

LIWARA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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CALENDAR DATES

JUNE

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Thur 15 9am	Mater Big Band Perform
17 & 18	Eucharist Masses
19 & 20	PUPIL FREE DAYS
Wed 21	Eucharist Celebration at
	Liwara
Thu 22 9am	Dental Screening
Fri 23	Interschool Cross Country
Fri 23	Reports to go Home
24 & 25	Eucharist Certificate Masses
Mon 26	Parent Meetings - Report
Fri 30 9am	End of term Mass - Year 4
Fri 30	Students last day of Term
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FIRST COMMUNION PARENT PRAYER

Lord, give us the wisdom and the courage to help our children as you would To develop in them a Christ-like love for all people To nurture in them a desire to give and not simply to take..... To teach them to be doers of Your Holy Word. Guide us in our parental responsibilities and strengthen our love as a family So that we may work together in coming closer to You. May we be the expression of Your love to our children So that each day will be as today..... Your love received and shared.... To help us be one in the Body of Christ. Amen

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families

I would like to extend our congratulations to all the students who have and will be receiving the sacrament of the Eucharist for the first time this term. It is indeed a cause for celebration as it is a beautiful and memorable occasion. It is wonderful here at Liwara, that we work extremely close with our Parish Sacramental Coordinators. I thank them for all the time they dedicate each year in preparing the students from the parish and school. We pray together to ask that the sacrament of the Eucharist is food for the students souls and that they develop a closer friendship with Jesus, by receiving Communion with their families on a regular basis.

STAFF RETREAT: The staff will be involved in a two day retreat at the St John of God Retreat Centre in Shoalwater next Monday and Tuesday. It is an opportunity to invite and encourage all members of staff to participate in an opportunity that promotes personal and collegial spiritual wellbeing. The retreat offers us the opportunity to explore through input, prayer and reflection what it means to be a Liwara staff member involved in the ministry of Catholic education. Please keep us all in your prayers.

OVAL PLAYGROUND: Please see the information in this newsletter about the plans and the materials that we are looking for to create the nature based play space for our students.

OUTDOOR KITCHEN: Our Junior Primary students have been having a wonderful time in their new play space. We are now sourcing some pre-loved kitchen utensils and chalk board accessories and the space will be complete and ready for plenty of imaginative play!

KINDY 2019, Pre Kindy 2018

Interviews for Kindy 2019 and Pre Kindy 2018 will be conducted in August. If you know of any families who fall into either of these categories please inform them of the importance contacting the office immediately.



Wishing you God's blessings. Andrea Millar **Principal**





Wednesday 14 June 2017

Dear Parents

The School Board would like to inform you of its recent decision to proceed with the redevelopment of the Staff Room and Art Room areas.

As you may be aware the Staff Room redevelopment has been in planning since the school's last project from the Building the Education Revolution (BER) program and funding provided by the Commonwealth Government in 2008. Unfortunately, it did not fit within the funding at that time and was deferred.

The Staff Room and staff facilities have been a concern to the Board for some time. It's original capacity was exceeded a long time ago with staff now having to sit two wide around the current staff room tables and wait to use the kitchen facilities within their short break times. It is no longer an appropriate area for collaborative planning or professional development. The staff also only have access to one female / male toilet cubicle each which is within the Administration Block and have no proper universal access or disabled facilities. The Board has worked in consultation with the Catholic Education Office WA (CEWA) to determine the suitability of providing this purpose built area and we are now moving forward. It was determined that construction costs are at a low enough level to complete the whole project at a cost that will not have a significant impact on the school budget.

CEWA have put the project out to tender and have appointed Bianchini Builders. Construction will commence once the demolition work is attended to with completion expected on 23rd October 2017. The project entails converting the current Staff Room to a new Art facility and the current Art area (old library) to the new staff area. The builders will work to minimise disruption to everyday activities and we will keep the school community notified regarding access to particular school areas.

Please feel free to contact Mrs Millar, myself or any Board member if you wish to discuss. Kindest regards

Michael McAullay **Board Chair**

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

LIFELINK 2017

thanks to be passed on to the school community for its term all ordering for the Canteen and Uniform Shop generosity and giving spirit in its contribution to the (new items only) will be going online. We will be using a 2017 Lifelink Appeal. Last week, the Year 6 Social Justice program called Quickclig. For a sneak peek at how the Team attended the LifeLink Day Launch with system will work have a look at the website link below: representatives from 73 other primary schools in the <u>www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au</u>. Diocese, where they were addressed by the Archbishop and Dr Tim MacDonald, Executive Director of Catholic Initially parents will need to logon and create an Education WA. The goal of collecting 34 000 LifeLink account. There is no extra cost to parent to use this Hearts, to represent the 34 000 people that were system. Once you have an account in place, you will be supported by Catholic Agencies in 2016, was surpassed able to logon at any time to place orders. Canteen with approximately 40 000 Hearts presented and ordering will be available up until 9:30am each morning displayed on the day. In its fundraising efforts this year, the Canteen operates. You can also place orders in Liwara has been able to collect \$480 to donate to advance ie order a whole week or month ahead. LifeLink. Thank you all for your generosity in this very important appeal.



ONLINE ORDERING FOR CANTEEN & UNIFORM SHOP

The Archbishop, Timothy Costelloe, has asked for his We are very pleased to announce from the start of next

The new process should streamline operations in both the Canteen and Uniform Shop and also make it easier for parents too. No more finding change for lunches!! Cash will still be needed for Recess though to help children learn about making choices, buying and receiving change.

More information will be sent out in the last week of term. There will be a transition period for the first three weeks of Term 3 after which all orders will need to be placed online. Please feel to contact the School Office with any gueries.

Developing Independence in Primary School by Michael Grose



Practical ideas for parents to encourage real independence in children.

Your goal as a parent should be for your child to be completely self-managing by the end of primary school. Here are four practical ways to develop real independence in primary school-aged children:

1. Involve them in mealtimes

Mealtimes are the fulcrum around which healthy families operate. Mealtimes also offer plenty of opportunities for children to help including running errands, preparing the meal, setting the table, clearing the table, packing the dishwasher and other jobs. There's something for everyone!

2. Use pocket money to develop independence

A regular allowance is a fabulous way to promote real independence in children. Start in lower primary school and gradually increase their allowance the older they become. Importantly, you need to increase the areas that their allowance covers. Pocket money used well is a fantastic way to develop independence in kids.

3. Look after pets

It's a quirk of life that most children want a pet, but they just don't want to look after it in the long term. Many kids discover that following the initial flush of enthusiasm looking after a pet can be a grind – walking the family pooch, cleaning out the guinea-pig cage, or feeding the family feline. But pet care offers priceless lessons in the development of grit, responsibility and nurturance – all necessary attributes for independent success.

4. Walk, ride or take public transport to school

The opportunity to go to school on your own devices was a luxury that previous generations enjoyed. While it may have seemed at the time like something to be endured rather than enjoyed, most people I discuss this matter with look back with fondness and nostalgia. For most people it meant freedom, friendship and fun. For a short time each day kids experienced a delicious type of freedom away from both teachers and parents – a time to muck around, dawdle and mess around with mates. It also gave kids some familiarity with their neighbourhood.

It's well established that currently more children are driven to school than ride or walk, which denies children the same opportunity for friendship, fun and freedom. Busy schedules, less child-friendly neighbourhood layouts and working parents are just some of the reasons that prevent kids walking to school. If possible, look for ways to allow your child to get to school on their own. It's fantastic for their independence and wellbeing. If children are too young, walk or ride with them some of the way until they are old enough and skilled enough to make the trip without you.

The age of opportunity

Children in this stage have an outward orientation and are exploring their place in the world. This is an age and stage for greater neighbourhood exploration, for taking on real responsibility and for developing personal confidence and efficacy before adolescence starts.

Dear Parents

We have had an amazing response to our request from members of our community to work together to create a nature-based playground, on the oval. Why build a nature-based playground? Well, the obvious answer is that they are really fun and kids love them. They can get physical, create, climb, splash (maybe not!) and burn off steam.

Summary of key benefits (taken from the Nature Play WA website <u>www.natureplaywa.org.au</u>) *Nature Play WA is an* incorporated not-for-profit association established to increase the time Western Australian children spend in unstructured play outdoors and in nature. It is founded on the understanding that unstructured play outdoors (nature play) is fundamental to a full and healthy childhood. Nature play is, of itself, an intrinsic good and from it flow benefits in health, cognitive, social and emotional development and in the building of resilience and creativity. Experience in nature as a child also leads to environmental stewardship later in life. Nature Play WA is a collaborative organisation working with partner groups to encourage the WA community to value nature play and families to prioritise it in children's lives. Children who play regularly in natural settings are sick less often. Mud, sand, water, leaves, sticks, pine cones and gum nuts can help to stimulate children's immune system as well as their imagination.

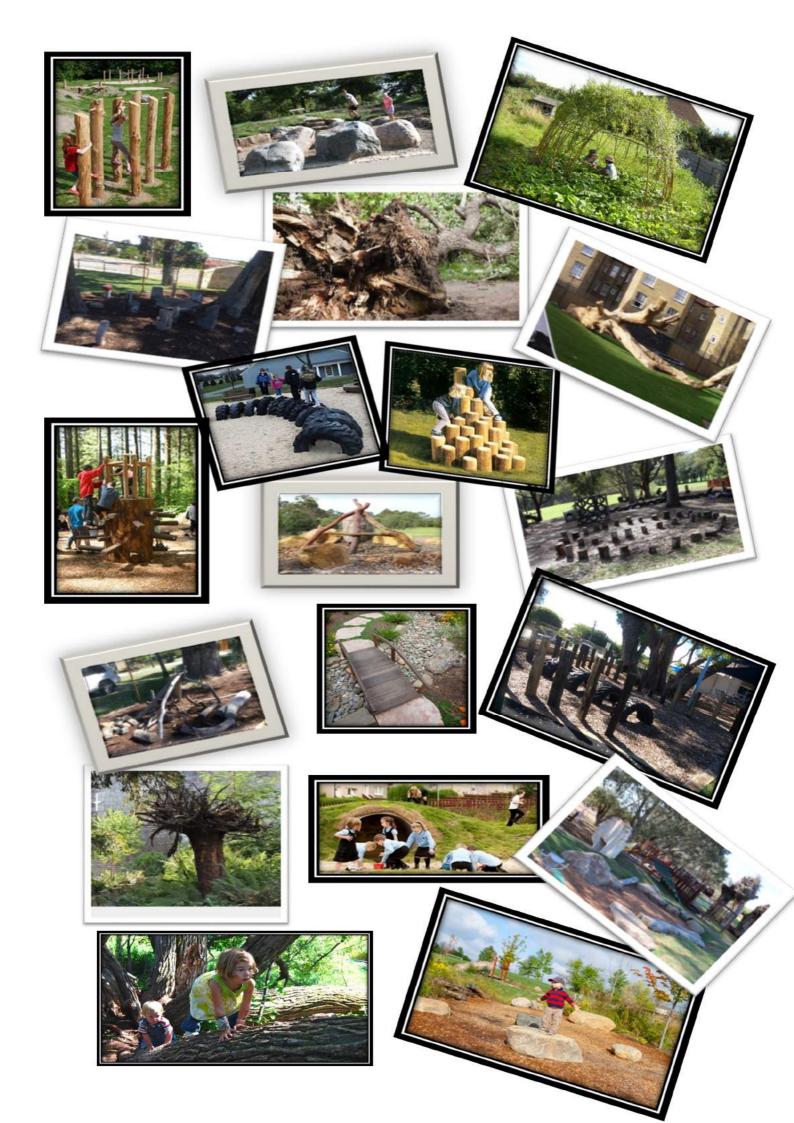
An initial plan for the playground development is currently being prepared by one of our parents but whilst this is being drawn up we are getting started with sourcing and gathering the resources -t the school in readiness for the creation of the playground.

NOW WE GET TO THE EXCITING PART OF...... SOURCING THE MATERIALS VIA DONATIONS FROM LOCAL BUSINESS – REASONABLY PRICED ITEMS ON GUMTREE - FAMILY AND FRIENDS' BACK/SALVAGE YARDS!FOR OUR NATURE-BASED PLAYGROUND INITIATIVE. IF YOU HAVE ANY MATERIALS THAT YOU THINK CAN BE USED TO CREATE INTO SOME FUN AND EXPLORATORY PLAY SPACES FOR THE CHILDREN, **PLEASE SEND IN PHOTOS AND WE WILL SEE HOW WE CAN INCORPORATE THEM INTO THE PLAYGROUND**. I HAVE INCLUDED SOME IDEAS OVERLEAF SO IF YOU ARE ABLE TO ASSIST IN SOURCING ANY OF THESE COULD YOU PLEASE CON-TACT THE SCHOOL VIA EMAIL ON <u>admin@liwara.wa.edu.au</u> ATTENTION MRS ANDREA MILLAR.

 TRUCK TYRES LARGE LOGS FOR BALANCE LOGS & STEPPERS CLEAN TREE BRANCHES 2m x app 10 cm DIAMETER BOULDERS/ROCKS SMALL & LARGE LARGE TREE TRUNK/S LONG LENGTHS OF METAL RIO ROD WILLOW BRANCHES TO CREATE A LIVING DOME LARGE CONCRETE LINERS FOR TUNNEL SLEEPERS CRAZY PAVIING 	 DRY RIVER BED MATERIALS (COARSE RIVER SAND MATERIALS TO BUILD A BRIDGE TREE STUMPS FOR TABLE & SEATS FOR A COMMUNITY CIRCLE / FIRE PIT (pretend) LARGE EXCAVATOR TO LIFT AND MOVE TREE STUMP BRIGHT COLOURED PAINT TO PAINT TYRES TREES & SHRUBS CABLE DRUMS TIMBER SLATS CEMENT SAND MULCH
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IF YOU HAVE ANY OTHER MATERIALS/ITEMS THAT YOU THINK COULD BE INCORPORATED PLEASE SEND PHOTOS TO ANDREA via <u>admin@liwara.wa.edu.au</u>

PLEASE DO NOT DROP THESE TO THE SCHOOL AS YET AS MORE INFORMATION WILL BE FORTHCOMING RE STORAGE OF MATERIALS ETC...





Hello from the OSHC team,

We are all looking forward to the Pupil Free days on June 19th and 20th. On Monday the 19th we are hosting a Super Hero Day - *ZAP! KAPOW! BOOM!* We will be making Super Hero Food for lunch and the menu items include – Super Hero Mighty Muffins

Noodle Ninja Mince Incredible Hulk green punch, and Atomic Apple Crumble

We will go on a Super Hero Treasure Hunt and will have Super Hero games and activities. Children can wear their favourite Super Hero gear on the day

On Tuesday 20th the **Gym Bus** will be coming to us! This activity will provide a relaxed and playful setting for children as they join in the Gym bus games and activities. The Gym bus has two levels connected by tunnels, ladders and a fireman's pole to encourage children to Discover, Explore and Grow whilst at Play.

Our Vacation Care program for July has been uploaded to the school website and will be emailed out to families today. The program has an exciting mix of activities that include –

Hip Hop Dancing Archery Pyjama Pamper Day Movie Making An excursion to Hudson's Circus A pottery workshop AND, a Lego workshop of the pupil free day.

Again, we ask that you book early to avoid disappointment.

We believe that one of the greatest benefits of OSHC is that children of different ages come together to play and learn from each other. The younger children are given the opportunity to get to know older children in a safe and trusting environment. Our older children are excellent role models and love their interactions with younger children as these pictures show.





Regards Gaye Margetic & the OSHC Team



SOCIAL WORKER'S CORNER

Seasons for Growth Grief Program Learning to live with change and loss

Change and loss are issues that affect all of us at some stage in our lives. At Liwara Catholic School we recognise that when changes occur in families through death, separation, divorce or related circumstances, young people may benefit from learning how to manage these changes effectively. We are therefore again delighted to be offering a very successful education program called **Seasons for Growth which will commence in Term 3.** This program is facilitated in small groups and is based on research which highlights the importance of social support and the need to practise new skills to cope effectively with change and loss. The program focuses on issues such as self-esteem, managing feelings, problem-solving, decision-making, effective communication and support networks.

If you think your son or daughter would benefit from Seasons for Growth we would encourage you to talk to him/her about participating in the program.

Liwara Catholic School is pleased to be able to offer this important program and we are confident that it will be a valuable learning experience for those who request to be involved.

To register your interest, please contact Jane Evans, School Social Worker via email at: jane.evans@cewa.edu.au





Our school has now joined 'Bright Smiles, Bright Futures' recycling program that accepts : Any brand of used toothpaste tubes, toothbrushes, plastic toothbrush packaging, interdental brushes, wisps, pumps, stand up toothpaste bottles and any kind of non-electric toothbrush or toothpaste tube and all affiliated non-recyclable packaging.

Best practices for recycling:

In order to recycle this waste stream properly, please make sure all excess product has been removed (i.e. leftover toothpaste). Additionally, if you choose to rinse your product, please note that it must be completely dry prior to shipping. You cannot ship dripping packages.

What happens to the waste:

Once collected, the oral waste and foil wraps are cleaned and melted into hard plastic that can be remoulded to make new recycled products.

A collection box will be placed in the undercover to the right of the canteen.

GENERAL SCHOOL NEWS

ACHIEVEMENT CERTIFICATES PRESENTED - 2 June 2017

- PPG Santiago Caloiero, Jerome Pires PPR Noah Bradshaw, Kynan Magorian
- 1G Flynn Hayter, Hannah Mullane 1R Estelle Bishop, Kai Rose
- 2GGemma Fox, Elijah Lopresti 2R
- 3G Tessa Macdonald, Jake Bozich-Cobbledick
- 3R Smith Mak Darcy Bastow Sophie Traeger
- 4GMadison Greenhill, Callum Jack
- 4R Gemma Kempton, Jack Lee
- 5G Chennoa Clifford, Ethan Walker, Kai Gerber 5R Aaron Lopresti, Ella Strohfeld, Marianne Firth
- 6R Lucas Germano, Oceana Ravi 6G Oliver Morgan, Jonah Bacskai

UNIFORM SHOP

NEW OPENING HOURS TERM 2

FRIDAYS 8.00am - 9.15am AND 2.30pm -3.15pm

> WE WILL NOT BE OPEN **ON MONDAYS FOR TERM 2.**

QUICKCLIQ **ONLINE ORDERING COMING SOON!**



Are you an adult thinking about becoming a Catholic, do you know someone who is interested in learning more, would you like to complete your

sacraments of Holy Communion and/ or Confirmation? Not sure where to begin? Like to find out more without obligation or pressure?

We are currently offering an Information/ Enquiry night in the All Saints Church meeting room commencing at 7.30pm on Thursday June 29th for Adults from non-Christian backgrounds: Adult Christians from other Christian faiths: Adult baptized Catholics who have not received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist.

If you are interested in becoming a full member of the Catholic community or you know of anyone who is considering becoming a Catholic encourage them to come along with you and discover what the church has to offer. Attendance at the enquiry meeting does not create any obligation to take the matter further.

For further information, please contact Fr Elver (9447 6225) or Maureen Craig (94481746)





15 June Mary Flack 16 June Mary Flack 19 June Pupil Free 20 June Pupil Free **22 June HELP NEEDED 23 June HELP NEEDED 26 June HELP NEEDED 27 June HELP NEEDED 29 June HELP NEEDED** 30 June Mary Flack

Loads of help still needed for the end of this term. Please call in if you can spare a bit of time. Enjoy the holidays. Helen Miller Canteen Manager

QUICKCLIQ **ONLINE ORDERING ON THE WAY!**





Before & After School Care Vacations Care Contact Centre Supervisors

0477 994 123

PLEASE BOOK NOW TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT





All Saints Catholic Church PARISH PRIEST: FR ELVER DELICANO ADDRESS: 7 LIWARA PLACE, GREENWOOD WA 6024

TEL: 9447 6225 FAX: 9246 2692

MOB: 0435 173 454 (for Urgent pastoral needs only) PARISH EMAIL ADDRESS:

greenwood@perthcatholic.org.au

PARISH OFFICE OPENING TIMES: MONDAY,

WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY 10:00AM TO 3:00PM

MASSES: Mon-Fri 9.00am Wed Eve - 6.45pm - Saturday 9.00am & Vigil – 6pm—Sunday 7.30am, 9.00am, 10.30am & 5.30pm (anointing every 2nd Saturday of month) Reconciliation: Saturday 9.30am-10.00am and 5.00pm - 5.30pm or by request.

All Saints Parish 24:7 Greenwood Youth Group For all youth in Years 6-12 Every Sunday night 6.30-8pm @ the Ahern Centre (Liwara Catholic Primary School) For more info call Lynn 0452 413 942 or Lionel 0405 107 841