Liwara educates children, with the central support of parents, to become faith filled, confident and fully rounded, life long learners.

WHO ARE YOU?

Which type of person are you, a risk-taker or a security-seeker? Some people really love taking risks and these participants love the rush of adrenaline and the feeling of escaping the ordinary. However, most of us are not risk-takers but security-seekers committed to a lifestyle of playing it safe. Playing life too cautiously could have us fall into the following description:

“There was a cautious man
Who never laughed or played;
He never risked, he never tried,
He never sang or prayed.
And when he, one day, passed away
His insurance was denied;
For since he never really lived,
They claimed he never died.”

Author Unknown

REFLECTION

Risk-taking is actually part of everyday life and is taken for granted in matters from food consumption to travelling by car. The great motivational speaker and author, Zig Ziglar, put it neatly when he said, “It’s risky when a plane leaves the runway, but that’s what planes are for. It’s more risky for the plane to sit there and accumulate rust.” There are shades of the Parable of the Talents in that statement.

The Season of Lent is upon us again next week (Wed 5 March Ash Wednesday) 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 up our spiritual muscles. Maybe this Lent we could take part in some minor risk-taking. One more quote from Zig Ziglar: “You will get all you want in life, if you help enough people to get what they need.”

PRAYER

“Father in heaven,
may Your love be the foundation and motivating force for my life.
Help me to step out of my sheltered life and take
your love to other people in a way that is personal to me. Amen.”

Dear Parents,

Thank you to the parents who attended the information sessions last Wednesday, as these are a very important way in which the home-school partnership is renewed or established at the beginning of the year. At each meeting your child’s teacher would have outlined their programs, procedures and expectations for the year ahead. I ask that if you missed your child’s class meeting you make contact with the teacher to discuss the information that was presented.

Good communication plays a vital role in creating and sustaining an environment that is conducive to productive learning and achievement. This includes making a commitment to keep in touch with your child’s teacher and to build a relationship based on trust and respect. Research confirms that when parents are partners with the school, in providing educational opportunities, their children improve their achievement levels. It is important that your child/children see us as working together, having a common goal to meet the children’s developmental needs.

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The N.U.T.S. night, run by our P&F Committee, last Friday night brought with it a lovely relaxing atmosphere where at least a couple of hundred people milled around in a spirit of fun and collegiality enjoying each other’s company and sharing a story or two. The children spent most of the evening socialising with one another or dancing & singing to the band. What a lovely way to end a very busy week!
The schedule this week includes two workshops for families of children enrolled in the preparation program for Reconciliation. Tuesday & Thursday at 5.30pm in the Ahern Centre. The staff will be involved in whole school professional development on Friday 28, with the staff from Kindy—Yr 2 working at St Luke’s Woodvale with the National Quality Standards, along with staff of other schools in our region. The Yr 3—6 staff will be at school working with the English & Mathematics Curriculum. In the coming weeks there are four events to note. On Wed 5 March we will be attending the Ash Wednesday Mass led by the Yr 4 students and on Friday students from Yr 4—6 will be participating in the Swimming Carnival. Many of our students and families will be attending the weekend Masses to make a commitment to be actively involved in the students’ Reconciliation sacramental program and the Year 6 students and staff will be attending camp at Logue Brook from Tue 11 to Fri 14 March.
I would like to thank all our Pre Primary families who have supported the school in aligning the Pre Primary times to the rest of the compulsory school years.
God Bless
Andrea Millar

**SCHOOL PRAYER**

Our next whole school Prayer Service for 2014 will be conducted on Monday afternoon, March 10th, at 2.40pm in the All Saints Church with Year 4’s leading us in prayer. Parents and family members are always welcome to join us for this time of prayer and reflection.

**ASSEMBLY**

The first assembly for the year will be held on Friday March 21st at 9.00am in the Ahern Centre. The Year 5 students will lead and present the assembly items. Parents are most welcome to join us for the assembly and the presentation of awards.

**STUDENT FREE DAYS**

The following will be the Pupil Free Days in 2014 in addition to public holidays and term holidays.
Friday February 28th (Pupil free day)
Monday April 28th (Pupil free day)
Friday May 30th (Pupil free day)
Tuesday June 3rd (Pupil free day)
2 more days to be announced.
These days are provided for in the Catholic school term dates to facilitate a professional development program for staff.

**ALTARSERVING AT ALL SAINTS PARISH**

Our parish, All Saints, is calling for any children who have made their First Holy Communion to participate in weekend masses through altar serving. This is a wonderful opportunity for children to become involved in and deepen their understanding of the Mass. If you are interested in your child being trained and being placed on the roster or you have any queries, contact John Elkin on 0421 740 999. Amanda McCabe, Religious Education Co-ordinator

**CLASSROOM VOLUNTEERS**

Thursday 6th March in the Enrichment Room from 9 to 11a.m. This workshop is for parents of children from Year 1 onwards who would like to volunteer in their child’s classroom. This workshop covers how parents can help in the classroom, school expectations and children’s developmental learning. The Volunteer workshop must be completed by any parent who wishes to help in the classroom. If you have done this workshop previously you don’t need to repeat it.

**HAVE SUM FUN MATHS COMPETITION**

Congratulations to Brendan Craig, Nicole Zaninovich, Lily Allan and James Rose who have been selected as school representatives for this competition. They will be joining 2 x Year 7 Students from Sacred Heart College in the challenge. The “Have Sum Fun” competition is an exciting mathematics initiative that uses a quiz night format. Teams of six students race against the clock to solve four intense rounds of eight challenging problems. The Quiz will take place at All Saints College Bull Creek on Saturday 22nd March at 3pm, finishing by 5:30. We wish them all the best. Thanks also to Sacred Heart College for their support in training these students at the College.

Clare Magee  REACH Program

**OSHC – EASTER VACATION**

As Easter falls in the middle the school holidays this year, it is proposed the vacation care service will not operate over the two weeks. Should there be enough interest, however, we may consider opening the centre from the 14th – 17th April (first four days). Please contact either Deborah or Jess at the centre, before 14th March, if you would be interested in vacation care for your child between 14th & 17th April.

The service will be offering vacation care on Friday 28th Feb and Monday 28th April as these days are pupil free days.
SIGN IN / OUT PROCEDURE

We begin the 2014 year with a slightly new procedure for students who arrive late to school and/or leave during the school day for appointments etc.... All students who arrive late and parents with younger students arriving late, must go to the office first to get a slip which must be given to the class or specialist teacher when the student arrives at the class. If a parent/carer comes to take a student out early, a sign in slip must be filled in and given to the teacher before the student is released into their care. I thank you for your cooperation with this as it ensures that the whereabouts of the students are always known to the school.

SCHOOL FACTION SWIMMING CARNIVAL

DATE- Friday 7th March, 2013
TIME:- 9.30am to 2.30pm
YEARS- 4/5/6
LOCATION-Bold Park Aquatic Centre, The Boulevard, Floreat. Students must be at school by 8.30am. Buses depart the school at 8.45am. Students are allowed to join parents for their lunch. Students should bring plenty of drinking water and apply sun block before coming to school. Parents v Staff 4x50m Relay will be the last race of the day. Any parents interested in showing the students how its done are to remember their bathers.

Students to assemble in class groups with teacher after presentation for bus trip back to school or leaving with parents.

Champion Boy and Girl. Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be awarded to three boys and girls from each year group who score the most points. Points go to the students who swim the fastest times in the Freestyle, Breaststroke and Backstroke 50m races. All 50m races will be timed.

Neil Morrison (Physical Education Teacher)

TERM DATES 2014—STUDENTS

Term 1 Monday February 3rd - Friday April 11th
Term 2 Tuesday April 29th - Friday July 4th
Term 3 Monday July 21st - Friday September 26th
Term 4 Monday October 13th - Friday December 12th

Please note the finishing date for our students at the end of the year is Friday 12th December.

SIBLINGS FOR KINDY 2015

If you have a child who is eligible to be enrolled in Kindy for 2015 and you haven’t already filled in an application form, could you please attend to this as soon as possible. We have already begun getting phone calls from new families for Kindy 2015 enrolments and I would like to ensure that all siblings are catered for at Liwara.

MATER DEI ENROLMENTS REMINDER

APPLICATION FOR ENROLMENTS YEAR 7—2016

Applications need to be forwarded immediately to the College as interviews will be commencing in March 2014. Please access the College website of www.mdc.wa.edu.au for enrolment application forms or email barbra.moyle@mdc.wa.edu.au to request an Enrolment Application

LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Welcome back to another school year. If you have half an hour to spare at drop off time in the morning Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday and would be willing to help with library book shelving, or covering no experience needed I will show you what is required. Please call 94483811 to speak with me or call into the library.

Lorraine Dominish

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Members of the Greenwood Conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank you for contributing to our 2013 Christmas Appeal for food and gifts. Some forty hampers and many gifts were distributed to disadvantaged members of our community including families, singles and seniors living alone.

Donations ensured that no request for our help at Christmas went unanswered. It is particularly pleasing that through your generosity so many children were able to receive gifts at this special time. Every contribution makes a difference to those who are less fortunate than ourselves.

Thankyou once again.

Jan Altmann

FAMILY INFORMATION PACKS

The Family Information Pack including the Annual Fee Account and the Family Detail Forms for updating, were sent home this week. Please return the Family Detail forms ASAP with your up to date email addresses. This is necessary for the newsletter notification to be emailed to you.

2013 SCHOOL ANNUAL

The Liwara 2013 School Annual will be distributed next week.
**TERM CALENDAR**

The calendar is now on the Liwara Website please see below for the web address.


**KIDS MATTER**

**UNIFORM SHOP**

Tuesday February 4th & April 8th 2:30-3:30 pm
Order forms are available online under uniform shop on the school website. Orders can be faxed or handed into the office with full payment and will be dropped off at your child’s class on Tuesday mornings.

**OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE**

BEFORE SCHOOL/AFTER SCHOOL VACATION CARE SERVICE

If you are interested in finding out more information about the service or expressing an interest in enrolling your child contact the school office or the Centre Supervisor Deborah Salame or Jesse Walls on 0488 083 657.

**CANTERBURY**

**PLEASE USE THE NEW TERM 1 MENU**

**ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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Fax: 9246 2692 - Mob: 0422 422 773
Website: www.allsaintsgreenwoodwa.org.au
Email: greenwood@perthcatholic.org.au

Parish Priest – Fr Vinh Dong
Assistant Priests - Father Stephen Hill & Fr Victor Lujano

Weekday Masses: Monday to Friday - 9.00am.
Wednesday evening at 6.45pm
Weekend Masses: Saturday - 9.00am
(anointing every 2nd Saturday of the month) & Vigil at 6.00pm
Sunday - 7.30am, 9.00am, 10.30am & 5.30pm

The Church is open from 8.30am - 3.30pm weekdays (except school holidays)
Reconciliation: Saturday - 9.30am to 10.00am & 5.00pm to 5.30pm or by request.

Please call in and put your name on the new 2014 Roster, or call 9447 5133 Thanks Helen

Thursday February 27th—Tania Jack
Friday February 28th—Pupil Free Day
Monday March 3rd—Public holiday
Tuesday March 4th—Sharon Lund/Mary Strohfeld
Thursday March 6th—Kathryn Edwards
Friday March 7th—Cathy Bishop
Monday March 10th—Tamara Bastow
Tuesday March 11th—Cathy Backi
Thursday March 13th—Rebecca Fox
Friday March 14th—Cathy Bishop