

# NEWSLETTER

ST LAWRENCE'S SCHOOL, BLUFF POINT

*Love and Serve the Lord*



12 June 2020

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## Dates to remember:

- \* Mon 22 Jun — P&F & Board meetings
- \* Fri 3 Jul — Last day of Term 2

## Dear Parents and Guardians,

### Changes to school times

Thank you to all families for your cooperation with the school time changes over the past few months. The start and finish of the school day (**8:45am and 3:10pm**) is now back to normal. We will continue to stagger recess and lunch times for the time being.

### Spelling Mastery

With school now starting at 8.45am, Spelling Mastery has recommenced for all students in Years 2-5. It is essential that students attend these classes everyday as spelling is a skill that we all use throughout our life. Please make sure your child is at school on time ready to start their Spelling Mastery lessons at 8.45am.

### Reconciliation

Next week our Year 3 students will make their First Reconciliation. They have been prepared by their class teachers for this since Term 1. Father Robert will be coming into school and listening to individual confessions outside the classrooms. Children will be presented with certificates so that they can always remember their special day. Please keep these children in your prayers.

### Enrolments

Enrolments continue to filter in. I have been interviewing many new families from various parts of Australia as the good name of St Lawrence's Bluff Point extends beyond the Midwest. We still have limited places in all year levels. Keep an eye and ear out for our upcoming advertisements on local buses and the radio and don't forget to spread the word - *St Lawrence's by the sea – Excellence in education at an affordable price.*

### Perth Meetings

Next week, I will be in Perth for a couple of days, meeting with Principals from other large Catholic Primary Schools. These meetings are vital for our schools development as I get the chance to share the great things we do at St Lawrence's as well as learn and take note on what other large Catholic Primary Schools are doing that could make a difference for us.

God Bless,

David Tunchon  
Principal



## RELIGIOUS

### Prayer during Pandemic Corona Virus Crisis

**Lord, we give thanks for you providence and presence.**

**We prayerfully seek your grace,**

**Amidst COVID 19 – here and overseas.**

**We pray for those in need of healing.**

**We pray for your peace with those who are anxious or grieving.**

**We pray you will continue to strengthen and sustain all those who are serving in response.**

**We pray for your Holy Spirit's discernment amidst the many choices and decisions facing our national, community and medical Leaders.**

**We pray we each might see quickly what more we can do to help those who are vulnerable.**

**This prayer for our nation in the family of nations, we gather now and pray through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen**

**(Prayer during Pandemic Corona Virus Crisis – being prayed at 7pm each evening by all churches in Australia)**

#### First Reconciliation

Please pray for our year three students who will make their first reconciliation with Father Robert on Tuesday.



#### A Prayer for our Reconciliation Candidates

Loving God help us to teach our children that you love us totally and unconditionally.

Help us to encourage our children to grow in love and to learn how to say sorry, knowing that you always forgive. Give us the courage to pray with our children and to share our faith with them as we journey together.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen



#### ***Please keep in your prayers...***

Frank Warr who passed away peacefully in his sleep on Tuesday evening. Frank is the father of Paula Roach and grandfather to Jess Moore.

Valerie Anderson who passed away on Wednesday night. Valerie is Michelle Smith's maternal grandmother.

*May they rest in peace.*



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## ADMINISTRATION

### Is your child unwell?



At the moment there seems to be a string of illnesses going around the school. We request parents keep their children at home if they present with a runny nose, itchy or dry throat, cough or other cold/flu like symptoms.

Please inform the school of your child's absence via an absent note on the school website.

### Side Oval Drop off and Pick up



To ensure the safety of our students, parents and carers need to walk their children from the parking lot across the school to the side oval gates on Railway Street during drop off and pick up times.

We also request parents drive slowly and carefully when entering and exiting the drop off and pick up zones.

Please remember there is no right turn to and from Mary's Kiss and Drop onto Chapman Road during school pick and drop off times.

We thank you for your understanding and cooperation in helping us keep our students safe.

### Nagle Principal Year 5 Visits

The Nagle Catholic College Principal will be visiting the school on Monday 22 June to meet with students in the Year 5 classes. All students will be provided with an Enrolment Pack. Applications are due by Monday 10 August 2020.



**Happy birthday** to the following children who celebrated their birthdays in...

**Term 2 Week 6:** Aidan S, Hendrix S, Issac S, Cassie S, Digby K, Fernanda V, Leo T, Isla C, Miley DSM

**Term 2, Week 7:** Jaeger F, Conor T, Ava H, Sian D, Olivia G, Yhianna V, Luke S, Hunter S, Jenny B, Jorja B, Tran H, Ellah C

### School uniform during winter

Parents please encourage your children to wear their jumpers to school daily—teal woolen jumpers with their dress uniform and turquoise sports jumper with their sports/leavers uniform.

Don't forget to clearly label these jumpers as the number of lost jumpers is steadily increasing the lost property.



*Jumpers and other items collected in the Lost Property—located on the stage in the Undercover Area.*

Please check the lost property if your child has misplaced his/her jumper or water bottle.

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## MERIT CERTIFICATES

*Certificates will be presented in class on Friday 19 June*

**PPB**

Isabelle O, Hudson A

**PPD**

Evie T, Isaac W

**PPO**

Lewis R, Sanumi A

**1I**

Cayden B, Oliver R

**1K**

Olivia T, Kaden S

**1S**

Louis W, Hawkins W

**2J**

Milla S, Emily M

**2K**

Toby M, Inés W

**2S**

Hunter S, Harper C

**3B**

Diezel B, Sophia G

**3C**

Oliver L, Ilahi G

**3K**

Stella C, Kylan H

**4A**

Finn H, Bianca B

**4B**

Blake W, Pia W

**4W**

Jensen W, Alessandra A

**5B**

Franz E, Ryan L

**5C**

Kasen B, Amelia H

**5M**

Baxter R, Michael B

**6J**

Cooper M, Sarah K

**6K**

Mielah T, Amarah Q

**6Z**

Bailey D, Charlie R

**French:** Ciaran N, 4W

**Music:** Charli I, 2S

**Drama:** Ethan S, 6K

**Visual Art:** Lucie J, 5M

**Enrichment:** Danielle M, 5B



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### Semester 1 Reports

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Due to COVID-19 and the disruption to learning and teaching in Semester 1, 2020, the School Curriculum and Standards Authority's Pre Primary to Year 10 Teaching, Assessing and Reporting Policy has been amended.

As a result, the Semester 1 Report will report on student progress, according to what has been taught to date.

In Semester 1, 2020, general learning progress to date, against the year-level Western Australian achievement standards will be noted as:

Above expected standard

At expected standard

Progressing towards expected standard

This is an interim report. Achievement grades will be available in the Semester 2 Report.

Semester One Reports will be made available to parents at the end of Week 10 and will be distributed via SEQTA Engage. Links have been sent out to create new logins, please ensure you can login.

If you have any concerns or queries, please contact your child's teacher for clarification.

Leadership Team

### Geraldton Flexible Learning Centre



#### The Geraldton Flexible Learning Centre

is a Catholic school which supports disadvantaged youth and their families in our community.

We are looking for **volunteers** to support with one on one or small group literacy programs within our school. Ideally this would suit **retired Teachers or Educational Assistants** with a background in this area.

**We would greatly appreciate any donations of warm blankets and doonas to help our families this winter**

For further information please call Head of Campus  
Heather on 0419 300 372

### Parish Planned Giving Program

Is part and parcel of our personal commitment to God and to the Parish Community.

Every Catholic Parish relies on the support of its parishioners, who, through the good management of their time, interest, energy, abilities & resources, contribute to the ministries & material welfare of the Parish.

Sincerest gratitude to everyone involved in the financial support of our Parish. We are all responsible for the operation and upkeep of the Parish.

**If you wish to be part of the Planned Giving Program please renew your pledge for 2020/21 and fill in the GREEN Pledge Card available in the church today .**

To receive a new set of envelopes kindly return your card before the 30th June via the collection plate.





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ENROLMENTS OPEN

## 2021 KINDY SIBLING ENROLMENTS OPEN



Do you have a child born between  
01.07.2016 and 30.06.2017?

We are currently accepting Kindy enrolments  
for 2021.



Children already enrolled in  
the 3YO Kindy program for  
2020 are automatically  
accepted and do not need  
an interview.

Places are filling fast! Call or  
email the office to organise  
your enrolment forms and  
arrange an interview today.

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# RAILWAY STREET

## Safe Active Streets

### PROJECT UPDATE

Thank you for making a submission on the Railway Street Safe Active Street Project. The City received a number of submissions, with the majority in favour of progressing with the project which will provide safe cycling connection to the bike facilities in Spalding park and cycling paths to the north.

As part of a 30km/h pilot program, some elements of the designs are considered innovative. The alternating of on-street parking is included in the designs to visually narrow the width of the carriageway to 4.5metres which helps slow vehicles down without the loss of on-street parking, should it be required by residents in the future. Alternating which side of the road the parking is situated on reduces the 'forward visibility' which inevitably leads to a lower speed as drivers become more cautious as their view is obstructed

Some other queries were raised as to school consultation, carriageway lane width impacting buses, parking and trees being planted along Railway Street.

We have taken these queries on board and will make some changes to reflect some of the items raised by residents and the broader community.

These include:

- The City has been in discussions with St Lawrence Primary and has identified some changes which will greatly assist the school at peak pick up and drop off times and also improve safety for students;
- The carriageway width will be increased slightly on Railway Street between Smith and Mitchell Streets from 4.5m to 4.8m to accommodate bus movements;
- On-street parking between Smith Street and the NWCH access road will be located on the east side of Railway Street only. This will enable parents to safely park their vehicles and accompany their children into St Lawrence's Primary School;
- Trees planted will be selected by the City's Environmental department and in line with the Million Trees strategy which promotes greening the City. The location and placement of trees will take into account the feedback received.
- The raised plateaus have been proven to reduce the speed of vehicles and are fully trafficable by commercial vehicles including buses.

If you still have any concerns related to parking, trees and buses please contact

**Janell Kopplhuber on 9956 6945 no later than 4pm on Friday 29 May 2020.**



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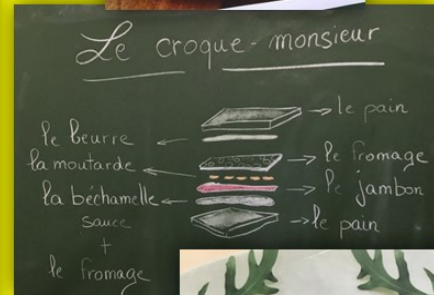


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## FRENCH @ ST LAWRENCE'S



During French extension classes, Year 6 students have been learning about life in France—specifically French cuisine, its vocabulary and how to order food and drink... for when they go travelling to France, one day!

Next week, the Year 6 students will be making **Croque-Monsieur** (a fancy French ham and cheese toastie). Just like the ones in the cafés in France. An opportunity for them to experience a little bit of France right here in Geraldton.



### Sustainability, Madame Arangio's way....

Instead of throwing away used crayons and coloured pencils, we have begun recycling them. Students across the grades have learnt how to ask for Madame's box of "petits crayons" in French to use as a special treat during lessons.

Ask your child to teach you how to say the following sentence ...

*"Est-ce que je peux prendre les petits crayons s'il vous plaît Madame?"*