REFLECTION

We can always learn from Mark Twain as learning is something that is ongoing throughout our life. Mark Twain once said:

FATHERING PROJECT

Thanks to the many fathers who attended Bunning’s last Thursday for an enjoyable activity with their children. It was pleasing to see dads spend quality time constructing tool boxes with their sons and daughters. Thanks to Bunning’s Balcatta who supported the project with a sausage sizzle and all materials and expertise to complete the activity.

BUSY BEE

As you may have seen from the front of the school, many parents and students volunteered their services last Saturday morning. It was pleasing to see over 30 community members assist to ensure the task was completed properly. I am sure you will agree that the school looks significantly cleaner and more open with these changes. Thanks to all the parents and in particularly Mr Daniel Mammoliti who used his bobcat to ensure the task was completed. Thanks to the St Lawrence school community for uniting at this busy bee.
NEW ZEALAND
This Sunday 6 November I will be flying to New Zealand for an educational tour looking at the strengths of New Zealand education and how to continue to build capacity within schools. There will be 10 other Principals from Western Australia joining me as we get an opportunity to work closely with Helen Timperley and other educational leaders. I will be returning to school on Friday 18 November. Should you need any assistance, please see Miss Angela Leddin in my absence.

WESPAC HELICOPTER
Last Friday all St Lawrence students were treated to seeing a helicopter land and take off on the Senior Oval. The Wespac Royal Lifesaving Helicopter spoke to the students about the importance of water safety and the students enjoyed having a close look at the helicopter.

With God’s Friendship and Love we Grow

John Rose
Principal

At a glance....

| Thursday 3 November: | Year Three Excursion |
|                     | Year Five Excursion  |
| Friday 4 November:  | Year 6 Class Mass    |

Busy Bee....
COMMUNICATION BOOKS
This week Mathematics Learning Area books will be sent home for you to view and sign. Please return all books on Monday morning.

SWIMMING LESSONS IN TERM 2016
Information regarding swimming lessons in Weeks 7 and 8 has today been distributed to each child. Bus permission slip and enrolment form must be returned by Friday 11 November 2016.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL
Christmas hampers filled with non-perishable food items are a great way to provide families with dignity and joy during the Christmas season. Each classroom has a box for families to donate food items. This is a lovely message to pass onto children about giving and social justice issues in our society. In each classroom is a list of food items suitable to bring in, as they need to be non-perishable only. Many thanks for your generosity in supporting this cause.

Miss Angela Leddin and Mrs Marie Heavey

MAKING JESUS REAL is all about the little things that we do every day. It is a way of life that helps us to look for Jesus in ourselves and others. Every day there are so many moments when the Spirit of Jesus is alive at St Lawrence. I see it when I am on duty and a student says, “Good morning Mrs Pizzino” or when I am in class and one of the Year Ones makes a good decision to listen carefully or help out their shoulder partner. WHEN WE MAKE GOOD DECISIONS, ARE GOOD FRIENDS, SHOW KINDNESS, HAVE A POSITIVE ATTITUDE, SHOW RESILIENCE, RESPECT OTHERS AND OURSELVES, TAKE TURNS, SMILE AT A FRIEND OR PLAY WITH SOMEONE WHO IS LONELY WE ARE MAKING JESUS REAL.

Mrs Roselyn Pizzino, Year One Teacher

THANK YOU FROM KEN TONGE
A very sincere thank you to the parents and children who came to help at the school busy bee last Saturday morning. One parent was there at 7.30am, so keen to help out and get the job done. Such a good atmosphere amongst all, pitching in, introducing themselves and helping whichever way was required. Hence a lot got done in a very short time. Volunteering brings its own rewards - a beautiful green frog was found in the tall grasses. One of the parents took it home to release it to live in their frog pond. The church/school parking area is now neat and tidy and open to future development.

Gratefully, Mr Ken Tonge
PRE KINDY
We complete our focus of ALL ABOUT FUN this week – and we have had lots of fun with all our activities. The children have adapted very well to our new class and they enjoy the locations we have for our outdoor plays. We try to get out a little earlier than our bigger school friends. Mrs Fiorenza, Mrs Staltari, Mrs Austin and myself are very aware of supervising the children very carefully in our new areas for this term.
Next week we begin our final focus for the year – CHRISTMAS! During the final weeks of Pre Kindy we will be talking about the magical time of Christmas. Our plan is to highlight the very special time that this is - due to the birth of the Baby Jesus.
I hope you enjoy sharing the Take Home Story Books with the children. We will change books again NEXT week.

Mrs Kaylene Bozich, Pre Kindy Teacher

KINDERGARTEN
We are zooming through the term! We had a fun time at the park today. The children are enjoying 'The Sea' theme are very excited in our upcoming excursion to AQWA. The information including the permission slip is coming home today. It is great to see the improvement in the children writing their names. Keep going and remember to use a capital then all lower case letters. Sounds for this week are 'z' and 'x'. Next week will be 'w' and 'v'. Have a wonderful week.

Mrs Simone Covich, Kindergarten Teacher

PRE PRIMARY
We have had an exciting start to the term! On Friday the Westpac helicopter arrived and the children enjoyed watching it land and take off as well as listening to the lifesaver rescue crew talk about their work saving lives.

In Maths we have been learning about the days of the week and familiar events that happen on those days. On Monday we have Italian and Sport lessons and Tuesday we have Library. This is tricky concept for some of the children to remember! We have also introduced the concept of taking away and are working on learning the vocabulary and concept before we worry about the symbols. If you want to practice at home make sure to use concrete items like food or toys reinforcing the idea that taking away the number gets smaller and adding it gets bigger! This helps later when they are using their maths symbols!
This week we will be discussing our network of adult helpers in Protective Behaviours and children can name adults that make them feel safe. It is always a great idea to sit down with your child and discuss 5 different adults that they could talk to when they feel scared and unsafe. It is important for some of those adults to be outside the family too. They might name Mum, Dad, Granny Mum’s adult friend and the teacher. Please send me an email if you have any questions.
Let me know if you have any issues with logging onto the folders and documents on Google Drive and I’ll try to help. Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Edel Waldron, Pre Primary Teacher
YEAR ONE
Over the last few weeks we have been to Bunnings and Kings Park. We enjoyed following a procedure to make our racing cars at Bunning’s and learning more about the Noongar culture with Uncle James and Aunty Grace at Kings Park. The children especially enjoyed when the girls did some dancing and the boys played the didgeridoo. We also did a spot of fishing. We were also lucky enough to see the Westpac Helicopter land on the Senior Oval and learn about some of the important things they do to help keep people safe. A big thank you to all the parents who were able to assist on these excursions. Thank you also to the parents who continue to support Morning Reading.
In class we have enjoyed making fairy bread as part of our procedure writing and sharing our Baptism photos and talking about the important people that were there when we became members of God’s family. Have a great week.

Mrs Roselyn Pizzino, Year One Teacher

YEAR TWO
The Year 2’s wrote some fabulous persuasive letters about why they deserve to take home Bertie and Bertha Broccoli last week. There were so many great letters that Miss B had to choose names out of a cup. The broccoli siblings have already had some great adventures and we have enjoyed seeing the pictures in class. We are now turning our focus to an even more important subject: letters to Santa! We have also been discussing the importance of thinking of others at Christmas and discussed ways we can help others, including the Vinnies hamper drive. It would be fantastic if you could support this at home by encouraging your child to spend a little of their own pocket money to make a contribution (eg. A packet of jelly, some biscuits), to go in the hamper. In Mathematics we have finished our unit on time, and will be working on activities to do with the concepts of probability and statistics. We are looking forward to our next excursion to the State Library in Week 6 to view the current exhibition from Fremantle Press ‘A Sausage Went For A Walk One Day’.

Miss Anna Brenkley, Year 2 Teacher

UNIFORM SHOP : Pre Primary Orders for Year One 2017
Please note that as from Wednesday 9th November (Week 5), orders that have been placed for Pre Primary students commencing in Year 1, 2017 will be available for payment and collection. Orders can be collected until the end of this term - Week 9. The last day the Uniform Shop will be open will be Thursday 8th December. Cash or cheque only and made payable to "St Lawrence Primary School". (No EFTPOS facilities).

Mrs Angie Miola, Uniform shop
PASTORAL CARE

Congratulations to the Spadaccini Family, Julius in Pre Kindy, on the arrival of a beautiful brother - Leonardo. God's blessings to the family.

CLASS REP NEWS

PRE KINDY
Please come and join us for a class catch up on Friday 4th November at Waldeck’s Kingsley, 173 Wanneroo Road at 10:00am. Can you please rsvp by Monday 31st of October. Hope to see you there! Natalie - 0408807467

KINDERGARTEN
Please come and join us for a class Christmas catch-up on Sunday 27th November at Toscanini’s Hillary’s at 9:30am. Hope to see you all there. Please RSVP as soon as you can to Caterina 0421648887 or Amanda 0417182731.

PRE PRIMARY
Please join us for Breakfast at Wild Fig, 190 The Esplanade, Scarborough on Friday 25 November at 9.30am. RSVP essential by no later than Friday 11 November 2016. Looking forward to our final catch-up for 2016. Melissa Cumace 0419 859 634

YEAR ONE
Please come and join us for a class Christmas catch-up on Sunday 13th November at Mia Cucina Hillary’s at 9:00am. Hope to see you all there. Please RSVP as soon as you can to Caterina 0421648887 or Amanda 0417182731.

YEAR FOUR
The last event for the year will be at the Merrywell on the 25 November for dinner at 8.00pm. A $10 deposit to secure the booking needs to be paid before 4 November. Please pass this onto Nicole or Michelle. Hope to see you all there. Michelle Germano 0409 294 630

P&F NEWS

Movie on the Green 18th November 2016
The P&F asked children to vote for the movie they would most like to see. The resounding winner was Alvin and the Chipmunks: Road Chip!

Tickets will be available from Wednesday 2 November from the school office. Child: $3 Adult: $5 Family: $15 (2 adults and 3 children)
Gates Open 6.15pm Movie Starts 7.00pm

Cake Stall
P&F would like to make “A night on the Green” extra sweet and is organising a Cake Stall. We need volunteers to donate some baked goods to be sold on the night - anything from cupcakes and slices to some wonderful biscuits would be very much appreciated.
If some of you great cooks out there are willing to donate some time and effort in baking, or if you can help out on the night with setting up and sales, please give Anja a call on 0419 918 804 or email her on anja@mojas.net. Thank you! Mrs Narelle Zaknich, P&F President
Sushi day Wednesday 9 November.
All orders must be in by this Friday 4 November.
Cost $6.50

Pizza : $4.00 and Hot Dog : $4.00.
‘Off’ the menu for Term Four :
Satay Chicken, Shepherd’s Pie and Hot Chicken Rolls.
Lasagna and Meat Pies may still be ordered for Term Four.

A big thank you to Tanya Bertilone and Janelle Cottone for volunteering in the canteen.

If you would like to volunteer in the canteen on a Wednesday or on a Friday please come and see us.

- 12 pack of mixed soft drinks $6.00 still available for sale in the Canteen.

Mrs Amanda Xigas, Canteen Manager, Nancy Donatelli and Christina Russo

Year Three Assembly