

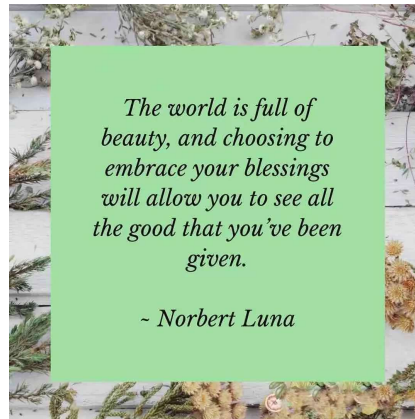
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February 17th 2023

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



Principal's Message:

It was a lovely celebration for the beginning of the year school mass which was held on Wednesday 8th February. The students were well prepared, well behaved and responded beautifully throughout the mass. Many thanks to all parents/grandparents who were able to come on the day.

Please note that from next week onwards, assembly will begin at 3:00pm. This will allow ample time for notices, awards, birthdays and any necessary presentations. I look forward to seeing you in the Community Room.

Our first Parent & Friends meeting was held last Wednesday. Many thanks to those parents who attended and those who put in an apology. There was a lot of discussion regarding future fundraising events and opportunities to gather as a community. Please keep an eye out in future newsletters and SkoolBag for upcoming events. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 15th March at 2:30 pm in the Community Room. All welcome.

Take care
Anna

Dates to note for the next fortnight:

Tuesday 21st Feb:	5:30 pm - Welcome Picnic & Information Sessions
Wednesday 22nd Feb:	10:15 am - Ash Wednesday - Whole School Mass (all invited)
Friday 24th Feb:	3:00 pm - ASSEMBLY (new time)
Tuesday 28th Feb:	CENSUS Day
	6:30 pm - CONFIRMATION Sacrament Information Session at Corpus Christi, Kingsville
Wednesday 1st March:	10:15 am - Yr 2 Mass (all invited)
Friday 3rd March:	Newsletter Published

WELCOME PICNIC & INFORMATION SESSION - TUESDAY 21st FEBRUARY



This is an opportunity for you to meet other families in the school and your child/ren's classroom teacher.

We'll start the night in the school yard with a family picnic (BYO) followed by an information session in the classroom. In these sessions teachers will discuss the curriculum, expectations, homework etc. You will also be able to ask questions. We will stagger the sessions for families that need to attend more than one. Please note that as this is a school event, NO ALCOHOL is permitted.

Sessions will be as follows:

F-1 session: 6:00pm
Yr 2 session: 6:15pm
Yr 3/4 session: 6:30pm
Yr 5/6 session: 6:45pm



Each session will run for approximately 15 mins. Toddlers are to remain with their parents. School aged students can remain in the yard to be supervised by staff.



COMMUNICATION

Whilst we value communication, it is important to note that when communicating with staff, one must remain respectful and adhere to particular protocols.

Email is a fast and effective communication tool, which needs to be used appropriately. It is important that several things be considered before an email is sent to staff. Clear guidelines need to be established to ensure that communication between parents and staff is appropriate. Care must be taken when writing emails as they are void of important cues such as facial expression, hand gestures and vocal intonations, which all help give context and meaning to words. When words are all that can be communicated, care must be taken to ensure they are the correct ones.

When emailing a staff member, please ensure to include the student's full name. Emails can be used to request information on a simple matter, or to request a time for a telephone call or meeting for more detailed or complex matters. Teachers may choose to respond to work related emails outside of school hours, but there is no professional expectation to do so. Remember that staff are teaching throughout the day and may not check their emails so if you need to contact the school, call the office on: 9314 6271

Please find below the email addresses for the staff at Annunciation.

Christine Marshall - P/1 teacher
Sean Walshe - Yr 2 teacher/Wellbeing Leader/Deputy Principal
Mary Guastalegname - Yr 3/4 teacher
Jack Blythman - Yr 5/6 teacher/Learning & Teaching Leader
Katy Hall - Learning Diversity Leader
Vivian Boggis - Numeracy Leader
Therese Hughes - Science/Music teacher
Denise Horner - PE teacher
Alina Pung - Digital Technologies teacher
Jayka Bugay - Japanese teacher
Connie Cornwill - Administration
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CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSION FUND (CSEF)

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card for the 2023 year, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The allowance amount for primary aged children is \$125.00 per year.

Applications for the CSEF can be collected from the school office. We encourage families to submit these to the school office as soon as possible.

HOW TO APPLY: New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef. If you applied for the CSEF at your child's school in 2022, you do not need to complete an application form in 2023, unless there has been a change in your family circumstances. You only need to complete an application form (AVAILABLE THROUGH THE OFFICE) if any of the following changes have occurred:

new student enrolments;

- ❖ your child has started or changed schools in 2023 or you did not apply in 2022.
- ❖ changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number,
- ❖ or new siblings commencing at the school in 2023.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.

PHOTOGRAPHY PERMISSION NOTES:

In the upcoming week, all families will receive a 'Photography Permission' note. There will be one note for EACH child. All families are asked to complete the form and return to school as soon as possible.

WALKING GROUP NEEDED



We continue to seek ways to promote enrolments at Annunciation. We are busy making contacts with all the kinders and will have an Open Morning on March 20 from 9am to 11am.

Children who turn 5 years of age by 30th April 2024 are eligible to enrol in Foundation 2024. If you know of anyone who has a child that is eligible to start school next year, let them know about our Open Morning.

IF THERE ARE ANY PARENTS, ADULT SIBLINGS, GRANDPARENTS ETC WHO LOVE TO WALK AND WOULD BE HAPPY TO DO A LETTER BOX DROP ADVERTISING OUR WONDERFUL SCHOOL, PLEASE SEE ME OR CONTACT ME VIA EMAIL YOU WILL ONLY NEED TO WALK A FEW STREETS EACH. IT CAN BE DONE AT A TIME THAT BEST SUITS YOU (before 10th March)

SchoolTV -

At Annunciation School, we understand the importance of student wellbeing and resilience. Experience tells us that happy and well cared for students learn best. We also understand that today's parents face a multitude of challenges raising happy, well and resilient children.

To assist our parents, we are pleased to announce that we've partnered with 'SchoolTV' – an online resource designed to empower parents with credible information which includes realistic, practical and ongoing support strategies.

We are giving parents access to a cross section of Australia's leading experts, all in one window. You get videos from experts, articles by recognised organisations and a range of tools, links and resources, in bite-sized pieces of information. SchoolTV aggregates information from many great resources such as BeyondBlue, ReachOut, Headspace and many others. It provides a single stream of independent factual information that saves parents time and confusion of searching online across multiple sites for information.



BECAUSE PARENTING
doesn't come with instructions



CREDIBLE INFORMATION • PRACTICAL STRATEGIES • TRUSTED SOURCES



NOW AVAILABLE HERE

A resource to support modern-day parenting

Because parenting doesn't come with instructions, SchoolTV delivers a unique, digital platform to help with the challenges of modern-day parenting. Whilst there is a vast amount of information available, this can often be fragmented, confusing and overwhelming for those looking for guidance, often leaving them with a feeling of being information saturated, but knowledge poor.

SchoolTV removes this confusion and streamlines information on youth wellbeing.

Featuring Dr Michael Carr-Gregg, SchoolTV provides the best bits of information on a single topic providing easy-to-understand, bite-size video interviews with leading specialists supported by a host of aggregated resources from key organisations.

SchoolTV delivers topics and special reports that enable you to stay informed, empowered and up-to-date in navigating the path to raising happy, well and resilient young people.

Today's youth are faced with many challenges. Part of good parenting is understanding these challenges and supporting kids as they navigate the path to adulthood.

A new topic every month plus an archive of past topics.



ANXIETY DEPRESSION CYBERBULLYING TRAUMA DIET & NUTRITION SLEEP DRUG & ALCOHOL USE INTERNET ADDICTION SCHOOL TRANSITIONS SUICIDE & SELF-HARM GAMING & SCREEN TIME RAISING GIRLS BLENDED FAMILIES
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Choosing a Secondary School: *Finding the right fit.*

Caroline Chisholm Catholic College invites families with students in Grade 4 or 5 to join our information session*.

Choosing a secondary school for your child can be overwhelming. There are many factors to consider, and you should start your research as early as possible.

This session aims to assist families exploring secondary school options about what to consider when selecting a secondary school.

**Please note there is no tour associated with this session. Tours can be booked separately at www.cccc.vic.edu.au*



Thursday, 30 March 2023 | 7.00pm – 8.00pm
Quin Auditorium, Caroline Chisholm Catholic College
Enter via Gate 3 on the corner of Churchill Avenue and Darnley Street, Braybrook

Secure your seats via www.bit.ly/3YiUN8p or by scanning the QR code.
For any questions, please email registrar@ccc.vic.edu.au or call 03 9296 5311.

A photograph of four students (three boys and one girl) sitting around a table, working on a project. They are looking at a laptop and some papers.

Enrolments Now Open

YEAR 7 2025

Enrolments for current Grade 5 students are now open!

Applications close on August 18, 2023.

Visit www.cccc.vic.edu.au for more information or to apply online.

The logo of Caroline Chisholm Catholic College, featuring a red shield with a white cross and the college's name below it.

MOUNT ST. JOSEPH GIRLS' COLLEGE CONGRATULATES THE CLASS OF 2022

COLLEGE VCE DUX



Tanvi Arora
98.95 ATAR

30
MEDIAN
STUDY SCORE



COLLEGE VCAL DUX



Lauren Agosta

42

STUDY SCORES
ABOVE 40
(TOP 9% OF
THE STATE)



**TOP VCE
STUDY
SCORE**



Zoe Nasser Year 11
Top Study Score of 50
in Psychology

26%

STUDENTS
WITH AN ATAR
ABOVE 80

9%

STUDENTS
WITH AN ATAR
ABOVE 90



MOUNT ST. JOSEPH
GIRLS' COLLEGE

Open Mornings 2023

Visiting our College is a
great way to explore our
dynamic learning spaces
and see learning in action.

9:15am - 10:30am

23 February
24 March
8 June
20 July
3 August
7 September

Register to attend
by visiting our website
www.msj.vic.edu.au





It has been very exciting over the last week to welcome our students back to the College as well as making welcome our Year 7 students and a number of others commencing in Years 8-12. Watching their smiling faces light up as they connected with old friends and new was very rewarding.

School events are already rolling with our Opening College Mass occurring at the Notre Dame Campus this coming Friday. As a way of continuing to build connections between the families and school, on Monday night the College held Parent Pastoral nights at each campus, where families were introduced to life at the College, met staff as well as hearing about what lies ahead for their children for the semester.

The Year 7 camps will be held in coming weeks and they continue to be amazing ways for students to make new friends and meet teachers.

Our next College experience opportunity will be the Meet the Principal event. This is a great chance to meet our new College Principal, Dr Janine Biggin as well as enjoy a tour of the College hosted by our students. Details are as follows;

St Paul's Campus	Thursday 2 March	-	Commencing at 9.15 am
Notre Dame Campus	Thursday 9 March	-	Commencing at 9.15 am

Registrations are essential for this event and can be made by clicking on the Tours and Events tab on the right-hand side of the homepage of the College website, www.ecmelb.catholic.edu.au

Last week we held the opening College Mass at the Notre Dame Campus. The St Paul's Campus students and staff travelled to the campus by bus and we enjoyed a welcoming mass as one community, where new College Principal, Dr Janine Biggin, was officially welcomed. Many thanks to Arch Priest Kalka and Fr Binh who presided over the mass.

We also welcomed our families of our Year 7 students along to a pastoral evening last week. Many families came along and enjoyed hearing about life in Year 7.

The Year 7s from St Paul's had a terrific day at their athletics carnival held at Newport Athletics Track. There were many outstanding efforts and excellent sportsmanship was on display from the competitors as well as the supporters cheering them on.

We look forward to seeing you at the College soon.



JOIN THE FUN!

Hobson's Bay and Surrounds -

All Girls

Ford Resrve, Altona

Monday 20th February - 20th March

5:00pm-6:00pm

5 Week Program

Register below

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NAB AFL Auskick is one of the best, first experiences kids aged 5-12 will have learning Australian Football.

In weekly sessions, Auskickers and their families will run, jump, kick, laugh and create their own special moments playing footy.

No matter their skill level, ability or knowledge of the game, Auskick is for everyone!

Registration is this simple!

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Select
'Where to play'

3



Enter your
suburb

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club and register!

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