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7:30pm (Vietnamese)

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**Grade 1:** Dion Xuereb, Jo Dragovic & Jin-Young Lee,

**Grade 2:** Christine Saunders/Maryanne Camilleri,

Angela Lopez-Dee & Mary James

Grade 3: Jennifer Khong, Crystal Carmuciano/Jackie

Dabal, Vivian Faraj & Chloe Goggi

**Grade 4:** Elise Ring, Bruno Pellaschiar, Stefany Nemet

& Janelle Dumaguit

Grade 5: Thilini Nanayakkara, Julie Murnane & Raquel

McClurg

Grade 6: Kathryn Barrie, Jacelle Cablao, Helen Kennedy

& Michael Higgins/Kathleen Morrison

**Education in Faith Leader:** Anne-Marie Conte

**<u>Learning & Teaching Leader</u>**: Erin McNally

Literacy Leader/Intervention: Jane Hurren

<u>Literacy Intervention/Tutor:</u> Gabrielle Bright,

Reading Recovery: Karen Colman.

Maths Leader/Tutoring P-6: Erin McNally

Maths Intervention: Maryanne Camilleri

Maths Intervention/Tutor Joe Sirianni

**<u>Learning Diversity/Wellbeing Leader:</u>** Julie Semcesen

Mental Health in Primary Schools Leader (MHiPS) /

School Counsellor: Edward Faraci

Speech Pathologist: Claire Huntington

Family & Community Engagement Leader:

Crystal Carmuciano

**STEM/ ICT Leader** Clare Christie

Music: Colleen Azzopardi

Visual Arts: Shobha Hickey

Performing Arts: Carla Lolicato

**Physical Education:** Lenny De Cruz LOTE: Yvonne Rosevear, Joe Sirianni

EAL/New Arrival: Irene Jurista

Library: Jenny Bistricki & Rita Zammit

**Business Manager:** Sue Smart

<u>Administration Staff:</u> Mandy Huong, Stefani Richardson,

Georgina Vella

Community Hub Leader: Van Nguyen

Learning Support Officers: Nwares Bahnam,

Nu Cuai, Ester Dawt Thluai, Jessica Di Pietro,

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

Celia (Thoai) Nguyen, Chau Nguyen, Trang Nguyen, Thi Phan, Dianne Punicki, Elizabeth Sant,

Rosemarie Slater, Kelly Triantafillidis, Frances Wulf,

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# TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR B

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark (4:35-41)

Newsletter No. 10 -Friday 21st June 2024

Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.

With the coming of evening, Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let us cross over to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind they took him, just as he was, in the boat; and there were other boats with him. Then it began to blow a gale and the waves were breaking into the boat so that it was almost swamped. But he was in the stern, his head on the cushion, asleep. They woke

him and said to him, 'Master, do you not care? We are going down!' And

he woke up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea,

'Quiet now! Be calm!' And the wind dropped, and all was calm again. Then he said to them, "Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?" They were filled with awe and said to one another, 'Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.'

Dear Holy Eucharist Community,

EUCHARIST PRIMARY SCHOOL

In a week's time, it will be the end of Term 2 and the school holidays will begin! Term 2 has proven to be an extremely busy, yet productive term. Our students have been highly engaged in numerous learning opportunities to address the learning intentions for this term.

In Term 3, our students in Years 3 to 6 will be participating in swimming lessons during the first week. This year, swimming sessions will be held at Keilor East Leisure Centre on consecutive Fridays. The scheduled dates are as follows:

- Friday, 19 JulyFriday, 26 JulyFriday, 9 August
- Friday, 16 August

We look forward to a fun and educational swimming program for our students.

On the last day of Term 2, you will receive your child's Semester 1 Report and during the Parent - Teacher Interviews, you will receive your child's Assessment Portfolio. The work samples inside the portfolio were collected in Term 1 and Term 2 as evidence of what has been taught during Semester 1. These samples support what has been documented in the term outlines and should be looked at in conjunction with your child's report. Parent-Teacher Interviews will be held on Wednesday, 24 July 2024, from 12:15 pm until 7:00 pm. Please note that students in P-3 will finish school at 11:55 am and students in 4-6 will finish at 12:00 pm on this day. Last week, parents and carers were asked to nominate a time to attend the Parent-Teacher Interviews on the slip that was sent home. The slips will need to be returned to your child's teacher without delay (if you have not done so already).

At the end of this term, we will be saying goodbye to Ms. Kelly Triantafillidis after approximately 10 years of service at Holy Eucharist. Kelly has worked at our school as a Learning Support Officer (LSO) and, prior to this, was working at Before and After Care for Camp Australia. We thank Kelly and wish her all the very best in her future endeavors. At the end of the second week in Term 3, we will also be saying goodbye to Ms. Chloe Goggi, who will be traveling to London. I would like to thank Chloe and wish her all the best in her new role overseas.

Finally, I would like to thank all our staff for their hard work and commitment this term. I would also like to thank our parents and the wider community for their ongoing support. I hope you all enjoy the last week of Term 2.

God Bless!

# Michael Bonnici

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# PLEASE REMEMBER: Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June is the last day of Term 2.

- Students in Years Prep to Year 3 will finish school at 2:25pm
  - Students in Year 4 to 6 will finish school at 2:30pm.

# SEMESTER 1 REPORTS AND PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Holy Eucharist School will be conducting Parent - Teacher Interviews in Term 3. The interviews will be held on Wednesday 24th July 2024 from 12:15pm until 7:00pm. Please note that students in P-3 will finish school at 11:55am and students in 4-6 will finish at 12pm on this day.

We regard Parent - Teacher Interviews and Assessment and Reporting as a vital part of our school program. On Friday 28th June 2024, you will receive your child's formal report and during the Parent - Teacher Interviews, you will receive your child's Assessment Portfolio. The work



samples inside the portfolio were collected in Term 1 and Term 2 as evidence of what has been taught during Semester 1. These samples support what has been documented in the term outlines and should be looked at in conjunction with your child's report. Parent - Teacher Interviews are a great opportunity to communicate with your child's teacher about your child's progress. 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 Interviews will be approximately 15 minutes in length - just enough time for you and your child's teacher to meet and communicate. Please be on time as we are unable to accommodate changes on the day. Specialist and intervention teachers will also be available should you wish to discuss your child's progress.

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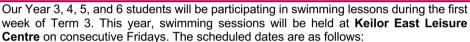
# IS YOUR CHILD UNWELL? IF YES...PLEASE KEEP THEM AT HOME!

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

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.



- Friday, 19 July
- Friday, 26 July
- Friday, 9 August
- Friday, 16 August

Please note that there will be no swimming on Friday, 2 August, as it is a school closure day. We look forward to a fun and educational swimming program for our students.



# **HEALTH CARE CARD**

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



# WINTER SCHOOL UNIFORM

As we are now in Term 2, all students are required to be in their full school winter uniform. 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 visit our school website to view our school uniform policy or click on the following link to access PSW Uniforms https://www.psw.com.au/schools/holy-eucharist-school-stalbans.html? =1660168686498&product list limit=36&product list order=price

# 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

# **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

# LOST PROPERTY ITEMS

We have accumulated a number of lost property items at the office that are not labelled with names. This includes jackets, jumpers, beanies, water bottles and lunch boxes.

We kindly remind you to ensure that your child's name is clearly labelled on all items. Often, we find articles of clothing with names that are so faded they are hard to read, making it difficult to return them to their owners. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us keep track of our students' belongings.



# SECOND HAND SCHOOL UNIFORM

Do you have any school uniforms at home that no longer require? We are asking for parents or carers to donate second hand uniforms to the school. We will then pass the uniforms onto families in need.

Please remember that all items donated must be clean and in good condition. If you are able to assist, please hand the uniforms in at the school office.

# **UNIFORM WANTED**

IF YOU HAVE ANY GOOD QUALITY SECOND HAND UNIFORM WE WOULD LOVE TO TAKE IT OFF YOUR HANDS. PLEASE DROP ANY ITEMS INTO THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

# YEAR 6 TO YEAR 7 TRANSITION

Each year, the Department of Education releases Year 6 to Year 7 placement information for schools and for parents/carers. Parents and carers should have received the placement pack for government schools which includes the current application for Year 7 placement form. To ensure all Year 6 students are placed in a secondary school for Year 7 parents/carers will need to complete these forms and return to school without delay. Parents will receive notification of their child's Year 7 placement in a government secondary school on Wednesday 17 July 2024.



Please note, that Year 7 Catholic Secondary School enrolments will close 16th August 2024.

#### **BREAKFAST CLUB**

Holy Eucharist School, Breakfast club operates from **Monday to Friday from 8.30am until 8.45am** in the Grade 4 Wet Area (Entry is via Miss Murnane's classroom (Room 16). Breakfast will be provided for all of our students who may not have had breakfast before coming to school. Breakfast consists of toast with butter and/or jam or vegemite. All students are welcome.



# PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2025 - NOW OPEN

# Enrolments are still open for 2025.

Children commencing Prep next year must be 5 years of age by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2025. We already have a number of applications for next year and we have already begun interviewing families.

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 2025.

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



# 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 CT Week 9: Mysa	Prep SG	Prep JB	
Week 9. Wysa Week 10: Heidi	Week 9: Marcus	Week 9: Tracy	h - (2)
Week 11: Benjamin	Week 10: Angelina	Week 10: Claire	
	Week 11: Daniel	Week 11: Louis	
<u>Year 1DX</u> Week 9: Joy	Year 1JL	Year 1JD	STUDENT
Week 9. 30y Week 10: Mason	Week 9: Kris	Week 9: Miriam	OF
Week 10: Mason Week 11: David	Week <b>10</b> : Jason	Week 10: Sophie Week 11: Dominic	THE
Year 2AL	Week 11: Timothy Year 2SC	Year 2MJ	
			FAFEK
Week 9: Adel	Week 9: Arsema	Week 9: Michael	VAL
Week 10: Lucas Week 11: Evie	Week <b>10</b> : Andy Week 1 <b>1</b> : Bella	Week 10: Hayley Week 11: Criselina	
Year 3VF	Year 3DC	Year 3JK	Year 3CG
Week 9: Gabriel	Week 9: Martin	Week 9: Kim	Week 9: Lung
Week 10: Delina	Week 10: Benjamin	Week 10: Isaac	Week 10: Iris
Week 11: James D	Week 11: Jennifer	Week 11: Kelvin	Week 11: Winston
Year 4BP	Year 4SN	Year 4JD	Year 4ER
Week 9: Nathan	Week 9: Duc Tin (Louis)	Week 9: Sophia N	Week 9: Hayden N C
Week 10: Emily	Week 10: Liam	Week 10: Lucas	Week 10: Mi Vi
Week 11: -	Week 11: - Year 5JM	Week 11: Sophie L	Week 11: Aparer
Year 5RM		Year 5TN	
Week 9: Lina	Week 9: Desmond	Week 9: Phillip	
Week 10: Preston	Week 10: Skyrik	Week 10: Suri	
Week 11: Eric	Week 11: Ewnet	Week 11: -	
<u>Year 6JC</u>	<u>Year 6HK</u>	<u>Year 6H/M</u>	<u>Year 6KB</u>
Week 9: -	Week 9: Deng	Week 9: Rachel	Week 9: Nathan
Week 10: -	Week 10: Gem	Week 10: -	Week 10: -
Week 11: -	Week 11: -	Week 11: -	Week 1 <b>1</b> : -

# **IMPORTANT DATES**

• End of Term 2 - Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June <u>Students in P-2 finish at 2:25pm and students in 3-6 finish at 2:30pm</u>

Term 3 Begins - Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July

Parent/Teacher Interviews - Wednesday 24th July <u>Students in P-2 finish at 11:55am and students in 3-6 finish at 12pm</u>

Year 3-6 Swimming - Friday 19th July, Friday 26th July, Friday 9th August, Friday 16th August

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August - School Closure Day <u>No School</u>

# THE RIGHT TO DISCONNECT

Please note, that our Staff work extremely hard and may not be able to respond to emails, Class Dojo messages or telephone calls immediately.

From 26 August 2024, the Fair Work Act 2009 (Cth) will include provisions to give employees a workplace right to disconnect from communication received outside of their designated working hours, where reasonable. This includes communication from parents, students, colleagues or others within the school community. The school considers it reasonable for staff to respond to queries within 3 working days.





# HOLY EUCHARIST IS ORGANISING A WINTER APPEAL

As you know, many vulnerable people in our community are struggling due to the spiralling cost of living. Many families are finding it difficult to buy essentials such as food, toiletries, and clothing. They need our help.

Therefore, Holy Eucharist is organising a Winter Appeal to support those in need within our community. We are asking for donations of the following items:

- Canned food and other non-perishable food items
- Toiletries (i.e. soap, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, toothpaste, etc)
- Blankets (i.e. clean, not torn and fit for use)
- Kitchen/laundry detergent

Students can bring their donations directly to their classroom. The school will then distribute the items before the end of the term, to those families in our community who need our assistance.

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# **Principal**

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# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - Sacrament Preparation - Important dates for your diary

	Reconciliation Family Faith Evening	TERM 3: Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> July @ 6.30pm
	Year 3 Reconciliation	TERM 3: Tuesday 27th August @ 6.30pm

Ms Anne-Marie Conte

Deputy Principal/Education in Faith Leader

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# PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The Grades 3- 6 Athletics Carnival will be held in Keilor Little Athletics Track in Keilor Park on Mon 12 Aug 2024. The school is seeking for parent-volunteers to set up and assist the teachers in their respective events from 7am to 3.30pm. If you are available to assist at any time, kindly contact the school's office, or directly email the PE teacher at <a href="mailto:lenny.decruz@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au">lenny.decruz@hestalbanssth.catholic.edu.au</a>
Parents will need to have a valid Working With Children Check and a copy will need to be left at the school office. Thanks.

Mr Lenny DeCruz

**Physical Education Teacher** 

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# READING WITH YOUR CHILD AND READING TO YOUR CHILD

The reading practice your child gains from reading the books they bring home from school every night is invaluable for their reading development. Some strategies that you can implement at home to support your child's reading while they read to you include:

- Encourage your child to sound out letters. For example, for the word 'dog', the child should say each sound individually: d-o-g. If they struggle to blend the sounds together, provide assistance by saying: "d-o-g. That's right, that makes the word 'dog'!" If a sound is incorrect or unknown, point to the letters and provide the correct sounds.
- Encourage your child to focus on letters and sounds rather than relying on pictures. Relying on pictures may encourage your child to 'guess' the word instead of actually read the word on the page (Hempenstall, 2016).

Not only can you support your child with the reading process (lifting the word off the page to read it and understand it's meaning) but you can also have discussions about the book they are reading.

Discussion ideas when you are reading with your child:

- Discuss the cover, the author, and the illustrator.
- Ask questions about the book. Questions such as, "What do you think will happen next?" and "Why do you think that will happen?" can build inferencing and reasoning skills.
- Discuss the storyline and the pictures. This can help develop your child's critical thinking and comprehension skills. It encourages them to think about the narrative and make connections to their own experiences.
- Talk about new and unfamiliar words. This will enhance their understanding of new words and may support their ability to use a wider range when they are speaking or writing.

Along with reading with your child, it is also good practice to read to your child. Researchers Mol and Bus (2011) found that shared book reading can "Facilitate children's language, reading, and spelling achievement throughout their development". Bedtime stories, where a book or part of a book is read each night, encourage children to engage with books and build vocabulary and language skills.

# References

Mol, S. E., & Bus, A. G. (2011). To read or not to read: a meta-analysis of print exposure from infancy to early adulthood. *Psychological bulletin*, 137(2), 267–296. https://doi.org/10.1037/a0021890



# OFFICIAL OPENING AND BLESSING OF CATHERINE MCAULEY LEARNING CENTRE

# Futures will be forged

4 June 2024

The newly opened learning centre at <u>Holy Eucharist School</u>, St Albans, has been named to honour the Sisters who originally opened the school almost 50 years ago.

The Catherine McAuley Learning Centre has been named after the founder of the Sisters of Mercy and honours the women who first operated the school. The school's foundation principal, Sr Leonie Glennen, along with the first teachers, Sr Margaret Broadbent, Sr Margaret McHugh and Sr Helen Duffy, joined the community to celebrate the completion of a large and ambitious building program.



'As we step into these new spaces, let us remember the purpose for which they were built: to foster creativity, collaboration and critical thinking', said Principal Michael Bonnici. 'These are not merely structures, but vibrant hubs of learning where ideas will flourish, dreams will take shape and futures will be forged. They symbolise our unwavering commitment to providing the best possible learning environment for our students.'

Mr Bonnici opened the centre, together with Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools (MACS) Executive Director, Dr Edward Simons; Member for St Albans, the Hon Natalie Suleyman MP; and Auxiliary Bishop of Melbourne, Most Rev Martin Ashe. The new centre is a two-storey space comprising eight classrooms, maker spaces, a teacher planning room, a learning deck, and new toilet and storage facilities. The cost of the project was \$4.7 million, including a contribution of \$2 million from the Victorian Government.



This article featured in 'MACS News and Events' on 4 June 2024.

To see the article please visit: https://www.macs.vic.edu.au/N ews-Events/2024/June/futureswill-be-forged.aspx



Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools



# **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.

# DAY KÈM TOÁN VÀ ANH VĂN - GIẨM 30% HOC PHÍ CHO SINH VIÊN TAI TRƯỜNG HOLY EUCHARIST

MPiR Tuition là môt trung tâm day kèm tai Cairnlea cung cấp dịch vụ dạy kèm cho học sinh từ lớp 1 đến lớp 12.

Các lớp học được tiến hành theo nhóm nhỏ với các bài tập soạn riêng cho mỗi học sinh. Để biết thêm chi tiết, vui long truy cập www.mpirtuition.com.au hoặc

RETRIBANS

# **ADMINISTRATION NEWS**

#### Fees for 2024

School Fees for 2024 are \$1,050.00 per family.

Per Capita fees for 2024 are \$150.00 per child. This includes \$30.00 Sport Fees.

Excursion Fees for 2024 are \$35.00 per child.

# Camp Fees for 2024

Grade 6 Camp fees are \$140.00 per child Grade 5 Camp fees are \$130 per child.

100 days of Prep, Gr.1 Breakfast, Gr. 2 Dinner, Gr.3 Big day in and Gr.4 Big day out will be provided at no cost.

# **Sacraments**

The cost of Sacraments for Grades 3, 4, and 6 are included in the fees. If there is any family that has any financial concerns or queries, please contact me on 8312 0900.

Mrs Sue Smart

# **Business Manager**

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# 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.hestulbanssth.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.

