



# OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

Primary School Brunswick East

*Exceptional Education*

## Commencement News

Term 1, 2024

Wednesday 24th of January 2024



Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Primary School

*Enlivened by the life of Jesus with the love and compassion of Our Lady, we are a community of faith and learning; valuing diversity and respect for all.*

*To live justly, love tenderly and walk humbly with your God.  
(Micah 6:8)*

Dear Parents/Carers,

A very warm welcome to the 2024 school year. I am excited and optimistic about what this school year will bring and I look forward to working in collaboration with you to support your child's education journey at Our Lady Help of Christians. Please note this commencement news outlines important information for you to consider as your child/ren commence the 2024 school year. *All calendar dates for the 2024 school year will be*

*outlined in Newsletter 1.1 which will be circulated on the Friday the 2nd of February.*

### Building Update

Building works will commence next week on the Max Chester Building, as of next week please note you will no longer be able to access the Miller St double gate at drop off and pick up times, the Nicholson St gates will be the only points of access while building works are taking place. Please use these gates during drop off and pick up times. It is estimated these works will take between six and nine months to complete. Parents/Carers will still be able to access the school office via the single gate on Miller St which runs along the staff car park. Before and After Care can still be accessed via the staff car park.

### Reminder 2024 Dates

Please note the following school term dates and school closure dates for the 2024 school year.

#### Term One

Monday 29/1/24 term one commences for staff.

Tuesday 30/1/24 term one commences for Years 1-6.

Thursday 1/2/24 term one commences for Prep. Refreshments will be provided for our Prep parents on Thursday. If you would like to stay and meet our Prep parents you are very welcome.

**Monday 11/3/24 School Closure - Labour Day, no students attend.**

**Friday 22/3/24 School Closure - Staff Professional Learning, no students attend.**

Thursday 28/3/24 term one concludes at 1.00 pm.

#### Term Two

Monday 15/4/24 term two commences for Years Prep - 6

**Thursday 25/4/24 School Closure - ANZAC Day (Public Holiday), no students to attend.**

**Friday 26/4/24 School Closure Day - Staff Professional Learning Day, no students attend.**

**Monday 10/6/24 King's Birthday (Public Holiday), no students to attend.**

Friday 28/6/24 term two concludes at 1.00 pm.

### Term Three

Monday 15/7/24 term three commences for Years  
Prep - 6

Friday 20/9/24 term three concludes **1.00 pm.**

### Term Four

Monday 7/10/24 term four commences for Prep - 6

**Monday 4/11/24 Student Free Day, Staff  
Professional Practice Day.**

**Tuesday 5/11/24 School Closure, Melbourne Cup  
Public Holiday, no students to attend.**

**Friday 6/12/24 2024 Staff Planning Day for 2025,  
no students to attend.**

Tuesday 17/12/24 term four concludes **1.00 pm.**

### Sacrament Dates 2024

Confirmation - Sunday 21/4/24 at 3.30 pm.

Penance (Reconciliation) - Thursday 16/5/24 at  
7.00 pm.

First Eucharist - Saturday 27/7/24 at 5.00 pm.

### Staff 2024

#### Positions of Leadership

Principal - Maree McIntosh

Deputy Principal/Learning and Teaching - Jackie  
McGrath

Religious Education Leader - Damien Murray

Literacy/Numeracy Leader P-2 - Karina De Giusti

Literacy/Numeracy Leader 3-6 - Damien Murray

Learning Diversity Leader- Andrea Wals

Student Wellbeing/Mental Health - Maegan  
Howden

#### Class Teachers

Prep O Emilie Owen

Prep S Lisa Stella

1 A Jacquie Atley

1 K Lara Keating

2 C Brigitte Callery (Mon, Tues, Thur, Fri) Karina  
De Guisti (Wed)

2 D Grace Dalla Zuanna

3 B Renee Bouvier

3 J Julie Tran

4 C Nyree Clyne (Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs) Dani  
Criscione (Fri)

4 H Brody Hill

5 B Lana Brokenshire

5 M Katie McVeigh

6 M Sam Maguire

6 P Mary Papworth

#### Additional Support Team - Literacy and Numeracy Intervention/Extension

Karina De Giusti P-2

Damien Murray 3-6

Andrea Wals P-6

#### Specialist Teachers

STEM - Joshua Howarth

Italian - Angela De Francesco

Physical Education - Harriet Cordner 2-6, Dani  
Criscione P-2

Visual Arts - Maegan Howden

#### Learning Support Officers

Genevieve Allison

Maria Azzi

Prue Theofilopoulos

Sena Janiszewski

Sharon Murphy

#### Administration Officers

Debbie Ceravolo

Cathy Windsor

### Specialist Timetable 2024

Please note the day your child/ren have their  
Specialist classes, in particular their PE lesson in  
order to ensure they wear their sports uniform.  
Specialist classes will commence in week one.

#### Prep O Emilie Owen

Tues Visual Arts

Thurs STEM/PE/Italian

#### Prep S Lisa Stella

Tues Italian

Thurs STEM/PE/Visual Arts

#### 1A Jacquie Atley

Tues STEM

Thurs Italian/Visual Arts/PE

#### 1K Lara Keating

Tues Visual Arts

Thurs STEM/PE/Italian

#### 2C Brigitte Callery/Karina De Giusti

Mon PE

Tues STEM

Thurs Italian/Visual Arts

#### 2D Grace Dalla Zuanna

Tues Visual Arts

Thurs PE/Italian/STEM

**3B Renee Bouvier**

Mon PE

Tues STEM

Wed Italian/Visual Arts

**3J Julie Tran**

Mon PE

Wed Visual Arts/Italian

Thurs STEM

**4C Nyree Clyne**

Tues Italian

Wed PE/STEM

Thurs Visual Arts

**4H Brody Hill**

Tues Italian

Wed PE/STEM

Thurs Visual Arts

**5B Lana Brockenshire**

Mon PE

Tues STEM

Wed Italian/Visual Arts

**5M Katie McVeigh**

Mon PE

Tues STEM

Wed Visual Arts/Italian

**6M Sam Maguire**

Tues Italian/Visual Arts

Wed STEM/PE

**6P Mary Papworth**

Tues Italian/Visual Arts

Wed STEM/PE

## Student Requirements for 2024

Please see the list below for student requirements for the 2024 school year. We ask your child to bring these items on their first day of school. These items will be used throughout the school year and will allow for a successful transition.

## Parking News

Please note you will no longer be able to park in the Church grounds at pick up or drop off times as the Presbytery has now been leased and part of this lease includes parking on the Church grounds.

## Reminder Timetable 2024

8.30 a.m.	Gates Open
8.45 a.m.	FIRST BELL – Gather for Morning Assembly/Birthdays
9.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.	Morning Session - Learning Time
11.00 a.m - 11.30 a. m.	Recess
11.30 a.m. - 1.30 p.m.	Middle Session-Learning Time
1.30 p.m. - 1.40 p.m.	Supervised Lunch Eating Time
1.40 p.m.- 2.25 p.m.	Lunch
2.30 p.m. - 3.30 p.m.	Afternoon Session-Learning Time
3.30 p.m.	Dismissal

I look forward to seeing you all next week.

Kind regards,

Maree McIntosh

PRINCIPAL



## Student Requirements 2024

Please see the list below for student requirements for the 2024 school year. We ask your child to bring these items on their first day of school.

These items will be used throughout the school year and will allow for a successful transition.

We appreciate your support and generosity.

Prep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 art smock</li> <li>• 1 library bag</li> <li>• 2 boxes of tissues</li> <li>• Change of underwear/socks in a plastic bag labelled with the child's name.</li> <li>• set of headphones for computer use stored in a zip lock sandwich bag with the student's name and class on the front of the bag.</li> </ul>
Year One	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 art smock</li> <li>• 1 library bag</li> <li>• 2 boxes of tissues</li> <li>• Change of underwear/socks in a plastic bag labelled with the child's name.</li> <li>• A set of headphones for computer use stored in a zip lock sandwich bag with the student's name and class on the front of the bag.</li> <li>• Pencil case - optional (children can bring their own coloured pencils and textas if they like)</li> </ul>

Year Two	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 boxes of tissues</li> <li>• 1 art smock</li> <li>• 1 library bag</li> <li>• 1 pencil case containing pencils and textas.</li> <li>• A set of headphones for computer use stored in a zip lock sandwich bag with the student's name and class on the front of the bag.</li> <li>• Change of underwear/socks in a plastic bag labelled with the child's name.</li> </ul>
Year Three	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 boxes of tissues</li> <li>• 1 art smock</li> <li>• 1 library bag</li> <li>• 1 pencil case containing pencils and textas.</li> <li>• A set of headphones for computer use stored in a zip lock sandwich bag with the student's name and class on the front of the bag.</li> </ul>
Year Four	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 boxes of tissues</li> <li>• 1 art smock</li> <li>• 1 library bag</li> <li>• 1 pencil case containing pencils and textas.</li> <li>• A set of headphones for computer use stored in a zip lock sandwich bag with the student's name and class on the front of the bag.</li> </ul>
Year Five	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 boxes of tissues</li> <li>• 1 library bag</li> <li>• 1 art smock</li> <li>• 1 small pencil case with pencils and textas.</li> <li>• A set of headphones for computer use stored in a zip lock sandwich bag with the student's name and class on the front of the bag.</li> </ul>
Year Six	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 boxes of tissues</li> <li>• 1 library bag</li> <li>• 1 art smock</li> <li>• 1 small pencil case with pencils and textas.</li> <li>• 5 grey lead pencils</li> <li>• A set of headphones for computer use stored in a zip lock sandwich bag with the student's name and class on the front of the bag.</li> </ul>