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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,

Next Sunday is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity.

On this day we celebrate a merciful and faithful **Father** who never forgets that we are his gift of life for the world and for all eternity. The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity is a great day to speak to our Father and Creator and to give thanks and praise.

Jesus is God's love who has become one with us in our journey in the flesh on this earth. We simply are not able to say that God doesn't understand what it is to be human. Being human, is one of the ways God is for us and with us. On Trinity Sunday we can celebrate the life, death and resurrection gift that Jesus the **Son** continues to be for us. We can ask him for the grace to be like him in laying down our lives for others.

Jesus promised that he would not leave us orphans. We can orphan ourselves, by clinging to independence and identifying ourselves with what we accomplish and what we possess. The **Holy Spirit** offers gifts to heal our wounds and bring us a peace the world's attractions can't give. On Trinity Sunday we can celebrate the work of the Spirit within us and among us.

"Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love."

Parents Coffee and Catch Up



On Tuesday 14 June soon after morning drop off, I am meeting parents for coffee at Blue Lotus Café, inside the Waldecks Garden Centre, in Stirling, to discuss moving forward with our parent group, Parents and Friends (P&F) of St Lawrence.

We are blessed to have the Siobhan and Nicole from Catholic School Parents of WA who can come along to talk about what the future of our P&F can look like at St Lawrence Primary School.

Please let me know if you can attend so I can book a table.

I look forward to seeing you there after morning drop off, approximately 8.45 am.

Uniforms

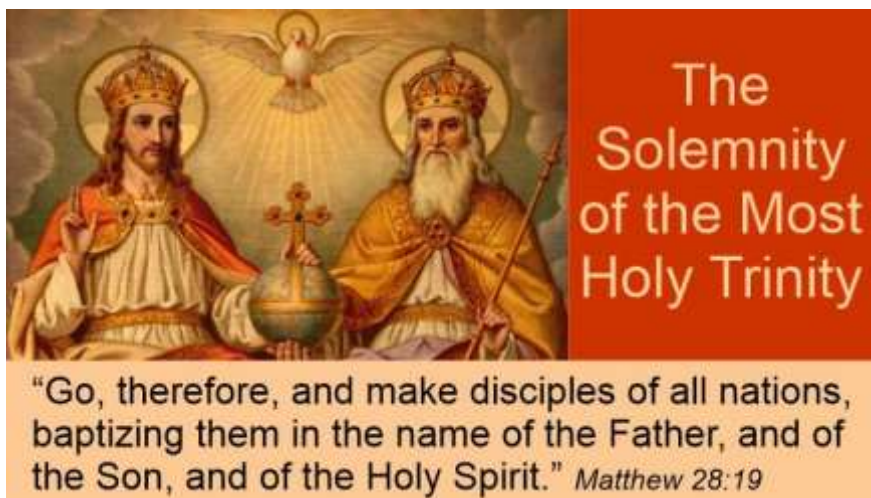
The mornings are getting chillier and chillier. Some children are not phased by this and walk into school comfortably in short sleeves whilst others have multiple layers. Being an ex Karrathian, I can certainly relate to the latter.

I am noticing students wearing long sleeve tops beneath their school sports polo and school shirt but not wearing their school tracksuit jacket or school jumper. If your child is feeling the cold, before reaching for non-school items for additional layers, please first seek to add warmth by using the school jumper and the school tracksuit jacket. Long sleeves worn under the polo shirt or school shirt, even if in school colours, should not be worn without the school jumper or school tracksuit jacket.

Further on in the Uniform Section Mrs Miola has announced the introduction of a red, fleecy tracksuit top for our Pre Kindy and Kindergarten students.

God Bless

Gina Burns
Short Term Principal



FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS



LifeLink Day provides a wonderful opportunity for students attending Catholic schools within the Archdiocese of Perth to join together to show their support for the many Church social service agencies, providing practical care and direct assistance to thousands of people in need each year. Last year Catholic schools helped to raise approximately \$139,000.

Students at St Lawrence were permitted to wear free dress on Wednesday and made a gold coin donation in support of LifeLink Day 2022. Thank you for your support and to all who gave generously for such a worthwhile cause. All the gold coin donations collected raised a grand total of \$320 for this worthwhile cause.



YEAR 1 ASSEMBLY

Year 1 will be leading our assembly on Friday and merit awards and the Lawry Bear award will be presented at this assembly.

COVID

Thank you to the parents who have informed the school and registered their child's PCR/RAT on the school portal located on our school website. Please remember that you must also register on the WA Health website.

EUCHARIST PARENT MEETING DATE CHANGE

Year 4 parents, please note that the date of the parent meeting for children receiving the Sacrament of the Eucharist next term **has been changed to Wednesday 20 July at 7pm.**

REPORTS

Semester one reports will be available online on Friday 1st July. Most families should have access to their electronic reports via SEQTA at <https://stlawbal.coneqt-p.cathednet.wa.eud.au/>

Please check that you can log in with your current username and password credentials. 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. The email will expire within one hour, so please action this immediately. Parents of children in Pre Primary who do not have older siblings and new families who have joined St Lawrence were sent a welcome email earlier in Term 2. Please contact the school office if you have any questions or issues logging into SEQTA.



Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already

available in the school, about the supports provided to students with a disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the *NCCD guidelines* (2019).

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the [Australian Government's Privacy Policy](https://www.dese.gov.au/about-us/resources/department-education-skills-and-employment-complete-privacy-policy-0)(<https://www.dese.gov.au/about-us/resources/department-education-skills-and-employment-complete-privacy-policy-0>).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the [NCCD Portal](https://www.nccd.edu.au)(<https://www.nccd.edu.au>).

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact the school.

Miss Kathleen Tranquille & Mrs Gabrielle Brennan
Assistant Principals

CANTEEN NEWS

Volunteers needed - if you have a couple of hours to spare (usually 9-11am) we would love to see some new faces helping out in the canteen. Please text me on 0408834774.

We apologise that there was no Pasta, (Napolitana or Bolognese), available today due to supply issues. We still had Lasagne for \$4.50 and pasta will be back next week! Sorry for the inconvenience.

Special - Nippys Juice boxes in Tropical and Apple & Blackcurrant are available for \$1 extra to any lunch order.



Christina, Frances & Antonella

2022 Canteen staff

SCHOOL UNIFORM

PRE-KINDY & KINDERGARTEN

Please note we are introducing a new uniform item for PK and Kindy students.

A Red Fleecy Track Top, no collar, long sleeve with the "Early Childhood" white screen print logo, same as the red t-shirts will be available soon to purchase from the Uniform Shop.

Orders may be placed directly by email angie.miola@cewa.edu.au Price and availability will be advised.

Please note stock is limited (Size 4, 6 and 8) and a further order will be placed for any back orders.

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

Second hand uniforms are available for sale. Any parents who have any unwanted uniforms in good, saleable condition may leave uniforms in the school office or uniform shop.

Please NO hats, socks and ties and please wash uniform items.

Thank you to parents who have kindly donated to uniform shop.

LOST PROPERTY BOX

The lost property box which is located near entrance of the learning centre has numerous track jackets and jumpers.

Please make sure your child has collected any missing uniform items ASAP.

Parents, please clearly label your child's name and year on hats, jumpers and track jackets.

Mrs Angie Miola

Uniform Shop Manager

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

It was wonderful to see our school community come together to celebrate Walk Safely to School Day on May 20th. Thank you for your participation and for supporting an event that keeps us and the environment healthy.



2022

Environment Leaders

Mrs Pizzino, Elene, Italia, Massimo and Timothy