ST LAWRENCE FEASTDAY
I would like to say thanks to all staff and students who accommodated the inclement weather and adapted to the revised timetable last Friday. Thanks to all families who attended the range of activities throughout the day. Thanks to Father Greg who celebrated Mass with the whole school in the morning. Thanks to our P&F who co-ordinated and provided a hamburger and juice for each student.

ST LAWRENCE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY
On Thursday 13 August all Year 2 to Year 6 students will be competing in the St Lawrence Cross Country Carnival. I always admire the effort of all students in these long distance runs. Thanks to Mrs Major for organising this event. In the newsletter below there is a timetable of estimated times and all parents and families are most welcome to attend.

MICHAEL MANGAN INCURSION
On Tuesday 11 August all students from Pre Primary to Year Six were fortunate to be involved in the Michael Mangan concert that all students enjoyed. It was great to hear the students celebrating the life of Jesus through song.
BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLE
This Saturday 15 August there is a Bunnings Sausage sizzle at Bunnings Balcatta. I would like to thank all the families who have offered their assistance to ensure this is an enjoyable and profitable day. I would like to thank Sue Del Borrello who has co-ordinated what will be an excellent event.

P&F MEETING
Just a reminder all are welcome to the next P&F meeting on Tuesday 18 August at 8.45am in the school hall.

FREE DRESS FRIDAY
This Friday 14 August all students are allowed to dress in derby colours for the big football match between the top two AFL sides this weekend.

SCHOOL CAMP
I wish all Year Six students an excellent school camp that will commence next Tuesday 18 August at Forest Edge, Waroona. Thanks to Mr Haydon who has co-ordinated this outdoor learning activity.

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

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MERIT AWARD WINNERS
Pre Primary: Emilia Ferolla, Anthony Russo, Marcus Ewen, Vincenzo Lubieri
Year One: Jasmine Strati, Sienna Fazari, Sienna Verzini, Oscar Millard
Year Two: Jamie Abraham, Marilyn Wilson, Samantha Xigas, Christopher Veletta
Year Three: Tennyson Dragicevich, Michael Figliomeni, Mario Jelaska, Jemima Prime
Year Four: Nicholas Multari, Paris Vivona, Michael Xigas, Domenic Crupi
Year Five: Max Coniglio, Emily Gibbons, Trelen Hamer, Alexa Christopoulos
Year Six: Daniella Passeretto, Monika Hujdurovic, Anthony Bulich, Lauren Chambers
FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

RECONCILIATION PARENT MEETING
If your child is receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation this year parents are expected to attend the Reconciliation Parent Meeting tonight, Wednesday 12 August starting at 7:15pm in the school hall.

COMMUNICATION BOOKS
This Friday the English and Mathematics learning areas will be sent home. Please go through your child’s work with them, sign and return all books to school on Monday.

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN
St Lawrence Primary School is participating in the Woolworths Earn and Learn program to earn educational resources for our school. Please support our school by placing your sticker card in the box in the Learning Centre. If you order your groceries online please nominate St Lawrence as your school as the stickers will not be sent out with your order.

Miss Angela Leddin and Mrs Marie Heavey

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL
Our School Choir and Year 5 Class will be entering the Catholic Performing Arts Festival and performing a musical entitled Jonah - A Fishy Tale
➢ Please diarize this event
  Date: Wednesday 26th August
  Venue: Wellington Room Morley Rec Centre
  Time: 10am-12.00pm

➢ There will be a special performance of Jonah- A Fishy Tale for the whole school, prior to the Performing Arts Festival. It will take place on Monday 24th August at 2.15 pm in the school hall. Parents are most welcome to attend.

Mrs Rochelle Albert, Drama/Choir/ Liturgical Singing Teacher

ST LAWRENCE FEASTDAY
**PRE KINDY**
Our days at Pre Kindy are always fun. Next week we will have activities and games working around the theme of *Terrific Transport*. It won’t be very long until it is Father’s Day - so we will be talking about that very soon.
We will change our Take Home Story Books tomorrow and the children will have these for two weeks. Any queries please speak to me and I will try to help.

*Mrs Kaylene Bozich, Pre Kindy Teacher*

**KINDERGARTEN**
This week we continue with the focus of 'Community Helpers' by looking at Doctors, Nurses and Paramedics. To finish the week the Hospital Program will visit us which will be fun and informative. Next week we will look at the roles of the Postman, Shopkeepers, Builders etc. Our sounds focus is on group one sounds - *s a t p i n*. Coming up on Tuesday 25th August is Dress Up Day for Book Week. Children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character. There will be a parade in the school hall straight after drop off if you would like to come and look. We are in the process of organising a trip on the school bus to the Northlands Shops and Post Office. A note will come home soon with all the details.
The children are doing well with writing their names in the morning when they arrive. Some children still need lots of practice so please give them time at home to do their name and to work on their fine motor skills. Have a wonderful week.

*Mrs Simone Covich, Kindergarten Teacher*

**PRE PRIMARY**
This term Pre Primary have been working extremely hard and as a reward for their efforts Mrs Baker and myself have decided to take the children to Yokine Reserve Playground fun outdoor play time. We are very excited and are looking forward to Mr Tonge driving us on the new school bus. As this is my last week in Pre Primary filling in for Miss Murray (now Mrs Waldron) who I’m sure has some lovely stories to share next week, I would like to thank all of the parents and children for your help and support over the last four weeks. I have thoroughly enjoyed seeing your smiling faces at school and I’m sure I will see you all again soon! Special thanks to Mrs Baker for all the hard work she puts into teaching the children and supporting parents each week.

*Mrs Rachel Wake, Pre Primary Teacher*

**YEAR ONE**
It was wonderful to see so many parents on Friday at the St Lawrence Feast Day celebrations. The children loved showing off their hard work and looking at work that other classes had done.
As we are working on improving our comprehension when we are reading, please take the time to ask your children some questions about the book they are reading to you at home. Some questions include:
Who was the author and illustrator of the book?
Who were the main characters in the story?
Who was your favourite character and why?
How did the story start?
What happened in the middle of the story?
What happened at the end of the story?
What was the main feeling in the story (eg was it happy, sad) and why was this so?
Where was the story set?
How did the story make you feel and why?
Did you learn any new words from this story, if so what?

*Have a great week.*

*Mrs Roselyn Pizzino Year One Class Teacher*
YEAR TWO
The Year 2’s enjoyed their incursion from the State Library on Monday. We looked at the traits of fairy tales and retold famous fairy tales with photographs. We are currently writing stories to accompany our photos. In Mathematics we have started work on fractions – you may want to try some hands-on, practical activities at home. Today we took some ‘shelfies’ for Children’s Book Week. You can check out our pictures on the stlawbal Instagram feed.

Miss Anna Brenkley, Year Two Teacher

YEAR SIX
Thank you for your participation in class for the feast of St Lawrence. I enjoyed seeing the intense focus you showed doing the Mary MacKillop Edpuzzle activity. Thank you also for attending the Camp meeting last week, the payment of the $40, and the completion of the medical and other forms. To enhance our evening activities, I would like the girls to bring a single packet of biscuits and the boys to bring some sweets to share – one of those that have small individually wrapped items would be perfect. I will collect these with the medical packets on the morning of camp and also distribute their camp beanie.

Mr Phil Haydon, Year Six Teacher

CLASS REP NEWS

PRE KINDY
Hi Pre Kindy Mums! Let’s catch up at the Beach House, 4-6 Halley Road Balcatta on Friday 11th September 2015 at 10.00am.
Just a little informal get together now our class is full of friendly faces. No need to RSVP, just head on down if you have a spare hour!
See you all soon! Leanna (Alessio's Mum) & Jenny (Sofia M's Mum)

KINDERGARTEN
Kindy parents ‘catch-up’ on Friday 21 August from 5.30pm at the Herdsman Tavern. Children are also welcome. Looking forward to seeing you all there. RSVP : Jacqui Tana 0411 98592

YEAR FOUR
Please join us for a coffee and catch up after the Year 4 Assembly on Friday 14 August at Waldeck Nursery Café, Stirling. Ang Messina 0429 372776.

Year 3 Incursion ‘Then and Now’ State Library
LIBRARY NEWS

I would like to thank the many children, parents, grandparents and staff members who have generously supported our Book Fair. It was a tremendous success and has generated additional funds for us to add more lovely new resources to our library collection. The following students were the lucky winners of the Book Fair Raffle: Dominic Germano; Chris Cabanayan; Daniel Donatelli; Rosleen Makuaj; and Danica Phan.

Our remaining Book Week Celebrations are as follows:

- **Week 5, Monday 17th August, 9.00am:**
  
  **School Incursion for Years PP – 6**
  
  “Shine a Light” – a Book Week Musical presented by Perform Educational Musicals.

- **Week 6, Tuesday 25th August:** **Book Character Dress Up Day for Years K – 6.**
  
  Children are invited to come dressed up as a book character or as something connected with this year’s Book Week slogan. There will be a grand parade in the School Hall commencing at 8.40am. All are welcome to come and join us for this event.

**Please Note:** To fit in with the theme of *Books Light Up Our World*, we would like children to bring in a special book that has lit up their world, either recently or when they were much younger, **to their library sessions next week.** We will be taking photos of them with their books and placing the photos on decorated candles as part of our Book Week displays.

_Mrs Lyn Archer, Teacher Librarian_

CROSS COUNTRY NEWS

This Thursday 13th August all students from Years 2 – 6 will participate in the St Lawrence Inter-faction Cross Country Carnival.

This will take place on the senior oval. The planned schedule for the afternoon is:

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Please ensure that your child brings a drink bottle and their hat.

It would be great to see any parents who wish to come along to support and encourage all the runners. Thanks for your continued support.

_Mrs Claire Major, Physical Education Teacher_
**CANTEEN NEWS**

Thank you to everyone for your support and help on the St Lawrence Feast Day. It was a wonderful day.

A big thank you to Michael and Samantha Xigas's Nonna for preparing the Lasagna for today's special lunch. The Lasagna was very tasty. If you missed out this time keep an eye open for the next Lasagna special day.

Menu
Please remember to have a look at the new menu to ensure you have ordered a lunch item that is available, if the item you have ordered is not available your child will be asked to select a lunch item that is.

Please ensure you pay any outstanding accounts to the canteen the on next available canteen day.

Help Needed
If you would like to volunteer in the canteen please come and see us. Thank you

Ms Nova Gibbons, Canteen Manager

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**P&F NEWS**

St Lawrence Feast Day Morning Tea and Lunch
Thank you to everyone who help make the school’s Feast Day such a success. Without the help and support of the parents we would be unable to achieve such success. Lots of hands make light work!

BESSEMER FUNDRAISER
Thank you to Lucia Lizzi, Co-ordinator of the Bessemer Fundraiser, and through the fundraiser $200 was donated to St Lawrence Primary School.

P&F Meeting
The next P&F meeting will be held at 8.45am in the school hall on Tuesday 18th August.

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle
Thank you for all the parents who have once again volunteered their help on Saturday and for the drink donations they have provided.

Families are asked to support our school by calling into Bunning’s Balcatta on Saturday and purchase a sausage sizzle. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

Mrs Narelle Zaknich, President and Executive