

Newsletter



Term 4 Week 1 Friday 09 October 2026

Annunciation Catholic Primary School promotes the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all students.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to Term 4

A very warm welcome back to all our Annunciation families as we begin Term 4. I hope everyone enjoyed a relaxing and refreshing two-week break and had the opportunity to spend some quality time together. It is wonderful to have our students back at school, ready for another term of learning, growing and making memories together.

October is a particularly special month in the life of the Church, as we celebrate the Month of the Holy Rosary and Mission Month. Throughout October, we are encouraged to pray the Rosary and reflect on Mary's example of faith, trust and service. Mission Month also reminds us that we are all called to be missionaries through the way we live our lives – showing kindness, compassion, generosity and care for others. These themes provide wonderful opportunities for us to deepen our faith and encourage our students to see how they can make a positive difference in the lives of others.

As we begin our final term for 2026, I would also like to remind families of the importance of regular school attendance. Every school day matters. Being at school each day provides students with valuable opportunities to engage in learning, build relationships, participate in classroom discussions and activities, and develop the knowledge and skills they need to reach their full potential. Even occasional absences can mean that students miss important learning that can be difficult to replace.

We understand that children will sometimes be unwell or unable to attend school for legitimate reasons. However, where possible, we ask families to make attendance a priority and to avoid unnecessary absences, particularly as we enter a busy and important final term. Every day is a day of learning, connection and growth.

I look forward to a wonderful Term 4 filled with learning, faith, friendship and many opportunities for our students to flourish. Thank you, as always, for your continued support and partnership as we work together to ensure every child can reach their full potential.

Take care,

Anna
Principal



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IMPORTANT DATES

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
2	12th October	13th October	14th October	15th October	16th October	17th October
	8:55am - Assembly (All invited) Yr 5/6 Camp	Yr 5/6 Camp	Yr 5/6 Camp 7:00pm - SAC Meeting at Annunciation	No School for Campers		18th October
3	19th October	20th October	21st October	22nd October	23rd October	24th October
				2027 Foundation Uniform Fitting Day	2:30pm - P&F Meeting (All welcome) Newsletter Published	25th October
4	26th October	27th October	28th October	29th October	30th October	31st October
	8:55am - Assembly (All invited)				World Teacher's Day	1st November

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YEAR 5/6 CAMP – ADVENTURE AWAITS!



Next week, our Year 5/6 students are heading off on an exciting 2-night, 3-day adventure at CYC ADANAC in the beautiful Yarra Valley! Camp is always a wonderful opportunity for students to step outside their comfort zones, embrace the great outdoors and create memories that will last long after they return home.

Throughout the experience, students will work together to tackle challenges and complete a range of tasks, developing teamwork, resilience and problem-solving skills along the way. They will also have the opportunity to develop their independence, discover new strengths and learn a little more about themselves.

We are sure there will be plenty of laughter, adventure and perhaps a few tired bodies by the end! Regular updates and glimpses of the students' adventures will be shared via the school's Facebook page, so families can follow along from home.

We wish all our Year 5/6 students and staff attending camp a fantastic time – embrace the adventure, support one another and make some wonderful memories!

A reminder that there is NO SCHOOL FOR CAMPERS ON THURSDAY 15TH OCTOBER!

PARISH INFORMATION:



Sacramental Program 2027

If you or your child is interested in becoming Catholic, or if your child would like to receive a Sacrament in 2027, please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible (before the end of 2026) to register your interest. Students wishing to receive the Sacraments are required to participate in the relevant preparation classes before celebrating the Sacrament. We warmly encourage families who are considering taking this next step in their faith journey to get in touch with the Parish Office early and discover how they can be part of this special experience in 2027.

Office Hours: St. Augustine's Parish Office (9314 7710)
Tuesday – 9.30 am till 2.30 pm
Wednesday – 9.30 am till 2.30 pm
Friday – 9.30 am till 2.30 pm



PARENTS AND FRIENDS NEWS:

Our next P&F Meeting will be held on **Friday 23rd October at 2:30 pm (please note change of time)** and we warmly invite all parents and carers to come along. These meetings are a great opportunity to connect with other families, share ideas and contribute to the life of our school community. Everyone is welcome, whether you are a regular attendee or joining us for the first time. If you have any agenda items you would like discussed at the meeting, please send these through to: principal@asbrooklyn.catholic.edu.au prior to the meeting. We look forward to seeing many of you there and continuing to work together to support our students and school community.

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Community Fair

DONATIONS WELCOME



With the Fair only 6 weeks away, we are now starting to collect as many items as possible to help build our fair!

From now until the end of the fair, we will be asking for items your family is able to contribute, even one small item will make a big difference. This is an ongoing collection up to the week of the fair, so as you have these items, bring them in any time!

We are seeking the following donations:

F/1 Class: 🍬 Assortment of all Lollies, Paper bags for cakes/cookies

2/3 Class: 🥤 Soft drink cans 375 ml (Coke/Coke Zero/Sprite/Sprite Zero/Solo/etc)

4/5 Class: 🥤 Primas, Juice 250 ml (Apple/Apple blackcurrant/Tropical/Orange etc)

5/6 Class: 💧 Bottled water 600 ml

🫙 We are also seeking all sizes of clean and washed glass jars with lids.

📦 Donations can be placed in the box provided in the office.

Any donations from any grade is also welcome and very much appreciated.

THANK YOU FOR HELPING US CREATE AN AMAZING FAIR TOGETHER!

YOUR SUPPORT BRINGS OUR THREE SCHOOL COMMUNITIES TOGETHER
AND HELPS MAKE THE DAY UNFORGETTABLE.

Congratulations

Students Awards

Congratulations to all our students who continue to strive and thrive in both their learning and their behaviour.

We are so proud of the way you represent our school.

Thank you for your hard work and for making such a positive contribution to our school community every single day!



LEARNING AND TEACHING

Digital Technology

Last term the students in Year 2/3 were exploring different types of codes and how we use them in everyday life. We learnt about lower and upper case letters, what type of symbols to use and why **codes are important in Digital Technologies**.

At the end of the term we created our own secret codes with messages for our classmates to solve!



CHILD SAFETY

In this edition of the newsletter, you will find information about Child Safe Standard 9. We encourage all families to take the time to read and become familiar with this important standard, as understanding our shared responsibility helps us to keep every child safe.

The Child Safe Standards are a set of 11 requirements that organisations must follow to create environments where children feel safe, supported, and respected. They focus on preventing, responding to, and reporting concerns about child safety, ensuring that the wellbeing of every child is always the highest priority. Developed in response to recommendations from Royal Commissions, these standards guide schools in building a strong culture of care and accountability.



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Child Safe Standard 9

“Physical and online environments promote safety and wellbeing while minimising the opportunity for children and young people to be harmed.”

As Catholic educators, we have a moral, mission-driven, and legal responsibility to ensure the safety and wellbeing of every student entrusted to our care.

Our commitment to child safety includes creating and maintaining safe physical spaces and responsible online environments where children can learn, play, and connect with confidence. This means thoughtfully designing school spaces, supervising activities, and using digital technologies in ways that protect children's dignity, privacy, and wellbeing.

By actively identifying and reducing risks in both physical and online settings, our schools foster environments where children feel safe, supported, and able to thrive. Child safety is not only reflected in policies, but in everyday practices, supervision, and decision-making across the school community.

This newsletter series provides an overview of what the Child Safe Standards are, how they help keep children and young people safe, and how schools governed by Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools (MACS) are prioritising and achieving this.

Overview of the Child Safe Standards:

The Victorian Child Safe Standards are a set of 11 minimum requirements that all organisations working with children must adhere to.

These standards are designed to:

- Promote the participation and empowerment of children, young people and their families
- Prevent harm and abuse of children and young people
- Ensure child safety is a shared responsibility
- Support the wellbeing of all children, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and children with disabilities

These standards apply to all school staff, volunteers, contractors, and anyone working with children in schools.

As Pope Francis reminds us, “Safeguarding minors and vulnerable persons must be a priority for everyone in the Church” (May 5, 2023). Child Safe Standard 9 reflects this call by emphasising that children are safest when the environments around them, both physical and online, are intentionally designed to protect and support them. Grounded in our Catholic mission, this standard invites us to act with care, vigilance, and responsibility, so that every child experiences school as a place of safety, dignity, and belonging.

Why are safe physical and online environments important?

Children spend a significant part of their lives at school and online. When school spaces, and digital platforms, are well designed, appropriately supervised, and used responsibly, risks are reduced and wellbeing is strengthened.

Safe environments help prevent harm before it occurs and ensure children feel secure, respected, and confident to participate fully in learning and relationships. This includes balancing safety with children's rights to privacy, access to information, social connection, and learning opportunities.

Why is it important to identify and manage risks?

Proactively identifying and managing risks helps schools respond early to potential concerns and prevent unsafe situations from developing. When risks are recognised and addressed thoughtfully, children are better protected and supported, and families can trust that safety is a priority.

Spotlight on Child Safe Standard 9

"Physical and online environments promote safety and wellbeing while minimising the opportunity for children and young people to be harmed."

Child Safe Standard 9 focuses on how school environments; classrooms, playgrounds, excursions, camps, and digital spaces - are designed, supervised, and used. When schools take a proactive approach to safety in all environments, children feel secure, confident, and supported to learn and grow.

What does this look like?

- **Safe physical spaces:** School buildings, playgrounds and facilities are designed and maintained to reduce risks and promote wellbeing.
- **Appropriate supervision:** Staff actively supervise students during school activities, breaks, excursions and events.
- **Responsible use of technology:** Clear expectations guide the safe and respectful use of online platforms and digital tools.
- **Risk management planning:** Schools identify and manage risks linked to activities, settings and environments.
- **Working with others safely:** When schools engage third-party providers or facilities, child safety is prioritised through clear procurement and safety requirements.

How Parents, Carers and Guardians can get involved:

Child Safe Standard 9 works best when schools, families, and staff work together to ensure children's safety. Families can help by:

- **Talking with your child:** Encourage conversations about school, friendships, and online experiences.
- **Supporting safe online behaviour:** Discuss digital safety, privacy, and respectful online communication at home.
- **Raising concerns early:** Contact the school if you notice anything that may affect your child's safety or wellbeing.
- **Partnering with the school:** Work collaboratively with staff to support safe environments for all children.

Want to know more?

If you have any questions or would like to learn more about how we support child safety, please contact your school directly. More information about the Child Safe Standards is available through the [Commission for Children and Young People \(CCYP\)](#).

Additional Resources

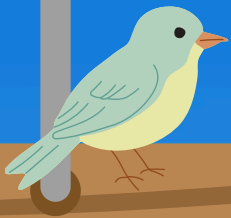
The e-Safety Commission has a huge amount of resources designed to support and assist parents with issues related to online safety, including Webinars, toolkits, FAQs about social media, Gaming and many more, these can be found here:

[e-Safety Commission - Parents Resources](#)

The Australian Government Signals Directorate also provides a significant amount of information and guidance for parents regarding cyber safety; these resources can be found here:

[ASD: Protect your Family](#)





Gardening Club

There has been a mass harvest over the last two garden club sessions.

Students have picked rainbow chard, spinach, different kinds of salads and parsley. The snow peas never make it home as they get gobbled up off the vine at play time. Peas were devoured as we pulled up all the spring crops and turned the soil ready to plant our summer tomatoes and cucumbers next week.

Our garlic is looking good and will be harvested towards the end of the year. We even have flowers on the passion fruit vine!





GARDEN CLUB

PRESENTS



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TUESDAYS

13th, 20th & 27th
October

GOLD COIN DONATION

START OF LUNCHTIME
IN THE OPEN SPACE

Raising funds for the
Annunciation Garden Club so we
can continue to brighten the
school up with flowers and
veggies in 2026.

Menu - Term 4, 2026 - Lunch order days are now **Wednesdays & Fridays!**

Order from our ENTIRE Menu until 8.30am on the Day!

Click on the link below to visit our Website:

www.classroomcuisine.com.au

We have added a Falafel Wrap and a Pasta Salad with Tuna, Mayonnaise, Corn, Capsicum & Spring Onion to our main course items. Our subsequent courses now include a Lemon Tart and a savoury bakery item - a Mini Cheddarmite Scroll.



Order online by 8:30am on the day

Annunciation Primary

Wednesday & Friday

Menu

Scan to order

**Term 4
2026**



Step 1 Main Course Menu

Choose a main course, then add 1, 2 or 3 items from our snack/drink menu to build a lunch pack your child will love

	Vg	DF	GF	H	V	Lunch Pack		
						main +1	main +2	main +3
Bakery	All items freshly baked this morning!							
Cheese & Vegemite Scroll					v	\$6.45	\$9.15	\$11.85
Savoury Bite 'Little Frank' Roll						\$6.45	\$9.15	\$11.85
Topped with Only Cheese Roll					v	\$6.45	\$9.15	\$11.85
Cheese & Bacon Roll						\$7.45	\$10.15	\$12.85
Frankfurt 'in a blanket' with Sauce & Cheese (2)						\$10.95	\$13.65	\$16.35
Pizza, Sausage Rolls, Gozleme, Pastizzi, Quesadilla & Pasties	Served at room temperature							
Ricotta & Spinach Pastizzi (2)				H	v	\$8.95	\$11.65	\$14.35
Margherita PITA Pizza					v	\$9.95	\$12.65	\$15.35
Margherita Pizza TWIST					v	\$9.95	\$12.65	\$15.35
Sausage Roll with Sauce						\$9.95	\$12.65	\$15.35
BBQ Chicken Pizza					H	\$10.95	\$13.65	\$16.35
Ham & Pineapple Pizza Slice						\$10.95	\$13.65	\$16.35
Pepperoni Pizza					H	\$10.95	\$13.65	\$16.35
Quesadilla (Chicken) served with Sour Cream					H	\$10.95	\$13.65	\$16.35
Vegetable Pastie with Tomato Sauce					H v	\$12.75	\$15.45	\$18.15
Herbed Chicken Gozleme					H	\$13.45	\$16.15	\$18.85
Lamb & Beef Gozleme					H	\$13.45	\$16.15	\$18.85
Mushroom & Spinach Gozleme	Vg	DF			H v	\$13.45	\$16.15	\$18.85
Spinach & Cheese Gozleme					H v	\$13.45	\$16.15	\$18.85
Sushi Hand Rolls (2pc)	Soy Sauce (GF, Vg) Provided							
Avocado Hand Rolls	Vg	DF	GF		H v	\$12.45	\$15.15	\$17.85
Cooked Tuna Hand Rolls		DF	GF		H	\$12.45	\$15.15	\$17.85
Crispy Chicken (Schnitzel) Hand Rolls					H	\$12.45	\$15.15	\$17.85
Cucumber Hand Rolls	Vg	DF	GF		H v	\$12.45	\$15.15	\$17.85
Teriyaki Chicken Hand Rolls		DF			H	\$12.45	\$15.15	\$17.85
Tofu Hand Rolls		DF	GF		H v	\$12.45	\$15.15	\$17.85
Vegetarian Hand Rolls	Vg	DF	GF		H v	\$12.45	\$15.15	\$17.85

	Vg	DF	GF	H	V	Lunch Pack		
						main +1	main +2	main +3
Rice Paper Rolls (2pc)						Wednesday, Thursday & Friday only		
Chicken Rice Paper Rolls			GF	H		\$13.45	\$16.15	\$18.85
Vegetarian Rice Paper Rolls	Vg	DF	GF	H	V	\$13.45	\$16.15	\$18.85
Sandwiches, Rolls, Wraps, Croissants & Pancakes								
Strawberry Jam Sandwich (1.5)	Vg				V	\$7.45	\$10.15	\$12.85
Vegemite Sandwich (2)	Vg				V	\$8.95	\$11.65	\$14.35
Croissant with Ham & Cheese						\$9.95	\$12.65	\$15.35
Plain Cheese Sandwich (2)					V	\$9.95	\$12.65	\$15.35
Simple Salad Roll	Vg				V	\$9.95	\$12.65	\$15.35
Pancakes with Strawberries, Blueberries & Honey					H V	\$10.95	\$13.65	\$16.35
Wholegrain Ham & Cheese Sandwich (1.5)						\$10.95	\$13.65	\$16.35
Cheese & Salad Roll					V	\$11.50	\$14.20	\$16.90
Roast Beef, Chutney, Cheese & Lettuce Roll						\$11.50	\$14.20	\$16.90
Turkey, Cranberry, Lettuce & Cheese Sandwich (1.5)						\$11.50	\$14.20	\$16.90
Chicken, Mayonnaise & Salad Roll						\$12.75	\$15.45	\$18.15
Falafel Wrap					H V	\$12.75	\$15.45	\$18.15
Mexi WRAP Chicken, Salsa, Cheese, Salad,					H	\$12.75	\$15.45	\$18.15
Corn Chips								
Salads, Picnic Boxes & Poke Bowls								
Fresh Fruit Salad - Main Course Size	Vg	DF	GF	H	V	\$11.50	\$14.20	\$16.90
Ham Picnic Box			GF			\$11.50	\$14.20	\$16.90
Vegetarian Picnic Box			GF		V	\$11.50	\$14.20	\$16.90
Greek Style Salad with Feta & Olives			GF		V	\$12.75	\$15.45	\$18.15
Tuna Pasta Salad Wed-Fri only						\$12.75	\$15.45	\$18.15
Poke Bowl with Teriyaki Chicken		DF			H	\$13.45	\$16.15	\$18.85
GF Sandwiches								
GF Chicken (with Mayo) & Cucumber Sandwich (1.5)			GF	H		\$10.95	\$13.65	\$16.35
GF Ham & Cheese Sandwich (1.5)			GF			\$10.95	\$13.65	\$16.35

Step 2 Snack/Drink Menu

Snack or drink	Vg	DF	GF	H	V	Price
Fresh Fruit & Vegetables						
Apple pieces, Lemon juice, Cinnamon & Brown Sugar	Vg	DF	GF		H V	+\$1.00
Carrot, Cucumber, Red & Yellow Capsicum	Vg	DF	GF		H V	Included
Cherry Tomatoes, Tasty Cheese & Rice Crackers			GF		V	Included
Corn Wheels & Lightly Steamed Broccoli	Vg	DF	GF		H V	Included
Edamame (Lightly Salted)	Vg	DF	GF		H V	Included
Fresh Fruit Combo	Vg	DF	GF		H V	+\$1.00
Freshly Chopped Orange Segments	Vg	DF	GF		H V	Included
Freshly Chopped Watermelon Pieces	Vg	DF	GF		H V	Included
SPC Diced Peaches in Juice	Vg	DF	GF		H V	Included
Whole Fruit - Apple	Vg	DF	GF		H V	Included
Whole Fruit - Banana	Vg	DF	GF		H V	Included
Bakery - Sweet & Savoury						
ANZAC Biscuit					H V	Included
Blueberry Muffin					V	+\$1.00
Carrot Cup Cake	Vg	DF	GF		H V	+\$1.00
Choc Chip Cookie					V	Included
Choc Cup Cake	Vg	DF	GF		H V	+\$1.00
Cinnamon Doughnut					V	Included
Cornflake Cookie					V	Included
Finger Bun with Sprinkles					V	Included
Jam Drop Biscuit			GF		V	+\$1.00
Lemon Tart	Vg	DF			H V	Included
Mini Cheddarmite Scroll					V	Included
Passionfruit Melting Moment Biscuit					V	+\$1.00
Yo Yo Biscuit					V	+\$1.00
Sushi						
1pc Tuna Sushi			GF		H	+\$1.00

Snack or drink	Vg	DF	GF	H	V	Price
Popcorn, Harvest Snaps, Vege Crackers, Legumes & Dried Fruit						
Balsamic & Sea Salt Fava Beans	Vg	DF	GF		H V	Included
Dried Pineapple Pieces by "Peels"	Vg	DF	GF		H V	+\$1.00
Harvest Snaps	Vg	DF	GF		H V	Included
Lime & Black Pepper Chickpeas	Vg	DF	GF		H V	Included
Popcorn - Lightly Salted	Vg	DF	GF		H V	Included
Popcorn - Slightly Sweet, Lightly Salted	Vg	DF	GF		V	Included
Roasted Chickpeas	Vg	DF	GF		H V	Included
Salt & Vinegar Vege Crackers	Vg	DF	GF		H V	Included
Dips with Mini Rice Cakes / Corn Chips						
Avocado Dip with Mini Rice Cakes				GF	H V	+\$1.00
Corn Chips with Salsa	Vg	DF	GF		V	+\$1.00
Mango Chutney with Vege Chips	Vg	DF	GF		H V	+\$1.00
Spicy Capsicum Dip with Mini Rice Cakes				GF	H V	+\$1.00
Spring Onion Dip with Mini Rice Cakes				GF	H V	+\$1.00
Tzatziki Dip with Mini Rice Cakes				GF	H V	+\$1.00
Yoghurts, Bowls & Cups						
Raspberry Jelly Cup	Vg	DF	GF		H V	Included
Stewed Rhubarb and Apple Crumble					V	+\$1.00
Strawberry Yoghurt (Dairy Farmers)			GF		V	+\$1.00
Vanilla Yoghurt (Dairy Farmers)			GF		H V	+\$1.00
Drinks						
Apple Juice	Vg	DF	GF		H V	Included
Blackcurrant & Apple	Vg	DF	GF		H V	Included
Chocolate Milk			GF		H V	Included
Full Cream Milk			GF		H V	Included
Orange Juice	Vg	DF	GF		H V	Included
Strawberry Milk			GF		H V	Included

Vg = Vegan, DF = Dairy Free, GF = Gluten Free, H = Halal, V = Vegetarian

Descriptions, dietary and allergen information available on our website.



Live Your Best Life in Love...

A Marriage Encounter weekend is for you...

Time-out to nurture your most precious relationship away from life's busyness and distractions.

The two of you will come away from your weekend feeling more deeply connected
and with tools to help keep your renewed intimacy alive.

No group sharing is required.

The weekend is based around Catholic values. Couples of all faiths are very welcome.

Our next weekend is coming up...

Please check our website for more details and to book your special weekend:

November 6 - 8th 2026

St Paul's Retreat Centre, Wantirna South.

Starts Friday evening at 7pm and finishes Sunday afternoon around 4:30pm

Information/Bookings: Phone Mercy & James 0409 183 676 or

Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au **Website:** wwme.org.au

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Centenary Celebrations

4th Williamstown SeaScouts
are celebrating a century of
adventure and community

Join us as we celebrate 100 years of 4th
Williamstown Sea Scouts, with a special
open day, displays from our history and
lunch for the community.

When | Sunday October 25 | 10am - 2pm

Where | TheStrand, Williamstown

EVERYONE WELCOME

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Sea Scout Group

