belief places Catholic educators in a privileged and profound position to protect and nurture the most vulnerable.

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 Child Safe Standard 2:

To be aligned, schools must support the following:

- A public commitment to child safety
- Champion a child safe culture at all levels
- Ensure governance supports child safety policies
- Develop and enforce a Code of Conduct
- Implement risk management strategies that focus on preventing, identifying and mitigating risks to children
- Ensure staff, volunteers and contractors understand their obligation and the role they play in keeping children and young people safe. This includes information sharing and record keeping.

The Child Safe Standards

The Child Safe Standards are a set of guidelines that help organisations create safe environments for children and young people.

They make sure that children are protected from harm, listened to, and respected. These standards require organisations to have strong leadership, clear policies, and a culture that puts children first.

As a parent or carer, you can expect organisations to involve families, empower children, train staff properly, and respond to concerns quickly and respectfully.

This standard promotes a shared responsibility for safety across the entire school community and all levels of the organisation. It ensures a child safe culture is actively championed and modelled from the top down and bottom up.

What does this look like in a school environment?

- **Leadership commitment:** School leaders actively promote child safety and wellbeing as a priority in decision-making and daily operations.
- **Ongoing training and professional development:** Staff are provided with ongoing training and professional development opportunities that increase capacity and confidence surrounding all aspects of child safety.
- **Clear governance:** Policies and procedures reflect child safety responsibilities and are regularly reviewed, updated and publicly available.
- **Staff modelling safe behaviours:** Expectations of staff are clearly defined. All staff demonstrate respectful, inclusive, and protective behaviours towards children. All staff are encouraged and empowered to speak up if any alternative is observed.
- **Ongoing culture building:** Child safety is embedded in school values, professional development, and community engagement with the objective to continually improve practice.
- **Thorough recruitment processing:** Applicable to all staff working in a school context, extending to volunteers and contractors. Valid credentials, references and Working with Children Checks apply. Ongoing monitoring and supervision of all staff and intervention if required.

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](#).

Working together for Child Safety



SCHOOL SAVING BONUS FROM 2024

Dear Parents,

I would just like to remind the parents who have **not** used their 2024 School Saving Bonus money from the Victorian Government to please come into the office with any receipts for uniform. Thank you to the families who have already submitted their receipts last year. Mandy Huang will be contacting families who have not used their SSB from 2024 to remind you that receipts need to be handed into the office before the end of Term 2 2026.

Please contact the office on 8312 0900 if you are not sure you have used all your SSB in 2025.

School Saving
Bonus



Mrs Suzanne Smart
Business Manager

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SchoolPix SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHY

HOLY EUCHARIST SCHOOL, ST ALBANS

SchoolPix is coming to photograph on:

Monday, 2 March 2026

SIBLING ORDERS

must be placed prior to 8am on
Monday, 2 March 2026



Order at order.schoolpix.com.au

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to your school **CLOSE 5 WORKING
DAYS** after your last photography
session. A postage fee will apply for
orders placed after this date.

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1300 766 055 or help@schoolpix.com.au.



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

Jump online and complete a nomination at
www.schoolcrossingsvictoria.com.au

Your support of this program will help ensure your School Crossing Supervisor is shown the appreciation they deserve for their commitment to the ongoing safety of our children.



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MPiR TUITION



MATHS & ENGLISH TUTORING - 30% DISCOUNT FOR HOLY EUCHARIST STUDENTS

MPiR Tuition is a tuition centre located in Cairnlea that offers tutoring to students from Years 1 to 12. Our classes are conducted in small groups with specially designed classwork and homework books. For more information please visit www.mpirtuition.com.au or contact 0481 333 678.

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IMPORTANT DATES



IMPORTANT DATES – 2026

Monday 23rd February
Monday 2nd March
Wednesday 4th March.

Monday 9th March
Wednesday 11th March
Thursday 12 March
Friday 13th March
Monday 16th -23rd March
Thursday 19th March
Monday 23rd March – 2nd April
Thursday 2nd April

- Years 3 & 4 Incursion St John's Ambulance
- School Photo Day (Summer Uniform)
- Parent/Teacher Conversations (Students finish school at 12pm)
- Labour Day – Public Holiday
- NAPLAN Writing 9:15am, Reading 12pm
- NAPLAN Language Conventions at 9:15am
- NAPLAN: Numeracy 9:15
- NAPLAN Catch Up
- Year 3 Civics and Citizenship Incursion
- Years 2, 3 and 5 Swimming
- End of Term 1 (2:30 pm finish)

School holidays:

Fri 3rd April
Monday 6th April

- Good Friday – Public Holiday
- Easter Monday – Public Holiday

TERM 2

Monday 20th April
Friday 24th April
Saturday 25th April
Tuesday 28th April
Sunday 10th May
Friday 15th May
Monday 25th May
Tuesday 26th May
Wednesday 27th May
Sunday 31st May
Friday 5th June.
Monday 8th June
Sunday 14th June
Friday 26th June

- Term 2 begins
- School Closure Day [1]
- ANZAC DAY (Falls on Saturday in 2026)
- Confirmation: Family Faith Evening at 6:30pm
- Confirmation Presentation Mass at 10:00am
- Confirmation (Aux Bishop Martin Ashe) 7:00pm
- Yr 6 Camp (Doxa Malmsbury – Group 1)
- First Eucharist Family Faith Evening 6:30pm
- Yr 6 Camp (Doxa Malmsbury – Group 2)
- First Eucharist Presentation Mass at 10:00am
- School Closure Day [2]
- King's Birthday – Public Holiday
- First Eucharist Mass at 10:00am
- End of Term 2 (2:30pm finish)

School holidays:

Sun 5th July – Sun 12th July

- NAIDOC Week

TERM 3

Monday 13th July
Tuesday 14th July
Wednesday 22nd July

Monday 24th – 26th August
Friday 11th September
Friday 18th September

- School Closure Day [3]
- Term 3 begins
- Parent/Teacher Interviews (Students finish school at 12pm)
- Year 5 Camp (Log Cabin – Creswick)
- School Closure Day [4] Review
- End of Term 3 (2:30pm finish)

School holidays:

TERM 4

Monday 5th October
Tuesday 13th October
Sunday 18 October
Tuesday 20th October
Monday 2nd November
Tuesday 3rd November
Tuesday 1st December
Wednesday 2nd December
Monday 7th December
Tuesday 15th December
Wednesday 16th December

- Term 4 begins
- Family Faith Evening Reconciliation: 6:30pm
- World Mission Sunday (Staff at 10am Mass)
- Reconciliation 6:30pm
- School Closure Day – Report Writing Day [4]
- Melbourne Cup – Public Holiday
- Orientation Day from 2pm – 3pm
- Family Picnic at 5pm/School Carols 6:30pm
- Grade 6 Graduation Mass at 6:30pm
- Last Day for Students (2:30pm finish)
- School Closure– Last day for staff



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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.

