



# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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We respectfully acknowledge the Wurundjeri People of the Kulin Nation, who are the Traditional Owners of the land on which Cana School stands in the suburb of Hillside. We pay or respect to their Elders past, present and emerging.



## TERM 4 ISSUE 7 Friday 18th November, 2022

What a fantastic evening we had last Friday at the Cana School Disco. It was lovely to see all the children dancing and having so much fun with their friends. Thank you to all the families and staff members who assisted and helped make the night run so smoothly.

We have an exciting next few weeks ahead as it leads us to the end of the year. We have rescheduled the Cana School Mini Fair to Wednesday 7th December and we have also organised for a Cana Family Picnic for Wednesday 30th November at 1pm. We welcome all families to come along and bring their picnic basket and blankets, it will be a fantastic day.



God Bless and go gently.

# Dates for your Calendar

## Term 4

Friday 25th November	<b>Soundgarage Concert at 6pm- Details below</b>
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Cana Family Picnic 1:00pm - 1:50pm</b> - Weather permitted
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	<b>Sports Carnival</b> - Details to follow
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>Mini Fair</b> - Details to follow
Thursday 8th December	<b>School Production Evening</b> - Details to follow
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>Grade 6 Graduation – 6pm</b> at Emmaus Church
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>Orientation</b> for Prep to Grade 6
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>Last day of Term 4 – Prep to Grade 5 finish at 3:15</b> <b>Grade 6 finish at 2pm</b>
<b>Term 1, 2023</b>	
Wednesday 1st February	<b>Term 1 Begins for Grade 1 to Grade 6 students</b>
Thursday 2nd February	<b>First Day of school for Preps</b>

### Medical Alert

This week a family member of the school has reported that their child has contracted “Impetigo” (School Sores), this is a form of skin infection that causes sores and blisters. Please keep an eye out for any symptoms and keep your child home if they’re unwell. We appreciate families’ notifying our school as this helps minimise further infections. Thank you.

### Lost Property

We have a large amount of Cana School Uniform handed in for lost property. All items are located in the hall, if your child has lost items of school clothing please feel free to look through the lost property items.

If anyone is missing a pair of seeing glasses, we have had some handed into the office.



Due to recent events that have caused concern within the school community, Caroline Springs Proactive Unit attended and spoke with all students regarding Stranger Danger.

**The topics covered were:**

- \*Types of strangers  
Safe vs Unsafe
- \*What is a safe place
- \*Where are our safe places in the community
- \*Have a Buddy – Have a Plan!  
This means if walking with friends, plan your route, be aware of your surroundings and communicate with your Buddy and Parents
- \*If you see something strange, say something to a trusted adult
- \*Resources when you need help/advice

We recommend having a follow up conversation with your child about the information covered.

***If you are in immediate danger or it's emergency call 000. To report any non-urgent crimes or events, please call the Police Assistance Line on 131 444.***



CAN,  
SPOR

## Mass at Cana

Dear Families,

This term we excitingly welcome more Masses at Cana! For safety and space reasons, we have split the school into 3 groups. These groups are titled Group A, Group B and Group C. The two tables below are for your reference to see which group your child/ren are in and when they will be in the hall for the Mass and/or leading the Mass.

Families of students who are in the hall on the designated week or a leading the Mass, are invited to attend Mass. This information is in the grey shaded area.

Group A	PC, 1C, 1W, 3C, 4M, 6K
Group B	PR, 1A, 2J, 3S, 4S, 5S
Group C	PB, 1T, 2T, 4G, 5K, 6G

We look forward to praying with you as a school community.

Week, date and time	Date	Time	Group in hall	Class/Group Leading Mass
8	Thursday 24th November	No Mass	No Mass	No Mass
9	Thursday 1st December	2pm	Group A	Prep C
10	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> of December	2pm	Group B Virtual Whole School	Prep R
11	Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> of December	2pm	Group C Virtual Whole School	Mary Mackillop Group

# SOUNDGARAGE CONCERT!

Cana Catholic P.S



**FRIDAY 25<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

**6pm – ALL Soundgarage students!**

- Students should arrive 15 minutes prior to performance time.
- The concert will be held in the School Hall, located next to the reception building.
- Students can come dressed in rock star clothing or anything comfortable!
- All students will have a rehearsal on the day of the concert.

Enquiries: Maddie 0401 844 522 [maddie@soundgarage.com.au](mailto:maddie@soundgarage.com.au)



## EVERY MINUTE COUNTS

**Just a little bit late doesn't seem much but.....**

He/She is only missing just....	That equals....	Which is.....	over 13 years of schooling, that's....
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	Nearly 1.6 weeks per year	Nearly HALF A YEAR
20 minutes per day	1 hour 40 minutes per week	Nearly 2.5 weeks per year	Nearly 1 YEAR
Half an hour per day	Half a day per week	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 AND A HALF YEARS
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 weeks per year	Nearly 2 AND A HALF YEARS

A cartoon illustration of a young boy's face with orange hair, looking sad with a frown and red cheeks. He is positioned to the right of the table.

**Did you know your child's best learning time is the start of the school day?**

That's when every minute counts the most!



# Ice Creams

**Will be on sale every Friday in Term 1 and 4**

Varieties will vary from time to time



**Paddle Pop Icy Twist**

**\$1.50**

**Chocolate and Vanilla Frozen Yoghurt**



**Chocolate and Vanilla 120ml-** Milk (Water +Milk solids), Fresh Probiotics Yoghurt (25%), (Skim Milk Solids, Water, Cultures), Sugar, Dietary Fibre (Inulin), Pure Cocoa (4%) Vanilla (natural flavour), Maltodextrin, Xylitol, Vegetable Gums (Guar, Soy, Xanthan), Natural Flavours, Cultures (L. Acidophilus, Bifidobacteria & L. Casei).

**\$1.50**

**Strawberry and Vanilla Frozen Yoghurt**



**Strawberry and Vanilla 120ml-** Milk (Water +Milk solids), Fresh Probiotics Yoghurt (25%), (Skim Milk Solids, Water, Cultures), Sugar, Dietary Fibre (Inulin), Strawberries (4%) Vanilla (natural flavour), Pectin, Maltodextrin, Xylitol, Vegetable Gums (Guar, Soy, Xanthan), Citric Acid, Natural Flavours, Red Beet (Colour), Cultures (L. Acidophilus, Bifidobacteria & L. Casei).

**\$1.50**



**Chocolate Paddle Pop**

**\$2.00**



**Rainbow Paddle Pop**

**\$2.00**



**Paddle Pop Cylone**

**\$2.50**



**Calippo- Lemon, Pineapple and Raspberry**

**\$2.50**

**Please note strictly 1 ice cream per child only, available in Term 1 and 4.**

**We are kindly asking for students to bring coins only for payment as large change will not be given.**

# Message From Fr. Maurie

Greetings everyone!

On the weekend after this we will be hearing the Advent words of 'wait' and 'hope': that's the attitude we have had to take when the official beginning of summer is less than two weeks away and it's 11 degrees mid-afternoon!!

That Advent weekend will be the beginning of a new year for the Church. There are various calendars that affect us, aren't there: the 'standard' where its New Year's Day is 1<sup>st</sup> January; the Lunar Calendar a little later when a large number of our Parishioners share New Year's greetings; the 'financial year' opening on 1<sup>st</sup> July; the birthday for each of us, and other anniversaries, when a new year opens before us.

Before we get to that first Advent weekend, this coming weekend is the last weekend of the current Church year, and, as always, holds the feast of Christ the King. Amongst everything that has happened in the past twelve months, our faith has been in Jesus Christ's presence and action in us, amongst, for us. Christ the King feast has us remember that it is the ministry, teaching, actions, death, resurrection and sending of the Holy Spirit of Jesus that has guided our past year. And we have responded well as we have gradually reassembled after COVID separation.

Through this past year, most Sundays have given us Readings from the Gospel of Luke which has given us the Jesus who reached out to others in action, in compassion, in forgiveness, in inclusion. The final Gospel of the year that we hear on this Sunday has Jesus on the Cross reaching out to another who is being crucified and including him in His life.

Next year's Gospel Readings will mostly come from the Gospel of Matthew. Matthew wants us to appreciate that Jesus is the action of God who has been drawing the people through the Old Testament age, drawing us onwards, onwards to the fulfilment of life in the Kingdom of Heaven. Drawing that together on the last Sunday of next year's Readings will be that scene where we are asked 'when I was hungry, what did you do? When I was thirsty, what did you do? when I was in need of any kind, what did you do?'

An attachment with this email is taken from a homily by Pope Paul VI: I very much like the way in which he puts a fine proclamation of the presence and significance of Jesus for our lives.

Another attachment with this email is the joint 'pastoral letter' to us from the Bishops of Victoria (Melbourne, Sale, Ballarat, Bendigo) in the lead-up to the election – proposing that it must always be 'the common good' that our leaders in government must be developing.

Archbishop Comensoli writes to us in another attachment with this email, inviting and urging us to take Advent as the opportunity to re-gather in our churches for Sunday (Saturday night) Eucharist. In our Parish, the numbers coming together at weekend Masses has gradually been increasing since those days of our being kept away because of COVID regulations. The sense amongst us is one of 'it's good to be together again'. If you're still wondering - 'Come on down' as the saying goes.

The new round of Thanksgiving contributions commences this weekend. During this week our administration people have been sorting out a few 'wrinkles' that showed up when the mail was received, and have been liaising with the banks to log in the Debit Card/Credit card contributions. Again, the Parish thanks all for your participation in this review and renewal.

Welcome to our Parish Administration Team to Lauren Maslaris. Lauren commenced with us last week: she is in our Parish Office Monday-Friday 9.30-2.30, picking up on everything, and keeping Parish life ticking over nicely.

Keep pushing on - we're on the way: continuing prayers and blessings for the journey!

Maurie Cooney  
(Parish Priest)



**Sacred Heart / Emmaus Parish  
St Albans/Sydenham Western Plains Deanery  
Parish Priest: Fr. Maurie Cooney**



**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Year C - 20th November 2022**

**Parish Details:**

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**Office Hours:**

**Monday – Wednesday:** 9:30am—4:00pm  
**Thursday & Friday:** 9:30am—2:30pm

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

**Sacred Heart** English Saturday 10.30am  
Maltese every 4th Saturday 4.00pm

**Baptism:** Eight weeks notice is required

**Marriage:** Six months noticed required

**Sacred Heart Mass Times:**

**Weekdays**

Tuesday - Friday 7.30am  
Saturday 9.00am

**Weekend**

Saturday 5:00pm  
Sunday 7:30am, 10:30am  
Polish 9.00am  
Slovene 2nd Sunday of month at 5:00pm

**Emmaus Mass Times:**

Saturday 6:30pm  
Sunday 9:00am

If you would like to receive the weekly 'Parish Update' emailed to you, please send your email address to the Parish: [stalbans@cam.org.au](mailto:stalbans@cam.org.au)

**SAFEGUARDING POLICY**

Sacred Heart/Emmaus Parish is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. The Parish takes a zero-tolerance approach to child abuse and upholds that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult. To report issues and concerns, contact: [stalbans.csc@cam.org.au](mailto:stalbans.csc@cam.org.au) or 0413 841 936

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

Sacred Heart-Emmaus Parish acknowledges the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation, the traditional owners of the land where we gather. We pay our respect to their elders past, present and emerging.

**READINGS**

This week: First Reading:	Sam 5:1-3	Second Reading:	Col 1:12-20	Gospel: Lk: 23:35-43
Next week: First Reading:	Is 2:1-5	Second Reading:	Rom 13:11-14	Gospel: Mt 24:37-44

**REFLECTION**

**'BUILDING THE KINGDOM !'**

This week, another liturgical year of our Church comes to a close. Throughout it, of course, Jesus has been our focus – reaching into the lives of those in need, into the lives of those who have been rejected by others, the one who gathers together the People of God, the one who brings the life and love of God to us, the one who raises us again and again through forgiveness and encouragement – finally to eternal life. This dynamic presence of Christ's is in today's feast in which we hail him as the one who brings about the Kingdom of God. The best description of the saints, their 'identity card' Pope Francis says, is found in the beatitudes from Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, which begins, 'Blessed are the poor in spirit.' As Christian saints have done throughout the ages, Christ's followers today are called 'to confront the troubles and anxieties of our age with the spirit and love of Jesus', he says: in this we will be 'building the Kingdom' with Jesus Christ the King. New situations require new energy and a new commitment, he said, offering a new list of beatitudes for modern Christians to include with the original list:

Blessed are those who remain faithful while enduring evils inflicted on them by others and forgive them from their heart.

Blessed are those who look into the eyes of the abandoned and marginalized and show them their closeness.

Blessed are those who see God in every person and strive to make others also discover him.

Blessed are those who protect and care for our common home.

Blessed are those who renounce their own comfort in order to help others.

Blessed are those who pray and work for full communion between Christians.

'All these are messengers of God's mercy and tenderness,' Pope Francis said.

We, now, carry forward these works of Christ the King, empowered by his Holy Spirit.

## WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

**RECENT DEATHS:** Joe Grech, Rafal Mrzyglod, Vivienne Grech, Mary Minogue, Christine Lebon, Bernardo Franco

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Leli, Carmelo, Mary, Grace & Joseph Pulis, Tony & Jane Dalli, Nuni Sim & Penglay Family, Vlado Dodlek & Stephanie Panic, Buttigieg Family, Ivan Brincat, Ciantar Family, Carmen Farrugia, Lino Rapinett, Luqa Lily Borg, Leli Bugeja, Charlie Camilleri, Paula & Joe Muscut, Fr. Peter Joshua Muscut, Mary Schembri, Mary, Salvina, Anthony, Gianni & George Mifsud, Rita Galea, Angela Xuereb, Josephine P. Sinforsio, John Colario, Cathano & Antonia, Aaron D'Souza, Pero Kilsanin Michael & Josephine Piacentini, Paul Aquilina, Peter & Clara Parnis, Annie & Aloysius Perera

## OUR PASTORAL, SOCIAL & SCHOOL EVENTS



### A NOTE OF THANKS

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### FLOOD APPEAL – SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St Vincent de Paul's Flood Appeal for those who have been effected by these devastating floods particularly in the north of the State.

Contributions can be made by:

1. Calling 13 18 12
2. Visit: <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-vic/vinnies-vic-flood-appeal-2022>
3. Making a monetary donation through any Vinnies Shops at point of purchase; or
4. Via your local IGA where the purchase of a token supports the recovery of Victorians devastated by these recent floods.

Your generosity, as always, is very much appreciated.

### Christ the King – a bit of history:

Today's feast of Christ the King was introduced by Pope Pius XI in 1925. This took place in a world that had suffered through the First World War and was unknowingly heading towards the Second World War. In this setting, the world was experiencing a dramatic growth in secularism and an even more dramatic growth in dictators who were rising to power in various states. The introduction of the feast was a call back from the secular and a call to remember Christ as having authority above and beyond any earthly leader.

### Shepherds and Criminals

The gospel of Luke that we have been listening to throughout the year is underlined by a message of hope for those who are afflicted, outcast and poor. In Luke, the message and ministry of Jesus are directed specifically to these lowly ones. The significance of the role played by the poor is highlighted by the overall arrangement of Luke's gospel: the birth of Jesus is celebrated by shepherds and his death is accompanied by criminals. Shepherds and criminals – two classes of people on the absolute fringe of society; not dignitaries or wise men from afar – are witness to the birth and death of Jesus. So much of his ministry in between has been for those who are dismissed by others.

### A kingdom of inclusion

In today's gospel story, Jesus assures 'the repentant thief' that 'today you will be with me in paradise'. It is today that the criminal will join Jesus in paradise. It is an expression of the welcome and inclusion that Jesus has extended to the outsiders and undervalued throughout his ministry in Luke's gospel. It is a clear indication that the Kingdom of God that Jesus has worked to bring about is a kingdom of inclusion and welcome for all.

### St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

"Never lose courage under your sufferings." Mary MacKillop 1st. Sept. 1873

## **THE OFFICE OF READINGS: Week 13 of the Year: Sunday**

*A reading from the homilies of Pope Paul VI – Manila, 29 November 1970*

'Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel!'

I am sent by Christ himself to do this. I am an apostle, I am a witness. I must bear witness to his name: Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. He reveals the invisible God, he is the first-born of all creation, the foundation of everything created. He is the teacher of humanity, and its redeemer. He was born, he dies and he rose again for us.

He is the centre of history and of the world; he is the one who knows us and who loves us; he is the companion and friend of our life. He is the man of sorrows and of hope. It is he who will come and who one day will be our judge and – we hope – the everlasting fullness of our existence, our happiness.

I could never finish speaking about him: he is the light and the truth; indeed, he is the way, the truth and the life.

He is the bread and the spring of living water to satisfy our hunger and our thirst.

He is our shepherd, our guide, our model, our comfort, our brother.

Like us, and more than us, he has been made little, poor, humiliated; he has been a worker; he has known misfortune and been patient.

For our sake he spoke, worked miracles and founded a new kingdom where the poor are happy, where peace is the principle for living together, where the pure of heart and those who mourn are raised up and comforted, where those who hunger and thirst have their fill, where sinners can be forgiven,, where all are brothers and sisters.

Jesus Christ: you have heard him spoken of; indeed the greater part of you are already his: you are Christians. So, to you Christians I repeat his name, to everyone I proclaim him: Jesus Christ is the beginning and the end, the Alpha and the Omega; he is the king of the new world; he is the secret of history; he is the key to our destiny.

He is the mediator, the bridge, between heaven and earth. He is more perfectly than anyone else the Son of Man, because he is the Son of God, eternal and infinite.

He is the son of Mary, blessed among all women, his mother according to the flesh, and our mother through the sharing in the Spirit of his mystical body.

Jesus Christ is our constant preaching; it is his name that we proclaim to the ends of the earth and throughout all ages.



14 November 2022

Dear People and Clergy of the Catholic community in Victoria,

### **Victorian State Election: 26 November 2022**

Our prayerful greetings to you all,

It is the responsibility of our elected representatives – especially those who form government – to formulate policies that serve the common good: To enact laws that better our society, that protect the vulnerable and lead to a more just community where all can truly flourish. As voters, it is our responsibility to elect those who will best pursue these goals.

As Pope Francis outlines in *Fratelli Tutti*, we are all called to 'direct society to the pursuit of the common good', and voting thoughtfully is part of this duty.

There is no Catholic political party and no single way that a Catholic should vote. Each of us are called to exercise our conscience, utilise our intellect and draw upon our faith in our decision-making. With the State Election, it is important that we each carefully and prayerfully discern who best deserves our vote. This discernment may be based on many considerations – the past performance of individuals or parties, the promises of action or of funding to come. Our faith calls us to seek parties and individuals who will enact laws that advance the common good.

Information to help you navigate these issues of significance can be found at:  
[www.melbournecatholic.org/stateelection2022](http://www.melbournecatholic.org/stateelection2022).

We ask you to join with us in praying for the whole community at the time of this State Election, including for those who seek office and their families. A suggested prayer accompanies this letter.

May those elected work tirelessly to pursue the common good and to build a more just society. May we each renew our commitment to the paths of justice and mercy – following the example of Jesus Christ.

Yours in Christ Jesus,

Most Rev Peter A Comensoli  
ARCHBISHOP OF MELBOURNE

Most Rev Paul Bird CSsR  
BISHOP OF BALLARAT

Most Rev Shane Mackinlay  
BISHOP OF SANDHURST

Most Rev Gregory Bennet  
BISHOP OF SALE

## **Prayer for the State Election**

Heavenly Father,

You are the source of goodness, justice and truth.

We thank you for the many freedoms we enjoy in Australia,  
including free and fair elections.

We entrust to you the State of Victoria and all who live within it.

We pray for the gift of wisdom ahead of the upcoming election.  
Guide us in our deliberations, so we may seek to elect representatives  
who will work tirelessly to pursue the common good in all things.

We pray for all those standing for election and their families.  
May all those elected work diligently to build a more just society.

May our local community of Victoria be a place where  
peace and justice flourish, religious freedom is respected,  
and all people, especially the most vulnerable  
are valued, respected and cared for.

And may we each renew our commitment to do the same ourselves –  
following the example of Your Son, Jesus Christ, in all things.

*Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.*

**Amen.**



*We proclaim a crucified Christ*

1Cor.23

15 November 2022

### **Welcome Home!**

My dear friends in Christ Jesus,

Over recent years, our freedom to be physically present in the Lord and with each other has been severely curtailed. We, God's pilgrim people, have had to withhold from assembling as Christ's tangible Body, and have been reduced to relying on virtual and mediated ways of gathering. Thanks be to God for the technological means that have sustained us!

We found a way to hear God's Word and to pray together, but we have not been free to physically gather together in the Lord. We are rightfully grateful for the many ways in which we reached out in Christian faith and service over the past few years – online rosary, care check-ups, prayer circles, support drop-offs, zoom and phone ministry, to name a few. Yet, it has been difficult to experience in person the words of Jesus, *"When two or three are gathered in my name, there I am in the midst of them."* (Mt 18.20) Gathering virtually is not the fullness of the presence we bring of ourselves to God and to each other.

At the heart of our Catholic faith, we believe in the Word who became flesh, Jesus Christ. We believe that Jesus offered his body on the Cross, so that we might have life in him. And we believe that Christ's Body and Blood is now given to us sacramentally in the Holy Eucharist. Jesus, who bound himself to us on the Cross, left for us his sacramental presence, to bind us together in Him. Perhaps we lost contact with this bodily reality over the time of the pandemic. In desperate times, what was needed to be done was done. We learnt many things, particularly about loss, but also gratitude for what we so easily take for granted. Now that we are able to come back together as the Body of Christ, we should do so with joy, thankfulness and renewed energy.

From the earliest days of the Covenant, God called his People to assemble with Him. "Keep holy the Sabbath" is God's command to take up this happy invitation. (Exodus 20.8) The Lord's Day – for Christians, Sunday – is precious to us, borne out of our love for Christ, who first loved us. Dispensation from our Sunday obligation to physically gather for the Eucharist during the pandemic was always meant to be a temporary exemption for the sake of the common good, without dispensing us from the ongoing sanctifying of our day in some form of prayer and charity in our homes and families. The need for this dispensation has now passed.

Therefore, as from the **1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent, 27 November 2022**, the general dispensation from our Sunday and Holy Day obligations will be lifted. As always, the ordinary individual exemptions will remain in place (e.g., for reasons of ill health, family care of the vulnerable, etc.).

Similarly, there is no longer a general need for televising or streaming local Masses, now that we can fully gather without restrictions. I note that some online and telecast options will continue to be offered where needed –e.g., the I am Sunday Mass from the Cathedral on Community TV C31 (Channel 44) and the Archdiocesan YouTube channel, as well as daily Mass via YouTube at any time.

Our communities of grace look forward to welcoming you this Advent. As the anticipation of Jesus' nativity grows, might we also extend our arms in invitation and welcome to others. Many family, friends and neighbours still experience uncertainty at this time. Being a people who can warmly provide a place of refreshment, hope and light is a gift. In all the messiness of parish life, here we can know that the door of grace is opened for us, the medicine of healing is there for us, and the hand of help is outstretched towards us.

We will continue to update the Liturgical Guidelines on the Archdiocesan website (<https://melbournecatholic.org/covid-19-guidelines>), which answers many of the practicalities that might aid with our safe return and acceptable sacramental practices.

May I offer one final word of encouragement: be open to seeking the Lord's mercy and healing in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. When we return to the assembly of God's people, let our return be a reconciled one. (Mt 5.23-24) I am sure our priests will willingly open the doors of mercy at convenient times, so that we might find ourselves back at the Table of the Lord knowing that a banquet of mercy and forgiveness awaits us. (Cf. Lk 15.24)

May the Lord who gathers us into his Eucharistic Body continue to deepen our desire to be with him and each other in joy and hope. As the lyrics go for a popular song with our young people, "We are one Body, one body in Christ, and we do not stand alone."

Welcome back and welcome home this Advent and Christmas!

With every grace and blessing, I remain,

Yours sincerely in Christ Jesus,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter A Comensoli', with a small cross symbol to the left of the first part of the signature.

**Most Rev Peter A Comensoli**  
Archbishop of Melbourne



# CANA CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

## NOTICE OF 2022 SCHOOL FEES

5<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Dear Parents & Guardians

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

<u>Description</u>	<u>1 Child Family</u>	<u>2 Child Family</u>	<u>3 Child Family</u>	<u>4 Child Family</u>
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
<b>Levies per Student</b>				
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
<b>TOTAL 2022 School Fees</b>	<b>\$2,385.00</b>	<b>\$3,220.00</b>	<b>\$4,055.00</b>	<b>\$4,890.00</b>

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

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## Parents/Families,

Our school community shares the same vision at Cana. We all want what is best for all children, spiritually, academically, socially and emotionally. Please become familiar with the 'Parent Code of Conduct' below. Let us remember that we work in partnership for the good of all our children.

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



## Rationale

This Cana Catholic Primary School Parent Code of Conduct outlines the way in which our community requires all parents/carers and family members to conduct themselves when visiting our school, and communicating with students, staff and other parents in our school.

The Cana Catholic PS Parent Code of Conduct applies to all adults including parents, guardians, carers, step-parents, grandparents, extended family while involved in activities or communication related to Cana Catholic Primary School.

The School Policy & Advisory Guide, '**Visitors in Schools**' requires all visitors to the school during school hours to sign a visitors' register located at the school office, so that their presence in the school is recorded for Child Safety reasons and in the event of an emergency. (excluding Mass and Interschool Sports)

## When at school and within the proximity of the school

Parents/Carers will:

- use courteous and acceptable language when communicating with their own children, other students, staff and other parents/carers and members of the school community. There will be zero tolerance to any verbal or physical violence towards others.
- value our diverse community and respect the rights and practices of individuals and their families.
- respect points of view that are different from their own.
- firstly, speak directly to the teacher with any concerns regarding incidents in the school. The teacher will then refer the parent to appropriate staff if necessary.
- be mindful of the teacher's time, when wanting to communicate with them. Make a time to meet that does not disrupt the class unless there is a genuine emergency.
- listen respectfully, in the same manner required of students and staff when attending school assembly or informal/formal meetings.
- provide appropriate parental supervision before the bell in the morning and in the afternoon (3.15pm onwards Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 3.00pm on Tuesdays).
- remove their child from a situation that involves any form of violence and seek support from staff members.
- model positive behaviours in front of all students at all times, whether on school grounds or within the proximity of the school.
- comply with the school onsite parking expectations, with road safety rules and parking signs when dropping off or picking up their children to and from school.
- comply with the Cana Catholic PS Attendance Policy (refer to Cana's website).
- ensure that your child complies with the Cana's School Uniform Policy (refer to Cana website).
- respect all Cana's policies and procedures (refer to Cana's website).
- Respect the privacy of teachers.

## **Unacceptable Behaviour**

Parents/Carers will not:

- discipline a child who is not theirs or speak to a child who is not theirs about that child's behaviour. This is the role of teaching staff. Being approached by an adult they do not know, can be distressing for children. Common sense would prevail if safety was an issue.
- use offensive language towards their own children, students, staff and other parents/carers and members of the school community when on school grounds or within the proximity of the school.
- interrupt or distract a teacher while classroom instruction or learning activities are underway.
- engage with staff, students or parents/carers in an aggressive manner regarding issues of a personal or school nature.
- engage in inappropriate physical contact with students, staff or other parents/carers.
- discriminate between or disrespect any member of our school community.
- disrupt the good order of the school by any means including: in person, via persons representing them or social media.
- Engage a teacher about school matters outside the school environment.

## **When making a complaint**

Parents have the right to raise issues and concerns related to the education/welfare of their child or other school matters.

There are a number of ways you can raise any concerns you have about your child. You can:

- write a note or email your child's teacher outlining your concerns
- make an appointment to speak on the phone or in person with the class teacher or Wellbeing Coordinator; ensuring that you inform the school about the issue you wish to discuss
- consider speaking with the school's student wellbeing Coordinator/Leader if you feel that is appropriate
- arrange any meeting times or phone calls through the school office (this is more convenient for both you and your child's teacher and does not interrupt teachers during the time they need to be with their students)

Remember that the class teacher together with others who may be involved, should be given a reasonable amount of time to take the steps required to resolve or address your concerns.

## **Consequences of a Breach of Cana's Parent Code of Conduct**

Any parent, member of school staff or student may notify the Principal of a possible breach of the Cana Parent Code of Conduct. The Principal will investigate the complaint and if satisfied that a breach has occurred will:

- A meeting may be terminated at any time if there is a breach of conduct
- provide a first and final warning that a breach of the Cana Code of Conduct has occurred and that a further breach will not be tolerated <sup>11</sup><sub>SEP</sub>
- issue a trespass warning to the parent if the behaviour was one of an aggressive manner. If the behaviour continues, may accelerate to a trespass notice prohibiting the parent from coming on school grounds for a designated period of time, determined by the Principal or their representative in line with DET guidelines

## **Regular review**

This document will be reviewed every year in consultations with parent representatives, and following significant incidents if they occur. We will ensure that families have the opportunity to contribute. Where possible we do our best to work with local Aboriginal communities, culturally and/or linguistically diverse communities and people with a disability.

## 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 let the office know.

### 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

# 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 10.45am – 11.15am**

**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 / Presbytery

Secretary Margaret

T: 9366 2146

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 SURNAME and your

6 – digit family ID

BSB: 083 347

Account: 563 101 059