

School Newsletter

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An Ash Wednesday Prayer

Heavenly Father, during this time of reflection I remember how you lived the life I ought to have lived. You showed us how to resist temptation during your time in the desert, and through the life you led here on earth. As this Lent season begins, remind me that I am but dust. I can do nothing without you. Help me to see the world through the eyes of those in the first Lent season, who awaited a Savior and awaited new life through you. Thank you for your sacrifice on the cross, help me to use that time I would spend through LENT to pray, reflect, and thank you. Amen.



Dates for your Calendar				
Monday 28 th Feb	Cyber safety Parent Meeting Online – all invited to attend 7pm – 8.30pm. Refer to the brochure attached for more details			
	Compulsory for Grade 5 Parents – due to the Chromebook Policy.			
Tuesday 1 st March	Teacher / Parent Chat			
Wednesday 2 nd March	Ash Wednesday – Sacred Heart Mass 7.30am or 7.00pm Emmaus Mass 7.00pm			
Thursday 3 rd March	Teacher / Parent Chat			
Tuesday 8 th March	Grade 4 Sacrament of Reconciliation 5.00pm- Grade 4S at Emmaus Church 6.30pm- Grade 4G at Emmaus Church			
Wednesday 9 th March	Grade 4 Sacrament of Reconciliation 6.30- Grade 4M at Emmaus Church			
Friday 11 th March	Stations of the Cross Mass – Sacred Heart 7.15pm			
Monday 14 th March	Labour Day- School Closure			
Wednesday 16 th March	Grade 6 Camp			
Thursday 17 th March	Grade 6 Camp			
Friday 18 th March	Grade 6 Camp Stations of the Cross Mass – Sacred Heart 7.15pm			
Thursday 24 th March	School Photo Day			
Friday 25 th March	Stations of the Cross Mass – Sacred Heart 7.15pm			
Wednesday 6 th April	Parish Lent Prayer / Reconciliation at Emmaus Church Time: 7.30pm			
Thursday 7 th April	Parish Lent Prayer / Reconciliation at Sacred Heart Church Time: 7.30pm			
Friday 1 st April	Stations of the Cross Mass – Sacred Heart 7.15pm			
Friday 8 th April	Term 1 ends – 3.15pm Finish Stations of the Cross Mass – Sacred Heart 7.15pm			
Friday 15 th April	Good Friday Stations of the Cross Mass – Sacred Heart 7.15pm			
Sunday 17 th April	Easter Sunday			
Tuesday 26 th April	Term 2 begins			

WEEK 4 COVID SCHOOL UPDATE

- Total of 6 positive COVID cases reported within our school community in the last week.
- Learning grids provided to those isolating due to having COVID or being a 'Close Contact'.
- Masks mandatory for Grade 3-6's
- Parents onsite wearing face masks
- Daily communication at grade and school level, when positive cases are reported.

Change in procedures as of Monday 21/2/22

Families will receive an email from the classroom teacher should there be a positive case in the class. This will replace the hard copy letters that have been distributed to the grades over the last 3 weeks.

We hold all those in our school community affected by COVID in our thoughts and prayers, for a speedy recovery and return to school.

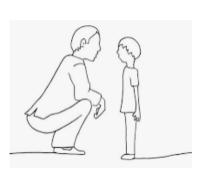
Speaking to your Children about their School Day

Many parents/guardians relay the challenges they face when asking their child/ren about their day at school, often because children don't talk about their experiences, or give a broad comment like "It was good".

Below are some 'open' phrased questions for parents/guardians to use (one-two question a day) to help generate conversations with their children.

Try one or more of these 10 questions next week and see how your child responds:

- 1. What was the best thing you did today and why?
- 2. What was something different that happened today?
- 3. What made you laugh?
- 4. Who did you play with?
- 5. What are you looking forward to about tomorrow?
- 6. What did you learn about in Drama/PE/STEM?
- 7. What's something your teacher said to you today that made you think?
- 8. If you could change one thing that happened today, what would it be?
- 9. What part of your day went the slowest? Why?
- 10. What games did you play at lunchtime?



Enrolments in Catholic Regional Colleges or Other Catholic Secondary Schools Information



Any CRC enrolments or Catholic school enrolments for 2024 that require Fr. Maurie's signature will need to be brought into the office for signing. There will be allocated monthly collections of the enrolment forms which will occur on the third Friday of each month.

The following are dates they will be due into the office for signing:

Friday 25th March, 2022

Friday 15th April, 2022

Friday 20th May, 2022

Friday 17th June, 2022

Forms will be redistributed to families via the students once they have been signed.

Message from Fr. Maurie

Back in contact through this format of a letter: I hope 2022 is showing up fewer confusions and tensions than what we were enduring previously!

Nonetheless, the impact of COVID continues with us: severely, still bringing some serious illness and death, regulations about gatherings, reorganisations of our Schools and Colleges – we continue to hold one another and all in prayer.

And the situation with Russia and Ukraine urges us to pray and urge for reconciliation and a reasoned way forward without killing and destruction: let there be peace!

Our emerging from slower January into the more organised turn of the year has prompted me to re-engage with you, and to draw to your attention areas of Parish life.

For gathering in our churches, **COVID regulations are being eased further tonight**. As of tomorrow, masks will not be obligatory in our churches. The exception for masks is for those who are 'ministers of Holy Communion' at Mass, and the Priests – masks are required for that ministry. This parallels the hospitality industry where food is being served.

It is a good reminder that what we have at Mass is the call to come and share in the Meal of the presence and action of Jesus Christ Risen for us!

As of last week, QR or manual check-in is no longer required.

Indication of vaccination status is not required.

Coincidentally this weekend we have two **First Communion Masses** for children from our Sacred Heart Parish School. This is another carry-over from last year's postponements: these young Parishioners are in Year 5 whereas usually we call them to their First Communion during their Year 4.

In this context of the easing of COVID regulations and these Masses for First Communion, I eagerly invite all Parishioners to **step forward and re-gather in our churches to celebrate Eucharist** once again on Saturday night/Sunday morning! A reminder of our Mass times is at the end of this letter. We have continued to be people of faith while apart from one another: now is the time to consider being that faithful People of God *together* again!

Lent begins next week. What a great 'new beginning' it will be if we use Lent as a time for re-consideration of 'coming to Mass', 'celebrating Eucharist together'.

Our being a Parish comes from the sense of community and the experience of being together in our worship, our listening to the Word of God, our sharing in the Meal of the Lord, and our together committing to be on the mission of the Gospel as disciples of the Lord. This is who we are: part of the 'People of God', parts of the 'Body of Christ' – we identify as that and grow as that so much when we gather in the celebration of Eucharist!

Yes, **Ash Wednesday** is next week – 2nd March. Our Masses with the distribution of Ashes are:

7.30am and 7pm at Sacred Heart 7pm at Emmaus.

There will be Masses and Prayer Assemblies in our Schools and Colleges as permitted by their regulations.

Following this letter there is further information about Lent – including our gathering towards its end for Prayer and Reconciliation.

Several of our Ministry Teams have resumed their service to our community. Our **Baptism Team**, for example, have guided eleven of our families to the Baptism of their children during February. A schedule and a roster have been set for the rest of the year.

We are continuing with the process of setting up rosters for the **Ministries in our weekend Masses** – getting all the Working With Children cards finalized is taking a little longer than anticipated.

There is a delay in re-commencing our **Ministry to the four Aged Care facilities** in our Parish. A new requirement has been introduced which asks our volunteers to be 'certified' in the National Disability Insurance Scheme. I have asked the Archdiocese to step in and sort this through.

That great Ministry of leading, teaching and supporting which the staffs of **our Schools and Colleges** give our community so generously is managing this year's regulations with great hope and commitment.

The Archdiocese's education arm has set up a Working Party to consider **the next Catholic Secondary School in our area**. The Principals of our four Catholic Regional Colleges, Fr Richard Rosse (Parish Priest for Caroline Springs) and I are part of this process: it met for the first time during this week. The introduction spoke of 'five to ten years' for the outcome to become reality.

The year is very much under way. It will hold surprises and setbacks as every year does. And we will be true through it all – in our own hopefulness and commitment in all our responsibilities, and with the grace of God working amongst and for us.

My 'season indicator tree' in the grounds of CRC St Albans opposite the driveway at Sacred Heart is responding as if on cue – its leaves are starting to show hints of green turning to red: autumn officially starts next week! Yes, the year is under way!

Best wishes and blessings to all! See below for

- our usual Saturday night/Sunday Mass times
- information about Ash Wednesday and Lent

MASS TIMES:

Sacred Heart

Tuesday-Friday 7.30am

Saturday 9.00am, 5.00pm Sunday 7.30am,10.30am

Sunday Polish 9.00am

Slovene 2nd Sunday of month at 5.00pm

Emmaus Church

Saturday 6.30pm

Sunday 9.00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sacred Heart English Saturday

10.30am

Maltese every 4th Saturday 4.00pm

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Ash Wednesday 2nd March

Sacred Heart: 7.30am and 7.00pm

Emmaus: 7.00pm

Lent Prayer and Reconciliation

Wednesday 6th April: Emmaus at 7.30pm Thursday 7th April: Sacred Heart at

7.30pm

Stations of the Cross

Fridays during Lent: Sacred Heart at

7.15pm

(except 4th March)

Cana families come together online for Cyber Safety

Cyber Safety Evening Details

WHEN: Monday 28th February 2022

WHERE: Online (access this link through the

newsletter) meet.google.com/kbg-rcxw-gbj

TIME: 7pm - 8.30pm

All Parents are invited to attend.

COMPULSORY: For Grade 5 Parents to attend. This adheres to the Cana Chromebook Contract and User Agreement.

Growing up Online

An educational & entertaining session for Parents and carers, Susan's unparalleled knowledge leaves audiences shocked at the reality of the online world. It is a wake up call to even the most switched on parent and is delivered with Susan's famous 'no nonsense' approach. The session will cover the positive benefits of technology as well as what parents need to be aware of:

- Cyberspace 101. The reality of the online world. It's not a matter of if – rather than when.
- What are kids doing online. Learn the latests apps and platforms your kids are either on, want to be on or are being told about at school. TikTok, Omegle, House Party & more.
- Online Grooming. What is it and when/how does it occur? What are the warning signs & what to do if you suspect this is happening to your child.
- Cyberbullying. What it is, where it happens, what it looks like, how to prevent and what to do if it occurs. Also the legal consequences and the possible criminal charges.
- Sharing Nudes. The taking and sending of explicit images. The social and emotional consequences as well as the Law.
- Problematic Gaming. How to manage digital devices in your home to avoid problems and what to do if/when they arise.
- Exposure to damaging content. Including online pornography & site that encourage suicide, self harm & eating disorders.
- Top Tips—how to assist the children in your care to stay safe online with rules, parental controls and restriction passcodes.
- The session will conclude with time for questions.





Susan McLean is Australia's foremost expert in the area of Cybersafety and young people. She was the first Victorian Police Officer appointed to a position involving Cybersafety and young people. Susan took her first report of cyberbullying in 1994 and since then she has conducted extensive research and has completed advanced training & tertiary studies in both the USA and UK and is a sought after presenter and advisor to Schools, elite sporting bodies such as the AFL, GP's, and both State and Federal Governments. She has authored resources for the Victorian DET, writes and reviews school Policy, provides crisis management/advice to schools & national & international companies. A sought after media commentator for television, print and radio, she recently co-authored the NSW Govt. review into mobile phones in schools. She is the most highly qualified & experienced presenter in Australia & is internationally renowned. Susan is a member of the National Centre Against Bullying (NCAB), a Trusted Education Provider (Office of the eSafety Commissioner) & an ambassador for Collective Shout. A published author, her book 'Sext's Texts & Selfies', is the definitive guide for parents, teachers and carers to help children stay

safe online.

<u>Compulsory for Grade 5 Parents – due to the Chromebook Policy.</u>

Camps Sports and Excursion Fund Applications

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) provides financial support to eligible families so students can attend school camps, outdoor education and sporting programs, as well as incursions and excursions. If you have not applied for CSEF and hold a currently valid Healthcare Card, or if you have an existing card and a new child is joining Cana, please fill out the CSEF form below and email it along with a scan of your card to Mrs Trudy Milligan at trudy.milligan@canahillside.catholic.edu.au.



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Cana Catholic Primary School has a commitment to the care, safety and wellbeing of children.

NOTICE OF 2022 SCHOOL FEES

5th November 2021

Dear Parents & Guardians

The Cana Catholic Primary School Fee and Levies for the 2022 School Year will be as follows:

Description	1 Child Family	2 Child Family	3 Child Family	4 Child Family
Family Fee	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00
Grounds Maintenance Levy	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Levies per Student				
Educational/Curriculum Levy	\$380.00	\$760.00	\$1,140.00	\$1,520.00
Excursion Levy	\$125.00	\$250.00	\$375.00	\$500.00
Technology Levy	\$330.00	\$660.00	\$990.00	\$1,320.00
TOTAL 2022 School Fees	\$2,385.00	\$3,220.00	\$4,055.00	\$4,890.00

In 2022, the School Fee per Family will be \$1,550.00 plus Levies per Student of \$835.00

Levies per Student:

Education/Curriculum Levy of \$380.00

Excursion Levy of \$125.00 Technology Levy of \$330.00

New Levies

Yr 5 & 6 students only Sport Levy of \$50.00
Yr 3, 4 & 6 students only Sacramental Levy of \$15.00

Please Note: Grade 6 Students Only - Camp costs will be invoiced during Term 1, 2022

EARLY PAYMENT DISCOUNT - for School Fees paid in full before 8th April 2022 (End of Term 1, 2022)

\$50 Early Payment Discount is available to families who choose to pay their school fee account in full before the end of Term 1.

If paying 2022 school fees in full by the end of Term 1, please reduce your payment by \$50

ie: pay \$2,400.00 instead of \$2,450.00 to allow for the \$50 rebate to be applied to your 2022 school fee account.

Alternatively, Families paying by regular payment instalments throughout the year must comply with the following payment due dates:

PAYMENT DUE DATES

Due Date: 8th April 2022

Due Date: 24th June 2022

Due Date: 16th September 2022

AMOUNT REQUIRED TO BE PAID

25% of annual Fee & Levies paid by end of Term 1

75% of annual Fee & Levies paid by end of Term 2

Balance paid in full no later than end Term 3 2022

Families can choose to pay school fees by regular instalments either Weekly, Fortnightly, or Monthly

School Fees must be paid in full no later than end of Term 3, 2022

If required, School Fee Payment Plans need to be arranged with the School Bursar at the commencement of Term 1, 2022.

An appointment is required to arrange a Payment Plan Meeting. Please telephone the School Office on 8390 9200 if you require a Payment Plan appointment.

Mrs Carmen Blatti Principal

ABSENT / LATE ARRIVAL/EARLY DEPARTURE NOTIFICATIONS – PARENT/ GUARDIAN REPLY NEEDED

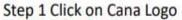
Your child/ren has been marked absent today.

Please note that parents/guardians are to report student absence to the school on the day of absence and **before** 9.30am.

You are required to provide -:

- The Student/s FULL name (First and Surname)
- The Student/s <u>Grade</u> (5G not just 5)
- Reason for being absent
- Date/s absent

This information should be provided via the Cana School Bag App.





Step 2 Click on EFORMS



Step 3 Click on Absentee



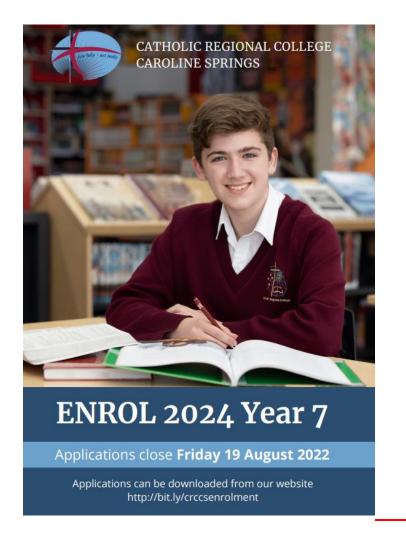
Step 4 – Complete ALL fields in the Absentee form.

Step 5 – Late arrival and Early Departures are to be submitted on this platform

Key Enrolment Dates for Year 5 Students in 2022

The key enrolment dates for students in Year 5 in 2022 who will be starting Year 7 in 2024 have been decided and are as follows:

- 28th January 2022 Applications will open for Year 5 students commencing Year 7 in 2024
- 19th August 2022 Applications will close
- 21st October 2022 Offers will be posted to prospective Year 7 applicants
- 11th November Final date for parents/carers to accept an offer made by the school







ZOOPER DOOPER'S EVERY FRIDAY FOR THE REST OF TERM 1

AVAILABLE AT LUNCH TIME STARTING MARCH 4TH

50 cents EACH



1 PER STUDENT



Cana is committed to the Safety and Wellbeing of our students

School Hours

Music starts at 8:42am

Monday	8:45am – 3:15pm
Tuesday	8:45am – 3:15pm
Wednesday	8:45am – 3:15pm
Thursday	8:45am – 3:15pm
Friday	8:45am – 3:15pm

Recess 10.15am – 10.45am Lunch 1.00pm – 1.50pm

Mass Times

Saturday				
Sacred Heart	5:00pm			
Emmaus	6:30pm			
Sunday				
Sacred Heart	8:00am,			
	10:15am,			
	11:30am			
Emmaus	9:00am			
Parish Office /	T: 9366 2146			
Presbytery Secretary Margaret	F: 9366 9876			

NO Second Hand Uniform Sales

Due to the need for social distancing and other COVID safety measures, we cannot currently offer second-hand uniforms. We will advise when this returns and in the meantime recommend contacting your PSW outlet for uniform enquiries.



School Website

To watch videos from the website, the password you will need is:

PASSWORD: CanaVids



Mobile Phone App

We advise all families to download this App as this is our form of communication.



OshClub is our Before & After School Care Program. Children need to be registered before they attend.

We advise all families to register their child/ren (registration is free).

OSH Program Numbers:

Mobile: 0478 022 320

Head Office: 1300 395 735

Cana Bank Account

For EFT payments, please ensure you reference your <u>SURNAME</u> and your

6 - digit family ID

BSB: 083 347

Account: 563 101 059