



# LIWARA CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## OUR MISSION

We gather as a community of believers in a Catholic environment to develop in each child a sense of wonder of learning.

With the essential support of parents,

our Mission is ***to empower children to be faith filled, confident and fully rounded, life-long learners.***

## OUR VISION

Our Vision is a community with strong connections where every student has a sense of belonging,

feels safe and is known by name and need.

As our motto suggests, we strive to be a place of ***Strength in Community.***



## ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC CHURCH

**PARISH PRIEST:** FR ELVER DELICANO

**ADDRESS:** 7 LIWARA PLACE,  
GREENWOOD WA **TEL:** 9447 6225

Check for further details on the  
General School News page.

## LENTEN PRAYER

Father, help me to see this holy season of Lent as a time of spiritual renewal.

Motivate me to reach a new level of experiencing your grace.  
Let your healing light transform us into the image of your Son.

For you alone can bring new life and make us whole.

## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families

The season of Lent is upon us again and it is a time for us to focus intentionally on what helps or hinders our commitment to Christ. It may be better not to give up something but to take on something, to build our spiritual muscles. At the beginning of Lent the first thought of many adult Catholics is to give something up and the standard was to give up chocolate or other sweet temptations. A colleague of mine told me that he had urged his children to move beyond giving up sweet treats and to focus on giving up something that made others around them unhappy. About halfway through Lent he asked his children how they were doing with their Lenten promise. One of his young sons had promised to give up fighting with his brother and sister during Lent. When his father asked him how it was going, the boy replied, "I'm doing pretty good, Dad—but boy, I can't wait until Easter!". The response indicates that this boy had only partly understood the purpose of Lenten 'giving up'. Lent is about conversion. It is about working towards changing permanently what we do so that we become better people, not just for the 40 days of Lent but for the rest of our lives.

**NEW FAMILY EVENING:** Thank you to the dedicated group of P&F members who hosted the New Family Sundowner last week and made such an impact on our new families. In discussion with our new Liwara members, they shared with me how welcome they have felt from the very start and the evening sundowner was just the icing on the cake! Thank you, to all that were there to set up & down and make our new parents feel so welcome. A special thank you to Mrs Gaye Margetic and the OSHC team who ran the creche on the evening as the parents were extremely appreciative of their support.

## PASTORAL CARE WORK PARTY SUPPORTING THE MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF STUDENTS

As part of our commitment to our students this year, the work party managing the Quality Catholic Schools (QCS) Domain 4: STEWARDSHIP—Pastoral Care of Students, has been diligently working with Jane Evans our Social Worker to create a private/closed 'all staff forum' where teachers can let all staff know at any time of the day if a particular student is having a hard time, is feeling fragile, has family issues that may be affecting their behaviour and/or their emotional state. The child's name and a set list of standard choices will be available to tick so that confidentiality will not be breached at any time. The Pastoral Care of Students team will also be starting a new section in the newsletter each fortnight to keep the community informed of how we as a school are supporting the students with their mental health and wellbeing.

### BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE PROGRAM (BYOD)

On behalf of the teachers of our Years 4, 5 & 6 students, I would like to thank our parents for the strong support for the BYOD Program this year, as I have been informed that only one student in each of the Yr 4 & 5 classes have begun the year without their own device. Some of the benefits of our students having their own devices below:

**Offers Comfort of Using A Known Device.** The most important advantage that BYOD offers is surely the comfort of using one's own device as when students bring their own devices to school, they bring something familiar with them. This means that they can use it without hassle and are able to focus more easily on the lesson, as they don't have to think about handling completely unknown devices.



**Advanced Technology Makes Learning Easier.** The advancements in the field of technology have helped to introduce lots of devices. Many of them have features which were hard to imagine even only a few years back. All these are not only making the process of imbibing lessons easier for students, but also helping to retain them longer. And all these can be best utilized if students are able to use their devices properly, so using their own devices surely helps them to learn more effectively.



**LOST PROPERTY**—Dear parents, there are many items of winter clothing left in the lost property trolley which is now housed in the breezeway between the Year 3 block and the Staff Room. Could you please check your child's winter uniform and if any items are missing, they could be waiting for you in the Lost Property trolley.

**3 YEAR OLD PROGRAM** - We have some beautiful photos to share with you, taken by our staff, Mrs Michelle Greene & Mrs Bronwyn White, who have been engaging our youngest children with many fun and exciting learning experiences. We still have some positions available in the Three Year Old Program, for an immediate start, so if you have a child who has already turned three and you would like to take a look at how the program runs, please ring the front office for a tour on a Wednesday, or if you know of other members of the community who have a child in this age bracket could you please inform them of the vibrant and engaging program.





## **KINDY DAYS 2019**

From the beginning of 2019 we will be moving our Kindy days to Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday as this will allow the children to be in attendance most of the year as currently they miss too many days with Public Holidays & Pupil Free Days and they will have the opportunity to be involved in the majority of whole school events. Our Pre Kindy day will be on Fridays.

## **NEW OVAL PLAYGROUND**

The great news is that the playground should be ready for students to enjoy early next week.



Ms Leddin and I went down for a final check this morning before the installers come back to clear away the left over debris and we had some fun trying out the many exciting challenges of our new playground which is the culmination of an idea that began with the School Improvement Team (SIT). A group of staff members met in January of 2017 and identified areas which would benefit our students. They needed to be aesthetically pleasing, challenging and adventurous... hence a natural playground on the oval became their priority. The staff worked together and put together a draft plan which was then given to Mr Sean Magorian who used the ideas the staff had come up with and created a plan to scale which was then shown to the P&F who were keen to support the initiative. This has been a huge community effort from the idea driven by a need in early 2017 to where we are today. I am hoping to have it handed over to me early next week. Once the temporary fencing is down, parents please go down for a look and a play. You will note that we have positioned the black fencing down to freeway fence, so the children now have an option to use some of the extra space that runs along the oval. So many exciting projects all in the one space! Thank you to the staff, Sean & Christel Magorian, Ben Baarspul from ProjectScape and of course our amazing P&F Committee.

God Bless

Andrea Millar

## TEASING VERSUS BULLYING

By Michael Grose "Parenting Ideas"

When speaking with parents when I present at schools, or engaging with them via our social media, bullying is always a hot topic. A recent Facebook post had one of our biggest engagement rates ever. It begged the question- "What is bullying? Do we mix it up with teasing and other forms of mean behaviour?" Bullying is a term that's wrapped in emotion. For many people it's associated with bad childhood memories. It's been estimated that around 40 per cent of people have experienced bullying in the past. It's something that we don't want to happen to our kids. But I fear it's being overused at the moment and confused with teasing and rudeness.

**Rudeness** refers to thoughtless behaviours and thoughtless words. Kids often do rude things to each other without thinking their actions through. Examples include breaking wind in a child's direction; joking about the colour of a child's hair in front of others; failing to share possessions and neglecting to acknowledge someone. Rudeness is usually about selfishness and thoughtlessness. Taken on their own, many rude behaviours can be seen as an element of bullying but when looked at in context they are more about thoughtlessness, lack of consideration and poor manners rather than a deliberate attempt to hurt someone.

**Teasing** refers to annoying, hurtful behaviour that is used to get a reaction from someone else. Teasing can be persistent in nature, but not always. It's generally an attempt to get under a person's skin. It can involve name calling; it can be personal and hurtful in nature. It can also infringe on another person's rights. But generally teasing doesn't have the key ingredients that make up bullying.

**Bullying** is the selective, uninvited, repetitive oppression of one person or group by another. It involves three elements – intent to hurt or harm; power imbalance; and repetition over time. It takes many forms and guises including physical aggression; verbal abuse; emotional aggression (or blackmail); intimidation; harassment and exclusion.

The new cyber-dimension to bullying has moved the goalpost for many kids. In the past, children and young people could escape bullying behaviours by being at home. Cyber-bullying means that children can't escape bullies like they once could.

Our ability to be discerning about bullying is as important as the action we take when we are sure that our child is on the receiving end of bullying behaviour. These actions include: dealing with feelings; providing emotional coping skills; getting others involved; building up a child's support networks; and building self-confidence that can take a battering.

## FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

### SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Our School Photos will be taken on **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> of March 2018** and all students will be required to wear their **Red Top Sports Uniform**.

#### Class Photos/Portraits.

Every Student will have their photo taken whether they are purchasing photos or not, for the schools pictorial history.

Class photo times will be published in the next newsletter.

The school has chosen to use the online ordering system and your child has been given an online ordering instruction slip and a unique student code for you to follow and place your order online via the internet.

The expiry date for online ordering is the **27<sup>th</sup> of March 2018**. Any orders received after this date are treated as re orders and will incur additional costs.

#### Family Photos:

Envelopes can be obtained from the School Administration.

Family photos are being taken each of the two mornings before school. Please bring your children in on the days listed above via your child's surname to avoid long queues (i.e. Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> surnames A- L. and Wednesday, surnames N-Z.)

Please ensure that your family envelope, with enclosed payment, is handed to the Photographers on photo day.

#### Special/Sports Group Photos

If your child is in a Special/Sports photo you will receive a link and password to the online gallery after photo day, where you can view and order these photos if required. These photos will be packed and delivered with the school's bulk order.

### SACRAMENT ENROLMENT MASSES

Any Liwara child intending to make their First Reconciliation (Yr 3), First Holy Communion (Yr 4) or Confirmation (Yr 6) this year is expected to attend an All Saints Parish Mass, at either 6pm Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February or on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30am, 9.30am or 5.30pm, and sign the enrolment register.

### PARENT SACRAMENT THEOLOGY EVENING

A reminder that the All Saints Parish & Liwara CPS Sacramental Team are running a 'Theology of Sacraments' presentation for any interested parents. This is recommended for any Year 3, 4 or 6 parents whose child/ren are receiving any one of the three Sacraments this year (i.e. Reconciliation, Eucharist or Confirmation).

The presentation by Karl Brown will take place on **Tuesday 27 February** in the Ahern Centre commencing at 7pm.

### RECONCILIATION COMMITMENT MASSES

Any child who is receiving the Sacrament of First Reconciliation this year (i.e. most Year 3 students) is expected to attend an All Saints Parish Mass, at either 6pm Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March or on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30am, 9.30am or 5.30pm to express their commitment to the required preparation.

### CARITAS- PROJECT COMPASSION

All families will receive the 2018 Caritas Project Compassion Collection Box and brochure next week on Ash Wednesday. Caritas Australia's annual Lenten fundraising and awareness-raising appeal, Project Compassion brings thousands of Australians together in solidarity with the world's poor to help end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity. The Caritas theme for this year is "For a Just Future".

Please give generously during this Lenten period as part of our Catholic custom of alms giving to those with less than ourselves. As Pope Francis reminds us, "Cultivate with love the seeds of goodness, beauty and truth that God sows in every new generation."

### NAPLAN

All parents of Year 3 and 5 students should have received a brochure explaining the NAPLAN process for 2018. Parents are asked to read this brochure thoroughly and contact their child's teacher if you have any queries.



## WALK FOR WATER

The Social Justice Ministry would like to announce that we will be holding a Walk For Water on the 7<sup>th</sup> of March. There is a global water crisis going on in the world and kids in places like Africa walk for hours to the nearest water source to get dirty water and carry it all the way back. This water has a high chance making you sick or even death. In order to raise awareness of the situation and raise funds to reduce the suffering you can bring a bucket suitable for your age and walk for 30 minutes around the oval with your buddies. Also please bring a gold coin donation to support this situation, your donations will be greatly appreciated.

A timetable will be outside each classroom, Thankyou!



## YEAR 5 CAMP



# Sustainable Living

## WRAPPER FREE WEDNESDAYS

'Wrapper Free Days' (lunch and recess) will take place every Wednesday throughout the school year. These days are when students and parents try their best to pack a lunch box without single-use disposable items.

We are aiming to raise awareness of the amount of single-use disposable plastic in our lives and challenges people to do something about it.

Every day we encounter single-use plastic: bags, water bottles, straws, food packaging & takeaway coffee. We can all take steps to avoid plastic becoming a problem and as a school we can choose reusable alternatives and pick up plastic litter.

'Single-use' includes plastic shopping bags, plastic cups, straws, plastic packaging...basically anything that's intended only to be used once and then discarded.

The challenge is quite simple...**attempt to refuse single-use plastic.**

*Please support our school community*



### COLES SPORTS OR SCHOOLS

Liwara has registered for the 2018 Coles Sports for Schools program. We need your help with collecting vouchers from Coles.

#### How it works

**Step 1:** For every \$10 spent at Coles, customers will receive one Sports for Schools voucher.

**Step 2:** Bring your voucher into school and place it in the box outside the sports shed, labelled Coles Sports for Schools. Or alternatively place in the box outside Coles at the Greenwood Shopping Centre.

Every voucher received will go towards our tally. We will then be able to order the sports equipment the school needs to the value of the vouchers.

**START COLLECTING TODAY**

# CANTEEN ROSTER

*Please include your child's class colour (Red or Green) when you are ordering your children's lunches online.*

*This will reduce the time taken to process your order. Thank you.*

**AVAILABLE ON FRIDAYS DURING LENT**

**FISH FINGERS AND RICE \$4.00**

*Welcome back to a new year. Please take the time to look at the Quick Click menu as there are a few new items. <https://quickcliq.com.au/>*

*Thursday 22 February Sharon Lund*

*Friday 23 February **HELP NEEDED***

*Monday 26 February **HELP NEEDED***

*Tuesday 27 February **HELP NEEDED***

*Thursday 1 March **HELP NEEDED***

*Friday 2 March **HELP NEEDED***

*Monday 5 March **PUBLIC HOLIDAY***

*Tuesday 5 March **HELP NEEDED***

*Please put your name down to help in the canteen.*

*I really appreciate your help.*



Contact Helen:  
9447 5133





## SERVICES AT LIWARA

### UNIFORM SHOP

### OSHC

**THURSDAY**  
**8.15am - 9.00am**

Please direct all enquiries to  
[sales@jfe.net.au](mailto:sales@jfe.net.au)

Before & After School Care  
Vacations Care  
Contact Centre Supervisors

**0477 994 123**

**BOOK NOW**

**Order Forms** available on website  
Full payment is required on ordering. Orders will be dropped off at your child's class



### ABSENTEE LINE

**SMS - 0419 915 606**  
for the absentee line  
before **9.30am.**

Leave the child's name, class and  
a brief  
description for the absence.

*Please do not reply to the  
computer generated absentee  
text sent to you if your child is  
not at school.  
We do not receive it.*

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*Volunteers required*

# GENERAL SCHOOL NEWS

## LIWARA MOVIE NIGHT

Liwara movie night tonight on the oval. Gates open 6.30 movie at 7.30. \$20 per family. Try booking <https://www.trybooking.com/355558> open til 5pm or cash at the door.



### 2018 COMMUNITY BUSINESS DIRECTORY

*The School Community Business Directory is an avenue of support for families within the school. The details listed are not to be used for marketing/advertising purposes or for commercial mass distribution of material.*

**LiwaraPBD@gmail.com**

<http://web.liwara.wa.edu.au/index.php/community-business-directory>



#### **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](mailto: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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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

## LIWARA CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL COOKBOOK 2017



Order your copy from Trybooking at the special price of \$25 <https://www.trybooking.com/330567>

Copies will be available for pick up in the undercover area on Friday mornings. Any enquires please contact Bronwyn [liwaracookbook@gmail.com](mailto:liwaracookbook@gmail.com)

# COMMUNITY NEWS



## Enrolling Now

2020 enrolment interviews are commencing now, and we warmly invite applications from the Liwara community. Limited places are also available for 2019. [More information here.](#)

## Servite College Open Morning – 6 April

On Friday 6 April, we will host a free College Open Morning with student guided action tours and an opportunity to meet our Principal and key staff.



## CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS - ST MARY'S PARISH - LEEDERVILLE

**4th MARCH 2018**

All past priests and current and past parishioners are invited to celebrate a special Mass of thanksgiving for St Mary's Leederville Parish on Sunday 4 March. Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB will celebrate the Centenary Mass at 10.30am.

This will be followed by refreshments in the **Aranmore College Centre for the Arts and Sports Science CNR of Franklin and Oxford St Leederville**. No RSVP required, just come along.