



Melbourne Archdiocese
Catholic Schools



Holy Child Primary
Dallas

HOLY CHILD PRIMARY SCHOOL

2 April 2026

REMINDERS

SunSmart: from September to April, when UV levels reach 3+, students must follow SunSmart guidelines; slip on protective clothing, slop on SPF30+ sunscreen, slap on a hat, seek shade, and slide on sunglasses; Holy Child enforces NO HAT NO PLAY.

Parent Parking: the front car park is for drop-off and pick-up only (max 10 minutes); do not use the disabled bay or block the gate, which must remain clear for emergency access.

No Smoking: our school is a strict smoke-free zone, and smoking is not allowed anywhere on or near school grounds.

Cool Weather: As the weather cools, ensure children are appropriately dressed for cold rainy days and if they are wearing a beanie or gloves that they are navy blue or black. Beanies are available for purchase at the school.

Warm Weather: children must drink plenty of water and bring a named bottle; no reheated food is allowed, and in cooler weather students should wear appropriate warm clothing with navy or black beanies or gloves.

IMPORTANT TIMES

- Gates open: 8:30am
- School begins: 8:45am sharp
- Lunch: 10:50am to 11:40pm
- Recess: 1:40pm to 2:15pm
- School ends: 3:20pm
- Gates close: 3:40pm
- Picking Up Children Early (No Collection During These Times)
 - 11:00–11:40am
 - 1:40–2:20pm
 - After 3:00pm

If you arrive during break times, you will need to wait until students return to class, as staff cannot assist until then.

PRELOVED UNIFORMS FOR SALE

Prices start from \$5.00

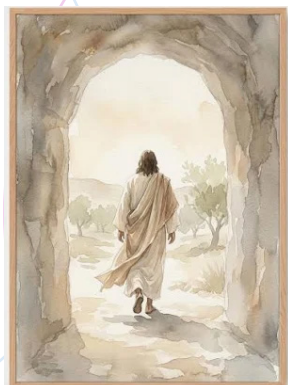
See Mrs Grace Marchione in the Uniform Shop

Safe, happy and ready to learn

Easter Message from the Parish Priest

“But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay.”

Matthew 28:5-6



Dear Friends,

As we gather to celebrate the joyful truth of our Lord Jesus' resurrection, I want to take a moment to reflect on His comforting words to His apostles and to each of us: **“Do not be afraid.”** Recognising that fear can hold us back, it is essential for us to stay steadfast in fulfilling our responsibilities and embracing our calling as missionary disciples. Let us sincerely pray to the Lord of the Resurrection to ease any fears we may have, filling us with the courage to serve Him and one another with love, and to be unwavering witnesses of His grace.

In light of this, I warmly wish you and your families a blessed Easter filled with grace and a deep sense of peace. I also want to sincerely thank the youth of our parish, **from those as young as eight to those in their twenties.** Your dedication to the Lord and our community is truly admirable. Thank you for actively taking part in the Holy Week ceremonies by reading and assisting during our services. You shine brightly as the future of Holy Child Parish, and your leadership is an inspiring example for our entire community. Remember, you are never alone; may you continue to seek strength from our young hero, St. Carlo Acutis, and be passionate ambassadors for Christ. Be brave, dear young friends. Your efforts are genuinely appreciated!

I also wish to thank our Youth Leader, Cong, for his outstanding leadership and initiative in sharing the joyful message of Easter with the youth of Holy Child Parish and school. The strong turnout at our Easter Egg Hunt shows the eagerness of young people in Dallas/Meadow Heights to connect with Jesus through Youth Ministry. Cong, well done on the success of the Easter Egg Hunt—it's a great sign of the potential for even bigger efforts ahead, inspired by the example of Carlo Acutis.

For any young parishioners aged 16-20 interested in joining Cong in the Core Group, I encourage you to contact him directly or via the parish email to express your interest.

Let us keep supporting each other along our journey of faith.

Yours faithfully,

Fr Joe Truong

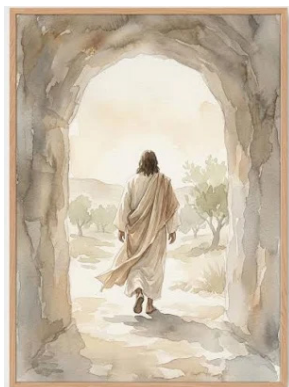
Parish Priest

Holy Child Catholic Parish

Dallas Meadow Heights

Thông điệp Phục Sinh từ Cha Xứ

“Nhưng thiên sứ nói với các phụ nữ rằng: “Đừng sợ; ta biết các ngươi đang tìm kiếm Đức Chúa Giê-su, người đã bị đóng đinh trên “Thập Tự Giá. Ngài không có ở đây; vì Ngài đã sống lại, như Ngài đã nói. Hãy đến xem nơi Ngài đã nằm.” **MT 28:5-6**



Gửi tất cả bạn thân mến của Giáo xứ Holy Child,

Khi chúng ta cùng nhau quy tụ để cử hành chân lý vui mừng về sự Phục Sinh của Chúa Giê-su, tôi muốn dành một chút thời gian để suy ngẫm về những lời an ủi của Ngài dành cho các Tông đồ và cho mỗi người chúng ta: “Đừng sợ hãi.” Nhận biết rằng nỗi sợ hãi có thể kìm hãm chúng ta, điều thiết yếu là chúng ta phải kiên định trong việc hoàn thành trách nhiệm và đón nhận ơn gọi của mình với tư cách là những môn đệ truyền giáo. Chúng ta hãy thành tâm cầu nguyện với Chúa Phục Sinh để Ngài xoa dịu mọi nỗi sợ hãi mà chúng ta có, ban cho chúng ta lòng can đảm để phục vụ Ngài và lẫn nhau bằng tình yêu thương, và trở thành những chứng nhân vững vàng về ân sủng của Ngài.

Trong bối cảnh này, tôi chân thành chúc anh chị em và gia đình một Lễ Phục Sinh đầy phước lành, tràn ngập ân sủng và bình an sâu sắc. Tôi cũng muốn chân thành cảm ơn giới trẻ của Giáo Xứ chúng ta, từ những em tám tuổi đến những em hai mươi tuổi. Sự tận tâm của các em đối với Chúa và cộng đồng của chúng ta thật đáng ngưỡng mộ. Cảm ơn các em đã tích cực tham gia vào các nghi lễ Tuần Thánh bằng cách đọc Kinh Thánh trong Thánh Lễ và phụ giúp trong các buổi lễ. Các em tỏa sáng rực rỡ như tương lai của Giáo xứ Holy Child, và sự lãnh đạo của các em là một tấm gương truyền cảm hứng cho toàn thể cộng đồng chúng ta. Hãy nhớ rằng, các con không bao giờ cô đơn; nguyện xin các con tiếp tục tìm kiếm sức mạnh từ vị anh hùng trẻ tuổi của chúng ta, Thánh Carlo Acutis, và trở thành những sứ giả nhiệt huyết cho Chúa Kitô. Hãy can đảm lên, các bạn trẻ thân yêu. Những nỗ lực của các con thực sự được trân trọng!

Tôi cũng muốn cảm ơn Huỳnh Trường của chúng ta, “Công”, vì sự lãnh đạo xuất sắc và sáng kiến của em trong việc chia sẻ thông điệp vui mừng của Lễ Phục Sinh với các em thiếu nhi của Giáo xứ và trường Holy Child. Sự tham gia đồng đảo vào Cuộc săn trứng Phục Sinh cho thấy sự háo hức của các em thiếu nhi ở Dallas/Meadow Heights trong việc kết nối với Chúa Giê-su thông qua Mục vụ Thiếu Nhi. “Công”, chúc mừng con về sự thành công của Cuộc săn trứng Phục Sinh—đó là một dấu hiệu tuyệt vời cho thấy tiềm năng cho những nỗ lực lớn hơn nữa trong tương lai, được truyền cảm hứng từ tấm gương của Carlo Acutis.

Đối với bất kỳ giáo dân trẻ nào từ 16-20 tuổi quan tâm đến việc tham gia Nhóm lãnh đạo Thiếu Nhi với “Công”, tôi khuyến khích các bạn liên hệ trực tiếp với “Công”, hoặc qua email của giáo xứ để bày tỏ sự quan tâm của mình.

Chúng ta hãy tiếp tục hỗ trợ lẫn nhau trên hành trình đức tin của mình.

Kính trọng,

Cha Joe Truong

Cha Xứ

Giáo xứ Công Giáo Holy Child

Dallas Meadow Heights

CATHOLIC WEEK

St Patrick's Cathedral

The two school and vice school captains, Beren Ilhan and Ashly Isho, as well as the Religion captain, Karik Nguyen, and Natalie Kayssr, went to St Patrick's Cathedral. We started our day by taking the bus with two other schools (St Dominic's and Penola). Once we arrived at the cathedral, we were met with an astonishing sight: St Patrick's Cathedral was enormous, with vast spires rising across its façade. There were loads of people from different schools assembled on the floor of the cathedral.

The first thing we did was take photos with our school banner. We also took photos with different statues like Mary MacKillop and St Francis of Assisi. The two school captains were in line to hold up the school banner as the religion captains and the teachers went inside and took their seats at the left side entrance of the cathedral.

The inside and outside of the cathedral were tremendously congested, and we had to get staff to help us acquire a seat. Before we took our seats, there was a book for the mass students to sing along. The organs with 8,000 pipes were being played, and the choir from Avila College and Mount Waverley sounded so divine that no words could describe the music they played. Two musicians came playing the bagpipes, and they played music signalling for the school captains of every school to come in, position, and walk down with the school banners.

Once the mass ended, we headed to a park where a Penola band was playing some songs. We played tag and ate our food as we listened to the music. We went back to the cathedral at around 1 o'clock and had an hour to take pictures of the outside while a mass was ongoing in the cathedral. Once the mass ended, we went inside and admired the stained-glass windows that portrayed stories of the gospel. We also looked at the chiselled statues that were made from materials like marble and granite.

At 2 o'clock, we went back to the bus and headed back to school while admiring the scenery of the city and talking to the other students on the bus. It was truly a wonderful day, and we will all remember and cherish our joyful experience at St Patrick's Cathedral.

By Beren Ilhan, Ashley Isho, Natalie Kayssr and Karik Nguyen





OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Holy Child Primary School, Dallas

Register Now by scanning the code



Program	Times	Permanent (Full Fee)	Subsidy Rebate 90%	Casual (Full Fee)	Subsidy Rebate 90%
Before School	6:45AM - 8:45AM	\$24.20	\$2.40	\$29.20	\$2.90
After School	3:30PM - 6:30PM	\$33.20	\$3.30	\$38.20	\$3.80



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Dear Holy Child Families,

At Holy Child, we regularly review our routines to support student wellbeing, engagement and learning. In response to feedback from staff, students and families, we are trialling a small but meaningful adjustment to our eating and play schedule.

Why are we trialling this?

Evidence suggests that:

- students eat more after play
- calm eating time supports smoother transitions
- afternoon focus improves when students are well-fed and hydrated

structured breaks help with self-regulation and wellbeing.

What will the trial involve?

Starting Monday 20 April, we will trial the following structure:

10:00 AM	Morning Fruit Break <i>Fruit or vegetables only (Brain Food)</i>
10:50 AM	Morning Play
11:30 AM	Morning Eating Time <i>Students eat inside immediately after play</i>
1:35 PM	Afternoon Play
2:15 PM	Afternoon Eating Time <i>Students eat inside immediately after play</i>

Thank you for your continued support as we work to create the best learning conditions for our students.

Warm regards,
Aaron
Principal

Fruit Break at 10:00am!

Fresh fruit
Crunchy vegetables
A drink of water

Why Fruit Break?

- Helps our brains stay focused
- Small carrot, cucumber, cherry tomatoes
- Chopped fruit or dried fruit (occasionally);
- Gives us a boost before learning continues

✓ YES

- ✓ Fresh, raw or plain vegetables or fruit
- ✓ - Small carrot, cucumber, cherry tomatoes
- ✓ - Chopped fruit or dried fruit (occasionally);

✗ NO

- ✗ Processed, dried or packaged snacks
- ✗ - Chips, yoghurt, muesli bars, Roll-Ups, - Juice boxes, biscuits, lollies

✓ Please pack:

- ✓ A small serve of fruit or vegetables
- ✓ Easy-to-open containers
- ✓ Water only

Let's fuel our brains for learning!

Easter Egg Hunt

at Holy Child Parish, Dallas

Location: Mary Mackillop Hall

Date: Monday 6 April 2026

Time: 10:00 to 11:30 AM

What to bring: Something to hold the Easter Egg!

Registration must be completed for each child, and both the Terms and Conditions and the Photo Permission Form must be signed and returned to Tuesday, 31 March 2026.

Săn trứng Phục sinh

tại Giáo xứ Holy Child, Dallas

Địa điểm: Hội trường Mary Mackillop

Ngày: Thứ Hai, ngày 6 tháng 4 năm 2026

Thời gian: 10:00 đến 11:30 sáng

Cần mang theo: Vật dụng để đựng trứng Phục Sinh!

Việc đăng ký phải được hoàn tất cho mỗi trẻ và cả Điều khoản và Điều kiện của Mẫu Giấy phép Chụp ảnh phải được ký và gửi lại trước thứ Ba, ngày 31 tháng 3 năm 2026.

فعالية البحث عن بيض عيد القيامة

في أبرشية هولي جايلد، دالاس

المكان: قاعة ماري ماكيلوب

التاريخ: الاثنين ٦ نيسان ٢٠٢٦

الوقت: من الساعة ١٠:٠٠ إلى ١١:٣٠ صباحاً

ملاحظة: يجب ان تجلبوا: أي شيء لوضع بيض العيد

يجب على استمارة تسجيل المشاركة لكل طفل، وعلى استمارة الموافقة على الشروط المطلوبة والصور ويجب توقيع عليهم وإعادتهم يوم الثلاثاء ٣١ آذار ٢٠٢٦.

Join us for a joyful Easter Egg Hunt at the Parish this Easter Monday! Bring the whole family along for a morning of fun as children explore the parish grounds searching for colourful Easter eggs hidden throughout the area. There will be laughter, excitement, and plenty of sweet surprises waiting to be discovered. It's a wonderful chance for children to play, families to connect, and our parish community to celebrate the joy of Easter together. All children are welcome—so bring your baskets, invite your friends, and get ready for a hopping good time!

Yours Sincere

The Parish

Registration

Must be completed per child

Child's Full Name (Please write the child's first and last name.)

How old is the child?

3-4

5-7

8-10

11-12

13-15

Other: _____

Parent/Guardian Name

Parent/Guardian Contact Number

Does the child have any allergies or medical conditions we should know about?

No

Yes → Please specify: _____

Emergency Contact (Name and Phone Number)

Consent

I confirm that my child will follow the event rules and remain within the designated areas during the Easter Egg Hunt.

Terms and Conditions

By registering for the Easter Egg Hunt, you agree to the following conditions:

1. **Supervision of Children:** All children must remain under the supervision of a responsible adult at all times during the event.

1. **Restricted Areas:** Children and attendees must not enter any restricted or staff-only areas of the facility. These areas will be clearly indicated and are strictly off limits for safety reasons.

1. **No Smoking:** Smoking is strictly prohibited in the entry area and foyer of the facility.

1. **Remaining on Site:** For the safety of all participants, children must not leave the facility at any time during the event unless accompanied by their parent or guardian and event organisers are informed.

1. **Respect for the Venue:** All participants are expected to behave respectfully and follow the directions of event organisers and volunteers at all times.

By submitting this form, you acknowledge that you have read and agree to these Terms and Conditions.

Signature of Adult

Date

Signature of Child

Holy Child Parish, Dallas

Photographic permission form

Child or young person's last name	
Child or young person's first name	
Date of birth	
Age	
Gender	

Parent/guardian authorisation section

I [parent/guardian's name]

- do
 do not

consent to photographs or video images of my child being taken and used without acknowledgement, remuneration or compensation in [parish, agency or entity] publications and online platforms (e.g. website, social media) and/or in (e.g. Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne) publications and online platforms.

..... [parish, agency or entity] will ensure that images and video are:

- taken for a purpose consistent with the spirit of the program, activity or event
- taken/recorded in the presence of others (i.e. with supervision, not alone or in secret)
- posed appropriately and that children/young people are not dressed in clothing that is suggestive, sexual, offensive or racist
- not offensive (e.g. sexual, racist, violent, threatening)
- not used if there is a potential of the child or young person to be stigmatised through public association
- published with limited identifying information to prevent the child from being located
- stored securely digitally to ensure that images and video are not distributed without approval.

Signature of parent/guardian:

Name of parent/guardian:

Address:

Home phone: Work phone:

Email:

Date:

Holy Child Parish, Dallas

Photographic permission form

Child or young person authorisation section

I [child/young person's name]

- do
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Signature of child or young person:

Date:

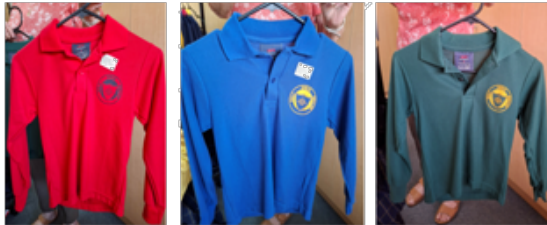
NEW UNIFORMS CLEARANCE SALE

We still have a range of older-style uniform items available for families who need them.

These are brand-new items from our previous uniform design.



\$5.00 each



\$10.00

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Prices start from \$5.00

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Tougher penalties as e-scooters are made permanent.

e-scooter riders cannot

- Ride on the footpath
- Use a mobile phone while riding
- Ride while under the influence of drugs or alcohol
- Carry passengers or animals or ride in tandem
- Ride a high-speed e-scooter, one capable of more than 25 km/h
- Ride on roads that have a speed limit over 60 km/h

e-scooter riders must

- Be aged 16 years and over
- Not exceed the maximum speed of 20 km/h
- Ride only on shared paths and roads that have a speed limit up to 60 km/h
- Wear a helmet at all times
- Follow traffic rules
- Use lights and reflectors



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For more information (including community language translations) transport.vic.gov.au/Road-rules-and-safety/E-scooter-road-rules



Youth Road Safety Fact Sheet



VICTORIA POLICE

Whether you're biking or riding an e-scooter, follow these simple road safety tips to stay safe and have fun on the move!

MODIFIED OR PETROL POWERED BICYCLES

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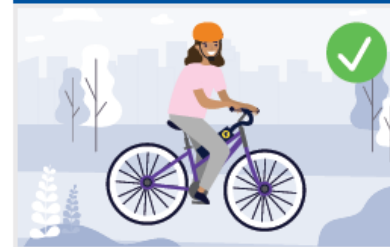
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- To ride on or off-road it must be registered with a full or recreation registration
- Helmet must be worn at all times.



E-BIKES

- 25 km/h MAX speed
- Motor cannot provide power at speeds higher than 25km/h
- Helmet must be worn at all times
- No passengers
- Cannot be ridden on footpaths.



E-SCOOTER

- Be aged 16 yrs or over
- Max speed 20 kmph
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- Cannot be ridden on footpaths.



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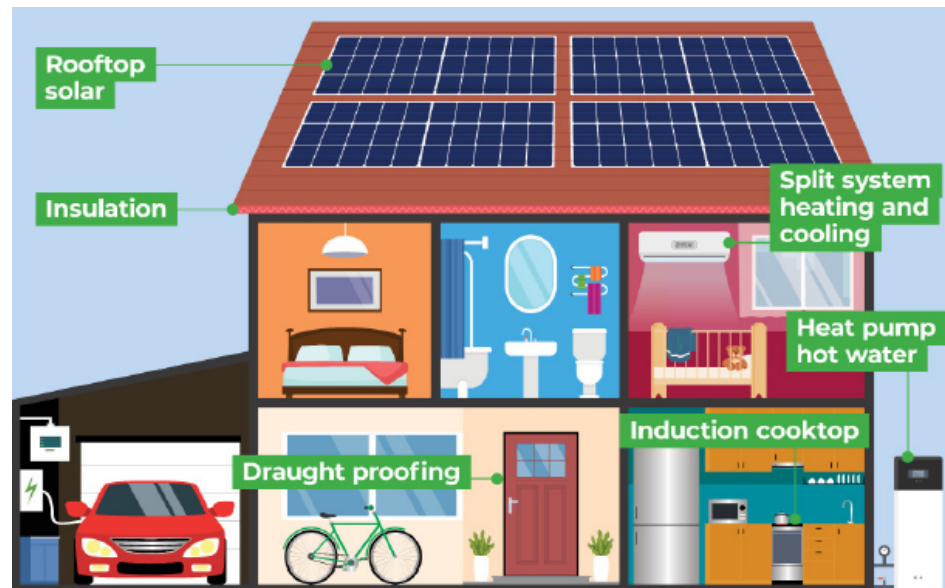


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