

# St Lawrence's Catholic Primary School



## Newsletter

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**Term 3 Week 8 Newsletter**



**Monday 4th September 2023**

## Horse Sports Has Arrived!



**A very big thank you to all who have already put so many hours into the preparation for this event and to those who have volunteered to assist on Thursday and Friday. A roster for volunteers will be sent home today. Please check the roster to ensure that you are able to fill your allocated time. Thank you!**

### 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

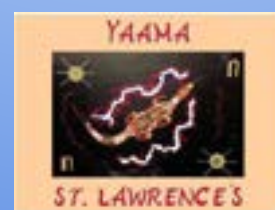
**5th September  
Kinder 2024 Parent Meetings**

**7/8th September  
Horse Sports**

**12/13th September  
Public Speaking Finals**

**15th September  
NAIDOC Activities**

**20th September SRC  
Cupcakes for Kahysie**





# News from Year 5

Year 5 students have been working hard this semester, in all subject areas and are enjoying soaking up every moment they can, at the Ag Plot. Students have been busy learning how to break in the steers and a heifer in preparation for the Upper Hunter Beef Bonanza to be held in Scone, during the second last week in October. Year 5 students have also been responsible for feeding, checking water troughs and cleaning up any feed messes around the feeder when required.

Students have also been busy taking turns in broadcasting their talents at the radio station with Rob Dean on a Friday and have been learning all about triangles, pyramids, prisms and 1 digit by 3 digit multiplication in Mathematics.



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



## St Lawrence's School Prayer

Did you know that our school prayer was written by some of our past students? The words in this prayer thank God for what we have and asks God to help us to be like Jesus. We pray this prayer regularly at assembly and other special events.

*Dear God,  
Thank you for Mary MacKillop, the founder of our school  
For your son, Jesus, and St Lawrence O'Toole.  
Thank you for our families, friends and teachers.  
For our freedom and all your earthly creatures.  
Teach us to always have an open mind,  
To be polite, generous and kind.  
Help us to wear our school uniform with pride,  
and take every day in our stride.  
Remind us to be inclusive when we play,  
and keep us safe every day.  
Amen*

*Written by Year 4, 2010*



## NAIDOC Mass

**We will begin our NAIDOC Activities with Mass at 9:15am in the Church. Please join us to celebrate this year's theme 'For our Elders'.**

**Altar Servers:  
Sunday 10.9.23 - Jemma  
Sunday 17.9.23 - Noah**

## Congratulations to Our Award Winners

### Kindergarten

Reeva Flood-Being so willing to have a try at spelling.  
Harrison Knight-Chatfield-Wonderful playground behaviour.  
Violet McCaw-Enjoying learning new things.  
Eleanor Ross-Making great progress with her reading.  
Toby Unicomb-Wonderful playground behaviour.

### Year One

Ruby Large-Great work with comprehension questions in reading groups.  
Darcy Phillips-Accurate throwing when playing indigenous games.  
Toby Bonham-Brilliant work with making arrays and forming equal groups in Maths.  
Chayse Pitkin-Super spelling with the Year One Sight Words and the phonics words.

### Year Two

Poppi Crawley-Always caring for our playground.  
Scarlett Fox-Writing a wonderful piece of creative writing.  
Ava Harley-Excellent contributions to class discussions.  
Laikem Sim-Great improvement with vocabulary skills and reading.  
Edward Thompson-Your sense of humour you bring to our classroom that puts a smile on everyone's face.

### Year Three

Huntah Stonham-Excellent self-monitoring when reading your new text.  
Henley Parnell-An enthusiastic attitude during reading groups.  
Alba Morrissey-Excellent participation in all subject areas.  
Izabelle Maiden-Improved confidence in all Key Learning Areas.

### Year Four

Maggie Rehwinkel-Pen Licence.  
Amarnii Stanton-For a great 'God's Creation' drawing.  
Oscar Wilkin-For great discussions in Geography - Asian animals.  
Kyson Knight-Chatfield-For great reading in reading fluency.

### Year Five

Amelia Morris-For a great written speech and impromptu performance.  
Harvey Jaeger-For a great effort with his impromptu performance.  
Mia Freebairn-For a well written and prepared speech, delivery and performance.  
Mahari Mitchell-For a well written speech and overall performance plus delivery.

### Year Six

Phoebe Toynton-Very creative 'Crazy Hair'.  
Jemma Wilkinson-Assisting a classmate to catch up.  
Charlie Wilson-Mature interactions with all people he works with.  
Jorgia Maiden-Her improved commitment to learning tasks.

**Happy birthday this week to: ~**

**Ivy Thgompson, Henry Thompson,  
Alba Morrissey!**





# Book Week 2023





## Cupcakes For Kahysie

When = Wednesday 20th September

Time = Recess

Cost = \$2 each

Hosted By = SRC Students

All money raised will go towards our sponsor child Kahysie.



**PUPIL FREE DAY REMINDER ~ TERM 4 ~ 12TH & 13TH OCTOBER ~  
PLEASE MAKE OTHER ARRANGEMENTS FOR CHILDREN AS STAFF  
WILL BE OFF CAMPUS ATTENDING PROFESSIONAL LEARNING.**



## Father's Day Activities



A very big thank you to our dedicated P&F and their band of helpers who tirelessly organised and provided such a special Father's Day celebration last Friday. Our students are so lucky to have these activities provided for them and all of our families. We have a small band of very dedicated people who continually go over and above and are always appreciative of any help they can get.

### School Fees

School Fees are now due. Please make arrangements to finalise accounts as soon as possible unless you are on a direct deposit or centapay. As always, please contact the school office to discuss any concerns around school fees as arrangements are able to be put in place for genuine need. Thank you,

Natasha Milford  
Principal



Year 6 had a very special visit last week from Mrs Prugger and Ruby. It was so nice to see them both and to meet Ruby. The students worked out that when Ruby starts school, they will be in Year 11!

# Crazy Hair Day

Thank you for  
participating in  
Crazy Hair Day ~  
you are all so  
creative! Together  
we have raised  
**\$160** for **Guide  
Dogs Australia!**







## Quick everyday lunchboxes

It doesn't take a lot of time to pack an everyday lunchbox.

To save time, try:

- Packing the lunchbox the night before
- Using leftovers from dinner in the lunchbox
- Packing whole vegetables and fruit, such as apples, bananas, cherry tomatoes or baby cucumbers



## Father's Day Breakfast





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## Father's Day Stall



## Fr Day Raffle Donations and Winners

Thank you for your kind donations and congratulations to our winners!

BBQ Gift Pack ~ donated by Ross family ~ won by Ben Birrell

BBQ Gift Pack + \$50 butchery voucher ~ donated by Paula Brookfield ~ won by Mahari Mitchell

Men's Cologne + chocolate pack ~ donated by Back family ~ won by Loki Holmesby

Bottle, mug and glasses gift pack ~ donated by Sutho's Sassy Creations ~ won by Noah Brouff

Mug, drink holder + keychain ~ donated by Nikki DYI ~ won by Laicy Harris

Darrell-Lea gift pack ~ donated by Wright family ~ won by Ava Milford

Book pillow ~ donated by Coonabarabran Newsagency ~ won by Ava Harley

3 x chocolate, socks, Dad sign gift packs ~ donated by Freebairn family ~ won by Sophie He, Keithah Buchan, Georgia Freebairn

Mug, coffee sachet + mints ~ kind donation from school family ~ won by Loki Holmesby

Bakery Voucher ~ donated by Coonabarabran Bakery ~ won by Ben Birrell

Sugar Cookies ~ donated by the Watton family ~ won by Charlotte Roberts





# St Lawrence's NAIDOC Activities 2023

## Wear NAIDOC Colours



Friday 15th September

9:15am ~ Mass ~ Church

10am ~ Opening Ceremony/Flag Raising ~ School

10:30am ~ Dance Performance

11am ~ Morning Tea

11:30am ~ Activities

1:30pm ~ BBQ Lunch/Close

*All Welcome to attend*

# For Our Elders



### Public Speaking Competition



Parents/carers of our finalists for our Public Speaking Competition will be notified this week via a letter sent home with students and are invited to attend the finals. Finals will be held on 12th & 13th September from 12pm in the school hall.

### Radio Stars

This week's radio stars are Harvey Jaeger, Mathew Bennett, Amelia Morris and Jack Stewart. Their program will air this Thursday and Sunday at 6pm. This is our last Year 5 group to visit the radio station and we will have a break this Friday due to Horse Sports.





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