



Holy Eucharist School

St Albans South

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Holy Eucharist School

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Holy Eucharist Parish

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Fr. Tuan Anh Do CSsR.

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Mass Times

Saturday: 6pm

Sunday: 9am, 10.30am, 6pm

Vietnamese Mass at 12pm

Education in Faith:

Joanne Stead

Prep: Sharon Bonnici,
Mary James, Shalini Dos Santos &
Bianca Gomez.

Grade 1: Anita Bison,
Heribert Herrera, Mikaela Borg &
Gwen Laughlin.

Grade 2 Julie Murnane,
Kathryn Barrie & Jessica Kerlin.

Grade 3: Natalie Kranjec,
Nancy Johnson, Joanne Stead &
Jackie Dabal.

Grade 4: Thilini Nanayakkara,
Jacelle Cablao & Stephani
Ognenovski

Grade 5: Bruno Pellaschiar,
Jennifer Khong, Jo Dragovic & Erin
McNally.

Grade 6: Wally Antonowicz, Hania
Borowik & Vanessa Shaw

Learning Diversity/Wellbeing:
Julie Semcesen.

Wellbeing: Jo Dragovic

School Counsellor Edward Faraci.

Library: Jenny Bistricki.

STEM/Community Partnership
Allison Borg.

Art: Shobha Hickey.

Music: Damian O'Bree.

Literacy Leader: Charise Gibbs

Literacy Intervention:

Hannah Power & Kathleen Bezzina

Reading Recovery:

Mary Valentino-Pamment.

Maths Intervention: Anne Ablinger

Maths Leader P-6: Erin McNally

EAL/New Arrival: Irene Jurista.

Physical Ed: Clare Christie.

Education Support: Joe Sirianni.

LOTE: Linda Hyunh & Sue So.

Business Manager: Sue Smart

Administration Staff:

Connie La Macchia, Mandy Huong &
Rosemarie Slater.

Community Hub: Adella Howard
Cleaner: June Balatbat

Maintenance: Barry Lynch

Out of Hours Care:

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Third Sunday of Lent - Year C



*A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Luke (Lk 13:1-9)*

*Unless you repent you will all perish
as they did.*

Some people arrived and told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with that of their sacrifices. At this he said to them, 'Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater sinners than any other Galileans? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen on whom the tower at Siloam fell and killed them? Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did.'

He told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came looking for fruit on it but found none. He said to the man who looked after the vineyard, "Look here, for three years now I have been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and finding none. Cut it down: why should it be taking up the ground?" "Sir," the man replied "leave it one more year and give me time to dig round it and manure it: it may bear fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down.'

Principal's Message

Dear Parents, Guardians and Carers,

Last week the Holy Eucharist School Community celebrated the National Day Against Bullying and Violence. It was great to see the children wearing orange in support of the campaign. Bullying is a problem in our society and bringing an awareness to our children is very important.

On Monday the grade 6 children attended their three day camp at Don Bosco in Dromana. I was lucky enough to visit them on Tuesday and they were all having a great time. I would like to thank the staff members who gave up their time to attend the camp. Thank you to Mr. Antonowicz, Mrs Borowik, Mrs Shaw, Mr Herrera, Mrs Stead and Miss Adriana. I hope that the camping experience was rewarding for all those involved.

On Thursday, the school celebrated Harmony Day, a day where all cultures celebrate the wonderful diversity of our country. It was great to see the children come to school in their national dress. I would also like to acknowledge the parents who took time to attend and wear their national dress.

Thank you to those parents who are abiding by the traffic rules around the school. Our children's safety is of the utmost importance. Please remember that the staff car park is for the staff only.

Enjoy the rest of the term, as holidays are fast approaching.
God Bless.

Mr. Jeffrey Parker
Principal

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Sat 23 rd /Sun 24 th	Monday 25 th	Tuesday 26 th	Wednesday 27 th	Thursday 28 th	Friday 29 th	Sat 30 th /Sun 31 st	Monday 1 st April
3 rd Sunday of Lent 	Feast of the Annunciation of Mary 	Community Conversation All Welcome at 9:15am in the staffroom.			Portfolios sent home	4 th Sunday of Lent 	Easter Raffle drawn in the Hall during assembly starting at 12 noon 

LEARNING AND TEACHING

LITERACY AND NUMERACY TESTING

At the end of Term 1, 2019, teachers at Holy Eucharist School will be conducting Literacy and Numeracy assessments on your child. In order to lessen the disruption to learning we have allocated **two days for testing**. Your child will be taking part in testing on:

- **Thursday 4th April OR Friday 5th April 2019**

Your child has been allocated **45 minutes** to complete a series of tests with their class teacher. The information obtained from these assessments will be used to help your child's learning throughout the year.

Testing is compulsory for all students at the beginning and end of each year and the results are submitted to Catholic Education Melbourne. **Therefore, attendance is essential.** Students are **only required to be at school for 45 minutes to complete their testing.** **When the testing is completed, students must return home.** Please ensure children are not left unsupervised at school.

Parents have been asked to select a preferred day and time. Official appointments will be issued next week.

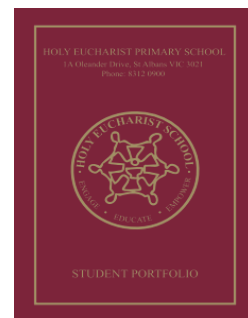
ASSESSMENT PORTFOLIOS

On **Friday 29th March**, you will receive your child's **Assessment Portfolio** containing **samples of work** completed during Term 1.

We, the staff at Holy Eucharist recognise that in order for our students to be successful in school, they need the support and guidance from both the home and the school community. We know a strong partnership with you will make a great difference in your child's education.

Therefore, we ask for **your co-operation and support** by looking carefully at the Assessment Portfolio with your child.

- Encourage them to talk about what they were required to do for each piece.
- Discuss what they have achieved. If there are areas which need improvement, discuss with your child what they could do to improve.



As partners, we share the responsibility for our children's success and want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities.

This Assessment Portfolio contains:

- **Term 1 - Topic outline sheet.** This provides the parent/guardian with a summary of what has been covered during this term in all curriculum areas. The topic outline went home at the beginning of this term (inside the portfolio) and you were invited to sign it and return it to school inside the Portfolio.
- **Work samples.** These were collected by the teacher as evidence of what has been taught during term 1. These samples support what has been documented in the topic outline. The work samples have been corrected by the teacher and have relevant comments to support what your child has achieved.
- The teachers have a put a lot of effort and have worked extremely hard to put these Assessment Portfolios together. **You (the parent/guardian) are encouraged to make comments (on the yellow cover sheet provided) after looking at your child's work. Please sign the yellow card inside the folder as an indication that you have seen your child's work.**

Date:	Comment:	Parent's Signature:
Term 1		

- Please write the date when you have seen your child's work

- Please look at the samples with your child and encourage them to talk about each sample.
- Please write a positive comment about your child's work. These comments can be written in English or in the language spoken at home.

- Please sign the yellow card when you have seen your child's work.
- **Please return the Portfolio to school by Wednesday 3rd April 2019.**

The Assessment Portfolio needs to be returned to school by: Wednesday 3rd April 2019.

COMMUNITY CONVERSATION - We believe that families and school working together makes a difference!

Parents and Caregivers are invited to a Community Conversation which will be held in the school staff room on **Tuesday 26th March 2019**, from 9:15am – 10:15am. The conversation will be centred around how families and the school can work together in order to improve student:

- Social and emotional wellbeing
- Relationships
- Learning outcomes.

The conversation will be facilitated by Michael Bonnici, Allison Borg and the Holy Eucharist Wellbeing Team. The responses gathered during this conversation will be used to direct a parent workshop to be held on Tuesday 2nd April by Helen Davidson (Co-author of Highway Heroes).



PARENT WORKSHOP – HELEN DAVIDSON (Co-author of Highway Heroes)

Parents and caregivers are invited to attend a workshop aimed to assist parents in helping their children to grow, learn and achieve. Participants will have the opportunity to listen to the current research and practice in teaching little children skills to manage their emotions, and develop their social relationships in the playground and their learning relationships in the classroom. This workshop gives parents the opportunity to learn about what's happening in their child's brain and their child's world. Presenter Helen Davidson will inform and guide parents with how to teach their children valuable life skills.

WHEN: Tuesday 2nd April 2019 at 1:30pm until 3:00pm.

WHERE: Holy Eucharist School – In the School HALL.



NAPLAN 2019

The students in Years 3 and 5 will be taking part in the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) on 14th, 15th and 16th May 2019.

NAPLAN is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling and numeracy. 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

NAPLAN tests skills in Literacy and Numeracy that are developed over time through the school curriculum.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM STALL

We are in the process of trying to organise a Second Hand Uniform Stall at the school. This is a great way for our school community to support each other by providing **unwanted school uniforms** which are **in good useable condition**.

We will gladly accept donations of second hand uniforms (including school shoes), which can be worn by our students.

Uniform items can be left at the school office. Once we have a sufficient supply of uniforms, we will then be able to organise a stall. If you would like to assist in anyway by donating, washing and sorting of clothes, please contact Michael Bonnici at the school office.

PLEASE REMEMBER:

- WEDNESDAY 3rd April
- THURSDAY 4th April
- FRIDAY 5th April
- MONDAY 8th APRIL
- END OF TERM 1 **Children finish at 2pm**
- TESTING DAY 1 *(Please refer to your appointment time)*
- TESTING DAY 2 *(Please refer to your appointment time)*
- SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

IMPORTANT DATES:

MARCH 2019

Mon 25th March -Feast of the Annunciation of Mary
Fri 29th March -Portfolios sent home.

APRIL 2019

Mon 1st Apr -PSGs
Wed 3rd Apr -Portfolios are due back at school
-End of Term 1 (Children go home at 2pm)
Thurs 4th- Fri 5th -School Closure Day (Literacy/Numeracy Testing appointments P-6).
Please note that testing is compulsory

Sun 7th Apr -End of Daylight Savings
Mon 8th Apr -School Holidays
Sun 14th Apr -Palm Sunday
Thurs 18th Apr -Holy Thursday
Fri 19th Apr -Good Friday
Sun 21st Apr -Easter Sunday
Mon 22nd Apr -Easter Monday (Holiday)
Tues 23rd Apr -Term 2 begins
Wed 24th April -Boys Soccer Gala Day (Green Gully Soccer Club)
Thurs 25th Apr -ANZAC DAY (Public Holiday)
Mon 29th Apr -1st -Grade 5 Camp
Mon 29th April -Girls Soccer Gala Day (Green Gully Soccer Club)

Mr Michael Bonnici

Learning and Teaching/Deputy Principal

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ADMINISTRATION

FEES

A school fee reminder went home last Friday. Please remember that per capita and excursion should now be paid and that Term 1 School Fees are now due. If you have any queries or concerns please contact me on 8312 0900.

STUDENT MEDICAL PLANS

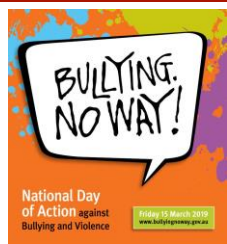
There are many students who have medical conditions, Anaphylaxis, Asthma, Allergies. These students must have a documented medical plan at the school. It is very important that you send back to the school office any medical plans that were sent home for your child. Mandy Huong will be following up with any family that has not sent back the relevant forms for their child. If you have any queries or concerns please contact Mandy Huong on 83120900.

Mrs Sue Smart

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NATIONAL DAY AGAINST BULLYING AND VIOLENCE 2019



Last Friday 15th March, 2019 Holy Eucharist Primary School took a stand against bullying and violence. The National Day of Action is Australia's key anti-bullying event for schools and the theme for 2019 is "Bullying. No Way. Take action every day". This encourages young people to stand up for safe, supportive and peaceful schools where learning can flourish without the fear of bullying.

This day provided all students with an opportunity to participate in an activity and discussions relating to issues around bullying and violence. Students decorated or wrote an anti-bullying message / slogan on a hand cutout to create a whole school display to 'Take a stand Against Bullying'. The hand cutouts will be displayed on the library window.

Students also received a wristband. The national Day of Action Against Bullying colour is **orange** and students were invited to wear **orange** accessories or an **orange** shirt if they had one. Holy Eucharist Primary School supported this very important day in the school calendar as together we make a stand against bullying in all schools.



CAMP AUSTRALIA

BEFORE and AFTER SCHOOL CARE



NB: No Vacation Care on Thursday 4th & Friday 5th April 2019.

Bookings are open for our Jungle Jam holiday program. Activities include; Incursuons- making soap and bath bombs, solar powered ovens, kites, life of a firefighter Excursions- The Lego Movie 2, Rabbit Hole play centre and IMAX.

All booking are done on the Camp Australia website on www.campaustralia.com.au

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After School Care Coordinator

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EASTER EGG DONATIONS

We are asking each family to donate an easter egg towards our Easter Egg Raffle.



Tickets went home this week so please make sure that a name and grade is written on every ticket.



Raffle will be drawn on Monday 1st April 2019 at a special assembly in the Hall at 12 noon.



Tickets are .50 cents each



Thank you for supporting our school fundraising.



FAMILY SCHOOL PARTERSHIP

OPEN CLASSROOM

You are invited to an Open Classroom where you will be able to visit your children working in their classroom.

Date: Thursday 28th March

Time: 2:45pm

Your child/ren would love to see you there!

Community Conversation

Please join us for a Community Conversation run by Mr. Michael Bonnici around Social and Emotional Learning at Holy Eucharist.

Date: Tuesday 26th March

Time: 9:15am in the Staffroom

The following week Helen Davidson will run a parent session explaining the Highway Heros Social and Emotional Learning Program.

Date: Tuesday 2nd April

Time: 1:30pm in the School HALL

Miss Allison Borg

ICT & FSP Leader

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HARMONY DAY EVERYONE BELONGS



Harmony Day celebrates Australia's cultural diversity.

It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

On Thursday 21st March the staff, students and community at Holy Eucharist Primary School celebrated Harmony Day.

Harmony Day celebrates the fact that Australians come from all over the world. Today there are over 21 million people living in Australia who all contribute different ideas, religions, languages and customs to our country.

The diversity of people who live in Australia make it such an interesting and special place to live. It is celebrated around Australia each year to celebrate our multicultural society.

For Harmony Day Students participated in a class activities and were encouraged to wear their traditional cultural dress. Students had the option of wearing a cultural dress or wearing something **orange**.

It was a wonderful day for everyone

PARENT SUGGESTION BOX

A parent suggestion box has been placed in the school foyer. If you have any concerns or suggestions about the school, please feel free to place them in the box. Your ideas count!



GENERAL NEWS

Taylors Lakes Secondary College invites Holy Eucharist families to attend their College Tours if you are interested in considering their school for your child's secondary education.



College Tours 2019

February 27th, March 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th
April 3rd & 24th, May 1st, 8th & 15th 9:30am - 11:00am



SPORTS UPDATE

On Tuesday the 19th of March, two students from Grade 5 Tracey Tran (5P) and Kaitlyn Au (5D/Mc) represented Holy Eucharist at the Divisional Interschool Swimming Carnival. Both students swam really well and it was a great experience for them to compete against other schools in the North Western region. We are extremely proud of their efforts and by the look on their post-swim faces, they were too! Well done girls!



Well done !!

Miss Christie

Physical Education Teacher

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Taylors Lakes Secondary College invites Holy Eucharist families to attend their College Information Evening if you are interested in considering their school for your child's secondary education.



College Information Evening 2019

Tuesday March 26th 2019 at 7pm
Register at the College on 9390 3130

