REFLECTION

This Sunday is Pentecost Sunday where the Holy Spirit empowered the disciples to spread the story of Jesus. May we be empowered to live our lives as we know we should. The courage and wisdom needed is often challenging in our materialistic world. May the Holy Spirit shower our Confirmation students in the coming weeks.

CONFIRMATION

This weekend and next weekend, students from the parish will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep these students in your prayers and thoughts in the coming days. In 2013 parishes have been asked to have all Sacramental Masses during normal parish Masses.

Last Thursday all students attended the Confirmation Retreat at St Catherine’s House in Tuart Hill. I would like to thank Sister Chitra, Mr Haydon and Mrs Di Loreto for their preparation and organisation of this retreat.

MOTHER’S DAY

Last Friday St Lawrence Primary School recognised the wonderful support, care and love that all mothers and grandmothers provide for the students of St Lawrence. After a beautiful mass mothers were recognised at a morning tea. Thanks to the P&F and the School Canteen for organising this beautiful morning.

NAPLAN

This week all Year Three and Year Five students are currently sitting and completing Literacy and Numeracy assessments. I would like to praise all students who have been relaxed and calm in preparation for these assessments. Thanks to Miss Leddin and Mr Stillitano for preparing our students.

ASSEMBLY/PARENT NIGHT – ANTI BULLYING STRATEGIES

This Friday at the Principal’s Assembly we will be focussing on anti-bullying strategies. It is important that parents are aware of the language and methods the school uses so parents can use consistent language at home to reinforce the message. On Tuesday 21 May there is a Parent Information Evening on anti-bullying strategies co-ordinated by our School Psychologist Mrs Laurie Everson at 7pm in the School Hall.
MORNING PARKING
As you would be aware at every school there are major parking issues before and after school to accommodate many families coming at a similar time. To alleviate parking issues in the morning we will trial allowing parking on the junior oval in the morning only. When walking the students from the car from the oval please use the pathway near the school garden which will ease students walking near cars. Please remember there is no parking next to the school fence near the office before 8.30am as this allows a quick, smooth and safe drop-off area for our students. If parents can continue to be vigilant and conscious of safety when picking up and dropping off students. Parents who do park on the junior oval please ensure you depart by 8.55am in consideration of parishioners attending morning mass.

FUN RUN
Next Thursday 23 May all students from Pre Primary to Year Six will be participating in the P&F Fun Run. Students from Pre Primary to Year Two will complete their Fun Run from 8.50am to 9.10am. Students from Year Three to Year Six will complete their Fun Run from 9.20am to 9.40am. Kindergarten students will have their Fun Run on Friday 24 May from 2.20pm on the Junior School Oval. I would like to thank the P&F for organising this fundraising activity. All parents are most welcome to attend during these Fun Runs.

John Rose
Principal

Week to 24 May …..

Friday 17 May: Principal’s Assembly
Saturday 18 May: Confirmation during 6pm Parish Mass
Sunday 19 May: Confirmation during 8.30am Parish Mass
Monday 20 May: Year Two Excursion
Tuesday 21 May: Parent Night Anti-Bullying Strategies
Wednesday 22 May: School Photos – Kindy to Year Six
Thursday 23 May: School Photos – Pre Kindy
Thursday 23 May: Fun Run – PP to Year Six
Friday 24 May: Fun Run - Kindergarten

MERIT AWARD WINNERS

Pre Primary: Dylan Condo, Lorenzo Mannino, Christopher Veletta, Amy Sloss
Year One: Mia Germano, Jazelle Femia, Siyenna Kailis, Michael Figliomeni
Year Two: Alexander Kuzmicich, Annalisa Bullo, Chanel Ewen, Ethan Sloss
Year Three: Lukas Radich, Ethan Riach, Natalia Aquilla, Emily Gibbons
Year Four: Monika Hujdurovic, Danica Phan, Isabel Gearon, Gemma Vivona
Year Five: Alessio Fazzari, Claudia Lenzo, Natasha Paolino, Marco Papalia
Year Six: Ashwin Ram, Cate Castro, Nicole Crupi, Rebecca Smith
CONFIRMATION
The Sacrament of Confirmation begins this Saturday 18 May at the 6:00pm Parish Mass and Sunday 19 May at 8:30am Parish Mass, with the following Saturday 25 May at 6:00pm and Sunday 26 May at 8:30am as Confirmation Parish Masses. Please keep the Year 6 students and Parish children in your prayers as they prepare to receive their sacrament.

LIFELINK
LifeLink Day will be held on Wednesday 5 June. LifeLink Day aims to promote understanding of the Church’s response to people in need within our community. Today each family will receive a LifeLink envelope in order to raise money for thirteen agencies supported by LifeLink. These agencies reach out to help thousands of Western Australian families and individuals in need each year. Please donate generously and return your LifeLink envelope to the school office.

FREE DRESS DAY
To raise money for LifeLink, there will be a FREE DRESS DAY on Friday 31 May, with a gold coin donation please.

SCHOOL PHOTOS
School Photo day for Kindy to Year 6 will be on Wednesday the 22nd May. Children are to wear their full winter school uniform including a jumper on this day. The children in Pre-Kindy will have their photo taken on Thursday the 23rd May.
Photo envelopes have been distributed today to all the students. Envelopes must be returned on Photo Day as the child will need to hand it to the photographers. Please read the instructions on the envelopes. If you wish your children to be in a family photo you will need to collect a family envelope from the school office prior to photo day.

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN
When you shop at Woolworths collect Earn and Learn points from the checkout and place them on a Woolworths Earn and Learn Points sheet. There are spare sheets in the office. One point for every $10. When the sheet is completed please place in the collection box located in the Learning Centre. Please support our school as we earned many points last year which enabled us to purchase many resources for the school.

ASSEMBLY
The first assembly for the term will be a Principal’s assembly on Friday 17 May.

SACRED SAINTS
The children in Year 5 and 6 will be participating in a Sacred Saints competition against Majella Primary School this Friday afternoon.

Mrs Marie Heavey and Miss Angela Leddin, Assistant Principals

PASTORAL CARE
Congratulations to Gianluca Di Pietro and his family (Kindy). Gianluca has a new baby brother called Alex who was born last Thursday, just in time for Mothers Day. God Bless all the family
A moment with Sister Chitra

PENTECOST SUNDAY
An old American legend tells of an Indian who came down from the mountains and saw the ocean for the first time. Awed by the scene, he requested a quart jar. He waded into the ocean and filled the jar. He was asked what he intended to do with it. “Back in the mountains”, he replied, “my people have never seen the great water. I will carry this jar to them so that they can see what it is like”. Attempting to give a proper understanding of the Holy Spirit is like trying to capture the ocean in a jar. Infinite the subject, yet, so limited our minds!

The Holy Spirit illumines our mind so that we can understand the things of God, especially as we read the word of God. The Holy Spirit works in our lives. He comforts us and guides us, sanctifies us if only we allow him to do his mission in our lives.

*Come Holy Spirit, God of Love I adore you. Shower on your beaming radiance. Lead me on. Strengthen and comfort me. Bid me to do what I should. I will do your will and accept whatever you choose to send me. Only grant me the grace to know your will. Amen.*

Prayer filled wishes to all our Confirmation candidates.

*May they be filled with the gifts of the Holy Spirit and be a true witnesses of Christ in their lives.*

LIBRARY NEWS

Children from Year 1 will be participating in National Simultaneous Storytime 2013 at 11.00am, next Wednesday 22nd May in the library. They will be listening to the story *The Wrong Book* by Nick Bland and we are very lucky to have Mr Rose as our guest reader. This is a fun event that aims to encourage young Australians to read and enjoy books. Over 200,000 children across Australia will be participating in this event. The children have made character hats during their library sessions and will wear them during the story reading. Parents of Year 1 students are invited to join us in the library for this event.

**Book Club**: Pamphlets for Issue 3 of Book Club have been sent home. Completed order forms and money need to be returned to class teachers by next Tuesday 21st May.

*Mrs Lyn Archer, Teacher Librarian*

CLASS NEWS

**PRE KINDY**
I hope all the Mums had a lovely Mother’s Day and felt special for the day.

We had a great start to Term Two last week. The children got back into the swing of things quickly. Congratulations to Ada and her family on the arrival of a little brother and son.

We continue with our family theme for the next few weeks. Over the term there will be a strong focus on cutting skills. We will do lots of activities to help the children learn how to use and control scissors. These fine motor skills take lots of time and practice to develop. If anyone has any questions regarding their child please feel free to come and ask. Thank you.

*Mrs Simone Covich, Pre Kindy Teacher*
KINDERGARTEN
Well it is week 2 and we have many things happening in our class. Thanks to those families who have returned their family information sheets for our class book. We look forward to sharing this to all families very soon.
We have Nurse Sally visiting us next week, school photos and our Fun Run at 2.20pm next Friday 24th May. All parents are welcome to watch us do our run on the oval – more details next week.
The children are all working very well – please continue to ask them about their days at Kindy and what they have been learning.

Mrs Kaylene Bozich, Kindergarten Teacher

KINDY CLASS REP NEWS
Kindy mums catch up morning tea at Waldecks Stirling. Please come for a cup of coffee after the Kindy drop-off on Friday 24th May. Looking forward to seeing you all…..Michelle and Fiona

PRE PRIMARY
Learning File
It is lovely to see parents moving the children along in their Learning File each night. Please remember homework for Pre Primary is now part of our new homework policy at St Lawrence. It is important the children are read to and complete five minutes of fun learning activities each night. This sets a great routine and love of learning at home which will enable a successful transition to year one.

Pre Primary Reading Books
This week your child will be bringing home a bright green bag with either one or two reading books in it. We have selected a range of books for different purposes. For example there are picture books, sight word books (which children will need to learn by sight/memory and not sounding the letters out) and fairy tales.

In most of the reading packs we have included either book marks or question cards related to the books in that bag. I encourage you to use these as a guide when reading with your child. Remember to make the reading experience a fun routine as this pave the way for the future.

Excursion Note
I will be sending a note home this week regarding an excursion this term. Please check folders for permission slip and return to school asap.

Mrs Rachel Wake, Pre Primary Teacher

YEAR ONE
The children have been enjoying learning more about insects and minibeasts. Last week they spent some time with their buddies in Year 6 working on the iPads. This week we have been making them a little gift to let them know we are keeping them in our prayers as they prepare to make their Confirmation.

Mrs Gloria Edwards, Year One Teacher

YEAR TWO
The Year 2 students are looking forward to their history excursion on Monday. A huge thank you in advance to those parents helping out on the day. Morning Reading is well under way now, please make sure your child is at school on time so they can read and change their book. Also, new parent helpers for reading are always welcomed!

Miss Anna Brenkley, Year Two Teacher

YEAR FOUR
We are in need of ice cream containers and magazines as part of our class resources. If you can contribute any of these to the classroom please send them along.

Mrs Marie Heavey, Year Four Teacher
Thank you for another great response to the School Banking initiative today. We had a lot of queries about opening new accounts for students, if you do want to open an account you will need to go to your local Commonwealth Bank Branch and open a **Youth Saver Account**.

School banking will take place each Wednesday in the Learning Centre from 8am.

The following steps will help with school banking:-

1. **Go to Learning Centre with your Deposit Book**
2. **Give money to the school co-ordinator**
3. **A silver token will be given to you to qualify for a gift after collecting 10 tokens**

There is no minimum deposit required.

**REMEMBER: GREAT PRIZES TO BE WON IN TERM 2**

For a chance to win, students simply need to make **three or more School Banking deposits** during Term 2 and you will automatically be entered into the draw.

**To find out more, contact our School Banking Co-ordinators:**

Nancy Donatelli: dinonancy@bigpond.com or Lucia Ewen: todd-lucia@westnet.com.au or visit: [commbank.com.au/adventureisland](http://commbank.com.au/adventureisland)

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Hi everyone, welcome to a brand new week. A BIG thank you to Donna Euphemie, Ken Tonge, Carmelina D’Amico (Julian Yr 6 grandmother), Tammy Mottolini and to everyone for their wonderful help on Friday for our Mother’s Day morning tea. I hope all the mothers had a relaxing day on Sunday. **Sushi** will be on sale on Wednesday 29 May. There is chicken, tuna, vegetable and smoked salmon. Cost $4.50. Please pre order by Monday 27 May.

There will be a **Sausage Sizzle** on Friday 7 June. Cost $3.50 each. Please pre order by Wednesday 5 June to enable us to place an order in time for Friday.

A reminder to please check the menu as some prices have increased since last year.

I will be away from Wednesday 5 June to Wednesday 12 June. Marina Veletta will be in the canteen in my absence.

Come on down and enjoy the lovely homemade fresh canteen approved meals. Wishing everyone a great week.

*Mrs Frances Svilicich, Canteen Manageress*
FUN RUN

- Well the kids are talking and seem to be quite excited about this event. They have goals they want to achieve, how fantastic!
- Here are some tips for the on-line procedure.
- When creating avatars for the kids, follow the process in the sponsorship booklet. If you have more than one child you will have to use two different user addresses for each child to create their own profile.
- Once this is set up and to donate to your child, you will find that school fun run website automatically links through to Everyday Hero.
- From this website you, your family and friends and can donate to the student.

  Step 1  Website - www.everydayhero.com.au
  Step 2  Select charities
  Step 3  Type in "st lawrence"
  Step 4  Select - St Lawrence primary school events
  Step 4  Click "Adidas school fun run 2013"
  Step 5  Select - Sponsor a friend
  Step 6  Type in child’s first name then choose "Search"
  Step 7  Choose the child from the list that comes up - Once the child is selected, the school logo and St Lawrence should appear.
  Step 8  Select "donate now"
  Step 9  Please follow the prompts to make the donation.

Furthermore, if you only want to change the student’s details or check the sponsors and/or fund tally, please.... follow Steps 1 - 4 then next step is Log In. Please use your email address for the respective child, type in your password for the user. Immediately, your child/student will appear and all relevant details will appear.

TIP: Facebook it and email the details, you may be pleasantly surprised how many people may actually sponsor your child.

QUIZ NIGHT TERM 3

Soon you will see boxes by each of the classrooms for any donations to make up the hampers for the night and individual giveaways. We suggest the following hampers

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You can be as creative as you please. We ask that you give what you can and don’t forget to approach people you may know in business. If you have more than one student at the school, only one donation is appreciated. Your class representative will soon have quiz night tickets - $15 per person for tables of 8. Be sure to fill out the expression of interest form if you want to reserve a table. You don’t have to pay until later. If anyone is happy to assist on the night (you will not have to pay for your ticket) please let us know.

Thanks to everyone who attended our P&F Meeting on Monday night including Phil De Dubois who joined us for the second time.

We would like to really thank so very much Frances Svilicich and Mary Martinovich, from the canteen, and Ken Tonge who helped us on Friday morning to celebrate Mother’s Day with our children. Thanks to all of you who came along to enjoy the beautiful spread that Frances put on. We know our children were so happy to have mums attend.

Till next week, bye from us Tammy, Joanne, Chantelle and Belinda.
The brand new Perth Entertainment™ Books are here! We are very excited to be offering the parents and staff of St Lawrence Primary School the opportunity to purchase the popular Entertainment™ Books. This is certain to be a valuable fund-raiser for our school while benefiting families at the same time.

The popular Entertainment™ Books contain hundreds of **up to 50% off** and **2-for-1 offers** from top local restaurants, cafés, take-away chains, attractions, activities and hotel accommodation, such as.....

Purchase your Entertainment™ Book(s) this week and you will receive over $15,000 in valuable offers that you and your family can use from now, until 1st June 2014. In fact, you only need to use your Book twice throughout the year and it will have paid for itself!

The best part is that for only $65 you’ll be helping our fund-raising, with $13 from every Book sold contributing to our school.

**How do I purchase my Entertainment™ Book(s)?**

1. **It’s easy**! Just make your payment online at  
   and a book will be sent home with your child.

2. **Don’t forget family and friends**. If you need additional Books, you can also order these online.

You can search through the virtual book online at:  

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me on 0409 997 988. Thank you for supporting our school's fund-raising!

Tammy, Joanne, Chantelle and Belinda  
St Lawrence Primary School  
P&F Association
Photo Gallery

Mother’s Day Morning Tea

Kindy Mother’s Day Afternoon Tea