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School Vision Statement
The vision of St Lawrence Catholic Primary School, Balcatta
is to share the message of God's love and friendship in a community of learners,
developing the full potential of each child.

St Lawrence & Mary Immaculate Parish Balcatta:
Parish Priest Fr Irek Czech SDS, Assistant Priest Fr Greg Skulski SDS

Prayer for the Athletics Carnival

God of joyful blessing.
We pray that our Athletics Carnival will be a time of celebration
for our school community as we share our skills, efforts and enthusiasm,
working together in our teams for the benefit and joy of the whole community.

Bless the teachers and parents who are giving so generously
of their time to help make the carnival a wonderful day.

We pray in gratitude for our leaders who will be working hard
to encourage team spirit and sportsmanship.

May we all continue to grow together in a spirit of joy and love.

Amen

RECONCILIATION
Congratulations to all Year Three students who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first
time last Wednesday 9 September. It was a beautiful celebration and the students understood the
importance of asking God for forgiveness. Thanks to Miss Angela Leddin and the St Lawrence Parish
for preparing all students for the Sacrament.

SPORTS CARNIVAL
This Friday 18 September will be our St Lawrence Athletics Carnival for all Pre Primary to Year Six
students. We wish all competitors the best and it is always pleasing to see the positive attitude and effort
of the students throughout the carnival. Thanks to Mrs Claire Major for organising the carnival.
The carnival will commence shortly after 9.00am and lunch is expected to occur around 11.30am. The
carnival will conclude at approximately 1.00pm with presentations. Students will be supervised until
3.00pm. Parents wishing to take their children home at the conclusion of the carnival are asked to see
their child’s classroom teacher on the day. Hope to see you there.
YEAR FIVE CAMP
Next week on 23 and 24 September all Year Five students will be participating in the Year Five overnight zoo camp to develop team building and leadership skills. The students are eagerly looking forward to this exciting learning experience. Thank you to Miss Reid who has co-ordinated and organised this camp.

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

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ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
As I am sure you are all aware the St Lawrence Athletics Faction Carnival is due to take place this year on **Friday 18th September** starting at 9.00am All students from Pre-Primary to Year 6 will participate in this event. The children will be expected to wear their faction coloured t-shirt and their red sports shorts or skorts on this day. The students have been training very hard during lessons and at lunchtime with the Year 6 students and are all very excited.

Last week all students should have brought home a programme of events for the day with their events highlighted.

At the conclusion of the carnival (approx. 1.00pm) parents may collect their child/children from the faction bays by signing them out with their class teacher. If someone other than a parent is collecting a child/children a note must be written prior to Friday and handed to the class teacher.

Parental support and assistance is vital to the smooth and efficient running of the day and it is only with your help that we are able to run such events for your children. I have had a few volunteers but there are still a couple of jobs where I require assistance. I particularly need some volunteers for the 7.00am time slot to assist with the shade tents for the students.

Please contact me on major.claire@cathednet.wa.edu.au as soon as possible if you are in a position to help out on the day or before school with set up. Please include your mobile number and I will call you to confirm.

*Thank you for your continued support. Mrs Claire Major, Physical Education Teacher*
SUMMER UNIFORM
The children will be returning on Tuesday 13 October in Summer Uniform.

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN
As you know, our school has been participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. The program has now finished for this year. Thank you to everyone who supported our school. We are now at the important stage of the program where the Sticker Sheets are collected and lodged as our Earn & Learn claim. We will then be able to get new educational equipment for our school. The more we collect, the more we can redeem. Please send in your Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheets and any loose Earn & Learn stickers you may have. Remember to check your handbag, the car glove box or they may be stuck on the fridge. Every little bit helps. Thanks again for all your support!

Miss Angela Leddin and Mrs Marie Heavey

TERM DATES
END OF TERM THREE - THURSDAY 24 SEPTEMBER
TERM FOUR COMMENCES TUESDAY 13 OCTOBER
TERM FOUR ENDS FRIDAY 11 DECEMBER (FOR STUDENTS)

PUPIL FREE DAYS
TERM THREE – FRIDAY 25 SEPTEMBER
TERM FOUR – MONDAY 12 OCTOBER

Sienna Anderson (Year 3) and the Laurie Bear Award
CLASS NEWS

YEAR THREE
Thank you to all parents for supporting the Reconciliation program. It was a lovely Reconciliation night last Wednesday. We are busy making our Aboriginal Mia Mia’s, we will continue to build them during art this week. The Athletics Carnival is this Friday. Children may wear coloured zinc and hair spray but must apply these at home. Miss Mackay’s last day with us will be on Thursday 24 September. We thank Miss Mackay for all her hard work this term.

Miss Angela Leddin, Year Three Teacher

YEAR FOUR
The Athletics Carnival is this Friday. Children may wear coloured zinc and hair spray but must apply these at home. Miss Cohen’s last day with us will be on Thursday 24 September. We thank Miss Cohen for all her hard work this term.

Mrs Marie Heavey, Year Four Teacher

YEAR FIVE
Year Five are very excited about our Zoo Camp! We are looking forward to our night Safari walk and the Great Zoo Race! Please ensure that you have returned your permission forms by the end of this week and your payment has been made to the front office. We have also been busy completing our end of term assessments and these will be sent home on Monday in your students assessment file. Please ensure that you look through these assessments with your child and return the file to school on Tuesday.

Miss Emma Reid, Year Five Teacher

YEAR SIX
The Year Six students have shown how to lead by example with the sacrifices they have made to train the younger students in the lead up to Friday’s Faction Carnival. They were fine ambassadors for St Lawrence when they visited the children at the Kora Childcare Centre on Monday. They have worked extremely hard and completed many assessments as shown in their Assessment Book that was recently brought home. We are having an informal session with the students from Balcatta Primary School on Monday as we prepare to begin ballroom dance classes next term.

Mr Phil Haydon, Year Six Teacher

Year 6 Class Rep - Year Six Graduation News

*Year 6 Graduation Dinner for Parent/s and Graduating Child (only)*
Please note date change from previously advised.
7:00pm Friday 13 November 2015 ‘Jetty’s Restaurant’ Hillarys Boat Harbour Sorrento.

*Year 6 Graduation Celebration Supper*
Thursday 10 December 2015 - Year 6 Graduating Students and IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS ONLY are invited to a light supper in the school hall following the Graduation Mass.

A new Flyer with more information regarding these two events will be sent out.
If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact either:
Lucia - 0420 974 661, Teresa - 0419 245 628 or Angela - 0421 274 439
MERIT AWARD WINNERS

YEAR FIVE ASSEMBLY
BOOK WEEK BOOKMARK
As part of our Children’s Book Week activities, every child from Pre-Primary to Year 6 made a bookmark featuring a picture of themselves holding a book which has lit up their lives. The completed bookmarks are now on display in the library and make a wonderful sight. Please pop in and have a look at how gorgeous they are before they are taken home at the end of the term.

BOOK CLUB VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
We are looking for one or two volunteers who would like to take over the processing of Book Club Orders and the Reconciliation of Payments in 2016. There are two issues of Book Club in each of terms 1, 2 and 4. Mrs Frenzel is happy to train prospective volunteers next term as there will be two issues of Book Club with which to become familiar with the process. If you are interested, please come and see us in the library next Tuesday or Wednesday.

Mrs Lyn Archer, Teacher Librarian

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

ATHLETICS FACTION CARNIVAL
All students in Pre Primary to Year 6 are expected to wear their Faction T'Shirt and red sport shorts or skorts for the carnival this Friday 18th September. All items are available for purchase.

PRE-PRIMARY FITTINGS
Last day for fittings is Thursday 17th September. Please contact me if you are not available to come in for a fitting with your child.

SUMMER UNIFORM
Summer Uniform commences in Term 4 for all students in Year 1 - 6. Price Lists and Order Forms are available at the front office. The Uniform Shop last day open is Thursday 24th September.

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS
Wednesday 8.30am to 9.30am & Thursday 2.30pm to 3.30pm

Mrs Angie Miola, Uniform Shop Manager
ST LAWRENCE NETBALL TROPHY PRESENTATION

Season Windup Sunday 20th September 2015 at 2.00pm Sharp
at
St Lawrence Primary School Hall

All teams must attend in their netball uniform.

Programme:

2.00pm Windup Commences (Please do not be late)
Presidents Welcome & Review of Season
Year 3 Coach & Presentation
Year 4 Coach & Presentation
Year 5 Coach & Presentation
Year 6 Coach & Presentation
Announcement of Year 6 Fairest & Best Player
Powerpoint Presentation Season 2015
Refreshments
Year 6 Father & Daughter Netball Match
4.30pm – Approximate Finish Time

Hope to see you all there.

Angela Mattioli
St Lawrence Netball Club
President
THANK YOU
Thank you to Karen Hall and Caterina Di Carlantonio for volunteering in the canteen on Friday 11 September. Your assistance was greatly appreciated. If any parent would like to volunteer please see us at the canteen.

SPORTS CARNIVAL
The sports carnival is taking place on Friday 18 September. Pre ordering of hotdogs has now ended however hotdogs and drinks can be purchased on the day. We will also be selling coffees and a selection of cakes for adults to purchase.
The canteen in the undercover area will be closed on sports carnival day as all canteen staff will be in the canteen tent near the events. Please come and see us in the tent to purchase items on the day.
Lunch is due to take place at approximately 11:30am and for the children that have pre ordered a hotdog/drink combo it will be delivered to them in their faction tent.

Thank you for your continued support. Nova Gibbons, Canteen Manager