

St Lawrence's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter

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Term 3 Week 5 Newsletter



Monday 14th August 2023

Diocesan Representatives

Congratulations to the ten wonderful students that will be attending the Diocesan Athletics carnival this Friday 18th August at Barden Park in Dubbo. We wish them all the best as they strive for personal best results. We are all very proud of your achievements and dedication to training.



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

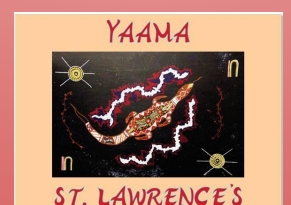
Student Centred Conferences
Yrs 3

15th August The Assumption Mass
K-6 12 pm All Welcome

18th August Diocesan Athletics

21st August P&F Meeting 5pm

22nd August Book Week Parade



YARNING CIRCLES

Jarvis Watton - AEO ~ Aboriginal Education Officer

Spotlight - Yarning Circles

Yaama! (Hello/Welcome) My name is Jarvis Watton and I am the Aboriginal Education Officer here at St Lawrence's Primary School. Part of my role as an AEO is to facilitate weekly 'Yarning Circles' with our students. Yarning Circles are designed to be a safe space for students to have their say, without the fear of judgement. Yarning Circles are an informal conversation that is culturally friendly and are recognised by Aboriginal communities as a way to provide and receive information.

We use our Yarning Circles at St Lawrence's to also teach our students about our First Nations Peoples and to raise awareness in our students as to why it is important we recognise and respect First Nations Peoples in Australia. I would like to personally thank the staff and students of St Lawrence's for approaching this ancient practice with respect and for being so open to learning new concepts and belief systems. I look forward to continuing this practice in the future.



"We acknowledge the traditional owners of this land and pay respects to the elders and deceased members of the Gamilaraay people."



Prayer for First Holy Communion Candidates

Lord Jesus Christ, bless the children coming forward to receive Holy Communion for the first time.

May this day be the step toward a life-long love of the Eucharist.

Give them a hunger for this sacred food so that they turn to you for comfort, guidance, and wisdom as they grow into full discipleship.

Thank you for their innocence and goodness.

May their hands, extended in anticipation of your body and blood, inspire all of us to cherish this sacred Sacrament.

Amen.

The Assumption Mass



The Feast of the Assumption is on Tuesday 15th August. This day is a holy day of obligation and as a school we will be preparing and attending a K-6 Mass at 12pm. All are welcome to attend as this will be the parish Mass for the day.

Congratulations to Our Award Winners

Kindergarten

Grace Doyle-Learning to write carefully on the lines.
Lucas Harrison-Learning to write carefully on the lines.
Beau Henley-Excellent work with sharing equally in maths.
Georgie Keeler-A great start with her speech.
Mim Korff-Being such a happy and eager student.

Year One

Evelyn Crawley-Great skills playing Keentan during P.E.
Jack Hicks-Good improvement in reading.
Colbie Crawley-Brilliant work telling time in maths.
Jack Allen-Excellent team work in the school soccer tournament.

Year Two

Elsie Row-Persistence in completing tasks.
Hunter Hallin-Being kind, caring and thoughtful of others.
Milleita Cook-Conscientious approach to all tasks.
Poppi Crawley-Meaningful contributions to class discussions.

Year Three

Beatrix Volkofsky-Sharing your knowledge and understanding with others.
Tazman Wark-Great work in all subject areas.
Emma Johnston-Always giving your best in all that you do.
Ruby McBain-Working with a determined effort to reach your learning goals.

Year Four

Millie McDonough-For using our VCOP resources to extend her writing.
Henley Flood-For giving 100% effort in our Big Write.
Addilese Neal-Pen Licence.
Keith Gray-Pen Licence.

Year Five

Harvey Jaeger-For writing an engaging impromptu speech and demonstrating confidence in his delivery.
Corey Rutland- Threadgate-For a consistently good effort in his spelling test results.
Mia Freebairn-For writing a well structured and engaging speech.
Henry Thompson-For writing a well structured, humorous and engaging speech.

Year Six

Evellyn Bartlett-Completing all tasks and doing it with a smile.
Lillian Hunter-Quietly and efficiently completing her work.
Alera Park-For quiet and efficient work in class.
Callen Morris -Consistently displaying a responsible attitude to his learning.

Happy birthday this week to: ~

Mahari Mitchell, Violet McCaw, Georgia Freebairn, Keith Gray, Noah Brouff, Isla Volkofsky!



St.Lawrence's Soccer Cup 2023

Over the last couple of weeks our students have been participating in the St Lawrence's Soccer Cup for sport!! We have been really enjoying playing soccer and learning lots of new skills-we look forward to the final later this week.



SUMMER SPORTS TRIALS

The Diocese of Bathurst will be conducting Summer sports trials in late October-students must nominate this term. The sports are basketball, tennis, cricket and softball.

Students must have a thorough knowledge of the rules and be playing regularly to attend the trials.

Please contact me at school next week if you are interested.

Megan Redden

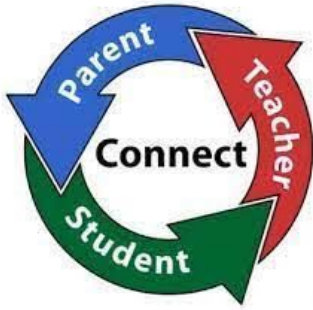
Year 2 Cooinda Visit



Last week Year 2 visited Cooinda Nursing Home. The students hand delivered cards which they had made for the residents, sung some songs, and spoke to them about what school was like for them when they went to school. Year 2 heard stories about having to walk for miles to and from school, some riding horses to school, having a port instead of a school bag, using a quill and ink to write, being forced to write with their right hand, and that if you were naughty you got the cane!

There were big smiles all around and we have already begun practising some more songs looking forward to another visit again soon.





A very big thank you to families who made it to student centred conferences last week. A reminder that Year 3 conferences are today and that families who were unable to attend are encouraged to make a time that suits to discuss your child's progress and future goals.

Year 6 Charity

Year 6 will be raising money for the Guide Dogs as their charity this year. They will raise money by organising a Crazy Hair Day on Wednesday 30th August. Students are invited to make their hair as crazy as they can and donate coins toward the guide dogs. Start researching your hair do!

Crazy Hair Day



A big thank you to Natalie Cook and Rochelle Hynds for their help, with washing and repairing buttons on the School's Agriculture shirts. Your dedication is greatly appreciated.



Get your kids packing everyday lunchboxes

When children help plan and pack their own lunchbox, they are more likely to eat it.

Encourage them to swap:

- Muesli bar to wholegrain cereal bites
- Pre-packaged cheese-dip and crackers to wholegrain crackers and cheese

SWAP FROM



Cheese dip & crackers

SWAP TO



Wholegrain crackers & cheese

Download our free "SWAP IT Everyday Lunchbox Planner" to try with your child: www.swapit.net.au/planner

We are celebrating
BOOK WEEK
and you're invited!

Book Week Parade

Tuesday 22nd August 9am
in the Hall

Children are asked to dress up as a book character of their choice!

Book Fair

Week of 21st- 25th August

Before and after school.

August 21st- 25th

CHILDREN'S
BOOK WEEK

#CBCA2023

READ
GROW
Inspire



Blokes Breakfast Invitation



Friday 1st September

From 8am



Blokes in our lives are invited to come and enjoy a hearty breakfast before the day begins to say thank you for all you do for us.

**ST LAWRENCE'S
FAMILIES & FRIENDS**

WE NEED YOU

TO HELP AT OUR
SCHOOL'S 2023
MAJOR FUNDRAISER

HORSE SPORTS 2023

Thursday & Friday
7th & 8th September 23

PLEASE CONTACT THE
SCHOOL OFFICE 6842 1732 **TURN THE PAGE...**

Do remember this note coming home???

Its **BIG** and **BOLD** and has each families name on it!!!

We need **YOUR** help

If you have not already, please fill in how you can help at our major fundraiser for the year. Any help at all is greatly appreciated.

No experience with horses needed

PUPIL FREE DAY REMINDER TERM 4 2023
THURSDAY 12TH AND FRIDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2023

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2023 7th & 8th Sept
2023

HORSE SPORTS

Entries via Nominate - opening date TBA
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TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION PROGRAMME

DATES 2023

INFO SESSION & TOUR OF SCHOOL
Thursday, 20 July 2:30pm

TRANSITION DATES

Tuesday, 1 August	9am-11 am
Tuesday, 8 August	9am-11am
Tuesday, 15 August	9am-1:45pm
Tuesday, 22 August	9am-1:45pm
Tuesday, 29 August	9am-3pm
Tuesday, 5 September	Parent Meetings - times TBA

Where: Music Room, St Lawrence's
Teacher: Mrs Megan Riddell
Wear: Suitable, sun-safe clothing
Bring: A hat, water bottle, fruit for Crunch & Sip AND
Remember: On 29 August, don't forget a packed lunch as well
Sign students IN & OUT
Indicate pick-up arrangements
Notify us if your child has any special needs
dietary requirements or allergies!

Enrolments Due: Tuesday, 1 August 2023

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all grades K-6
for 2024**

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