Palm Sunday always reminds me of how frail our human nature is. Jesus was hailed as a King and within five days was condemned to death by many of the same people. May we have the strength to act as our heart tells us, even though it may not be what is popular.

NUMERACY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
Today and tomorrow, Miss Brenkley, Mrs Heavey, Mr Haydon and myself will be attending a leading numeracy project. This project is a numeracy intervention program that aims to improve the numerical skills of our students.

VOLUNTEERS
We are very fortunate to have many volunteers, particularly parents, who support our School in many different ways. We have parents who volunteer their time on the School Board, the P&F, as Class Reps, library helpers, morning readers, excursion helpers and in the canteen. I would like to thank all parents who do support St Lawrence Primary School.

PARKING AND PICK UP
Parents please be extremely mindful and careful to follow our carpark rules each afternoon as the safety of our students is our priority.

EASTER TUESDAY
As published, in an earlier newsletter, Easter Tuesday is a Pupil Free Day. There will be no school on Tuesday 29th March.

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

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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.

COMMUNICATION BOOKS
This week Science and Health books will be sent home for you to view and sign. Please return all books on Monday morning.

PROJECT COMPASSION
Education and training have helped Sreymom transform from an inexperienced young midwife into a confident healthcare worker. Now she has the skills to provide vital healthcare, support and information to indigenous mothers and children in remote Northeast Cambodia.

Sreymom, now 26, lives in the remote Mondulkiri province of Northeast Cambodia, where extreme poverty has led to many health issues for the region’s indigenous population.

When she started work at the local Health Centre, Sreymom was eager to use her three years of midwife training to help care for indigenous mothers and children in the surrounding villages. But soon she realised she lacked the practical experience she needed to safely assist in childbirth. “When I had to assist a delivery,” Sreymom recalls, “my body and knees were trembling. I was sweating and losing confidence.”

Seeing Sreymom’s difficulties – and her true potential – a local healthcare worker helped Sreymom to enrol in the Mondulkiri Community Health Program. Established by Caritas Cambodia and supported by Caritas Australia, the program empowers and trains local health centre staff in prenatal and postnatal care, safe delivery practices and children’s health.

The course not only improved Sreymom’s skills as a midwife, but also gave her information on broader health issues, which she could take back to the indigenous women in her community.
These days, Sreymom delivers one or two babies each month and is trusted by the indigenous community. “If we did not have the program, more pregnant women would face death,” Sreymom says. “I hope Australian people will support my communities more in building awareness in healthcare, hygiene, nutrition and sanitation.”

Miss Angela Leddin and Mrs Marie Heavey

MJR

(Making Jesus Real)

In Kindy Making Jesus Real is about living like Jesus showed us and playing nicely as Jesus wants us to. We are learning to share and take turns as we play and to use our manners.

Simone Covich, Kindy Teacher
YEARN FOUR
Today Thursday the 17th March and tomorrow the 18th March I am attending a Professional Development course on Teaching Maths. Mrs Krikorian will be teaching the Year 4 class on both days. Parents I am available for parent interviews next week- please check the times on the classroom door. Our Last Supper paraliturgy will be held in the church next Thursday afternoon commencing at 2.15pm.

Marie Heavey, Year 4 Teacher

YEAR FIVE
Year Five have been learning about the adaptions plants and animals have made to survive in the desert. We have enjoyed conducting science experiments to learn how plants lose water from their leaves. We have been reading about how plant and animal species develop features or adaptions to survive in their environment. In maths we have been focussing on the addition and subtraction strategy of front end loading. This strategy uses place value skills to add large numbers using our mental maths skills. Thank you to the parents who have made a time to see me for a parent meeting. If you have not done this yet, could you please make a time on the google docs link or add your name to the timetable outside our classroom. I have sent an email regarding EDU dance costumes for week ten, please let me know if you are unsure about what your child needs to wear. Thank you.

Miss Emma Reid, Year 5 Teacher

YEAR SIX
Thank you for attending the Confirmation Enrolment Mass on the weekend. Forms were sent home yesterday requesting you nominate the Confirmation Ceremony you wish to attend in May. After speaking with many parents this past week, I am very impressed with the dedication and efforts put in by so many to ensure their children make the most of educational opportunities. Learning is certainly a broader enterprise than just what happens at school. Assessment books were sent home this week, so you should have a clearer understanding of just how your son or daughter is going. Next Wednesday, 23rd March is photograph day.

I am attending a mathematics professional development workshop today (Thursday, 17th March) and tomorrow. Although I will not have the opportunity of showing off my green shamrock and tie, I wish you all a very Happy St Patrick’s Day!

Phil Haydon, Year 6 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

BLUZOU MUMS CATCH UP
Thanks to everyone who took the time to come out it was a fun night.
Amanda and Natalie
ITALIAN

THE ITALIAN COURSE FOR PRE PRIMARY, YEAR ONE AND YEAR TWO
SEMESTER ONE, 2016

This semester Pre Primary and Years One and Two have been focusing on the Language Outcome:
Listening and Responding and Speaking

Therefore, a large component of the course has been oral work and we have been doing the following activities:

- Repeating and saying drills eg. How to say our names
- Listening to Italian books being read
- Singing a number of simple songs
- Listening to and reciting poems
- Learning new Italian words
- Listening to Peppa Pig and Ben and Holly in Italian
- Counting up to 20
- Learning the Italian alphabet so we can pronounce words correctly
- Playing simple games

Signora Cole, Italian

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

WINTER UNIFORM

Please note that students in Year 1 to Year 6 return back in Term 2 in Winter Uniform. Any new families that have commenced this year and Year 1 students, please purchase uniform before the end of this term. The last day open is Wednesday 6th April. Price Lists and Order Forms are available in school office.

LABELLING

Track Jackets and School jumpers should be clearly labelled with students name, these items always go missing and end up in our Lost Property Box, which is located outside the Year 6 classroom without any name labels.

Order forms will be available in the Uniform Shop from 'KEEP TABS ON IT', this company is offering "Iron On White Individual Name Labels" at a reasonable cost. Ordering can be done on line and delivered to your home address. Also, on every order placed with St Lawrence a donation is made back to the School.

NETBALL UNIFORM

With the netball season approaching soon, the Black/Gold Singlet and Red Skort are available to purchase.

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 it’s just a couple of hours, we would love to see you. Please see myself, Nancy or Samantha.

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

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**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.**
SPORT

It has been great to see so many children coming along to running club this week. Let's see how many we can get along next week!!!
Tuesday and Thursday at 8.10 outside the front office.
Everyone is welcome, it's a fantastic way to start your day.

Claire Major, Sports Teacher

EDU DANCE

ST LAWRENCE COSTUME LIST FOR EDU-DANCE CONCERT 2016

PRE-PRIMARY – “The Vengabus is Coming”
- School shirt and shorts, pants etc.
- Large tie (eg. Dad’s, Uncle’s) any colour

YEAR 1 – “Wreck It Ralph”
- School shorts
- Red shirt
- Handkerchief (provided by Mrs Voysey)

YEAR 2 – “Ghost busting turtles”
- School shorts
- Green shirt
- Ghostbuster “no go” picture stuck on front of shirt with clear contact (see Mrs Voysey for example)

YEAR 3 – “Emoji”
- School shorts
- Any bright coloured shirt (except yellow) with any Emoji face stuck on front with clear contact (see Mrs Voysey for example)
- Crazy/teased hair

YEAR 4 – “Moontrance Invasion”
- Black pants (dark blue pants may be worn if black not available)
- Blue shirt
- Silver contact wrist bands (see Mrs Voysey for example)
- Girls to wear hair in one ponytail high on top if possible

YEAR 5 – “Invitation to Chill and Dance”
- White-T shirt- dark longish /track pants rolled up to the knee, ¾ pants or leggings.
- Coloured long stripy socks
- Girls tie hair up high (either pony tail or pigtails) and tease to look wild
- Boys can spike/tease hair
YEAR 6 – “Intergalactic Mashup”
- All black clothing (dark blue may be worn if required)
- Silver strips of contact attached to front of shirt (see Mrs Voysey for example)

**All Students must wear sneakers/runners**

OUT AND ABOUT

Mr Rose listening to a student read

Servite College
Enrolment Information Afternoon – Year 7, 2018

Servite College is proud to announce the launch of our new enrolment process designed to further assist students in the transition from primary to secondary school.

At Servite we offer an educational environment centred on our students which celebrates their uniqueness and individuality. Our caring and supportive community provides a wonderful climate for students to confidently explore their gifts and talents to "become all that they were created to be". As a progressive and contemporary learning community, we focus on providing a multitude of learning pathways and growth opportunities for students.

To learn more about our Servite story, along with our enrolment and transition processes, we invite families of St Lawrence Catholic Primary School with Year 5 children to an Enrolment Information Afternoon on:

**WEDNESDAY 23 MARCH – 3.45pm to 4.30pm**

All family members of Year 5 children are most welcome.

I look forward to meeting you all.

Jeff Allen, Principal.