A Thought for the Week:
Christianity is a positive force that can add purpose to our daily lives. That’s why churches have plus signs on their towers.

BUSHFIRE FUNDRAISER
What an amazing afternoon last Friday. The school community became united in raising funds for the bushfire victims in our South West. The School raised an incredible total of $1399.25, which is a credit to each family for supporting this worthy cause.

PARENT INTERVIEWS
All parents will be invited for a parent interview in the coming weeks. These interviews are a great opportunity to discuss your child’s progress. Class Teachers will be emailing parents over the next few weeks to organise a convenient time.

CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN
Last Friday I had a 3 hour meeting with our Architect and our plans and interior design are being finalised for the redevelopment of our Early Childhood area. We are excited as these new facilities will be fantastic for our Pre Kindy, Kindergarten and Pre Primary students. It is planned to commence construction in term 4 and for this capital development to be completed before the commencement of the 2017 school year.

RUNNING CLUB
As the weather is cooling, Running Club will recommence on Tuesday 15th March at 8.10am. All students are invited to participate each Tuesday and Thursday at 8.10am.

EASTER TUESDAY
As published, in an earlier newsletter, Easter Tuesday is a Pupil Free Day. There will be no school on Tuesday 29th March.
KINDERGARTEN APPLICATION FOR 2017
Applications for Kindy in 2017 are currently being processed. Even if you have siblings at the school you still need to fill out relevant application forms for your child.
If you have a child ready to commence Kindy in 2017, please contact the school office immediately for an enrolment form. If you know of other families within the community that would like to enrol their child into our Kindergarten programme for 2017 please let them know that they need to contact the school for an application form.
Applications close Friday 11 March 2016.

PRE-KINDERGARTEN (3yr old) APPLICATION FOR 2017
Applications for Pre-Kindy in 2017 are currently being processed. If you have a child ready to commence Pre-Kindy in 2017, please contact the school office immediately for an application form. If you know of other families within the community that would like to enrol their child into our Pre-Kindergarten programme for 2017 please let them know that they need to contact the school for an application form.
Applications close Friday 11 March 2016.

With God’s Friendship and Love we Grow
John Rose
Principal

At a glance……

Friday 11 March: Year 2 Assembly
Tuesday 14 March: EDU Dance
Saturday 12 March: Confirmation & Communion Enrolment Mass 6.00pm
Sunday 13 March: Confirmation & Communion Enrolment Mass 5.30pm
Thursday 17th March: St Patrick’s Day
Friday 18th March: Year 1 Liturgy of the Word

MERIT AWARD WINNERS
Pre Primary: Bailey Smith, Emily Phan, Mikayla Tana, Nikolina Pushnik
Year One: Joshua Murabito, Ella Russo Battagliolo, Emilia Ferolla, Adam Clarke
Year Two: Sia Ellie, Paul Femia, Jordan Phan, Celine D’Orazio
Year Three: Spencer Faulkner, Arrianna Hadzic, Samantha Xigas, Dylan Condo
Year Four: Esperanca De Cruz, Marlyn Lado, Jemima Prime, Lilianna Radich
Year Five: Chiara Caccamo, Domenic Crupi, Jesse Nyersh, Paris Vivona
Year Six: Matthew Dimasi, Ava Leahy, Francesca Micallef, Lukas Radich
FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

SCHOOL PHOTOS
Kindy to Year 6 and family photos will be on Wednesday 23 March.
Pre Kindy photos will be on Thursday 24 March.
All photo envelopes are going home today. Please return all envelopes on the day even if you are not buying photos. If you would like a family photo, please collect an envelope from the office.

ASSEMBLY
The Year 2 children will present the assembly this Friday morning.

ENROLMENT MASSES
On Saturday 12 March at 6:00pm and Sunday 13 March at 5:30pm all children receiving the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation are expected to attend one of these enrolment masses. Please bring your enrolment form to the Mass.

COMMUNICATION BOOKS
This week Religion and History/Geography books will be sent home for you to view and sign. Please return all books on Monday morning.

PROJECT COMPASSION
Evangeline is a proud young Ramingining woman living in the small community of Beswick (Wugularr) in the Northern Territory.
Like many remote First Australian communities, Beswick faces a range of complex ongoing challenges, and many people in the town feel disempowered by poorly conceived policies and decisions.

When Evangeline left high school after Year 11 she tried a few career options without success and soon felt dispirited. “But by the time I was 22, I really started to think about doing something positive with my life,” she says. So when she was offered a position as an Artworker at the Djilpin Arts Ghunmarn Culture Centre in Beswick, Evangeline recognised a path to a new future.

The community-owned venture is supported by Caritas Australia’s Development of Cultural Enterprise program. It brings together Elders and young people, like Evangeline, so new generations can learn traditional skills and understand cultural knowledge through sharing art, storytelling, dance and song – practices that are central to traditional culture.

In the three years since joining the Centre, Evangeline has truly flourished. “This opportunity has helped me turn my life into something more positive,” she says.

Now a Senior Artworker, Evangeline is committed to helping her community stay connected to its culture. “Culture is our identity and how we understand ourselves,” she explains. “It’s important for us young people to be able to learn these skills and then we can pass them on when we are old.”

Miss Angela Leddin and Mrs Marie Heavey
PRE PRIMARY
Making Jesus Real

Throughout the first part of this term there have been so many times during phys ed lessons where students across the year groups are working together and supporting each other in their learning. It has been particularly pleasing to see how the Pre Primary students are transferring the skills that they are learning in lessons into their play during recess and lunchtime. Children are demonstrating improved skills with regards to thinking of others, sharing equipment, taking turns and helping each other to succeed. They are making Jesus real across all aspects of their schooling.

Phys Ed Lessons

PP Playground and Classroom
PRE KINDY
This week we begin our new focus for the rest of the term – Easter. It is a lovely time when we lead into our first set of school holidays. Thanks to all families who are helping us with the Laundry roster. We will put up a Parent Helper’s roster next term – we like to give the children ample time to settle in – especially with our staggered start children turning three throughout the earlier part of the year. Welcome to Mia and Paige who have joined our class. It is so exciting to have new friends.

Mrs Kaylene Bozich, Pre Kindy Teacher

KINDY
We are now half way through the term and the children are now settling in to the Kindy routine. This week starts our Parent Helper roster which the children are looking forward to. Please sign in at the Office to receive a visitor’s badge before beginning roster.

Over the last few weeks we have focused on ‘Our Marvelous Bodies’ learning all about how our bodies work and what they can do as well as how to take care of our bodies and about our feelings. This week we focus on Colours, Numbers and Shapes.

Next week we start the theme of ‘Easter’ which will go for two weeks. We will be talking about Jesus and the Easter story in a simple form. Of course we will also talk about the Easter bunny and do lots of fun activities. Have a great week.

Mrs Simone Covich, Kindergarten Teacher

PRE PRIMARY
Thank you to all those parents and families who supported the fundraiser last week from coins to bakers – it was very much appreciated! This week we are learning about new life in Religion as we prepare for Easter. In particular we have been looking at the lifecycle of a butterfly. We have also been discussing our toys; how they move in Science and the differences between old and new in History.

I will be sending home story books this weekend to come back on Thursdays. These are to be read several times a week. I know this may sound boring but each night you can develop your child’s ability to remember and retell the story. The books generally come with a comprehension sheet that gives you a guide on what to do each night. This should be similar to the pack you received in Kindy.

In literacy we are practicing hearing our initial sounds in words and breaking simple 3 letter words into 2 parts. You can support this by playing games of guess the word “I have the sounds m – ap” what word do I have. We are also practicing letter sounds and formation of c, h, r, e, m and d.

I hope to have completed the start of year assessments by the beginning of next week. I will then be sending home a letter detailing what the testing involved. I will then let you know when I will be available for parent meetings. Thanks and have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Edel Waldron, Pre Primary Teacher

YEAR ONE
This week we have started looking at the Chunky Monkey strategy for reading. This is where we break up words into ‘chunks’ or word parts we know to help us decode the word. Please encourage your child to use this strategy rather than sounding out each individual letter. Remember that when you child stops to problem solve a word it is important that they go back and reread the sentence from the beginning. Children are encouraged to continue using Eagle Eye, Lips the Fish and Stretchy Snake also.

Thank you for your continued support in the classroom. If you are able to help with reading in the morning it would be very much appreciated.

Next Friday morning, 18th March, we will be celebrating our class Liturgy of the Word about Friendship in the Hall. The children will bring home their parts this week. Have a great week.

Mrs Roselyn Pizzino, Year One Teacher
YEAR TWO
The Year 2’s are very excited to be presenting their assembly this Friday. If you are having any problems finding a costume please let me know asap. Thanks to all the parents who donated chocolate for our fundraising drive last Friday. We had a fantastic time and raising lots of money for the bushfire relief. Thank you also to those parents who have made an appointment to see me regarding your child’s progress. If you haven’t already done so, please make an appointment before the end of term. Many Thanks!

Anna Brenkley, Year 2 Teacher

CLASS REP NEWS

PRE KINDY
Please come and join us for a first Pre Kindy catch up at Waldeck’s Stirling on Thursday 24th March at 9:00am. Hope to see you there! Natalie 0408807467

KINDERGARTEN AND YEAR ONE
Please come and for a catch up at the new Bluzou on the 11th of March at 7.30pm. RSVP as soon as possible to Amanda 0417182731 amandamurabito@hotmail.com or Caterina catness84@hotmail.com Hope to see you there! Amanda and Caterina

YEAR TWO
Year Two mums first term catch up will be after assembly on Friday 11 March at Waldeck’s Stirling. Hope to see you there. Jasenka and Amanda

YEAR FOUR
Please come down to Waldecks for a coffee after school drop off, approximately 9.00am on Friday 11th of March. If you unable to meet for coffee or would like to do both, we have also been invited to join the other classes at the new Bluzou Bar - Basement Level, 26 Queen St, Perth on Friday 11th of March at 7.30pm. Hope to see you all there and looking forward to our first catch up for the year. Nicole and Michelle.

LIBRARY NEWS

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Book Sale: There will be a sale of discarded library books in the library, next Tuesday 15th March and Wednesday 16th March. All books will be 20cents and all proceeds will go to Project Compassion. Books can be purchased before and after school, and at lunchtime. There will be many bargains to be had so don’t miss out!!!

ST LAWRENCE NETBALL CLUB
Thank you to all players who have registered to play this year. We have had a wonderful response from players in Years 3, 5 and 6. We have also sourced a coach for the Year 6 team. The coach is an ex-St Lawrence student and netball player, who is currently a student at Servite College.

Thank you to all coaches, team managers and committee members for all your help with organising the teams.
Year 4: We require at least 1 or 2 more players to make a team.

With the season starting on 30th April, coaches will be contacting, or have already contacted the teams with regards to the commencement of training.

Looking forward to a successful and fun-filled netball season.

Please contact me if you have any queries on pbulich@bigpond.com or 0403 317 850.

Mrs Paula Bulich, St Lawrence Netball Club President

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

WINTER UNIFORM
Parents, please note that students return back in Term 2 and 3 in Winter Uniform.

The Uniform Shop will be closed during the school holidays. Last day open is Wednesday 6th April. Any NEW students who have commenced this year and YEAR 1 STUDENTS, you can come in directly to purchase winter uniform or you may leave an order with me and collect with full payment by the end of Term 1. There are NO appointments this time for fittings.

Girls may wear Navy Blue Tights with their Winter Skirt or White School Socks. Tights are available at any department store. Winter price lists and order forms are available in school office.

NETBALL UNIFORM
With the Netball season approaching the Netball uniform is available to purchase. The girls wear Red Skorts and Black/Gold Singlets with Sports School Socks.

Uniform Shop Opening Hours
Wednesday 8.30am - 9.30am and Thursday 2.30pm - 3.30pm

Mrs Angie Miola, Uniform Shop Manager

CANTEEN NEWS

Sushi
Our next Sushi day will be on Thursday the 24th of March. Orders must be in by Friday 18th of March. The cost is $6.50.

Competition
Design our School Canteen chalk board for Term 2. Come and see us at the Canteen to collect your entry form. Grab a partner and put your best design forward. Winners will be announced end of Term 2.

Last week of school the Canteen will be closed Thursday and Friday (pupil free days).
The canteen will be open Monday 4/4, Tuesday 5/4 and Wednesday 6 April.

Lunches available Monday 4/4 and Tuesday 5/4:
- Pasta
- Toasted Sandwiches
- Hotdog
- Chicken Strips
- Nuggets
- Fresh Sandwiches/Wraps/Rolls
Sausage Sizzle Wednesday 6 April
Wednesday we will be having an end of term Sausage Sizzle. The Cost is $3.50 and orders must be in by Friday the 1st of April.

iPod
Raffle tickets will be sold at the Canteen. The cost 3 for $2.00. Winner will be announced end of term.

Volunteer
If you would like to Volunteer in the Canteen on Fridays between 9.00am and 1.00pm, even if its just a couple of hours, we would love to see you. Please see myself, Nancy or Samantha.

Thanks to Frances Caccamo for volunteering last Friday and to Meri Anderson for your help today, it was a lot of fun.

Have a fantastic week. Mrs Amanda Xigas, Mrs Samantha Verzini, Canteen Managers and Nancy Donatelli Canteen Assistant

P&F NEWS

Cadbury Chocolate Egg Fundraiser
All chocolate boxes have now been sent home. Thank you for your ongoing support to our P&F. There are extra boxes available if you sell out quickly! Thank you to the families who chose to donate money. if you haven’t paid, this can be paid to Lina at the office.

All monies due back by Thursday 24th March 2016.

BUSHFIRE FUNDRAISER
Mercy – One Day Lenten Conference with The Catholic Guy

Lent can be the most powerful time of our year. This is a time when we come into contact with God’s Mercy and that changes everything about us. We are inviting people of all ages and backgrounds to come and spend ‘One Day’ with us and experience God in a special, powerful and personal way.

‘Mercy’ is an event for people of all ages and walks of life. Whether you’re single or married, whether you go to Church regularly or perhaps haven’t been for a while, ‘Mercy’ is for you.

Date: Saturday 19th March  
Venue: Chisholm Catholic College, 1104 Beaufort Street, Bedford.  
Cost: FREE (Dinner included)  
Children: Pre-register for the special FREE daytime program for children aged 2 to 15 years. Parent’s room available.

Register Online: [www.perth.thecatholicguy.com/mercy](http://www.perth.thecatholicguy.com/mercy)  
Registration and Information: mercy@thecatholicguy.com or ph 1300 734 880

Chapman Athletic Soccer Club Junior Registration Day

Male/Female Players Under 5’s to Under 17’s  
Sunday 20th March 2016  
3.00pm - 5.00pm  
Alexander Park Club Rooms  
For queries or further information chapmansoccerclub@gmail.com  
Sonia 0429 372 622