

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 our respect to their Elders past, present and emerging.



TERM 1 ISSUE 6 Friday 8th March, 2024

We have reached another busy time of the year. On Wednesday we provided a Prep Information session for all perspective parents. It was a great turn out and we look forward to welcoming the families into our community in the near future. We also saw the reopening of the Cana school carpark for school pick-up times. This should hopefully reduce some of the tension experienced by many parents in response to the new Melton City Council parking restrictions.

On Monday it's a public holiday. We hope everyone enjoys restful time shared with family and friends.

Prayer for you

I'm empowered; I am light. Give me hope through the darkest night.

Make me strong, keep me safe. Hold my heart in the deepest faith,

Divine love, carry me in your hands.

Show me my soul is part of something grand.

Let me see that I am special; Showered in love with all God's grace.

	Dates for your Calendar	
	Term 1 , 2024	
Monday 11th March	Labour Day - No School	
Tuesday 12th March	SchoolPix - Day 2 of School Photography. Full Summer Uniform to	o be worn
Wednesday 13th March	School Advisory Council Meeting - 6:00pm	
Wednesday 13th to Monday 25th March	NAPLAN Grade 3 and 5	
Friday 15th March	Saint Patrick's Day - Come to school wearing GREEN	
Thursday 28th March	End of Term 1 - 1pm Finish	
	Term 2, 2024	
Monday 15th April	Start of Term 2 - 8:45am start	
	2024 Sacrament Dates	
Grade 3 - First Reconciliation	Family Evening Cana School Hall - Tuesday 28th May 5pm & 6pm session Sacrament Evenings - Tuesday 4th June 5pm (3K) & 6:30pm (3B) session Thursday 6th June - 5pm (3M) session	Reconciliation
Grade 4 - Holy Communion	Family Evening - Tuesday 16th July 5pm & 6pm session Sacrament Day - Saturday 27th July 11:30am (45) & 1:00pm (4C) session	First Communion
Grade 6 - Confirmation	Family Evening - Tuesday 16th April 5pm & 6pm Session Sacrament Day - Sunday 28th April 1:30pm (6G) & 3:30pm (6S) session	

Day 2 of School Photos

Our SchoolPix photography team will be returning to Cana on **Tuesday 12th March**. A whole school photo will be taken on this day.

Please ensure your child/ren wear their full summer uniform. If they have sports on this day, runners will need to be brought to school in their bag.

Students who were absent on Monday 4th March and any sibling photos that were missed will be taken. If you have not ordered a sibling photo and would like to, SchoolPix have extended the order cutoff to 8am Monday 11th March.

St Patrick



St Patrick is the Patron Saint of Ireland. His feast day is on 17th March.



St Patrick loved God so much that he taught us how to pray, using the shamrock – it is a three-leaf clover to teach us about the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. On his feast day we wear GREEN to remember what St Patrick did for the people of Ireland and around the world.

Students on Friday 15th **March** can come to school **wearing GREEN**. This can be a t-shirt, ribbon, shorts or hairclips. Please NO colour green hairspray. The students will be participating in fun and exciting St Patrick Day themed activities on this day.

Whole School Mass

On Tuesday 26th March at 2pm, Grade 3M will be hosting Mass for our community. This is a whole school Mass. All families are welcome to attend.

Construction Work at Cana

Due to various contractors on site and the type of work required to complete the build for our new classrooms, we have had to relocate one of our classrooms to the library. Whilst this is a temporary measure the library will be unavailable for borrowing during this short period of time.

Cana leadership maintain regular communication with the contractors and endeavour to return school functionality as soon as possible.

NAPLAN

Starting on Wednesday 13th March up to Monday 25th March our Grade 3 and 5 students will begin NAPLAN testing. NAPLAN assesses students' knowledge and understanding in writing, reading, numeracy, and conventions of language. The tests are delivered in an online format, providing a more precise understanding of students' achievements and making it an engaging test design for the students.

2025 Enrolments

Enrolments for 2025 are now open. If you or someone you know has a child starting Prep in 2025, please visit our Cana website to fill in the enrolment form. The form will need to be completed <u>online</u> and emailed along with the child's Birth, Baptism and Immunisation Certificate to the Cana office at <u>office.staff@cannahillside.catholic.edu.au</u>.

Existing families who have a sibling who is beginning Prep in 2025 also needs to complete the enrolment form.

First round of enrolments close on Monday 25th March at 3pm.

Late Arrival

Families please note, our Front Gates automatically close at 8:50 am. If your child arrives at or after 8:45am they are deemed as 'late arrivals', please log an "Absentee Form" and select "Late" via the Audiri application on your phone. We also ask for all students who arrive late to report to the office and they will update your child's attendance. Thank You.

Thoughts and Prayers

As a community, we pray for the Camilleri Family (Elexia 6S, Eboniq 2M and Estelle 2C) who had their grandmother pass away. May our thoughts and prayers be with their family at this difficult time.

Onsite Car Park Update

As informed last week, the basketball courts are now open for after school pick up. Gates open at 3:00pm. Thank you to the families who have followed the staff's directions so far. Just a couple of reminders:

- Please park your car as close as possible to the car next to you. This will support us in accommodating as many cars as possible.
- Exit the school grounds as soon as you have collected your child/ren. This allows for more families to use the school grounds during pick up time.
- There is **NO** entry to the school's onsite parking though the back gate. Entry is only permitted from Banchory Avenue.

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Dear Parents / Carers,

RE: CAR PARKING ON SCHOOL SITE AT END OF DAY

Last Thursday afternoon we invited traffic engineers from Melton City Council to come and observe the situation in front of Cana Catholic Primary School and discuss if there could be an alternative positive resolution to the problematic parking situation in front of our school.

The Traffic engineers explained they have investigated the traffic flow at peak times and had decided to implement the new restrictions as a 'safe traffic management solution'. Therefore, the new parking restrictions in the front of the school will remain in place.

After considering the tension experienced by many parents in response to the new Melton City Council parking restrictions, we have decided to **open the basketball courts for end of day parent parking and pick up.** (Morning arrangements remain the same).

The following are the arrangements and strict expectations should parents/guardians wish to park on school site at the end of the day for pick up.

- 1. Car Park gates will open at 3.00 pm automatically. Entry via Banchory Avenue and Exit via Sandalwood Drive only.
- 2. Cars may park, similar to mornings, on the basketball court and angle park along the road leading to the back gate.

- 3. REVERSE parking at all times drive in a forward direction when Exiting.
- 4. Parents/guardians must parkand walk to pick up their child/ren from the classroom or from a designated waiting area on the yellow court. Dismissal remains at 3.15 pm.
- 5. Any student who generally walk home or to a waiting area beyond the school back or front gate, can continue to do so.
- 6. **NO CHILD IS PERMITTED TO WALK TO A PARKED CAR on the**basket court ALL children <u>MUST be accompanied by an adult at all times</u> until they enter the parked car safely.
- 7. NO child is permitted to wait along the wide concrete pathway between yellow area and basketball courts This area must remain free of obstructions for safe flow to Basketball courts.
- 8. The school entry driveway from Banchory Avenue must be kept free. You will be directed to circle out around to Wolverston and re-enter if NO parking places are available.
- 9. Speed limit while on site must be walking pace. (5KM)
- 10. Please make safe choices when parking on site or around the school. Remember not to double park or park across neighbouring driveways as this is against the law. School gates driveways must remain clear at all times.

The basketball courts form part of a sports area for students and may be needed for PE lessons up to 3.00 pm.

Remember your child/ren are safe inside the school grounds so time your arrival slightly after 3.00pm.

There is no need for double parking on Banchory Avenue waiting for the gates to open.

Parking on school site is not an entitlement ...

It is a privilege which comes with shared responsibility and trust.

We all need to work together with a positive and generous attitude.

Please discuss this new arrangement with your child/ren. Non compliance will result in loss of the privilege of parking onsite.

Thank You.

Interschool Sports player of the week

Season 1, Round 2

Elvana Ukaj

For incredible defensive skills and attitude shown.





Parents/Families,

Parents we all need to be in partnership and to always be respectful of each other during all interactions - face to face or on social media. We are role models for our children and need to be reflective of our communications and actions.

If there are any concerns please see your child's classroom teacher as the first point of contact, or you can contact the Principal on principal@canahillside.catholic.edu.au



Child Safety Code of Conduct

Safeguarding Children and Young People Code of Conduct

Acceptable behaviours

All MACS Board members, MACS Board committee members, School Advisory Council members, the Principal and all our other staff, volunteers, contractors, parent community and clergy at Cana are responsible for supporting the safety of children by:

- adhering to the school's child-safe policy and upholding the school's statement of commitment to child safety, at all times
- taking all reasonable steps to protect children from abuse
- treating everyone in the school community with respect
- taking into account the needs of all children and students
- · listening and responding to the views and concerns of children particularly if they are telling you that they or another child has been abused or that they are worried about their safety/the safety of another child
- promoting the cultural safety, participation and empowerment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait
 Islander children (for example, by never questioning an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander child's self-identification)
- promoting the cultural safety, participation and empowerment of children with culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds (for example, by having a zero-tolerance for discrimination)
- promoting the safety, participation and empowerment of children with a disability (for example, during personal care activities)
- ensuring as far as practicable that adults are not alone with a child
- · reporting any allegations of child abuse to the school's leadership (or child safety officer if the school has appointed someone to this role)
- · understanding and complying with all reporting obligations as they relate to mandatory reporting and reporting under the *Crimes Act 1958* (Vic.)
- understanding and complying with all obligations as they relate to the reportable conduct scheme including reporting allegations of reportable conduct in accordance with the school's reportable conduct policy
- · reporting any child safety concerns to the school's leadership (or child safety officer if the school has appointed someone to this role)
- ensuring as quickly as possible that the child is safe if an allegation of child abuse is made

- reporting to the Victorian Institute of Teaching (VIT) any charges, committals for trial or convictions in relation to a sexual offence by a registered teacher, or specific allegations or concerns about a registered teacher
- ensuring they comply with any and all applicable professional or occupational codes of conduct.

Unacceptable behaviours

All MACS Board members, MACS Board committee members, School Advisory Council members, the Principal and all our other staff, volunteers, contractors and clergy at Cana must not:

- · ignore or disregard any suspected or disclosed child abuse. This includes but not limited to physical / mental abuse, neglect and any form of maltreatment by an adult which is threatening to a child.
- develop any special relationships with children that could be seen as favouritism (for example, the offering of gifts or special treatment for specific children)
- exhibit behaviours with children which may be construed as unnecessarily physical (for example, inappropriate sitting on laps)
- put children at risk of abuse (for example, by locking doors)
- · initiate unnecessary physical contact with children or do things of a personal nature that a child can do for themselves (for example, toileting or changing clothes)
- engage in open discussions of a mature or adult nature in the presence of children (for example, personal social activities)
- · use inappropriate language in the presence of children
- express personal views on cultures, race or sexuality in the presence of children
- · discriminate against any child, including because of age, gender, race, culture, vulnerability, sexuality, ethnicity or disability
- · work with children while under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs
- have contact with a child or their family outside school without the school leadership's or child safety officer's (if the school has appointed someone to this role) knowledge and/or consent or the school governing authority's approval (for example, unauthorised after-hours tutoring, private instrumental/other lessons or sport coaching); accidental contact, such as seeing people in the street, is appropriate
- have any online contact with a child (including by social media, email, instant messaging) or their family unless necessary (for example, providing families with eNewsletters or assisting students with their schoolwork)
- · use any personal communication channels/devices such as a personal email account
- exchange personal contact details such as phone numbers, social networking sites or email addresses
- · photograph or video a child without the consent of the parents, guardians or carers
- consume alcohol or drugs at school or at school events in the presence of children.





We acknowledge Australia's First Nation and Torres Strait Islander peoples, the Traditional Custodians of lands, waterways, and skies across Australia.









We celebrated Dr Seuss Day birth of the Well Known children's author. For the entire week. children were invited to bring in all things Dr Seuss related items. Children brought in their Dr Seuss Collection books, others brought in costumes. Children expressed enjoyment of reading. Children created bookmarks that was laminated to use during their reading sessions. It was a great week with show and tell of Dr Seuss

Changes to your child's booking Simply log into your account anytime to make the relevant changes or call us between 6:30am -9:00pm weekdays on 1300 072 410 or contact the service phone during operating hours





TIMES

Before School: 7:00 - 8:30 AM After School: 3:15 - 6:00 PM

CONTACT HEAD OFFICE

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NOTICE OF 2024 SCHOOL FEES

24th November 2023

Dear Parents & Guardians

The Cana Catholic Primary School Fee and Levies for the 2024 School Year will be as follows:

Description	1 Child Family	2 Child Family	3 Child Family	4 Child Family
Family Fee	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Grounds Maintenance Levy	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$400.00
Building Levy	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
Levies per Student				
Educational/Curriculum Levy	\$455.00	\$910.00	\$1,365.00	\$1,820.00
Excursion Levy	\$125.00	\$250.00	\$375.00	\$500.00
Technology Levy	\$505.00	\$1,010.00	\$1,515.00	\$2,020.00
TOTAL 2024 School Fees	\$3,235.00	\$4,320.00	\$5,405.00	\$6,490.00

In 2024, the School Fee per Family will be \$2,150.00 plus Levies per Student of \$1,085.00

Levies per Student: Education/Curriculum Levy of \$455.00

Excursion Levy of \$125.00 Technology Levy of \$505.00

(Yr 5 & 6 students only)

Sport Levy of \$130.00

(Yr 3, 4 & 6 students only) Sacramental Levy of \$50.00

Please Note: Grade 6 Students Only - Camp costs will be invoiced during Term 1, 2024

All school fee payments required to be paid directly to the Cana school bank account. Please quote your unique 6 digit Account Code as reference

BSB: 083 347

Account Number: 563 101 059

EARLY PAYMENT DISCOUNT - for School Fees paid in full before 28th March 2024 (End of Term 1, 2024)

\$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 2024 school fees in full by the end of Term 1, please reduce your full account payment by \$50

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

PAYMENT DUE DATES AMOUNT REQUIRED TO BE PAID

Due Date: 28th March 2024 25% of annual Fee & Levies paid by end of Term 1,2024 Due Date: 28th June 2024 75% of annual Fee & Levies paid by end of Term 2, 2024 Due Date: 20th September 2024 Balance paid in full no later than end Term 3 2024

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, 2024

If required, School Fee Payment Plans need to be arranged with the School Bursar at the commencement of Term 1, 2024.

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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Payment Requirement Schedule

To ensure that you maintain your payment schedule, please refer to the table below as a guide, to assist with identifying the required level of payment required for your family structure.

	Annual Fee/Levies	Early Full Payment Discount Criteria		Payments by Instalments per Term Due Dates		
Students per Family		Early Payment Discount *	Payment required by 28/03/2024 *	25% of the annual charge to be paid by End Term 1 28th March 2024	75% of the annual charge to be paid by End Term 2 28th June 2024	Balance Due no later than 20th September 2024
1 child family	\$3,235.00	-\$50.00	\$3,185.00	\$808.75	\$2,426.25	\$808.75
2 child family	\$4,320.00	-\$50.00	\$4,270.00	\$1,080.00	\$3,240.00	\$1,080.00
3 child family	\$5,405.00	-\$50.00	\$5,355.00	\$1,351.25	\$4,053.75	\$1,351.25
4 child family	\$6,490.00	-\$50.00	\$6,440.00	\$1,622.50	\$4,867.50	\$1,622.50

If paying by instalments, please consider the level of payment required by each due date. If a Payment Plan is required, please contact the Cana Catholic Primary School Front Office to arrange for a private meeting with our School Bursar to discuss Payment Plan Options. Payment Plans provide maximum benefit when arranged early during Term 1.

Ice Creams

Varieties will vary from time to time

BOSFER	Zooper Doopers	\$1.00
	Paddle Pop Icy Twist	\$2.00
turche po Ymunu-	Chocolate and Vanilla Frozen Yoghurt	\$2.00
forstell as Ynurus	Strawberry and Vanilla Frozen Yoghurt	\$2.00
	Chocolate Paddle Pop	\$2.50
	Rainbow Paddle Pop	\$2.50
SCALIPPO 13	Calippo- Lemon, Pineapple and Raspberry	\$3.00

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.



Dear Parents, Families, and Community.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to TheirCare as the provider for both Before and After School Care at Cana Catholic Primary School.

Our operating hours are 7:00 am to 8:30 am for Before School Care and 3:15 pm to 6:00 pm for After School Care.

During Pupil Free Days, TheirCare will operate a full day care program for children from 7:00 am to 6:00 pm.

We provide an adventurous and stimulating program in a safe environment for all children. During sessions, children develop life skills, friendships, confidence, and creativity through play.

Our values make SENSE because they empower children to be their best selves and to have a voice. These values are:



Safety

Every decision and action is established around the safety of children in our care.



Education

Children learn and experience something new every day and we can foster that in every session.



Nurturing

We create an environment where children experience a sense of belonging and trust.



Stimulating

We motivate and encourage children to be and do their best in an environment where fun is the focus



Empathy

We listen and we care.
Every child is important and has

We are available for both permanent and casual bookings for both sessions, to register or book please visit our website: https://theircare.com.au/

You can always contact our program's mobile on 0457 797 014.

Your service coordinator will be available during session times to take any calls regarding care. TheirCare Support Office is available during office hours if required on 1300 072 410.

We are looking forward to seeing you in care soon.

TheirCare Support Team.



How to Enrol

GUIDE



Enrolment and bookings are completed online at www.theircare.com.au and takes around 15 to 20 minutes.



When doing your child's enrolment there will be some information and documents that you will need on hand to complete the process.

These include

- Centrelink CRNs for yourself and the child you are enrolling
- Credit card or bank account details for direct debit purposes
- Emergency contact details in case you are not contactable in an emergency
- Authorised nominees for drop off and collection
- Doctor, Medicare, immunisations details for your child
- 6 Any medical or health details for your child





See FAQs on our website theircare.com.au/families

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The Child Safe Standards

The safety of each child at Cana is of the utmost importance. It is our duty of care to ensure each child feels safe within all environments including school, home, and the community.

To comply with the Ministerial Order No. 1359 – Implementing the Child Safe Standards, Cana is required to meet the Child Safe Standards 1-11. Below is an outline of each Child Safe standard. More information on each standard can be found here: The 11 Child Safe Standards

<u>Standard 1:</u> To establish a culturally safe environment in which the diverse and unique identities and experiences of Aboriginal children and young people are respected and valued.

<u>Standard 2:</u> Child safety and wellbeing are embedded in organisational leadership, governance, and culture.

<u>Standard 3:</u> Children and young people are empowered about their rights, participate in decisions affecting them and are taken seriously.

<u>Standard 4:</u> Families and communities are informed and involved in promoting child safety and wellbeing.

Standard 5: Equity is upheld, and diverse needs respected in policy and practice.

<u>Standard 6:</u> People working with children and young people are suitable and supported to reflect child safety and wellbeing values in practice.

Standard 7: Processes for complaints and concerns are child focused.

<u>Standard 8:</u> Staff and volunteers are equipped with the knowledge, skills, and awareness to keep children and young people safe through ongoing education and training.

<u>Standard 9:</u> Physical and online environments promote safety and wellbeing while minimising the opportunity for children and young people to be harmed.

Standard 10: Implementation of the Child Safe Standards is regularly reviewed and improved.

<u>Standard 11:</u> Policies and procedures document how the school is safe for children and young people.

In future editions of the newsletter, each Child Safe Standard will be explored in further detail with examples of how it is implemented at Cana.

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, 10:30am, 11:30am

Emmaus 9:00am

Parish Office / Presbytery

Secretary Margaret

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NO Second Hand Uniform

Sales

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





TheirCare 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).

TheirCare Program
Numbers:

Mobile: 0457 797 014

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