St Lawrence's Catholic Primary School





Newsletter

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Term 2 Week 3 Newsletter



Monday 8th May 2023

Cross Country Success

Congratulations to the 21 students that travelled to Coolah last Tuesday to compete in the Diocesan Cross Country. Well done to all students for your outstanding participation on what is a very difficult course.

Special congratulations to Henley Flood who placed 1st in the 10 year old division and to Jack Stewart who placed 4th in the 11 year old division. Both boys will now compete on Tuesday 13th June in the NSWCPS Polding Cross Country event at the Sydney International Equestrian Centre.





VISION STATEMENT

'AD ALTA VIRTUTE' - To the Highest Virtue. St Lawrence's Primary School is Christ-centred. Our school aims to create a safe and caring community, fostering an educational environment that promotes high levels of learning for all.

UPCOMING EVENTS

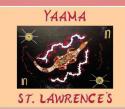
12th May-Mother's Day stall

12th May - Catholic School's Week Mass 12pm, Open Classrooms, BBQ

14th May-Mother's Day







Kindergarten

Kinder always love spending time with their buddies and were very lucky to enjoy an Easter egg hunt at the end of last term. It is such a special relationship that obviously

benefits both our Kinder and Year 6 students.









READING

We have been working hard in Kinder to learn to read and we are currently enjoying activities related to one of our new texts for the term *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*.

We have also been learning about the importance of Anzac Day and have enjoyed reading *Anzac Ted.* The children love this book and have been creating some masterpieces.







"There is more treasure in books than in all the pirate's loot on Treasure Island" Walt Disney







Sacrament Dates

At St Lawrence's, we offer the sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Communion and Confirmation. In order to be able to participate in these sacraments, students must have received the sacrament of baptism. Baptisms can be arranged by contacting the Parish office 6842 1043. Sacramental dates for 2023 are as follows:

Confirmation – Year 6 - 11th June

Holy communion - Year 3 - 27th August

Reconciliation - 16th November

Congratulations to Our Award Winners

Kindergarten

Wyatt Hasted-Being ready to listen during phonics lessons.

Georgie Keeler-Being a determined learner-great maths results.

Harrison Knight-Chatfield-Wonderful behaviour in class.

Dustin Maynard-Learning how to sequence numbers.

Violet Volkofsky-Amazing drawings in her literacy book.

Year One

Natasha Maynard-Drawing an excellent diagram of an ant.

Georgia Freebairn-Great use of adjectives in her sentence writing.

Toby Bonham-Working hard on blending two letters during phonics and reading groups. Winnie Milsom-Excellent labelling on her ant diagram.

Year Two

Savannah Swanson-Beautifully presented book work.

Perrie Morrissey-Great running at Diocesan Cross Country.

Tasman Keeler-Great running at Diocesan Cross Country.

Savannah Swanson-Great running at Diocesan Cross Country.

Hunter Hallin-Completing a comprehension activity. Scarlett Fox-A wonderful improvement in handwriting.

Alina Stokie-Conscientious effort practising your sight words.

Year Three

John Neal-For reading fluently and with expression.

Beatrix Volkofsky-Showing an interest and enthusiasm for all classroom activities. Max Henley-Displaying excellent comprehension skills with our fluency passages.

Arianah Rutland-Threadgate-Displaying great leadership skills during P.E.

Cate Stewart-Being a determined student in all subject areas.

Bronte Leedham-Working well in all subject areas.

Year Four

Ivy Thompson-For always showing Christian values.

Elise Harris-For your excellent attitude to all learning tasks.

Charli Wright-For approaching the school day with enthusiasm and cheerfulness.

Oscar Wilkin-For your ability to work cooperatively and respectfully with other Year 4 students.

Ava Milford-For exhibiting a consistent responsible approach to all learning tasks. Ben Birrell-For working hard and striving to produce his best work.

Year Five

Rubi Soussa-Exceptional Year 5 Behaviour.
To all of year 5-For their fantastic behaviour, commitment, team work and representation at the Science and Engineering Challenge in Narrabri Mia Freebairn-For a fantastic result with running, at the Coolah Cross Country

Mahari Mitchell-For a great result with running, at the Coolah Cross Country

Kyra Stanton-For a brilliant result with running, at the Coolah Cross Country.

Jack Stewart-For a tremendous result with running, at the Coolah Cross Country.

Henry Thompson-For a fantastic effort with running, at the Coolah Cross Country

Harvey Jaeger-For an excellent result with running, at the Coolah Cross Country.

Year Six

Callen Morris-For always looking out for and caring for his buddy.

Alera Park-Listening to teacher feedback and applying it to her work.

Cheyenne Wark-For great teamwork skills during sport lessons.

Jorgia Maiden-Completing excellent work during Maths lessons and applying feedback to her work.

Happy birthday this week to: ~

Henley Flood, Alera Park!





Catholic Schools Week 2023

'Experience the Spirit of Community'

Families and Friends are invited to

Catholic Schools Week Mass ~ Friday 12th May, 12pm

Followed by

BBQ lunch and Open Classrooms

All Welcome to Attend

Walk Safely to School Day



Friday 19th May is Walk Safely to School Day. The day aims to promote that kids should be active and healthy and that walking safely to school is away to do this. The day also promotes that to be safe when walking near roads, children up until they are ten should always hold an adult's hand when crossing the road. This day was promoted at assembly and student will receive a tattoo as well. If families participate in this day, please send a photo into the school for inclusion in the newsletter!

Uniform Update



Thank you to families who are consistently supporting our school uniform policy. Students look very smart when correctly dressed. Just a few uniform reminders:

- If assistance is needed around uniform, please contact the school office
- If at any time students are out of uniform, a note or call to explain with the aim of rectifying the situation is required
- All students should now be in Winter uniform
- Ties are compulsory for Years 3-6 with the formal uniform
- New long sleeve polo shirts are due into the school early June
- PLEASE LABEL CLOTHING WITH CORRECT NAME
- Gwyny at All Pressed Up has been directed as to which maroon girls pants are correct St Lawrence's uniform these are
 the Scags straight leg pants with half elastic waist

Radio Stars

This week's radio stars are Lailah Oliver, Evellin Bartlett and Isla Volkofsky. The girls speak about their holiday experiences, their pets and some of the happenings from St Lawrence's School. Our school radio program airs each Thursday and Sunday evenings at 6pm. Thank you to Mr Dean and Belinda Johnston for assisting us with recording our program each week.







Annual School Improvement Survey

Dear Parents/Carers.

Each year our school is asked by the Catholic Education Office to conduct a broad survey related to the aspects of school life and its organisation. It is an opportunity for parents, students and staff to have a voice in the area related to teaching and learning, student and staff wellbeing, pastoral care, administration and organisation of our school.

The data from the surveys are collated and used to inform the Leadership Team and the staff on areas of commendation and importantly, areas for improvement and review. It is most important that those 'invested' in the school have an opportunity to play a part in the continued development of our school. Therefore, I urge all to participate in this brief survey.

The survey will be sent out Friday 5th May with a closing date of 15th May.

Thank you for your participation,

Natasha Milford Principal.

P&F Meeting - save the date 29th May, 5:00pm

CLAIM THE DATES: PUPIL FREE DAYS 12TH & 13TH OCTOBER 2023



Student Absences

Just a reminder that it is a legal requirement that all student absences are explained within 7 days. This can be done via the Compass app, a phone call or a note. Thank you.

P&F Mother's Day Stall

Sunday 14th May is Mother's Day!
Our P&F will operate our annual
Mother's Day Stall on Friday 12th
May. Students will have the
opportunity to purchase a gift for the
special person in their lives. Gifts will
range from 50c-\$10. Donations of
chocolate to compliment gifts would
be appreciated and may be dropped
into the front office. Thank you!

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