Reflection

THE PASCAL JOURNEY

The Paschal Mystery is the life, death, resurrection and return in glory of Jesus Christ. The word paschal comes from the Jewish concept of Passover (Pasch) and the celebration of deliverance from slavery to freedom. Jesus experienced all of this and more through His dying and rising from the dead. This was a Passover journey from the slavery of sin to freedom in the resurrection. This journey is not just His, it is our journey as well. “Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again” means two things. First and foremost, it means that Jesus’ death and resurrection overcame sin and death, which allows us to begin to experience eternal life with God. It also means that Jesus travels with us when we experience the paschal journey....our life also contains crosses and resurrections.

Prayer

God our Father,
by raising Christ your Son
you conquered the power of death
and opened for us the way to eternal life.
Let our celebration today raise us up
and renew our lives by the Spirit that is within us.
Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

Dear Parents,
The events of Holy Week remind us of our calling to be active Christians in the way we lead our lives. The Resurrection does not mean Jesus resumed His previous life as an ordinary person, rather it means Jesus entered another kind of level of existence. Easter Sunday offers an opportunity to celebrate all our small, personal ‘resurrections’ and unite them with Jesus’ Resurrection. It offers us renewal to be people of faith, forgiveness, hope and love in our families and in our communities.

As we continue our journey through Holy Week we direct our attention to look further into the cross, to see in it and through it the mystery of profound love, a love that does not forget, a love that is sustained through the Holy Spirit.

Today through the re-enactment of the Stations of the Cross our students were able to take time to walk with Jesus, to pray and to remember that through the resurrection He is alive in a new and special way.

I wish all in the Liwara community a joyful and life-giving Easter.

EASTER WEEKEND

The Easter weekend for students extends from Good Friday to Tuesday 2nd April. School recommences for students on Wednesday 3rd April.
AWARD OF EXCELLENCE 2012
Clare Magee has been successful in achieving an Award of Excellence for Liwara’s REACH program. I congratulate Clare on this award which will be presented at a function on Friday 5th April along with a cheque for $5000.
These awards of excellence have been implemented by the Catholic Education Office of Western Australia to celebrate and acknowledge staff and programs in Catholic Schools who are engaged in implementing the action areas of the systems vision. Our success was from the section ‘Developing a hunger for the Learning adventure’.
The awards promote excellence in Catholic Education, build better understanding and appreciation for the work done in Catholic Schools in WA and help to share initiatives and good practice among school communities.
The REACH program at Liwara has a number of components:
• Thinking Skills—a program for the Systematic development of the Thinking Skills whole school focus
• Gifted and Talented Extension
• Stretch—informal thinking skills program for early childhood students
• Matrix—special interest projects
• Inspire Series—guest speakers who have met significant challenges to be successful
• Competition—participation in competitions that represent a challenge for students in a range of learning areas.

I thank Clare for the work that has been done in designing, building and delivering this learning program but also acknowledge the staff for their significant contribution to the development and teaching of the Thinking Skills program that is in place for all our Liwara K-6 students. The award is a formal indicator of the innovative and excellent work being done by the staff of Liwara.

SCHOOL PRAYER
Parents are welcome to join us for our whole school prayer services held in the All Saints Church. Please remember prayer services are just that and are not to be applauded. I also ask that parents assist us in ensuring that there is respect and reverence when using the church by setting a good example. The Year 3’s will lead the prayer service on Monday 8th April. The whole school prayer services begin at 2.40pm.

ASSEMBLY
The next assembly for the year will be held on Friday 5th April 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.

ACADEMIC ALL STARS TOURNAMENT 2012
All Stars Tournament will be held on Friday 5th April at Padbury Catholic Primary School.
The day is based on a high school event called the Da Vinci Decathlon. The Liwara team comprises of 10 year 5 students and they will be competing against teams from 5 other Catholic and Independent schools. The Gala Day comprises eight challenging disciplines:
• Engineering – a building task designed to test creativity and ingenuity
• Art - developing a work of art on a theme
• Poetry – developing a poem on a theme
• English – spelling, word origins, definitions etc.
• Creative producers – developing and presenting a 30 second commercial
• Mathematics – emphasizing problem solving, number patterns and logic puzzles
• Games of Strategy – connect four and chess
• General Knowledge. – A quiz including current affairs, entertainment, sport and trivia.
The teamwork and support from all of the year 5 REACH team has been fantastic. We wish them good luck. Clare Magee REACH Teacher

PORTFOLIOS
Student portfolios will be sent home on Thursday 18th April. I encourage you to view and discuss the work contained in the folder, celebrate the growth and development that is evident and then set new learning goals with your child. The folder presents an ongoing record of your child’s progress. It provides an opportunity for your child to take responsibility for their learning and it is a key component of our assessment and reporting package. The selected work over time helps to demonstrate a student’s growth and development in the various learning areas.
The teachers include documentation of performance levels against established criteria. Three-way interviews to discuss student progress will be held next term.

EASTER MASS TIMES
HOLY THURSDAY - 28 MARCH - MASS OF THE LORD’S SUPPER AT 7.30PM
GOOD FRIDAY - 29 MARCH - OUTDOOR WAY OF THE CROSS AT 10AM (GATHER ON THE SCHOOL OVAL)
SOLEMN LITURGY, THE LORD’S PASSION AT 3PM
EASTER VIGIL - SATURDAY 30 MARCH - 7.30PM
EASTER SUNDAY - 31 MARCH- 7.30AM, 9AM, 10.30AM
(PLEASE NOTE THERE IS NO 5.30PM MASS)

YEAR 3 RECONCILIATION
Over 2 Saturdays, 6th and 13th of April, students from our Liwara community will participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time at the All Saints Church. We pray for those in our community who are on this Sacramental journey. It is important we take this opportunity to thank all those who have been involved in preparing our students for this special time – class teachers, parish members and the community. Congratulations and may the blessing of God be with the Reconciliation students.
**NAPLAN**

The NAPLAN testing will take place for Year 3 and Year 5 students in the week commencing Monday 13th May. NAPLAN tests in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions and Numeracy provide point in time information in relation to student performance.

There are always a number of contextual factors that will influence how well a student performs on a particular day in these tests. NAPLAN tests are intended to complement the existing range of school-based assessments and it is important we ensure students are not overwhelmed by the experience or that the tests are given undue emphasis.

The NAPLAN results assist in providing one part of the picture of your child’s demonstrated learning. I ask that parents avoid any disruption to the Year 3 and Year 5 classes during the week the NAPLAN tests are being conducted.

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**PROJECT COMPASSION 2013**

Well done Liwara!

Congratulations to the Liwara students for their fundraising achievements for Project Compassion! The Years 1-6 participated in “K’s for Compassion” last Friday and Kindy and Pre Primary competed in “Race for Compassion” on Monday. A fun afternoon was had by all and the students were able to think about what it is like to have to travel far distances to fetch water. Both of these events and the Project Compassion boxes the students brought back have helped to bump up the contribution our school has made to Caritas this year.

The official total and the highest class total raised will be published in the next newsletter.

Well done, everybody!

-Gemma Ballantine
(Acting Religious Education Coordinator)

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**WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN 2013**

Dear Parents,

This year we will once again be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

From Monday 8th April to Sunday 9th June, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Points. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Point for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Points onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheet and when it’s complete, the Points Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at your local store. At the end of the promotion, we’ll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you’d like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

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**INTERSchool SWIMMING CARNIVAL**

Venue: Joondalup Arena
When: Friday 12th April
Time: 10.00am to 2.00pm

It is essential that students bring their recess and lunch, suitable swimwear (no Board shorts etc), towel, drinking water, and a positive attitude! Parents of team members are welcome to come along and support the children.

Check this with Neil

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**YEAR 6 INTERSchool CRICKET**

Venue: Joondalup Arena
When: Thursday 11th April
Time: 9.30am to 2.00pm

Please be at school no later than 8.15am for an 8:45am departure on the bus.
Liwara held its swimming carnival on Friday 8th March at Bold Park Aquatic Centre. All year 4/5 and 6 students participated. It was a fantastic carnival, with lots of faction singing and cheering. The students’ effort during races was excellent, with everyone trying their best. Those students in 50m races were timed and the best times contributing to champion boy/girl points. A huge thank you to all parents for their support and help.

**Year 5 Boys**
- Champion Boy—Anthony Germano
- Runner-up—Jacob Matteo
- 3rd Place—Sebastian Smith

**Year 5 Girls**
- Champion Girl—Abbey-Rose Hull
- Runner-up—Eve Wasley
- 3rd Place—Montanna Bromwell

**Year 4 Boys**
- Champion Boy—Lawson McAullay
- Runner-up—William Hunter
- 3rd Place—James Rose

**Year 4 Girls**
- Champion Girl—Devon Udall
- Runner-up—Cate Waddingham
- 3rd Place—Caitlin Heath

**Year 6 Boys**
- Champion Boy—Travis Bevan
- Runner-up—Blair Wilson
- 3rd Place—Kevin Mesquita

**Year 6 Girls**
- Champion Girl—Lila Wasley
- Runner-up—Caitlin Cartwright
- 3rd Place—Emily Morgan
TERM CALENDAR

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


CANTEEN

Thank you very much to all the helpers in the canteen your time here is appreciated. Please remember to use the new Term 1 2013 menu. Thanks Helen

Thursday April 4th—Help Needed
Friday April 5th—Sandra Antonelli
Monday April 8th—Tamara Bastow
Tuesday April 9th—Clare O’Sullivan
Thursday April 11th—Help Needed
Friday April 12th—Maria UDall
Monday April 15th—Helen Holland
Tuesday April 16th—Help Needed
Thursday March 14th—Help Needed
Friday March 15th—Help Needed

UNIFORM SHOP

Uniform Shop Hours
8.30am to 9.30am
TUESDAY MORNINGS

NB: The Uniform Shop will be closed on Tuesday Dec 4th.

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.

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Resident Priest – Fr Tam Lai / Fr Tai Trinh
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.
AUTISM RESEARCH

DOES A CHILD OR ADOLESCENT IN YOUR FAMILY HAVE AN AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER?

We are looking for families to participate in important research studies to better understand this disorder and find new and effective therapies.

To find out more, contact us and become part of future discoveries into Autism.

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