



Our students enjoyed a visit from one of our Hope Village staff this week.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to our Week 5 newsletter.

We are now halfway through Term 3, and we are looking forward to seeing more sunshine as we move towards spring. Earlier this term, I was fortunate to take some leave and enjoy time travelling with my family. I am very grateful for the dedicated staff at Bethany who continue to serve our community faithfully while supporting our students every day.

Our teachers continue to work hard to help children learn and grow. One way we share this learning with families is through our Learning Exhibitions. These exhibitions provide students with opportunities to stretch their "learning muscles" and develop responsibility, reflection, and communication skills.

STEM Learning Exhibition

We are excited to invite families to our STEM Learning Exhibition in Week 8 on Wednesday, 9 September. The exhibition will take place during the later part of the school day and immediately after school.

Developing strong learning skills is increasingly important in our ever-changing world, and this exhibition gives students the opportunity to showcase their learning in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).

The exhibition times are:

Reception and Year 1: 2:00pm to 2:30pm or 2:30pm to 3:00pm (parents may choose either session)

Years 2 and 3: 2:30pm to 3:00pm

Years 4, 5 and 6: 3:00pm to 4:00pm

These sessions are designed for families to spend time engaging with their children and hearing about their STEM learning journey. We greatly appreciate your support in encouraging conversations about learning and listening to the stories behind their work.

Students will remain with their teachers throughout the exhibition. Students in Years 4, 5 and 6 will be

dismissed at 4:00pm. The playground will be available for parents supervising younger children who may need to wait for siblings to finish.

Class teachers will provide additional information regarding session details and any specific requirements. We are looking forward to seeing the growth in students' planning, thinking, and presentation skills, as well as celebrating their learning achievements together.

We have scheduled this event around school pick-up times to make attendance as convenient as possible, and we hope to see many of you there.

Parking and Student Safety

Thank you for your ongoing support in parking responsibly around the school. I would like to reiterate that parking in designated drop-off zones can impact student safety and traffic flow.

We appreciate the efforts many families are making to follow our traffic management procedures. Please continue to show consideration for others by following the school's traffic management plan, which is available on our website.

Father's Day Stall and Donuts for Dads

In Week 7, we will be holding our Father's Day Stall on **Wednesday 3 September and Thursday 4 September**.

Fathers and father figures play an important role in the lives of our students, and we would love to celebrate them with our **Donuts for Dads** morning. Please refer to the flyer for further information.

Show Day Pupil-Free Day

Please remember that **Friday 11 September** is a pupil-free Show Day.

If you are planning to attend the Royal Adelaide Show, we encourage families to consider using this day rather than taking multiple absences throughout the week. OSHC will be available for bookings if you require care for your children on this day.

Thank you for your continued support of our school community. I hope you have a wonderful week ahead.

God bless you,

Wendy Matear
Principal

If God has given you leadership ability, take the responsibility seriously. And if you have a gift for showing kindness to others, do it gladly.

Romans 12:8b

DEPUTY'S CORNER

Welcome to Week 5 of Term 3!

It has been a very busy and exciting start to the term, highlighted by the completion of the Swimming Experience for our Reception to Year 4 students. This was a thoroughly positive experience for all students who participated and provided a wonderful introduction to school-based swimming lessons for our Reception students.

Matilda

In Week 4, our Year 3 to Year 6 students had the privilege of attending the Temple Christian College production of Matilda. It was delightful to see our students so engaged in a live theatre performance, especially with many former Bethany students participating in performing roles. The production was thoroughly enjoyed by all and provided a wonderful opportunity to experience the performing arts.

Book Week

Next Monday, we will be celebrating Book Week with our annual dress-up day. Students are invited to come dressed as their favourite book character. This year's theme is "Symphony of Stories". I am looking forward to seeing the creativity and enthusiasm of our students as they bring their favourite stories to life!

Keeping Safe: Child Protection Curriculum

Bethany Christian School teaches the Keeping Safe: Child Protection Curriculum (KS:CPC), a child safety and respectful relationships curriculum that provides age and developmentally appropriate learning opportunities for children and young people from birth to Year 12.

The KS:CPC supports children and young people to:

- Understand that they have the right to be safe
- Recognise abuse and unsafe situations
- Develop the knowledge, skills, and understanding needed to stay safe
- Seek support for themselves or others when needed

If you would like to learn more about the KS:CPC, please visit the parent and caregiver information page: <https://kscpc.sa.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/KSCPC-3rd-edition-Information-for-parents-and-carers-English.pdf>

Hope Village Staff Visit

During Week 5, we are fortunate to welcome several teachers from Hope Village School. While in Australia, they will be participating in professional learning and training opportunities, and our students will have the chance to meet them during their visit. We look forward to sharing fellowship, learning from one another, and strengthening our connection with the Hope Village community.

I wish you and your families a wonderful week, and pray that you all stay well and warm as the cool weather lingers.

Deb Clifford & Melissa Taylor

Deputy Principals

HIGHLIGHTS

WE WANT OUR PARENTS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Christian Schools Australia (CSA) are excited to announce that the 2026 Christian Schools Community Profile: Parent Survey is now open for all parents of our school to complete. This is the only national survey of its kind that is specifically designed for Christian school communities and seeks to gather key information regarding the perceptions, levels of satisfaction and priorities of Christian school families as well as their demographic profiles and the way families engage, support and interact with their local Christian school communities. It will be conducted amongst all families with children enrolled in participating Christian schools.

We would like to encourage all parents to complete this important survey. The survey will be conducted online and will only take 15-20 minutes to complete. The survey can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

All parents of our school community can access the survey via the following link:

<https://research.orima.com/CSAParents/start.php?u=cLm8bGz6>

All responses to the survey are anonymous. The survey will be conducted from Monday 3 August to Friday 28 August 2026.

Please do not hesitate to contact Karen Penna if you have any general queries about the survey.

Thank you for your valued input into our Christian school community and Christian schooling across Australia!

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

RHAN	RHAY	RM
Filo C	Harrison A	Ayo A
Kai C	Talia B	Aston B
Ethan F	Kaden C	Zachary B
Alannah H	Davina C	Spencer D
Saige-Lee H	Akur D	Pearl F
Hudson H	Harry G	Sarem F
Daniel L	Lucas H	Kaleb H
Zoey L	Enzo H-S	Zachariah H
Mikayla L	Zoe J	Isabel J
Dor M	Leah J-H	Elysha K
Harrison M	Amani L	Julia M
Marissa M	Massimo M	Ty N
William N	James N	Mariah N
Jagger N	Ruby O-J	Dhrishiv P
Cadence N	Malakai S	Dominik P
Lara P	Naomi S	Frankie P
Sebastian P	Ashton S	Callie R
Claire P	Memphis T	Eliana T
Jordan S	Zachariah T	Sebastian T
Lincoln V	Winston T	Henry T
Leo V	Mia V	Audrey V
Ataahua V	Lucas W	Natalie V
Mia V	Anneliese Z	
1K	1PC	1WC
Noah B	Hallie A	Everlee B
Imogen B	Joshua A	Gabriel C
Sahasra C	Elliott B	Voraphot C
Emilia C	Celeste B	Grace D
Leon C	Aleyna B	Charlie F
Tomasina D	Quinn C	Henry H

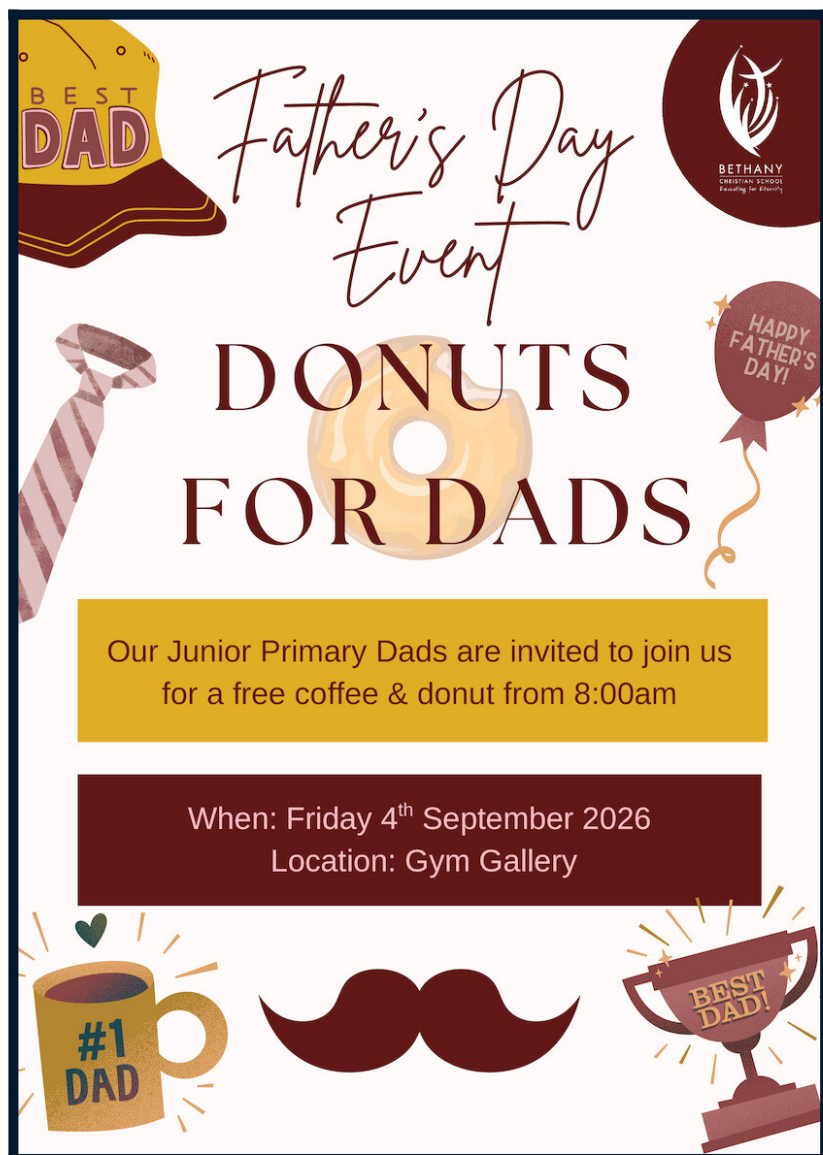
Skye G	Yasmin D	Katherine J
Theo H	Henry H	Faith K
Elias H	William J	Isabella L
Faith J	Athou K	Aiden L
Elijah J	Hadley L	Teddy L
Silas J	Jaxson M-R	Jonathan L
Alice K	Erich M-L	Darcey L
Theodore L	Lana M	Emilia L
Ivann L	Joanna N	Ayla M
Zack L	Aditya P	Oliver M
Emmeline M-H	Ryan S	Bryan N
Samuel M	Marcellus T	Lucas P
Maddison M	Noa T	Megan Q
Rafael M	Eulalia T	Angela S
Daniella M	Ilija T	Mariah T
Jonathan P	Owen V P	Sebastian T
Ara S	Ezra V	Joshua W
Matilda T	Alexis W	Baylen Y
Aarian Y		
2EM	2N	2Z
Hannah A	Ava B	Dion A
Saphira B	Cisca B	Jakub B
Flynn B	Jacob C	Andre C
Adelita B	Mach D	Laila D
Heidi B	Alice G	Felix D
Amaya C	Jaylan H	Ramin D
Lachlan C	Evander H	Leo F
Aaliyah D	Lincoln J	Ada G
Adelle G	Jayden K	Zoe H
Ning G	Tia L	Sienna J
Lycharles I	Aria M	Estella K

Mawan K	Amari M	Sophia K
Mackenzie L	Kopnu N	Emily L
Zoe L	Jahzara N	Ethan L
Luka M	Ezmay N	Ly M
Tiara N	Sian N	Yhor-dit M
Kai N	Vivian P	Mila M
Arou N	Ellaura P	Vittoria M
Mikeyla O	Ajay P-D	Sara N
Tani Olalusi	Mark S	Samuel P
Lennox P	Summer S	Simon P
Jenny Q	Jacob S	Arlo P
Zahlee R	Cooper S	Tanner P
Isaac S	Emma T	Makayo S
Jordan S	Samuel T	Abby T
Sok Pidor V		Tin Tin Z T
4GT	4W	5RW
Ayom D	Jennifer L	Harriet B
	Aidenn L	Chloe S
6T	Ronaldo L	Harriet B
Charlotte M	Ruby S	Chloe S
	Lillian J	Shrine S
	Hannah M	
	Chelsea M	
	Emily P	

PREMIER'S BE ACTIVE CHALLENGE

2N	2Z	3HR
Summer S	Tanner P	Viaan S
	Emily L	
3M	Ethan L	4W
Phoenix T		Ronaldo L
	4GT	
	Eden H	5RW
	Asher H	Roney L
	Simar G	

DONUTS FOR DADS



[Open Donuts for Dads.pdf \(1.79 MB\)](#)

FATHER'S DAY STALL



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ENROLMENTS

Sibling Priority for 2029

If your child is due to start Reception with us here at Bethany Christian School in 2029 and you have not heard from our Enrolment Officer, please ensure you call the school to secure your child's position.

Interviews to fill our 2029 Reception classes will commence in May and a secured position may not be available after this time.

If your child is due to commence in 2028, these interviews were conducted in May of this year and a secured position may not be available.

Withdrawal Policy

Should you decide to transfer your children to another school, then the school requires written notification one

term in advance of the withdrawal of the children. This enables the school to plan ahead with possible enrolments to replace the children. If written notification is not given, then one term's fees will be charged in accordance with our Withdrawal Policy.

If your child will not be enrolled here at Bethany next year, please note your Withdrawal Notification is due on **Friday the 25th of September 2026** - blyrtzis@bethany.sa.edu.au

CAMP AUSTRALIA

Outside School Hours Care

Newsletter

WEEK 5

Bethany Christian School



Your OSHC. 

Hi Families,

This week at OSHC, we have been celebrating Science Week! The children have participated in a range of fun and engaging science experiences that encouraged them to be curious, ask questions, make predictions and explore how things work. It has been wonderful to see the children actively involved, sharing their ideas and discovering new things through hands-on learning.

Soccer Incursion – Tuesday 1st September

We are excited to welcome Coles MiniRoos to OSHC for a special soccer incursion on Tuesday 1st September during our after-school care session.

Children will have the opportunity to participate in a one-hour soccer program packed with fun games, movement and confidence-building activities. The session will encourage children to develop their soccer skills while working collaboratively, being active and, most importantly, having fun!



Activities coming up

- ❖ Week 6 Program Theme: Book Week
- ❖ Week 7 Program Theme: Friendship

Make a booking

Join in the fun of Outside School Hours Care activities and experiences with Your OSHC and Rocketeers.

[Book now](#)

Register free and book in 24/7 via our app

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campaustalia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.





Find out more and book now at www.campaustalia.com.au

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COMMUNITY NEWS

PLAYGROUP



[Open Playgroup Flyer.pdf \(654.89 KB\)](#)

SPORTS VOUCHERS PLUS



🏃 Active kids are happy kids!

What is Sports Voucher Plus? It is a South Australian government program to help families save money.

Who can use it? Every child in Reception to Year 9 in South Australia.

How much money do you get? Each child gets **\$200** every year to use for:

- 🏆 Sport
- 🎵 Music
- 💃 Dance
- Active recreation (exercise and movement activities)

How does it work? Your child gets two vouchers — each worth \$100.

- Use both together = \$200 off one activity
- Use them separately = \$100 off two different activities

🌐 **To learn more and find places to use your child's voucher, visit our new website**
salisburysport.org

🤝🤝🤝 All families are welcome, join in!

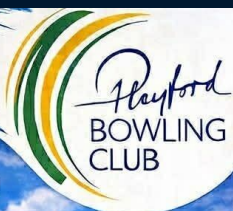
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PLAYFORD JUNIOR BOWLS

PLAYFORD BOWLING CLUB

JUNIOR BOWLERS!

TERM 1 & 4



HAVE FUN & LEARN BOWLS!

- ✓ For Ages 7 to 18
- ✓ All Skill Levels Welcome!
- ✓ Bowls Provided

**FREE
TO JOIN!**

**SATURDAY MORNINGS
9:30 - 11AM**

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SPORTS NEWS

SACSA NETBALL | 3 | 4 BOYS - RUNNERS UP!



Coach

Mrs Haywood

Front Row (L - R)

Back Row (L - R)

Nicholas T

Charlie R

Arrme C

Henry N

Jameson M

Mason O

Jacob B

Jabari S

Nash P

Levi D

The year 3/4 boys team played with passion, perseverance but mostly with heart! I was so impressed with how the boys represented Bethany and not only gave their best but played with a sense of fairness and teamwork. They looked out for each other and encouraged each other, which is what this day is all about. Coming 2nd place is a fabulous achievement and I was so proud to coach such a lovely group of boys. Well done boys! A fantastic result!

Mrs Haywood

SACSA NETBALL | 3 | 4 GIRLS - 3RD PLACE



Coach		Mrs Hall	
Front Row (L - R)		Back Row (L - R)	
Elaina C		Marina B	
Esther M		Kaylee V	
Harlow J		Alexis W	
Emma N		Evie W	
Ziara A		Sophia A	

With the winter weather testing the grip on the soles of the shoes, the Bethany year 3 and 4 girls student rallied to give an outstanding performance. The skills just kept getting better with every game played. With the smallest of margins, the team solidified a third place in the finals. I was so proud to see the high level of respect and sportsmanship the girls displayed as Bethany students. Fantastic job girls and thank you parent helpers. It was so much fun!

Mrs Hall

SACSA NETBALL | 5 | 6 BOYS - RUNNERS UP!



Coach

Mrs Curtis

Front Row (L - R)

Back Row (L - R)

Oliver P

Riley W

Hunter R

Bior A

Oscar M

Cooper J

Ashton S

Ethaniel Y

Win S

Nyok M

Deng A

The 5/6 boys played so well as a team! With a strong offensive end in WA, GA & GS the goals came quickly and often in each game. Our boys in centre and the defensive end were strong all day, intercepting a lot of goals and creating opportunities for overturns. Their enthusiasm and encouragement of each other all day created a positive playing environment and above all they can be proud of how well they operated as a team. They represented Bethany very well and earned their spot in the Grand Final. Losing only to Cedar all day, they were worthy runners up and I am so proud of them all! Great work team, what fun and enjoyable day!

Mrs Curtis

SACSA NETBALL | 5 | 6 GIRLS - RUNNERS UP!



Coach		Mr Sheeky	
Front Row (L - R)		Back Row (L - R)	
Elise B		Zofia T	
Amity C		Amelia J	
Daisy S		Ava M	
Harper F		Olivia K	
Scarlett R		Zoey G	
		Aluong N	

The year 5/6 girls represented Bethany with incredible determination and unity. Each of the girls held their position well and played the role they needed for the team. Winning all their round games except one, the girls finished second on the ladder with an opportunity to face of the same team in the final. Unfortunately, the girls couldn't quite get the win, however the improvement was considerable and the girls fought it out to the end

Mr Sheeky

SACSA BASKETBALL TRYOUTS | YEAR 3 | 4 AND 5 | 6 TEAMS

SACSA will soon be holding their annual Basketball Carnival

Year 3|4 Carnival | Thursday 29th October | Week 3, Term 4

Year 5|6 Carnival (Div 1) | Wednesday 28th October | Week 3, Term 4

Students who would like to trial, and are eligible please use the link to nominate

Year 3|4 Girls Tryouts | **BCS Courts**

Mondays | 07|09, 14|09 | Weeks 8 & 9, Term 3 | Lunchtime

Year 3|4 Boys Tryouts | **BCS Courts**

Mondays | 07|09, 14|09 | Weeks 8 & 9, Term 3 | Lunchtime

Year 5|6 Girls Tryouts | **BCS Courts**

Wednesday | 09|09, 16|09 | Weeks 8 & 9, Term 3 | Lunchtime

Year 5|6 Boys Tryouts | **BCS Courts**

Wednesday | 09|09, 16|09 | Weeks 8 & 9, Term 3 | Lunchtime

Meet on the gym courts at the beginning of tryouts.

Please note: Only those students registered will be able to attend

The Year 5/6 Carnival is scheduled for the same day as the Temple Orientation Day for the new Year 7 students commencing in 2027.



[Nomination Link](#)

PARA DISTRICTS SOCCER

A huge congratulations to our students who represented the Para Districts Soccer Team at the annual carnival. The boys achieved an amazing second-place finish, with the girls also performing exceptionally well to claim third place. These results represented the best overall performance for Para Districts. Well done team!



WEEKLY BASKETBALL | REC - YR 6

Bethany Christian School offers a weekly basketball program. This is a user pay program staffed by approved volunteer coaches, with compulsory weekly after school trainings held at BCS

There are two seasons per year

Winter Season - Terms 2 and 3 | Summer Season - Terms 4 and 1

Age Groups as follows (must be 5 yrs old)

U08s mixed | U10s mixed | U12 Boys | U12 Girls

Saturday games are generally at the following recreation centres

Golden Grove | Burragah | Turramurra | Ingle Farm | The ARC



[Nomination Link](#)

WEEKLY NETBALL | REC - YR 6

Bethany Christian School offers a weekly netball program. This is a user pay program staffed by approved volunteer coaches, with compulsory weekly after school trainings held at BCS

There are two seasons per year

S1 Season - Terms 1 and 2 | S2 Season - Terms 2 and 4

Age Groups as follows (must be 5 yrs old)

U08s mixed | U10s mixed | Under 12s mixed

Saturday games are at the Gardens Recreation Centre.



[Nomination Link](#)

MATCH RESULTS | WEEKLY SPORTS

SATURDAY 9|8

Sport	Team	Opponent	Coach's Pick	Match Result	
Wolves	Cedar Cubs	Gabriel C	W	6	4
Warriors	Stingrays Little Hoopers	Noah B	W	9	5
Rockets	GGLPS Golden Stars	Arlo P	W	22	3
Thunder	Heccies 10 Gold	Flynn B	W	18	11
Raptors	Heccies 10G Red	Jahzara N	L	3	20
Breakers	Kings Thunder	Mason N	L	10	32
Ballers	Bye				
Celtics	Brookes Comets	Hannah M	D	11	11
Lakers	76ers Sonics	Elijah T	W	36	15

SATURDAY 16|8

Sport	Team	Opponent	Coach's Pick	Match Result	
Wolves	Wings Floaters	Aston B	L	16	18
Warriors	SFX Dunkers	Evander H	W	14	0
Rockets	Brooks Bulldogs 10	Lycharles I	L	18	19
Thunder	Brooks Saints 10	Tejas G	W	23	10
Raptors	Bye				
Breakers	Punjab Lions BC 12	Jabari S	W	18	8
Ballers	Stingrays Whiptail	Mabior D	L	17	26
Celtics	Punjab Lions BC 12	Esther M	W	14	8
Lakers	Hope Valley Heat 12 Yellow	Samuel C	W	17	16

WEEKLY INFORMATION

IMPORTANT DATES

Book Week	Monday 24th August to Monday 31st August
Book Week Dress Up Day	Monday 24th August
Digifest Excursion	Friday 28th August
Father's Day Stall	Thursday 3rd and 4th September
Donuts for Dads	Friday 4th September
SAPSASA Track & Field	Monday 7th and Tuesday 8th September
Year 2 Excursion	Tuesday 8th September
Learning Exhibition	Wednesday 9th September
SRC Casual Day	Thursday 10th September
Pupil Free Day	Friday 11th September

SCHOOL TERMS 2026

Term 1	Monday 2nd February to Friday 10th April
Term 2	Tuesday 28th April to Friday 3rd July
Term 3	Wednesday 22nd July to Friday 25th September
Term 4	Monday 12th October to Wednesday 9th December

PE TIMETABLE

Monday	ELC, RHAY, RT, 1PC, 1WC, 2EM, 3HW, 3NC, 4K, 4W, 5RW
Tuesday	ELC, RHAN, 1K, 2N, 2Z, 3M, 4GT, 5T, 6T, 6W
Wednesday	5M, 5T, 6SC, 6W
Thursday	ELC, RHAN, RHAY, 1WC, 4K, 5M, 5RW, 6T
Friday	ELC, RT, 1K, 1PC, 2EM, 2N, 2Z, 3HW, 3M, 3NC, 4GT, 4W, 6SC

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING TIMES

Monday	8am to 11am
Tuesday	Closed
Wednesday	2pm to 5pm
Thursday	Closed
Friday	8am to 11am

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