

Holy Child Primary School



NEWSLETTER

Issue 2

13 February 2020



"Always remember to love one another." Sr Mary MacKillop

Our School

The Josephite Sisters established Holy Child Primary School, Dallas, in 1965 (Parish Reg). The Josephite ethos of pastoral care and community involvement are the hallmark of the Holy Child community.

Holy Child School is part of the Dallas parish, which serves the suburbs of Coolaroo, Meadow Heights, Dallas, Upfield, Campbellfield and parts of Broadmeadows.

Early in 2015, we celebrated 50 years, our silver jubilee, marking a significant milestone in our parish history.

St. Mary MacKillop, in full Saint Mary Helen MacKillop, also called Saint Mary of the Cross, (born 15 January 1842, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia - died 8 August 1909, North Sydney, New South Wales, Australia and canonized 17 October 2010. Feast day 8 August, religious figure, educator, and social reformer who was the first Australian beatified by the Roman Catholic Church and the first Australian to be recognised as one of its saints.

The staff and children of Holy Child School, Dallas are proud that their school was the first in Australia to start a children's Mary MacKillop group!



Principal Message

Mr Alan Smith

principal@hcdallas.catholic.edu.au



Our Dear Community,

This week I wanted to talk to you about some opportunities we are going to offer through the HUB. Later this term in March we will be offering a limited place 'Barrister' Coffee Course in the canteen. The course is three days and will ensure that the participants have the knowledge and skills to make coffee using an industry café machine and work in the coffee industry. This course is low or no cost depending on your individual circumstances.

Beginning School

School has started well and our children have begun their learning and getting back into the routines of school life. To help us offer the best learning chances for our children, they need at least 8-9 hour of sleep a night and breakfast in the morning so their bodies are ready to learn. To provide the best teaching we need to get to know your children better. Parent Teacher Conferences are for you to tell us about your children, what they like and what they don't. This will help us understand them and build a better relationship. Children need boundaries. The teachers are establishing the school and classroom expectations of children. Once established, the environment in the school will be very predictable and this gives security to the children, this helps them to do their best learning.

Learning in 2020

This year we will be focusing on how we can continue the great growth in learning of our children. We will do this by teachers working within their levels, taking groups of children based on their needs and focusing on showing the children what success looks like and encouraging them to achieve success. We will also introduce our Learning Dispositions to the community over this Term and build our use and understanding of them over the rest of the year. I will be writing more in each Newsletter to help our parents to know more about Learning Dispositions and how we will use them with our children.

Changing Friendships

Friendships are very important in school, though they sometimes change over time, as children develop and their interests change. Friendships may change between years and this can be upsetting for children if a friend from last year doesn't want to play with them this year. Please counsel your child to seek out other children with similar interests or make a play date to meet at the park for a play after school. This will help the friendships to build and our children to widen the

circle of friends. If children remain worried please speak to your child's teacher they will be able to offer help and suggest a plan to move forward.

Parent Parking

The Jack Roper Carpark is used by our parents for pickup and drop off. Please be considerate and courteous when in this area as we are teaching and showing our children how to act with others. Also please ensure you are not dropping children off or picking up by parking at the front gates of the school.

Just a reminder to all parents if you have a Complaint or a Grievance about the school we have a process that is displayed in the Reception Foyer for you to use and this will allow us to address your concerns quickly and efficiently.

Many Thanks May God bless you all.



Deputy Principal Message Mrs Bernadette Venables

bvenables@hcdallas.catholic.edu.au



Education in Faith News

A reminder to our Year 3 parents that our Reconciliation Family Evening is **THIS COMING WEDNESDAY AT 6:30pm IN THE AMPHITHEATRE**. If your child is making their First Reconciliation at Holy Child this year, you must attend this night with your child. The children are also required to attend one of the Reconciliation Commitment Masses on Saturday 29 February or Sunday 1 March. Thank you for supporting your child's faith journey.

A reminder to contact the office by Friday 21 February if you or someone you know in our community, has experience in design or art. We would love to work with members of our community to design a new cross for the front of our school.

The children in Years 3-6 will join with our parish community for Ash Wednesday Mass at 9:15am on Wednesday 26 February. All are welcome to attend with us!

General Reminders

Parent-Teacher Interviews are on this evening and tomorrow (Friday 14 February). There is **NO SCHOOL** on Friday 14 February. Please be sure to come for your interview on time so that everyone has the opportunity to meet with their child's teacher.

Our "Twilight Sports" event will be held from 5:30pm – 7:00pm on Thursday 5 March. Please mark this date in your diary and come along as a family. There will be races and novelty events for the children – and even a race for the parents! It's always a great evening, so be sure to come along.

Friday 6 March is a Professional Practice Day for our staff. There will be **no school** on this day. Our Outside of School Hours Care program will be running. Please make a booking with Camp Australia if you need supervision for your child on this day.

Sincerely,
Bernadette

ASTHMA PLAN

Dear Parents,

The safety and wellbeing of our students is very important to us.

If your child has asthma, please make sure that we have a copy of their **Asthma Plan** at school.

If your plan is old and out-of-date, it will need to be replaced with a new plan from your doctor.

If you are unsure whether or not your plan is old, please come to the office and we can let you know.

Thank you.



IMPORTANT

School Grounds Hours

Gates Open: 8.30am

Gates Close: 3.40pm

Please note, children playing outside the school grounds, before and after school, are not supervised until 8.30am before school and up to 3.40pm after school. Many children are going to the Jack Culpin Car Park\Reserve and Gibbs Reserve, before and after school, to wait for their parents' drop-off and pick-up. We are not able to supervise your children in these areas.

Please ensure that your children are collected from the School Grounds in **Area 1**. If your child is not collected by 3.40pm they are to be collected from the Reception Foyer.

Sacramental Dates 2020


Reconciliation (usually celebrated in Year 3)

- Family Evening: 19 February
- Commitment Masses: 29 February, 1 March
- Sacrament: 18 March

Eucharist (usually celebrated in Year 3)

- Commitment Masses: 1-2 August
- Family Evening: 19 August
- Sacrament: 13 September

Confirmation (usually celebrated in Year 5 or 6)

- Commitment Masses: 2-3 May
 - Family Evening: 27 May
 - Sacrament: 21 June
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Upcoming Events

Date	Day	Time	Grade	Event
February				
	All Wednesdays in February	Whole Day	Prep	No School for Prep Children Prep staff completing home visits for Prep families
13	Thursday	4:00 - 6:30	All students	Parent-teacher interviews
14	Friday	9:00 - 1:40	All students	Parent-teacher interviews NO SCHOOL ON THIS DAY
19	Wednesday	6:30pm	Reconciliation students	Family evening for Reconciliation
29	Saturday	6:00pm	Reconciliation students	Commitment mass
March				
1	Sunday	9:00 or 11:00	Reconciliation students	Commitment mass
5	Thursday	5:00pm	All students	Twilight sports
6	Friday	Whole Day	All students	Teacher Professional Practice Day NO SCHOOL ON THIS DAY

UNIFORM

A reminder that ALL children must now be wearing their school hats.
 School hats are compulsory and may be purchased for \$15.00
 No other hats are allowed.
 Thank you for your cooperation.

Uniforms are purchased from the School Uniform Shop only
OPENING HOURS: Tuesday and Thursday between 8:30am to 9:00am

SUMMER UNIFORM	
GIRLS School dress School windcheater or jacket White socks / Black shoes School hat	BOYS School grey shorts School gold s/s polo School windcheater or jacket Grey socks / Black shoes School hat
WINTER UNIFORM	
GIRLS School pleated trousers School winter tunic School gold polo top (long sleeve) School windcheater or jacket White socks / black shoes School hat	BOYS School grey long trousers or grey shorts School windcheater or jacket School gold polo top (long sleeve) Grey socks / Black shoes School hat
SPORTS UNIFORM GIRLS and BOYS	
SUMMER School windcheater or Jacket School Navy Shorts School Team colour T-Shirt White Socks / Runners	WINTER School Navy Shorts or School Tracksuit Pants School Long sleeve Team Colour T-Shirt White Socks / Runners
OPTIONAL EXTRAS	
School Bag, School Fleeced Raincoat/Jacket, School Beanie	

Ensure that all items of clothing are **CLEARLY LABELLED** as much of lost property ends up in the "LOST PROPERTY BASKET" and is never claimed. If all clothing is labelled, it will eventually find its way back to its owner.

UNIFORM POLICY

Students must wear the School Uniform to school at all times. (Casual Days accepted).

All uniforms, including polo tops and hats, must be purchased from the School Uniform Shop.

If students wear hats which are not the school hat, they will be asked to remove that hat and sit in the shade.

Students are NOT allowed to wear different coloured tights, leggings, socks, skivvies, jumpers, jackets, etc.

Black school shoes are to be worn every day except on your child's class P.E. (Sports Day).

Sandals or thongs are NEVER to be worn to school, even on Casual days.

Socks are to be worn at all times.

Only gold or blue hair ribbons and hair ties are to be worn.

Any hair, longer than shoulder length, must be tied back. (Girls and Boys)

Stud or sleeper earrings only.

No extra jewellery at all – no bracelets, rings, necklaces, etc.

No nail polish or make-up.

We will ring parents of students not in the correct uniform and ask them to bring the school uniform to school.



Supporting Fathers

Hello everyone,

My name is Michael Mansour. I am the Community Engagement Officer at the school. My role is to provide support to fathers in different ways. I am fluent in English & Arabic. You'll find me at the School Community Hub every Monday from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm and you can contact me anytime on 0406 323 001 to book an appointment.

Some of the general casework I do includes the following:

- Organizing courses & classes according to the needs of the parents
- Helping you find a job or volunteering opportunities (resume writing, job application, etc.)
- General casework
- Helping you book appointments
- Filling out forms
- Supporting you understand any official documents or letters you receive
- Organizing excursions
- Developing new programs according to your needs and ideas



If you have any needs or ideas for new programs or excursions, please visit our community hub on Mondays from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm or contact me on 0406 323 001.

Have a blessed day

Yours sincerely,

Michael Mansour

Email: michael.hub@hcdallas.catholic.edu.au

HUB

Term 1

DAY	TIME	PROGRAM	LOCATION
Monday	9.00 AM – 12.00 PM	Community Garden	School Garden
Tuesday	9.15 AM - 12.15 PM	English Conversational Class	Hub 1
	12.30 PM - 2.30 PM	Free Childminding	Hub 2
	1.00 PM - 3.00 PM	Sewing Class	Hub 1
	1.00 PM - 3.00PM	Family Support / Drop in Services	Hub 2
Thursday	9.00 AM - 12.00 PM	English Class for all Interested Parents	Hub 2
	9.30 AM - 11.30 AM	Small Talk Playgroup	Hub 1
	1.00 PM - 3.00PM	Family Support / Drop in Services	Hub 2
Friday	9.00 AM - 11.00 PM	English Class For Beginners	Hub 2
		Free Childminding	Hub 1

HUB PATRONS

PLEASE DO NOT USE THE CHILDREN'S TOILETS

You may use the disabled toilet in the main building, which has a change mat for babies



HUME CITY COUNCIL

Leisure Programs for your children to stay fit and active within your community. BOXFIT for Kids classes give participants the best aspects of learning to box, that focus on non-contact drills, fitness, strength building exercises and working with partners. The classes are fun and well-structured in a relaxed atmosphere.

TAEKWONDO 'Just for Fun' Offers classes instructed by a qualified Taekwondo coach in a fun and relaxed environment that promotes physical activity for your child. We do not operate a grading system - it's just for fun!

DANCE CLASSES Classes are based on learning different styles of dance to the latest music releases, working on technique and movement that enhances skills

SINGSTARS A fun and exciting new program that teaches singing in the one class. Our classes will make you feel good, enrich lives and it's fun. What more can you ask for? * Private singing lessons can be arranged as required.

ACROBATICS Our acrobatics classes are taught using artistic gymnastic tumbling techniques and also include elements of partner balancing, trampette work and contortion. Acrobatic classes help dancers build upper body strength, agility and flexibility which can be beneficial in other dance genres. Our acrobatics classes are divided on skill-base rather than age to allow for students to work to their fullest potential.

For more information please visit: www.hume.vic.gov.au/leisureprograms.

Or call Leanne Cacoyiannis on 9205 2513.



Easy Plan Ahead Lunch Box Ideas

Healthy Lunchbox Ideas

Nutrition Australia says that “Packing a healthy school lunchbox will help children to learn and play well and be happy at school.” For more information please see

<https://heas.health.vic.gov.au/schools/healthy-lunchboxes>



<https://www.woolworths.com.au/shop/recipes/back-to-school/easy-plan-ahead-lunch-box-ideas>



Chicken Nugget Wraps



Avocado & Salmon Rolls



Ready Set Work Barista and Food Safety

Holy Child School, Dallas

Get ready for hospitality work!

Ready Set Work Barista and Food Safety is a practical, introductory course designed to prepare people for work or further training in the vibrant café scene.

This is a non-accredited course.

In this 3 day course you will:

- Operate a commercial espresso machine
- Learn about the origins of coffee
- Make a range of coffees
- Learn about basic food safety
- Improve your job ready skills
- Increase your confidence

Upon successful completion of the course you will gain skills and knowledge in:

- Operating a commercial espresso machine safely
- Serving customers a range of coffees
- Barista techniques
- Basic food safety
- Finding work in the vibrant café scene
- Receive a Statement of Participation

Course details

Location: Holy Child School, 227 Blair Street, Dallas

Course dates: March 17, 18, 19

Time: 9:30AM - 3:30PM

Eligibility: Permanent Resident and/or Australian Citizen/New Zealand Citizen and not enrolled in mainstream secondary school

Please note: If under 17 years of age and disengaged from school, participants will need to obtain an official *Transition from School Form* for us to sight.

There are no pre-requisites for this course.

People with a disability are encouraged to apply.

For further information please contact Jesuit Community College on (03) 9415 8700 or email: courses@jss.org.au

This training is funded by the Federal and Victorian State Governments for eligible participants.





Chuẩn bị Sẵn sàng Pha Cà phê và An toàn Thực phẩm

Trường Holy Child, Dallas

Chuẩn bị sẵn sàng cho công việc phục vụ nhà hàng khách sạn!

Ready Set Work Barista and Food Safety (Chuẩn bị Sẵn sàng Pha cà phê và An toàn Thực phẩm) là một khoá học cơ bản, thực tiễn nhằm giúp chuẩn bị cho mọi người để làm việc hoặc đào tạo thêm trong quang cảnh sôi nổi của tiệm cà phê.

Đây là một khoá học không được công nhận.

Trong khoá học 3 ngày này quý vị sẽ:

- Vận hành máy pha cà phê espresso thương mại
- Học về nguồn gốc cà phê
- Pha nhiều loại cà phê khác nhau
- Học về an toàn thực phẩm cơ bản
- Cải thiện kỹ năng để sẵn sàng làm việc
- Gia tăng sự tự tin

Sau khi hoàn tất khoá học, quý vị sẽ thu được kỹ năng và kiến thức về:

- Vận hành an toàn máy pha cà phê espresso thương mại
- Phục vụ khách hàng nhiều loại cà phê khác nhau
- Kỹ thuật pha cà phê
- An toàn thực phẩm cơ bản
- Tìm việc trong quang cảnh sôi nổi của tiệm cà phê
- Nhận được tờ Tuyên bố Tham gia (Statement of Participation)

Chi tiết khoá học

Địa điểm: Trường Holy Child, 227 Blair Street, Dallas

Ngày học: 17, 18, 19 tháng ba

Giờ học: 9:30 sáng - 3:30 chiều

Điều kiện: Thường trú nhân và/hoặc công dân Úc/Công dân New Zealand và không đăng danh ở trường trung học chính thống

Xin lưu ý: Nếu dưới 17 tuổi và bỏ học, người tham gia sẽ cần phải xin *Mẫu Chuyển trường* (Transition from School Form) chính thức để chúng tôi coi. Không có điều kiện tiên quyết nào cho khoá học này. Người khuyết tật được khuyến khích nộp đơn.

Để có thêm thông tin, xin vui lòng liên lạc Trường Cộng đồng Jesuit theo số (03) 9415 8700 hoặc email: courses@jss.org.au

Khoá đào tạo này được Chính phủ Liên bang và Tiểu bang Victoria tài trợ cho những người hội đủ điều kiện.





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Parents Building Solutions

ALL SESSIONS FACILITATED IN ARABIC BY OUR EXPERIENCED FACILITATORS

ARE YOU TIRED OF YELLING?

- How to get kids to listen, without having to yell

DEALING WITH ANGER

- Helping parents, and kids, deal with frustration and anger

RESPONDING TO BEHAVIOUR

- Better understand why children behave the way they do

IDEAS

- Discuss and share ideas that work

DATES: Thursday Mornings

13th February to 19th March

TIME: 10.00am to 12.00pm

WHERE: Dallas Brooks Community Primary School
Hub, 26-36 King Street Dallas

For bookings & inquiries contact: Hanan on 93015250 or email womenshouse@anglicarevic.org.au

Two qualified childcare workers will be available to support program participants with supervision of younger children. Places are strictly limited so please contact Hanan to discuss your needs as soon as possible



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تعالى وشاركنا في هذه الدورة

الفصل الاول، ٢٠٢٠

تبدأ هذه الدورة كل يوم خميس ابتداءً من

١٣ فبراير حتى ١٩ مارس

من الساعة العاشرة صباحاً حتى الثانية عشرة ظهراً

العنوان: Dallas Brooks Community

Primary School Hub, 26-36 King

Street Dallas

سيقدم البرنامج باللغة العربية

للحجز والإستعلام يرجى الإتصال بالرقم التالي:

١ / خان: 93015250

أو تواصل معنا علي هذا البريد الإلكتروني:

womenshouse@anglicarevic.org.au

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هل انت متعب من التعامل مع أولادك

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KOLBE CATHOLIC COLLEGE



AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 4, 5 AND 6

This after school program provides a snapshot of the Health & Physical Education Victorian Curriculum with fun and engaging activities designed to develop your child's physical and social skills in an encouraging environment.

Running each **Thursday** for four weeks, starting on 20 February at 4.15pm, this program will be hosted at Kolbe Catholic College.

REGISTER NOW!

Register online at www.trybooking.com/BIHEY or for more information contact the College on 8339 3060. **THERE IS NO COST FOR THIS PROGRAM.**

KOLBE CATHOLIC COLLEGE
Lysterfield Drive, GREENVALE LAKES VIC 3059
www.kolbecc.catholic.edu.au

FOLLOW US





TERM ONE DISCOVER MERCY

Open Days

Meet our Principal, explore the facilities and chat with our students and staff at our first open days for 2020.

Saturday 29 February - 10.00am

Monday 2 March - 9.30am and 6.00pm

Presentation and tour will take approximately 90 minutes

Book your sessions online or call 9319 9299

mercycoburg.catholic.edu.au

Applications for year 7 2022 now open

SUNSMART

Being **SunSmart** in Victoria



When **UV** is **3+**



Slip on covering clothing



Slop on SPF30 or higher, broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen



Slap on a broad-brimmed hat



Seek shade



Slide on sunglasses (AS:1067)

Think **UV**, not heat! UV rays can't be seen or felt and can damage your skin on cool or cloudy days.

When **UV** is below **3**

Sun protection isn't required unless you are outdoors for extended periods or near reflective surfaces, such as snow.



Download the **SunSmart** app to find sun protection times for your location in Australia.

sunsmart.com.au/app





We aim to be SunSmart - a note for families

Too much UV can cause sunburn, skin and eye damage and skin cancer. Overexposure to UV during childhood and adolescence is a major factor for future skin cancer risk.

You can't see or feel the sun's UV so don't be fooled. Whatever the weather, if the UV levels are three or more, it's important to **Slip, Stop, Slap, Seek and Slide!**

Our OSHC service aims to protect children and staff from too much UV to help minimise future skin cancer risk. We follow Cancer Council Victoria's SunSmart guidelines and recommendations. Please help support us by ensuring your child follows the SunSmart measures included in our policy.

During the daily local sun protection times (issued whenever UV levels are three and above), use these 5 SunSmart steps – even if it's cool and cloudy.

1. **Slip on a shirt** - ensure your child wears clothing that covers as much skin as possible (e.g. elbow length tops with a higher neckline or collar and longer style shorts or skirts). Densely woven fabrics are best.
2. **Slap on SPF 30 (or higher) broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen** – apply a generous amount of sunscreen at the start of the day and make sure children have sunscreen in their bag ready to be reapplied throughout the day. Sunscreen should be reapplied every two hours. Please ensure they get plenty of sunscreen application practice at home so they'll be all set when they are at OSHC.



3. **Slap on a hat** – one that protects the face, neck and ears such as a broad brimmed, legionnaire or bucket style hat. Peak caps do not offer enough protection and are not recommended by SunSmart. Please help your child remember to bring and wear their approved hat.
4. **Seek shade** – choose shady spots for play whenever possible.
5. **Slide on some sunglasses** - if practical and approved by the school. Make sure they are labelled AS 1067 and cover as much of the eye area as possible.

Sun protection times

Don't just wait for hot and sunny days to use sun protection. Check the sun protection times each day so your family can be protected when they need to be.

Daily local sun protection times and weather details are available from the SunSmart widget on our school website, in the weather section of the newspaper, on the SunSmart website at sunsmart.com.au and as a free SunSmart app. Sun protection times can also be found at the Bureau of Meteorology website and live UV levels are available from ARPANSA.



Further information contact SunSmart
P: 03 9514 6419
E: sunsmart@cancervic.org.au
W: sunsmart.com.au

PLAYGROUP



Playgroup gives the chance for parents to play and get involve with their children. It gives an opportunity to share experiences, ideas and to support one another. It helps children to start off their early learning years.



Tuesday Playgroup
9.30am – 11.30am

Thursday Small Talk Playgroup
9.30am – 11.30am



Feel free to contact the Hub Coordinator Van at Holy Child Primary on (03) 9309 - 1620 Tuesday and Thursday for more information.



ENGLISH



English Classes are held for newly arrivals or English being second language community. It helps them when they are out in the public to communicate, recognise signs and posters which are essential.



Tuesday Class
9.15am – 12.15am

FREE CHILDMINDING AVAILABLE



Thursday Class
9.00am – 12.00am



Friday Class
9.00am – 11.00am

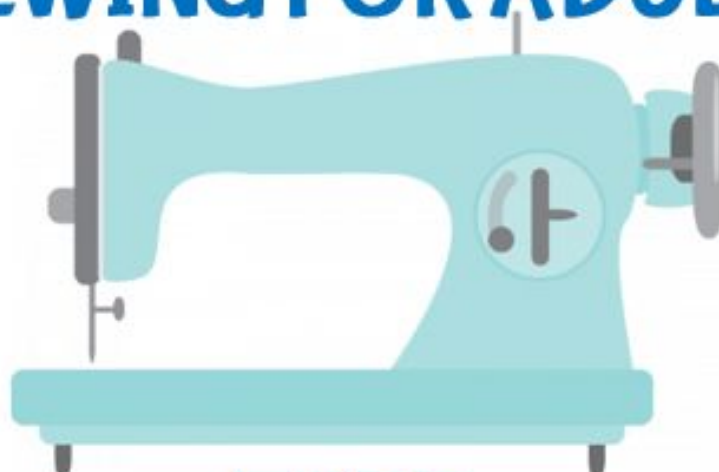
FREE CHILDMINDING AVAILABLE



*Feel free to contact the Hub Coordinator Van at Holy Child Primary on
(03) 9309 1620 Tuesday and Thursday for more information.*



SEWING FOR ADULTS



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**JOIN US AT
HOLY CHILD PRIMARY SCHOOL
COMMUNITY HUB**

**Every Tuesday
12.30pm to 2.30pm**

**"ADVENTURE BEGINS WHEN YOU
ENTER YOUR SEWING ROOM"**



More Information contact the Community Hub Coordinator
Van Bui on (03) 9309 1620 on Tuesday and Thursday

Holy Child Primary School is committed to the safety, wellbeing and protection of the children in our care



OUR SCHOOL MOTTO
Wisdom, Knowledge and Grace



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