Today is the Feastday of St Ignatius of Loyola. Ignatius developed his deep faith through tragedy. In war his legs were badly broken and damaged and throughout his long convalescing period he developed a rich love and appreciation of many Saints. Through this devotion he became one of the Catholic Church’s scholars and the founder of the Jesuits order. Pope Francis is the first Jesuit Priest to become a Pope. The lesson for me from St Ignatius is to get a positive from a negative situation. Many people would have reacted differently to the serious leg injuries that affected the life of St Ignatius.

DIRECTOR’S VISIT
This morning the Director from the Catholic Education Office of Western Australia, Dr Tim McDonald, visited St Lawrence School Primary School. He appreciated visiting each class and seeing a wide range of learning activities occurring. The Director reiterated his main focus to increase the learning in all our classrooms.

QCS SURVEY
At Monday night’s P&F meeting I had an opportunity to share the Quality Catholic School Survey data with all in attendance. This Friday I will give a brief overview of the data to all families at assembly.

LONG SERVICE LEAVE TERM FOUR
During Term Four I will be taking long service leave. I am pleased to announce that Miss Angela Leddin will be Acting Principal in my absence. I know Miss Leddin will do a tremendous job throughout Term Four. I will be looking forward to returning to St Lawrence refreshed and ready for 2014.

STAFF CHANGES
In Term Four the following staff changes will occur to cater for long service and maternity leave:
Year One:  Mrs Roselyn Pizzino
Year Three: Miss Angela Leddin and Mrs Sharon Milne
Year Four:  Mrs Marie Heavey and Mrs Michelle Rushton
A separate note has been sent to Years One, Three and Four parents.

CUA GRANT
St Lawrence Primary School has applied for a community grant of $5,000 to purchase additional life size games that can be used by the St Lawrence Community to increase social skills amongst our students. All parents are requested to hop on line and vote at www.cuacommunitycare.com.au from Monday 29 July. Each person is allowed to vote twice, once on line and once at the branch in Perth City. Please support our school in improving the resources for our students.
KAGAN PD
A reminder that Monday and Tuesday next week will be a pupil free day. The staff will be inserviced on Day Three and Day Four of the Kagan five day course.

GRANDPARENTS MASS
Last Friday we had an opportunity to show thanks to our many grandparents who assist the students of St Lawrence School. In today’s busy world the role of grandparents has rapidly changed and they offer great support to parents and children.

UNIFORM
Due to increase in manufacturing costs, there has been an increase in some uniform items.

CIRCULAR
The Catholic Education Office Magazine (Circular) is being distributed today to all families. Please read the many articles throughout the magazine.

John Rose
Principal

Week at a glance……..

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MERIT AWARD WINNERS

Year One: Jordana Scott, Mia Germano, Daniel Donatelli, Jazelle Femia
Year Two: Annalisa Bullo, Domenic Crupi, Tiana Zito, Alexander Kuzmicich
Year Three: Matthew Dimasi, Emily Gibbons, Diego Silva Pizza, Adrian Versace
Year Four: Jason Staunton, Jennifer Fazzari, Karlo Jelaska, Nicholas Sgro
Year Five: Jared Lee, Isabella Messina, Alex Martinez, Madeline Dawson
Year Six: Monique Jelaska, Perth Libao, Chantelle Graziani, Carl Pracilio

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

RECONCILIATION WORKSHOP
All children receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation must attend the workshop at either 5:30pm or 7:00pm tonight in the school hall. Children need to bring their pencil case and glue.

FIRST COMMUNION PARENT MEETING
A reminder that all parents of children receiving the Sacrament of the Eucharist must attend the Communion Parent Meeting on Wednesday 7 August at 7.15pm in the School Hall. At least one parent must attend the meeting, children are not required to attend.

MASS FOR THE FEAST OF ST LAWRENCE
A mass to celebrate the feast of St Lawrence will be held on Friday 9 August at 9:00am. Year 3 will be preparing this mass. All are welcome to attend and then join in with the St Lawrence Feast Day activities at the school.

PUPIL FREE DAYS
A reminder that Monday 5th and Tuesday 6th August are pupil free days. The teachers will be continuing their training on the use of Kagan collaborative structures in the classroom.

Mrs Marie Heavey and Miss Angela Leddin, Assistant Principals
NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK
Catholic Vocation Ministry Australia invites all Australian dioceses, parishes, schools, religious communities, youth and campus ministers, and other Catholic organisations to focus during this week on the 'call to holiness' (i.e. the Christian vocation) that arises from our Baptism, and to further foster a Vocations Culture across Australia. Through Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist we are called and initiated into the Body of Christ. We need to accept and celebrate that, individually, we are unique and gifted, and that it is important to identify and develop our gifts and talents. As members of the Body of Christ, we are challenged to share our lives and gifts with one another, as Jesus did – in our family and the wider community. God calls us to a life of service, and we can respond in many ways, in various ministries on behalf of our community. There are a number of different vocational paths through which we can fulfil our Christian vocation: marriage, single life, religious life (as sister or brother) and ordained life (priest or deacon). Let’s remember to pray for Vocation this week.

Prayer for Vocations
Father, help all people to know their vocation in life, and assist them to prepare for it. For your glory, and for the service of your people, call many to be Priests and Religious. Give those whom you call the grace to respond generously and persevere faithfully.
Mary, Mother of the Church, show your care for the body of Christ, encourage many vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Amen

CLASS NEWS

KINDERGARTEN
The children are all working very hard with their Farm activities. We also are doing a different Obstacle Course and the children love the challenge of all the new skills they need to use.
We are also looking at rhyming words so you may want to ask your child if they know any that they may have learnt at school. Please ask your child about their day at Kindy and hopefully they will have lots to share with you.
Thanks for the continued, lovely snacks and food you are sending in to class.
Please try to read to your child at least once every day – it is the best way to assist your child with Literacy acquisition.
Mrs Kaylene Bozich, Kindergarten Teacher

YEAR ONE
We have begun learning more about Zoo animals in Year One. The Year One students will be going on an excursion to the Perth Zoo on Tuesday 20 August. I will be sending home a note with permission slip, the note will be in the children’s reading folders. If you can volunteer your time to help with morning reading roster, please add your name to the roster outside the Year One classroom.
Mrs Gloria Edwards, Year One Teacher

YEAR TWO
The Year 2 students are working very hard on some art projects. They are looking forward to sharing them with you on St Lawrence Feast Day. A big thanks to Mrs Xigas for all her hard work! Morning Reading is up and running again and we are always looking for more or new helpers! In week 4 we will be going on an excursion to Kings Park a note will be going home in the next couple of days.
Miss Anna Brenkley, Year 2 Teacher

PARISH CHILDREN’S LITURGY
What a fantastic turnout for the Children’s mass last Sunday. The reading and singing was sensational. It added so much to the celebration of the Sunday mass. Children’s Masses are held on the 4th Sunday of each month at 6pm, during the school term, the next one being the 25th of August. We look forward to many children participating. Please contact me if you would like your children to participate. I will send out readings and information about singing to those who have responded and are available for the mass. Children’s Liturgy continues as normal for the rest of this term, during the 6pm Sunday night mass. A big thank you again to all who joined us on Sunday to celebrate the Children’s Mass.
Mrs Toni Mattiaccio
Mattiaccio.toni@cathednet.wa.edu.au  Contact : 0416309483
UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

The ‘Fitting Roster’ for Pre Primary students is now available in the classroom, parents please put your name down in a suitable time slot. **Fittings will be in Week 5 commencing 19 August 2013.** Please note **no payment** is required at this time. This appointment is required for your child so the correct sizes can be ordered and available for purchase in Term 4, for the commencement of school in Year 1, 2014. Looking forward to meeting you and your child. **New Price Lists** are available from the school office, with price increases effective from 1 August 2013.

*Mrs Angie Miola, Uniform Shop Manager*

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**Uniform Shop Opening Hours**

*Wednesday 8.30am to 9.30am and Thursday 2.30pm to 3.30pm*

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LIBRARY NEWS

In Term Three we celebrate **Children’s Book Week** with a range of activities. The slogan for this year’s Book Week is **Read Across The Universe**. As always, Book Week gives us the opportunity to focus on, and enjoy, the many wonderful children’s books written by Australian authors. Our celebrations will take place over two weeks and will include the following activities:

- **Weeks 3 and 4**, Wednesday 7th August, Thursday 8th August, Friday 9th August and Monday 12th August: **Book Fair** in the library.
- **Week 4 Tuesday 13th August**: local author **Meg Mckinlay** will be doing sessions with all children from Pre-Primary to Year 6. Meg is an engaging and vibrant author who has had multiple books listed on past Children’s Book Council’s Book of the Year Shortlists.
- **Week 4 Wednesday 14 August**: **Book Character and Space Dress Up Day** for all years from Kindy to Year 6. Children are invited to come dressed as a book character or something to do with space. 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.

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CANTEEN NEWS

Welcome to another great week. Thank you so much to Ken Tonge for all his help on Friday. Thank you also to Marina Veletta and Katarina Jelaska for their help with the **Grandparents Morning Tea**.

Reminder that we are having **Sushi next Thursday 8 August**. Cost is $4.50 each. Varieties include chicken, vegie, tuna, smoked salmon and combo. Please pre-order by Wednesday 7 August or you will miss out.

**St Lawrence Feastday Friday 9 August** – we will be having a **Fun Morning Tea** for the children. Prices will be: cupcakes $2, honey joys and choc crackles 50cents, nonna’s custard horns $1.00. So come on down and support the canteen. It will be a great day.

Parents don’t forget that freshly brewed coffee is available every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings after 8.30am. Cost $2.50 each.

Parents please check the new menu as some of our prices have increased and some are no longer available e.g. sausage rolls and cruiser pies are now $3.00 each. Thank you to Jen Kuzmicich for donating lovely tomatoes to the canteen – very much appreciated.

*Mrs Frances Svilicich, Canteen Manager*
School banking each Wednesday in the Learning Centre from 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

To all our School Banking Stars we would like to congratulate you all for the outstanding efforts and to inform you that we have raised $840.00 for the school.

TERM 2 FAMILY ADVENTURE COMPETITION

The winner of the major prize is a student from Hunter Christian School, a remote school in NSW. The School Banking Specialist for this school is Jen Balk on the Helpdesk!

The winning runner up school was a student at Padbury Catholic Primary School.

Thank you to all who participated.

NEW REWARD AVAILABLE

With the launch of the new term, we are excited to have the CALCULATOR now available for students to redeem.

Thank you ~ Nancy Donatelli, Lucia Ewen and Lucia Lizzi
THANK YOU
A big thank to the magnificent women in our canteen for the wonderful food that was provided for the grandparents mass last Friday.

YEAR SIX CAMP
Our Year Six students will be off to camp in late August. The P&F are very pleased to donate $1,500 to assist in reducing the cost to parents.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS
There are only two books left $65.00 each. If you know of anyone who may be interested please let us know.

QUIZ NIGHT
This will be here before you know it, get your tables together or we can fill your table.
Please note that to purchase a ticket you have to come with your $15.00 or a full table for 8 people – cost $120.00
A reminder that the following items still required:

- Chef’s Basket
- Garden Care
- Outdoors Family Fun
- Car Care
- Office
- R & R

CUA Community Care - Help Us Win $5,000 to Improve Our School

“Do you know we have a 1 in 9 chance of winning this and the reason we are doing this is simply because we participated in the Adidas Fun Run 2013 – WHAT A BONUS!!!

- It is simple, less than a minute of your time and just a few clicks.
- Voting is open from 29 July – 23 August and you can register your vote online, and in CUA’s Perth branch. Each person can make one online and one in-branch vote.
- So this got my brain thinking and I wonder is yours too??…… tell your friends to vote OR if your friends don’t mind put in their email address and lodge a vote for them!!!

Please give us your support, we need your votes to win.

KidzaBuzz is filled with over 370 activities, attractions and shopping for all to enjoy so you’ll never be short of ideas during school holidays and winter months. Still only $20, valid for 13 months.
A KidzaBuzz book is great value and with part proceeds of every book sold going to Telethon, it is nice to know that you will be helping to raise much needed money for sick children of WA.
Also $5 of each book sold will go towards St Lawrence P & F.

Yes, I would like to purchase the Kids a Buzz coupon book. $20 is enclosed.

Name: ________________________________ Child’s Year:_____________________
Contact number: ___________________________ $20________

THANK YOU everyone who came to our meeting last night and met with Chris Hatton, a productive evening with much constructive conversation.
A Great Week to All - Tammy, Joanne, Chantelle and Belinda
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