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# Newsletter No. 20

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The vision of St Lawrence Catholic Primary School, Balcatta is to share the message of God's love and friendship in a community of learners, developing the full potential of each child.

### Dear St Lawrence School Community



#### Dear Lord

We thank you Lord, for this term.
For the challenges, the successes, and the mistakes from which we have learnt.

Be with us as we spend our time with family and friends.

Give us strength and courage to do what is right; to be witnesses of our faith.

Help us to be a practical Christian these holidays, to appreciate what others do for us, to give time and effort to help others, to be peacemakers in our family.

Keep us safe in our activities; give us good rest and good fun. Bring us back refreshed and ready for a new term.

We thank you for our classmates, teachers, parents and a community that cares for us.

May we always be conscious of you in our lives.

Amen

Another term has come to an end and the first semester has quickly disappeared. We look forward to the holidays to recharge our batteries and come back refreshed for the final semester for 2022.

#### TERM THREE CALENDAR

The second semester brings so many interesting and educational activities for everyone. Our Calendar for Term 3 has now been updated on the School's Website. Please take some time to note the important dates into your own diaries or calendar.

School commences on Monday 18 July 2022.

#### SEMESTER ONE REPORTS

Semester One Reports will be made available to parents online on Friday afternoon. Our teachers have been working hard for a number of weeks now to summarise the learning and assign overall grades. The reports you will receive for your child are on par to what you would normally expect. Given the disruptions caused by COVID 19 this semester, it is remarkable that staff have still been able to report as per the usual schedule. This has taken extra effort and time and teachers deserve recognition for this.

#### STAFFING FOR SEMESTER TWO

We farewell Erin Healy and Angela Carnevali from the staff this week. Thank you, Erin and Angela, for the love and care you have provided for the students in your care this semester. We have been blessed to have worked alongside you and we wish you every prayer and blessing for your continued success in your new roles.

Erin and Angela have both met with returning staff for a class handover.

Mrs Gloria Edwards will return in Semester 2 as PP Classroom Teacher (Monday to Thursday.) Mrs Frances Caruso will continue to be the PP Classroom Teacher on Friday.

Mr Phil Haydon will return in Semester 2 as Year 6 Teacher.

### HOLIDAY HAIR CUTS

A gentle reminder that all hairstyles need to be in keeping with our current uniform policy. I must remind everyone that "tracks" in the hair <u>are not</u> suitable for school. If your child would like tracks, I suggest they have this style for the beginning of the school holidays to allow time for the track lines to be grown out before school commences.

It has been an absolute pleasure to be with you this term. Everyday when I walk through the grounds the students exemplify what it is to Make Jesus Real at St Lawrence School, going out of their way to say hello, offer compliments, check in with how you are and offer to help when they can see it is needed. Your children are a credit to you. I am grateful for the opportunity to lead a community that is clearly grounded in faith and tradition and a staff that are committed to excellence in education. I wish you all a relaxing, invigorating and healthy two weeks of school holidays.

Gina Burns Short Term Principal



## FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

#### SEMESTER ONE REPORTS

The School Reports will go live on Friday 1st July.

St Lawrence Primary School uses the SEQTA parent portal for parents to access student reports for students in Pre-primary to Year 6 at the end of each semester. If you have not already done so, please log in to SEQTA to ensure you are able to access your children's report. To do this you need to go to the following site: <a href="https://stlawbal.coneqt-p.cathednet.wa.edu.au">https://stlawbal.coneqt-p.cathednet.wa.edu.au</a> and use your current username and password.

If you know your username but have forgotten your password, please click on the "forgot your password?" link and an email will be sent to you. Please note the password reset link in the email will expire within an hour. If you have forgotten your username and password, please contact the school office and we can remind you of your username.

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

There will be a meeting for the parents of our Year 4 students who will be receiving the Sacrament of the Eucharist on Wednesday 20th July. The meeting will take place in the school hall and will commence at 7.00pm. All parents whose children are enrolled in the Sacrament of Eucharist are expected to attend. The Eucharist Workshops are scheduled for Wednesday 27th July at 5.30pm or 7pm.



#### **NAIDOC WEEK**

NAIDOC Week 2022 will be held from Sunday 3 July to Sunday 10 July. NAIDOC week is an opportunity for all Australians to come together to celebrate the rich history, diverse cultures, and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

A NAIDOC Prayer Service will be held 9am on Friday 1 July in the school hall. Parents are welcome to attend the Prayer Service but must wear masks.

### **TERM DATES**

Term Two ends Friday 1 July Term Three commences on Monday 18 July

#### **PUPIL FREE DAYS**

Monday 29 August (Catholic Day) Friday 23 September (Staff Religious PL)

**Term Three ends Thursday 22 September** 



Thank you to everyone in our school community who contributed to the smooth running of St Lawrence in Term 2. We will see you all refreshed and ready for Term 3 commencing Monday 18th July.

Miss Kathleen Tranquille & Mrs Gabrielle Brennan, Assistant Principals

# **P&F NEWS**

I would like to introduce myself as the President of the 2022 P&F Committee.

My husband, Thomas and I are a new family to the school. We have two children - Allegra in Year 2 and Joseph in Pre-Primary. We are delighted to join the P&F to help give back to the school and contributing to an already great community.

I look forward to meeting and seeing many parents and friends at our Welcome Morning Tea.

Natasha Raso, 2022 P&F President

ST LAWRENCE PRIMARY SCHOOL	You are Invited
Please join us for a  Choming Tea  The P & F Committee would like to invite parents / caregivers to a morning tea  when: 9:00am, 22 July 2022  where: Alverna Centre (next to Church)  rsvp: 19 July 2022	
Name: No. of people attending: Dietary requirement(s):	

### 2022 P&F COMMITTEE

President:	Natasha Raso
Vice President:	Penny Godfrey/Adele Cirillo
Secretary:	Nicolas and Charlotte Wirtz
Treasurer:	Sandra Mesiha
P&F Class Representative Co-Ordinator:	Laura Siciliano

## **PLAY GROUP**



### The St Lawrence Play Group will recommence in Term 3.

We look forward to seeing you all at our **first session on Monday 18 July 2022.** Sessions run from 8.40am - 10.30am in the Kindy classroom and anyone is welcome to join us.

For all enquiries or to receive a link to our online bookings, please email me at gillian.austin@cewa.edu.au

Mrs Gillian Austin, Play Group Facilitator





Last Wednesday as a staff we came together and hosted 'The Biggest Morning Tea'. Thank you to everyone for their support and donating to the raffle.

With your loving contribution, we raised over \$600! Mrs Gillian Austin

# **ITALIAN NEWS**

Buongiorno a tutti,

It has been an exciting Term 2 with many varied activities in Italian classes. I am looking forward to seeing everyone in Term 3.

Buone vacanze e buon divertimento a tutti! Happy holidays and have fun! God bless everyone!

Signora Jenny Acquarola, Italian Specialist Teacher





# YEAR FIVE 'Pizza Making'



# **UNIFORM SHOP NEWS**

#### WINTER UNIFORM

Students in Year 1 to Year 6 return to school in Term Three in their Winter Uniform.

The last day the Uniform Shop will be open is Thursday 30th June from 2.30pm to 3.30 pm. The Uniform Shop will be closed during the school holidays.

The Uniform Shop reopens on Wednesday 20th July.



Uniform Shop Opening Hours Wednesday 8.30am to 9.30am and Thursday 2.30pm to 3.30pm

# WINTER NETBALL

**REMINDER** this week (Round 9) is our Indigenous Round.

After this week we will have a 2-week bye so there will be no games on 8th/9th as well as 15th/16th July.

Round 10 will recommence as of the 22nd/23rd July.





Year 4 (U9) Team

Year 2/3 (U8) Team



Year 5/6 (U11) Team



We hope everyone has a lovely break over the school holidays!

Cheryl & Nicole - St Lawrence Netball Club

### **CANTEEN END OF TERM SPECIAL**

A reminder of our end of term special- <u>Sausage Sizzle and Juice</u> is the only lunch item available Friday. Recess and ice cream for sale as per usual!

See you next term! Christina, Frances & Antonella