Typhoon Haiyan (Philippines)
Super Typhoon Haiyan, one of the strongest storms to ever make landfall, has caused widespread devastation in the Philippines. Almost 10 million people have been affected across 8,000 villages, 447 towns, and 48 cities in nine regions across the country. Pope Francis has called for “concrete help” for the victims in the mostly Catholic country, saying the damage was enormous.

Caritas Australia has launched an appeal and donations to help the people in the Philippines can be made by the following methods:
Website link: http://www.caritas.org.au/typhoon-haiyan Phone: 1800 024 413
By Post: 24-32 O’Riordan Street Alexandria NSW 2015

BELL TIMES 2014
The school bell times will be changing next year. Children in Years 1-6 will end the day at 3:00pm. All other bells will remain the same.

LITURGICAL CHOIR
Congratulations to Mrs Albert and the Liturgical Choir for their wonderful singing during the recording of the Channel Nine Christmas Carols, you certainly represented the school proudly. The carols will be screened on Channel Nine starting on 1 December, we are not given exact days and times that we will appear. Thanks to Mrs Albert for preparing the students.
STAFFING FOR 2014

Pre Kindy  
Mrs Kaylene Bozich (Thursday)  
Term 1: Mrs Michelle Rushton

Education Assistant  
Mrs Pina Nyersh

Kindergarten  
Mrs Simone Covich (Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday)

Education Assistants  
Mrs Michelle Seragusana/Miss Kayli Vears

Pre Primary  
Miss Emma Reid

Education Assistant  
Mrs Adelaida Baker

Year 1  
Mrs Rachel Wake

Year 2  
Miss Anna Brenkley

Year 3  
Miss Angela Leddin assisted by Mrs Kaylene Bozich (Wednesday)  
Term 1 Mrs Sharon Milne (Wednesday)

Year 4  
Mrs Marie Heavey assisted by Mrs Michelle Rushton (Wednesday)

Year 5  
Mr John Stillitano

Year 6  
Mr Phil Haydon

Education Assistant  
Mrs Lynette Staltari/Mrs Courtney Hayes/Mrs Gillian Austin

Library  
Mrs Lyn Archer

Library Assistant  
Mrs Louise Frenzel

Physical Education  
Mrs Claire Major

Music  
Mrs Svetlana Zenkina/Mrs Rochelle Albert

Liturgical Singing  
Mrs Rochelle Albert

Italian  
TBA

Literacy/Numeracy  
Mrs Gabrielle Brennan

Reading Recovery  
Mrs Gabrielle Brennan

Lit/Num Support  
Sister Chitra Justin  
Mrs Angela Miola

Canteen  
Mrs Frances Svilicich/Mrs Lisa Lawson

Administration Officer  
Mrs Lina Armstrong

Administration Assistant  
Mrs Marie Boyle

Groundsman  
Mr Ken Tonge

Assistant Principals  
Mrs Marie Heavey and Miss Angela Leddin

Principal  
Mr John Rose

In Term 1, Kaylene Bozich will be on Long Service Leave. Michelle Rushton will be in Pre Kindy on Thursday and Sharon Milne will be Administrative Relief in Year 3 on Wednesday.

GARDEN
Thanks to Mr Tonge and the children for the new planting in the garden, there are many plants already sprouting! Mr Tonge also has won for the school a Kitchen Aid Artisan Stand Mixer from the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Foundation. This mixer will be donated to the canteen.

PREMIER’S SUMMER READING CHALLENGE
The Premier’s Summer Reading Challenge, in support of the Multiple Sclerosis Society of WA, is open for all children from birth to Year 10 and runs from 2 December 2013 to 31 January 2014. This year’s challenge is to read for, or be read to, for 15 hours. Information is going home today. Information is also available at reading.challenge@education.wa.edu.au

TERM DATES
Term Four concludes for students on Friday 13 December.  
Term One 2014 commences for students on Monday 3 February and concludes on Friday 11 April.

God Bless  
Angela Leddin  
Short Term Principal
MERIT AWARD WINNERS

Pre Primary:  Arrianna Hadzic, Jacob King, Lorenzo Mannino, Sofia Trimboli
Year One:  Michael Figliomeni, Olivio Fazzari, Esperanca Cruz DeJesus, Jacob Caccamo, Jake Versace
Year Two:  Marco Hadzic, Jesse Nyersh, Nicholas Mottolini, Sienna Tati, Ethan Sloss
Year Three:  Alexandra Bruno, Chrystal Cook, Gizane Micallef, Kevin Downham
Year Four:  Lauren Chambers, Karl Gutierrez, Pitia Iado, Isabella Leahy
Year Five:  Michael Caccamo, Alyssa Femia, Claudia Lenzo, Brandon Truong
Year Six:  Adriano Strati, Declan Vivona, Alaa Alrekabi, Jordano Vivona

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

ST VINCENT CHRISTMAS APPEAL
Thank you to all families who donated to the St Vincent Christmas Appeal. As a school we filled more than ten large boxes. This will hopefully help to make a happier Christmas for families in need. Your generosity will be much appreciated.

ADVENT ASSEMBLIES
The children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be presenting the Advent assemblies on Monday 9 December commencing at 2pm in the church. The Year 1 and 2 St Lawrence medals will be announced following the assembly.

SWIMMING - Weeks 7 and 8 (Monday 25th November – Friday 6th December)
During these two weeks all children may wear their sports uniform every day.
The swimming lesson times are as follows:
Years 1, 3 and 6 children will depart from school at 12.05pm to complete their lesson at 12.40-1.10pm.
They should be back at school by 1.45pm.
Their lunch break will be from 11.40-12pm.

The Year 2, 4 and 5 children will depart from school at 12.45pm to complete their lesson from 1.20-1.50pm. They should be back at school by 2.25pm. Their lunch break will be from 12.20-12.40pm.
Please make sure you have returned your child’s permission slip to travel on the bus.
Children are not to wear their bathers under their sports clothes. Children will change into their bathers at the pool prior to their lesson and then change back into their sports uniform at the end of their lesson.

BOOKLIST FOR 2014
The 2014 booklist will be distributed in the next week. A copy will also be placed on the school website.
Our booklists are with OfficeMax. All the instructions for ordering will be included in the information you receive. All orders will need to be placed online.

VALUES EDUCATION
In Weeks 6 of this term we will focus on the values of being compassionate and kind to others.

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

Mrs Marie Heavey, Assistant Principal
Condolences and our prayers go to:
Asha Gullello, and her family, on the passing of her great grandmother.
Marco and Arrianna Hadzic and the Mammoliti family on the passing of their grandfather and dad.

May their Soul rest in Peace

A Moment with Sister Chitra….

Christ the King
On 24th November we celebrate the solemnity of Christ the King feast. This feast is intended to proclaim Christ’s kingship and supremacy over the whole world: individuals, families, governments and nations. The feast focuses our attention upon the supreme power of Christ, but he wields this power in a strange fashion: through love and service. The way of Christ is not the way of power, politics, diplomacy and pride. His is the way of selflessness, of the cross.

“Though he was in the form of God, he did not count equally with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has exalted him”. (Phil 2:6)

Archbishop Lefebvre says: “It is true that Jesus Christ is a King. He is King by nature because He is true God by reason of the union of the divine nature with the human nature. Jesus Christ is really King. He is also King by conquest, by His Cross. By His sacrifice on the Cross, Jesus Christ became King of all souls. He gave His life and blood to save all souls. Therefore, He is King of all souls”. On this feast day let us meditate upon the humility and selfless love of Jesus and ask God’s help to keep Christ at the centre of our lives. Let our Lord Jesus Christ be the ruler of our hearts, families and the whole world.

PARISH CHILDREN’S MASS
The children’s mass is on this Sunday the 24 November. This is the last week of the church year (feast of Christ the King) and marks the beginning of Advent. I would like as many children as possible to participate in reading, singing and bringing up the offertory. After the mass will be our annual “New Years Eve” party for the children. There will be free food and drink, music and fun and games. The evening ends at 8.30 and all children are welcome.
Please respond to me via email if your child will be participating by reading or singing in the mass on November 24 and if they will be attending the party afterwards, as we need an indication of numbers for catering purposes. Rehearsal for singing will be at 5.15pm just before the mass.
We hope to continue with our children’s liturgies and masses next year, although we need more helpers for our Children’s Liturgy team which has dwindled. No experience is necessary, you will be helped by existing team members and you will have access to resources. Contact me for more information if you are interested.
After several years of organising the Nativity Mass (6pm 24th December) I am unable to do it this year and am looking for someone to take it on. I will offer my help to whoever can take it on and they will be backed up by the rest of the children’s liturgy team. Contact me for more information.
Thank you for your cooperation I hope to hear from you soon.
Toni Mattiaccio  Mattiaccio.toni@cathednet.wa.edu.au  MOB: 0416309483
CLASS NEWS

PRE KINDY
Our theme for the last four weeks of the year is "Christmas". We will look at all the traditional symbols of Christmas such as santa, reindeers, bells, star etc. We will also focus on The Nativity Story in a basic form for the children to understand. There will be lots of fun activities to do over the weeks.

Our last day of Pre-Kindy will be Thursday 12th December. To make this day a special one, we have a few things planned.

Firstly it would be great for the children to come dressed in Christmas clothes or Christmas colours. Secondly we will have a shared party lunch. Please bring in a plate of something the children can all share for lunch. It can be savoury or sweet. Please bring fruit as normal for morning tea but don't send along normal lunch. Please remember no nut products.

Thirdly we are expecting a visit from Santa and he will give the children a little treat. To help this run smoothly, parents and siblings are invited to come along at 2pm to see Santa's arrival and to say our final goodbyes for the year. Can't believe we are so close to the end of the year!

Have a wonderful week. Mrs Simone Covich, Pre Kindy Teacher

KINDERGARTEN
It has been really lovely completing our Christmas activities this week and the children are really enjoying them. Through our preparation for our Nativity Play we are learning that Jesus was born on 25th December and this was the first Christmas. The reason we give presents at Christmas is because Jesus received gifts from the three wise men.

We ask that each child brings in a Christmas Box as soon as possible please.

The children have been practicing very hard for our Nativity Play which is on Wednesday 4th December at 9am in the School Hall. Some parents may wish to know that the prayers will take around forty-five minutes so they can arrange their work schedules.

The parents exist to teach the child, but they also must learn what the child has to teach them; and the child has a very great deal to teach them.
Arnold Bennett - English Novelist, Playwright and Critic 1867-1931

Mrs Kaylene Bozich, Kindergarten Teacher

PRE PRIMARY
Christmas Assembly We have been very busy bees this week, finishing off activities and going over our last few rehearsals for the school Nativity Play. The play will take the form of an assembly this Friday 6th December. We look forward to seeing lots of family and friends in the school hall. Please remember children will need to be at school no later than 8:00am so that we can have them ready in the School Hall in their costumes. If you are unable to make it to school then – it would be best if you drop your child’s bag to the veranda and take them straight down to the hall to meet us there.

This week will be the children’s last week to borrow books from the Library. Next week when the bags are returned I will collect them and keep them in Year One along with the children’s art smocks. Please ensure your child’s library bag is given back to us so that we can keep them all together ready for next year.

So as to not overload children with too much work to take home in the last week of school, we will begin sending home books and other bits and pieces over the next few weeks. These do not need to be returned to school. However it would be a nice idea to sit down and discuss with your child the sorts of things we have been learning about over the year.

Christmas Party On Monday 9th December we will be having a Christmas lunch/party with our Year 5 buddies. In order to make the day extra special we ask that you please bring a small plate of food. Parents of the girls in the classroom could you please bring a savoury dish. Please remember no nut produce.

Parents of boys in the classroom could you please bring sweet (fruit or another healthy sweet option). We have been working so hard this term and have made such great progress, why not celebrate all our achievements with our special buddies. Thank you. If you have any questions regarding costumes please come and see me.

Mrs Rachel Wake, Pre Primary Teacher
YEAR ONE
The children are looking forward to presenting the assembly on Friday morning. Please continue to practice their parts with them each night. We have worked very hard in class to earn our next surprise on our class reward chart which is 20 minutes of free time on the iPads. Thank you to all the wonderful parents who continue to hear reading in the mornings. Your help is very much appreciated and the children benefit greatly from having someone listen to them read. A big thank you also for all the wonderful donations contributed for the St Vinnie hamper. A reminder that swimming starts on Monday. Please ensure all items are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Enjoy the rest of the week. Mrs Roselyn Pizzino. Year One Class Teacher

YEAR TWO
It is the time of the year when exhaustion and over-excitement kick into full gear, so the Year Two students have been focussing on class rules and behaviour. If this can be reinforced at home I would appreciate it! Swimming lessons start next week and I am anticipating lots of very tired little bodies, so please make sure your child gets lots of sleep! We have an excursion coming up in the last week of school. Notes will be sent home shortly.

Miss Anna Brenkley, Year 2 Teacher

CLASS REPRESENTATIVE NEWS

Year Three
Hello Year 3 parents, our end of year gathering will be THIS Friday 22nd November 7:45pm for drinks and nibbles at The Classroom (bar) 356 Charles St, North Perth – RSVP to Jodi Tholon 0419 939 463 if you can make it. Thank you.

Year Four Mums
We are having our end of year dinner on Tuesday 26 November at 6.30pm Kingsway Tavern. Please RSVP to Frances 0407 354 420 by Friday 22 November or come and see me in the canteen. Come and enjoy a fun and relaxing night.

Year Five Parent End of Year Dinner
What a busy year it has been! Let’s celebrate the end of another year. Note change of date: Please come along to Carine Tavern for dinner on Friday 29 November at 7pm. Hope you all can make it!

RSVP- Julie Dawson 0458 223 200.

LIBRARY NEWS

A reminder to parents and students that this is the last week for student borrowing of library books for this year. Children will still be able to borrow lexile books until the end of week 8. Library sessions will continue during the two weeks of swimming so it is important that all library books are returned during this time.

Students have been very creative during their library sessions this term. Do pop into the library to see their wonderful work on display which includes Very Hungry Caterpillars made by Pre-Primary children; Magical Shoes by Year Ones; Gumnut Babies made by Year Twos; and information and drawings about Classics by Year Fours.

Mrs Lyn Archer, Teacher Librarian
UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Collection of Uniforms for Year 1 2014
Pre-primary parents you are reminded that collection of uniform orders for commencement of Year 1 2014 are now ready. Payment is required at this time and can be made in CASH or CHEQUE only (No EFTPOS facilities available) and cheques are to be made payable to:
ST LAWRENCE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Uniform items can be collected now and through to the end of Term 4.

Please be aware that the Uniform shop will be closed during the school holidays and the last day open of this term will be Thursday 12 December and will re-open 5 February 2014.

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

Mrs Angie Miola, Uniform Shop Manager

CANTEEN NEWS

The children enjoyed their sushi lunch today. Thanks to the people that ordered and supported the canteen.
Christmas raffles at the canteen. 5 hampers to be won. Tickets are $2 each or 3 for $5. Please come on down and support the canteen. Tickets are on sale before school day commences and at morning tea. During swimming lesson days, the canteen will be open for morning tea and lunch as usual – Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.
On the last day of school 13 December, we will have a sausage sizzle - $3.50 each and will need to be pre-ordered. Please pre-order by Wednesday 11 December. No other lunch orders will be available on this day. Kindy and Pre Primary may also order.
Christmas treats will be available during the last week of school at morning tea.
Thank you to Marina Veletta and Lyndon Smith for their help last Friday. This was very much appreciated.
Hope you all have a lovely week and keep coming and ordering our fresh homemade canteen approved items.

Mrs Frances Svilicich, Canteen Manager

The new P&F Executive for 2014 would like to thank the outgoing team who have done a wonderful job. Tammy, Belinda, Joanne and Chantelle have worked tirelessly raising funds and managing events.
Thanks ladies to a job well done!

P&F Meeting We are holding our first meeting with the new committee on Tuesday 26 November at 9am in the meeting room in the school hall for all who would like to attend.
All are welcome (including little ones) so please call past after school drop off and join in. Any contribution big or small helps our whole community.

Narelle Zaknich, P&F President 2014
Stirling Carols by Candlelight
7:00 pm Saturday 14th December 2013
Grenville Reserve, Cape Street, Tuart Hill
(Oval Parking off Hector Street)
Carol singing will be led by the Salvation Army Balga Community Band and choirs from local churches
All are welcome, so bring a blanket or folding chair and
join in the spirit of Christmas
Enjoy a sausage sizzle & soft drink from 6:30 PM
Presented by combined local Christian Churches  Enquiries 9341 5222

YMCA Morley Sport and Recreation Centre
School Holiday Clinics Mon 20 Jan to Fri 31 Jan 2014 for ages 4- Teens
Come and try great clinics like Basketball, Crafty Kids / Young Master Chef, Multisports, Soccer, Irish Dancing, Fun n Games (4-6yrs) and Hip Hop. Family Friendly prices between $10 and $30 !
For more information and enrolment please call YMCA Morley’s Front Reception on 93753529 or visit our website at www.ymca.morley.org.au.