

Newsletter

Term 3 | Week 1, 19th July 2024



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



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable break. As we begin Term 3, I am excited to see everyone back, ready to embark on new learning adventures and achievements.

This term promises to be filled with exciting opportunities and activities. Our dedicated teachers have planned engaging lessons, and we have a range of extracurricular activities lined up to enrich our students' school experience.

I encourage all students to set new goals, take on challenges with enthusiasm, and make the most of the support available from their teachers and peers. Parents, your continued involvement and support are invaluable, and we look forward to working together to ensure our students achieve their best.

Let's make Term 3 a term of growth, discovery, and success. Welcome back!

*Take care,
Anna*



SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

Staff will be participating in a full day of Professional Learning on Monday 26th August.

This day will be spent working with an external consultant, Vania Tiatto who has been engaged by Annunciation to support the staff in the implementation of the 2024 Annual Action Plan (AAP). The AAP was developed based upon the recommendations received as a result of the school review which was undertaken in 2023.

There will be NO SCHOOL for students on this day.
Before and After School Care is NOT available on this day either.

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STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Congratulations to all of these students pictured below.

They each received a student of the week award at the end of Term 2. These students have been recognised by their classroom teachers for having a positive mindset, being kind, working hard in class and a variety of other great reasons.



PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Congratulations to the student below for receiving a Principal's Award.



This student has demonstrated a positive attitude and have gone out of their way to support our school community. She demonstrates the values of kindness and generosity

Important Dates Term 3

Wednesday 24th July	10:00am Whole School Mass, all invited Choir Rehearsal, 1st Half of lunch
Friday 26th July	3:00pm Assembly
Monday 29th July	Guest Speaker - Socktober (All Students)
Tuesday 30th July	100 Days of Learning (F/1 Class)
Wednesday 31st July	Choir Rehearsal, 1st half of lunch
Friday 2nd August	3:00pm Assembly Newsletter Published



100 DAYS OF LEARNING CELEBRATION - F/1 students

We are thrilled to announce our upcoming **F/1 100 Days of Learning celebration** to be held on **Tuesday 30th July!** This milestone marks a significant achievement for our youngest learners as they embark on their educational journey. To commemorate this special occasion, the F/1 students are encouraged to dress up as anything related to 100.

Some examples are:

- a 100 year old person
- create & design an outfit featuring 100
- dress up as the career you would like to pursue after leaving school.

The students in F/1 will be participating in lots of activities throughout the day all relating to the number 100. **Parents of F/1 students will be invited to attend a parade at the beginning of the school day.**

ANNUNCIATION MINI OLYMPICS

As part of the school's Inquiry study of Health and Wellbeing this term, and in preparation for the Olympics Games in Paris, Annunciation students took part in their own Mini Olympics this week!



Before the event kicked off, the students were treated to a presentation of an Olympic torch by Ivy and Billy's mother, Bethany.

This torch was carried by Bethany's mother, Deborah Jewell, en-route to the Sydney Olympic Games in 2000. Bethany did a wonderful job explaining the meaning and importance of athletes carrying the torch, before the students watched awe-inspiring footage of Cathy Freeman lighting the cauldron during the opening ceremony.

Later, the students got the chance to take part in four different Olympic sports: Volleyball, Tennis, Sprints and Gymnastics/Obstacle Course.

Here is what the students had to say about the day:

I learned that sport gives you energy and you're never bored! - Evie

Everyone was working as a team and cheering for everyone. We made sure everyone was ok, and encouraged them when they needed it. We all tried our best and worked together! - Maya

I went really fast on the obstacle course and I felt really good and proud of myself - Oisín

I liked that when we were playing tennis, everyone was looking after each other and making sure it was fair - Margo

It was special to be able to have the mini-Olympics as a whole school, and have all the year levels take part together - Charlotte.



MENTAL HEALTH IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS PARENT MEETING

Thank you to the parents who completed the Mental Health and Wellbeing Survey last term. There will be a Mental Health in Primary Schools parent meeting to inform parents of the Mental Health Leader's role and to share the survey data with you.

The meeting will take place on: **WEDNESDAY 7 AUGUST AT 6pm** at Annunciation Primary School

[Click Here to register attendance](#)

We look forward to seeing you at this meeting.

Thank you
Lucy Vassallo
Mental Health Leader

ANNUNCIATION SCHOOL CHOIR



Annunciation Primary School is forming a school choir. This will be just for the enjoyment of singing.

Choir will take place on Wednesdays for the first 20 minutes of the students' lunch break. The choir will be led by Ms Lucy Vassallo.

Singing is very good for your mental health

1. Singing makes you feel better.
2. Singing improves lung function
3. Singing helps beat stress and relax.
4. Singing improves your memory
5. Singing builds a sense of community.
6. Singing lets you express yourself.
7. Singing is good for pain relief.
8. Singing boosts your confidence.
9. Singing is good for wellbeing.
10. Singing is for everyone!



BOOK WEEK AT ANNUNCIATION

Annunciation will celebrate Book Week from Monday 12th to Friday 16th August!



All 36 of the Children's Book Council of Australia's Book of the Year nominees have been delivered to the school, and the children will begin reading and enjoying these in the next few weeks in preparation for Book Week.

The students will also attend the annual Book Week performance from **Perform! Education** on Monday 12th August. This year's performance is entitled *Maybe a Miracle!* and will draw upon a number of the CBCA books as an inspiration for its original, interactive story.

Finally, the Book Week Parade will take place on Wednesday 14th August! This is a fun and exciting event each year, where students (and teachers) get an opportunity to dress up as their favourite fictional characters for the day. We hope as many of you as possible will join for some dress-up fun!

FEEDBACK ON REPORTING PRACTICES

We are currently collecting some feedback from parents on the school's reporting practices. If you would like to provide feedback regarding your child's report, please click on the link below and complete the short questionnaire.

[Annunciation Reports Questionnaire 2024](#)

LEGO CLUB

Lego Club has continued to be a weekly highlight for students. The past few weeks, students have been creating safari animals, and there have been many amazing ideas coming to life, such as alligators, tigers and macaws.

Well done to Mia and Valerie for continuing to support the students each week.



SCHOOL TV SPECIAL REPORT: TOXIC ACHIEVEMENT CULTURE



Toxic achievement culture is a critical societal issue where an individual's self-worth is entangled to their academic or extracurricular achievements.

This culture is not merely about striving for success; it represents a deep-seated belief that a student's value is solely dependent on their performance, often propelled by intense external pressures from parents, schools, and society. The concept of toxic achievement has recently been outlined in a book that sheds light on this phenomenon, highlighting the dark consequences of a culture obsessed with success.

Toxic achievement is becoming increasingly prevalent, characterised by excessive competition, unrealistic expectations, and a singular focus on results. This culture is also being aggravated by parental expectations, peer competition, a relentless comparison ethos, as well as being compounded by social media. It stems from a shift towards individualism where personal achievements are being equated with self-worth.

This relentless drive to excel is leading many students to prioritise accolades over genuine learning and personal growth, often at the expense of their own wellbeing and interpersonal relationships. Some students are overfilling their schedules with activities aimed to "get ahead". However, the consequences are proving to be detrimental on students' mental and physical health resulting in burnout and heightened stress levels.

As adult carers, we need to advocate for a more balanced and holistic approach to achievement, emphasising the importance of resilience, wellbeing, and the pursuit of diverse interests. There is nothing wrong with having ambition, but it's crucial to ensure that this desire doesn't push our young people into a toxic cycle of achievement and make them feel they must achieve in order to matter.

To access the full Special Report on Toxic Achievement Culture, please click [here](#).

ANNUNCIATION GARDENING CLUB



The veggie garden is looking fabulous after a busy term of work. The native garden is thriving and we should have snow peas and salad to harvest after the break. The avocado seeds are sprouting and the worms are well fed and happy. Well done to the Annunciation garden team!

All students are welcome to come and help get the veggie patch and worm farm going.

Meeting every Tuesday - second half of lunch.

Many thanks to Linda Taranto & Sid for supporting the students.



SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

The second hand uniform shop will be open from 8:45 - 9:15 am on a Wednesday.

It is set up in the Community Room. There are a variety of items in all different sizes. Cost is a donation. Many thanks to Gemma Carr for sorting through the clothing items and offering to volunteer to facilitate the shop.

If you have uniform items your children have outgrown, please drop them in at the Office. We are particularly in need of summer dresses, polo shirts and sports shorts, track pants shorts in sizes 12 - 18 and long pants in sizes 14 to 18.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Daily - 7:00-8:30am & 3:25-6:00pm (not during school holidays or the last day of term).

“Looked After” is the company employed for this service. If you intend on using the before and after school care program you must register online first. (Details can be obtained from the office.) If you have already registered and want to put your child in care could you please make sure that you go online and book them in for the day, the night before. If it is an emergency situation and you haven’t booked your child in you can ring the office.

If you wish to use the program either ongoing, or on a casual basis you must be registered.

CLASSROOM CUISINE

Lunch orders resume on Wednesday 17th July. Lunch Orders are on WEDNESDAYS only!!

We have engaged the services of Classroom Cuisine as an option for families to purchase lunch for their child/ren. Below is a menu outlining a variety of lunch options. ALL orders are online and will be delivered to the school prior to lunch. You need to register before ordering. www.classroomcuisine.com.au



HEALTHY, INTERESTING AND AFFORDABLE LUNCH PACKS DELIVERED TO SCHOOL!
SERVICING ANNUNCIATION PRIMARY on WEDNESDAY!
ORDER ONLINE until 8.30am on the DAY LUNCH IS REQUIRED

We provide a High-Quality Lunch Service & Customer Experience that delights our Users and is hassle-free for Schools.

We are committed to supporting Schools to achieve their Sustainability Goals, as well as minimising Our environmental footprint and Scope 3 Emissions.

Choose ONE Main Course item, then select ANY 1 or 2 Items from the Snack/Drink Menu to make up a TWO or THREE Course Lunch Pack

2 COURSE LUNCH: ① \$9.65 ② \$10.95 ③ \$11.95 ④ \$13.45

3 COURSE LUNCH: ① \$11.70 ② \$12.75 ③ \$13.65 ④ \$15.15

SANDWICHES/ROLLS/WRAPS # 1½ SANDWICHES # 2 SANDWICHES
SUSHI & RICE PAPER ROLLS 2 Hand Rolls per lunch. (*Discard Soy Sauce for Gluten Free)

BAKERY & PIZZA Items have been Baked Fresh this morning and are served at room temperature.
SALADS created in our kitchen with the freshest ingredients every day.

SUSHI & RICE PAPER ROLLS	PIZZA & GOZLEME	PIC(K)NIC BOXES/FRUIT & VEG	SANDWICHES/ROLLS/WRAPS
Teriyaki Chicken Hand Rolls ③	Margherita Pita Pizza ①	Pic(k)nic Box – Vegetarian ③	# Vegemite Sandwich ①
Cooked Tuna Hand Rolls ③	Ham & Pineapple Pizza Slice ②	Pic(k)nic Box with Ham ③	# Plain Cheese Sandwich ①
Avocado Hand Rolls ③	Spinach & Cheese Gozleme ④	Pic(k)nic Box with a Whole Egg ③	Simple Salad Roll ①
Cucumber Hand Rolls ③	Lamb & Beef Gozleme ④	Steamed Corn wheels, Broccoli & Carrot ③	Roast Beef, Chutney, Cheese & Lettuce Roll ③
Vegetarian Hand Rolls ③	Mushroom & Spinach Gozleme ④	Main course of Fresh Fruit Salad ④	Chicken, Mayo & Lettuce Roll ④
Tofu Hand Rolls ③			#Turkey, Cranberry, Lettuce & Cheese Sandwich ③
Rice Paper Rolls – Veg ④			Mild Salami & Salad Roll ③
	BAKERY	GLUTEN FREE SANDWICHES & WRAPS	Cheese & Salad Roll ①
SALADS	Cheese & Vegemite Scroll (w/m) ①	#GF Ham & Cheese Sandwich ③	Salad w/ Ham Roll (No Cheese) ②
Greek Style Salad with Feta and Olives ④	Semi Dried Tomato & Olive ROLL ②	#GF Cucumber & Ham Sandwich ③	#Wholegrain Ham & Cheese Sandwich ②
Mexican Inspired Salad ④	SCROLL with Ham & Cheese ②	GF Wrap - Ham & Salad ④	Wholegrain ROLL w/ Cheese and Tomato ①
Tuna Mix w/ Brown Rice & Quinoa Cakes ③	Topped w/ Only Cheese Roll ①	GF Wrap - Garden Salad ④	

SNACK/DRINK MENU

FRESH FRUIT & VEGETABLES	DRIED FRUIT/LEGUMES	BAKERY	YOGHURTS/BOWLS
Freshly chopped Strawberries w/ Grapes	Dried Fruit Medley w/ Yoghurt Sultanas	Choc Chip Cookie	Strawberry Yoghurt (Dairy Farmers)
Fresh Fruit Combo	Lime & Black Pepper Chickpeas	Gluten Free Choc Cup Cake (GF)	Classic Vanilla Yoghurt (Dairy Farmers)
Apple pieces, Lemon Juice, Cinnamon & Brown Sugar	Roasted Chickpeas	Cornflake Cookie	Chia Bowl w/ Banana, Coconut & Strawberries
Cantaloupe & Honeydew pieces	Balsamic & Sea Salt Fava Beans	Blueberry Muffin	Stewed Rhubarb & Apple w/ Custard
Freshly chopped Watermelon Pieces		Finger Bun with Sprinkles	
Freshly chopped Orange Segments	DIPS & CRACKERS	Hot Cross Bun	DRINKS
Whole Fruit – Banana	Tzatziki Dip w/ Rice Crackers	Hedgehog Slice	Nippy's Chocolate Milk
Cherry Tomatoes, Tasty Cheese & Rice Crackers	Spring Onion Dip w/ Rice Crackers	Jam Drop Biscuit (GF)	Nippy's Apple Juice
Celery & Carrot Sticks w/ Sultanas	Spicy Capsicum Dip w/ Rice Crackers		Nippy's Orange Juice
Carrot, Cucumber, Red & Yellow Capsicum	Avocado Dip w/ Rice Crackers	POPCORN	Nippy's Strawberry (Lactose Free) Milk
Sugar Snap Peas, Beans & Cherry Tomatoes		Popcorn - Slightly Sweet, Lightly Salted	So Good Soy Milk
Edamame (Lightly Salted)		Popcorn - Lightly Salted	Full Cream Milk

We are a Nut Free Kitchen! More Info & Allergen information is available on our website: www.classroomcuisine.com.au

ENROLMENT AT ANNUNCIATION

Children who turn 5 years of age by 30th April 2025 are eligible to enrol in Foundation 2025. If you know of anyone who has a child that is eligible to start school next year, let them know about our Open Days. Booking is easy - just scan the QR code and complete the registration form. Please spread the word about our wonderful school.

I have had the pleasure of meeting our new Foundation 2025 students and their families. It was lovely meeting them all and listening to their reasons for choosing Annunciation Primary School. Each family I have met with have spoken positively about the sense of community and the supporting and nurturing environment, where students feel safe, respected and valued as being key factors as to why they chose Annunciation. The school has a great reputation within the community and positive word of mouth from other parents has also influenced the decision making process for some of our new families.

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Book your 2024 Open Day tour



9.30–10.30 am

Monday 26 February

Tuesday 26 March

Wednesday 24 April

Thursday 16 May

Tuesday 20 August



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GREAT PRIZES!

SATURDAY 17 AUGUST

6:30 FOR 7:00 PM START

NEWPORT BOWLS CLUB - 4
MARKET ST, NEWPORT

More information + register



ANNUNCIATION PARENTS AND FRIENDS TRIVIA NIGHT!

The Annunciation Parents and Friends Trivia night will take place on Saturday 17th August at Newport Bowls Club!

Get a group of family and friends together and come along to support our school in this FUN Fundraising event!

Great prizes to be won!!

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Welcome to Term 3 which will be filled with exciting incursions on campus, excursions to lots of different places, as well as the international trip to Italy. We look forward to seeing the Year 7 2025 students and families at the Music Discovery Evening and the Fun and Games Night which is coming up in August. These activities are great ways for incoming Year 7s to get to know each other, meet staff and become more acquainted with their new school. I look forward to sharing more news with you this term.

I will continue to provide you with important reminders about enrolment dates and any other events.

Year 7 2026 Applications

Is your child in Year 5 this year? Applications for Year 7 2026 will close on Friday 16 August 2024. Even if you have a child already attending or that may be joining us in Year 7 2025, it is a requirement for an application to be submitted for Year 7 2026.

Applications are now submitted online via the College website:

<https://www.ecmelb.catholic.edu.au/enrolment-information/enrolment-applications>

A great way to hear about our innovative learning programs and meet key staff is at our annual Information Morning which is coming up on 10 August. You will get the chance to hear from our College Principal, Dr Janine Biggin and join us on a College tour led by student ambassadors. Information for each campus is below, and registration is available here:

<https://www.ecmelb.catholic.edu.au/enrolment-information/tours>

Saturday 10th August 2024

Notre Dame Campus

9am to 10:30am

Principal's Address at 9:00am

Tours to follow with the event finishing at 10:30am

St Paul's Campus

10:30am to 12 noon

Principal's Address at 10:30am

Tours to follow with the event finishing at 12 noon

For more information on enrolments or if you have any other questions, please contact our College Registrar, Ms Donna Grech on 8325 5100 or send an email to: enrolments@ecmelb.catholic.edu.au

Yours sincerely

Jenny Hendricks

Community Engagement Officer

ISSUE 5 OUT NOW!

GET A \$5 PROMO CODE!



SCHOLASTIC Book Club

SOCKTOBER 2024

LAUNCH
August 8th 2024-6:00pm
Yarraville Sun Theatre
8 Ballarat St, Yarraville VIC 3013

Catholic Mission is launching **SOCKTOBER**

To celebrate the launch, we have a private showing of the film *Next Goal Wins*.

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