



# LIWARA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Newsletter No 1 9 February 2017

5 Tuart Street Greenwood

9448 3811

## CALENDAR

### February

- Fri 10 9am Certificate Assembly
- Fri 10 6pm New Parent Sundowner
- Sun 19 9am Family Mass
- Sun 19 P&F Busy Bee (TBC)
- Wed 22 9am Volunteer's Workshop
- 25 & 26 Sacramental Enrolment Weekend
- Tue 28 7pm Theology of Sacraments Parent Workshop

### March

- Wed 1 9am Ash Wednesday Mass
- Thur 2 School Swimming Carnival
- Thur 2 6-8pm Protective Behaviours Parent Workshop



Gracious God,  
as the summer begins to fade,  
new possibilities lie on the horizon.

Bless all of those who are beginning  
or returning to their roles as teachers  
and catechists as well as those who  
lead and support them in their efforts.  
May this school year be a time of grace  
and potential as they teach, share,  
and challenge others to grow in faith,  
knowledge, and wisdom.

Bless children and youth, along with  
their parents, as they begin a new  
school year.  
May their minds be open to learning  
and to the wonder of discovery and  
insight.

Be with us all as we embark on this  
new year.  
Amen.

## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families

It has been wonderful to have the students arrive at school this year in such a calm and settled manner. Thank you to all parents and carers who have played a significant role in allowing this to occur. The staff and I look forward to working alongside you as we journey together in 2017 to engage the students in purposeful learning opportunities. With the full support of our parents, we strive to educate the students in contemporary and collaborative spaces so that they can take risks and develop into confident and faith filled individuals.

What a great way to begin the second week of the school year, gathering as a community at our Parent Information Evening on Tuesday. It was an opportune time to get to meet our new staff and to share classroom information about the experiences and expectations your children will be involved with this year.

For those families with siblings attending Kindy this year, the staff would like to thank you for dropping the older students to their classes first and for then bringing the Kindy students to class. A reminder that the Kindy doors will be open at 8.40am so please try and be in the room by 8.45am each morning.

On Monday 13 February all families will be receiving important forms and your fee statement for Term 1. Could you please fill in and return the relevant forms and any changes in family details to the school by **Friday 17 February**.

An important reminder that any medication sent to school with a student must be handed in to the office with a Student Medication Form, signed by the medical practitioner who has prescribed the medication. The signed form must accompany the medication for the office staff to administer it to your child. The forms are available on the school website:- <http://web.liwara.wa.edu.au/index.php/chaplaincy>

**SUNDAY  
19 FEBRUARY '17  
FAMILY MASS  
9.00AM**

### 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@parthcatholic.org.au](mailto:greenwood@parthcatholic.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 (a novena every 2nd Saturday of month)

Reconciliation: Saturday 9.30am-10.00am and 5.00pm-5.30pm or by request.

247 GREENWOOD YOUTH GROUP

For all youth in Years 6-12

Meets every Sunday night 6.30-8pm in the A.Hern Centre. For more information call Lynn 0452 413 942

## PROTECTIVE BEHAVIOURS

On **Thursday 2 March** a trained Protective Behaviours WA facilitator, Holly-Ann Martin will be at Liwara to run a staff workshop from 3.30—5.00pm and she will be running a parent workshop on the same evening from 6.00pm-8.00pm. It is extremely important that all parents make a concerted effort to attend this important child protection workshop so that you are informed of the importance of running programs such as this for our students and I know you will leave with a deeper understanding of the program. Please put this date in your diary as it will be an opportune time for any parents who have any questions or concerns about the program to speak directly to Holly-Ann.

Protective Behaviours WA is Western Australia's leading prevention education organisation working in WA and Internationally to prevent child abuse. The Protective Behaviours Program is child-focused, and informed by a fundamental belief that children have a right to physical and psychological safety at all times, and that we as individuals, parents, communities and governments must play a part in protecting children of all ages and walks of life. The programs seek to prevent child abuse by providing greater awareness and understanding; as well as providing the tools and strategies for individuals, organisations, parents, families and communities to address and deal with these issues.

All classes, except the Year Ones will be working with the Protective Behaviours Program this term. The Year One teachers, in collaboration with Jane Evans, our school Social Worker, believe at this age the students benefit from starting the year with the FunFriends Program, which comes under the "Friends for Life" program that is mentioned in the Kidsmatter website:-

<https://www.kidsmatter.edu.au/primary/about-kidsmatter-primary/framework> as a recognised program.

In Term Two the students in Year One will be working with the Protective Behaviours Program. As part of the Strategic Plan 2015-2018 under the area of Learning, one of the Strategic Priorities was to *"...Build on the KidsMatter Framework to raise the resilience and well-being of students.."* therefore in 2016 & again in 2017, one of our Smart Goals in the Annual School Improvement Plan has been *"....to increase and broaden the number of resilience and well being programs offered in the school ..."* Working closely with Jane Evans, our Social Worker we are growing these programs and encourage you to talk to your children about the weekly lessons from the Parent Newsletter/Information Sheets that are sent home by the teachers via Skoolbag each week. [KidsMatter](#) is a national initiative focusing on children's mental health and wellbeing. The seven guiding principles are:

1. The best interests of children are paramount.
2. Respectful relationships are foundational
3. Diversity is respected and valued.
4. Parents and carers are recognised as the most important people in children's lives.
5. Parents and teachers support children best by working together.
6. Students need to be active participants.
7. Schools, health and community agencies work together with families.

God Bless  
Andrea Millar

## FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

### TERM 1 FAMILY MASS

The first Family Mass for the year will be celebrated at 9.00am on Sunday 19 February. We would like as many families as possible to be involved in these Masses. A letter has been sent out asking families to be involved in a variety of roles, ie Commentator, Reader, Altar Server, Offertory. Please return the slip at the bottom of the letter if you would like to participate. A reminder that we request students wear their full summer school uniform to the Family Mass. As a celebration for attending and for wearing their school uniform at Sunday's Family Mass, students may come to school in casual free dress on the following Monday.

### ASSEMBLY

The first assembly will be a Certificate Assembly to be held on Friday 10 February.

### VOLUNTEER WORKSHOP

The Volunteer Workshop for parents will be offered on Wednesday 22 February in the Enrichment Room from 9 - 10 am. The first part of the workshop will cover guidelines for all parent volunteers, those wishing to assist in the classrooms, as well as for those wanting to be part of the Support-a-reader Program. The second part of the workshop will cover the training for our Support-a-reader program. This training offers practical ways of assisting and supporting students as they develop their reading proficiency.



**CATHOLIC EDUCATION**  
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Dear parents and caregivers

Welcome to the start of the 2017 school year. This year promises to be full of exciting new opportunities and possibilities for your child in Catholic Education.

If you are new to our system, I would like to extend a very warm welcome to you and your family. I am delighted that you have chosen to join the Catholic Education Western Australia system, which provides a faith-based education and inspires a passion for learning and discovery for more than 75,000 students in 163 school communities right across the State.

You are joining Catholic Education at an exciting time of system success, growth and transformation.

In 2016, one of the many encouraging indicators of the success of our system was the WACE achievement of our Year 12s. Approximately 96 percent of CEWA students achieved a WACE, above the total State average, while CEWA students improved their Median ATAR again to 81.95, and were awarded a total of 3,178 VET Certificate 2 or higher.

In the past four years, our system has grown with the opening of seven new schools and colleges. Early Years Learning and Care is a key focus for us moving forward in 2017 as we seek to offer exceptional learning experiences for children in a vital period of their development, while meeting the needs of today's families.

This year we aim to reimagine collaborative learning at every school across our system by implementing our digital transformation initiative, LEADing Lights. LEADing Lights is a single digital eco-system, designed to equip students with the 21<sup>st</sup> century technologies and deep learning skills that will best prepare them for the future. Much work is underway in this space to ensure that this initiative supports world-class learning and development experiences for both students and staff.

Catholic schools rely on the contribution of parish, staff, students and parents working in partnership to sustain their vibrancy, educational excellence, and faith life. With your support and involvement in your child's learning, the efforts of our dedicated staff and Principals, we will ensure that our Catholic schools help your child reach toward their God-given potential.

Thank you for your continued support and I wish you all the best for the year ahead.

Yours sincerely

Dr Tim McDonald  
Executive Director, Catholic Education Western Australia



Date: **9 February 2017**

Your Ref:

A Global City: Bold | Creative | Prosperous

Enquiries: **Parking Services  
9400 4040**

Our Ref: **101871**

Dear School Principal,

#### **SAFETY AROUND SCHOOLS**

In an effort to provide a safer environment for everyone City of Joondalup Officers will be conducting patrols of school parking in the mornings and afternoons throughout the school term.

Vehicles which park contrary to parking signage around schools are a major hazard and impact on the safety of children, pedestrians and other road users in these areas. It is imperative that drivers are aware of, and park in accordance with, the parking conditions which apply in near schools.

As part of this initiative Officers will be using patrol vehicles, which have been fitted with Licence Plate Recognition (LPR) cameras, to capture digital images of vehicles which are parked contrary to parking requirements near schools. Any infringement notices, issued as part of these patrols, will be sent via mail to the registered owner of the vehicle.

It would be appreciated if this information could be included in your school newsletters in order to remind parents and caregivers of their responsibility in ensuring that they park correctly near schools.

Yours sincerely



**MALCOLM JENKINSON**  
Manager Rangers Parking and Community Safety

# GENERAL SCHOOL NEWS

# UNIFORM SHOP CANTEEN NEWS

## NEW OPENING HOURS

Monday 8.00am -9.15am & 2.30pm 3.15pm  
Friday 8.00am -8.50am **Class Assembly days only**

If you are unable to visit the Uniform Shop during normal opening hours - we are happy to help you out via classroom deliveries. Go to the services section on the Liwara website and choose the Uniform Shop. Print out an order form - complete and either return to school via your child's class teacher or email directly back to the uniform shop. Orders will be processed and delivered to the classrooms every Monday.



Year 1's all wearing the new school uniform.

## OLD UNIFORMS

As you are aware, Liwara is currently introducing the new uniform and phasing out the old style school uniforms. The upper school students are still able to wear the old style uniform and may require new sizes.

If you have any of the old uniforms that are in good, wearable condition, and you are willing to part with them, can you please drop them to the uniform shop. We really appreciate it.

## HELP REQUIRED

We are desperately seeking Volunteers in the Canteen this term, we would appreciate any amount of time that you can spare to assist, just pop into the Canteen and let me know your availability.

The Menu for Term 1 is now on Skoolbag, so please place your orders from this Menu.

Many thanks  
Helen Miller

FRIDAY	10 Feb	HELP REQUIRED
MONDAY	13 Feb	Michelle Richards
TUESDAY	14 Feb	Sharon Lund
THURSDAY	16 Feb	Kathryn Edwards
FRIDAY	17 Feb	HELP REQUIRED
MONDAY	20 Feb	HELP REQUIRED
TUESDAY	21 Feb	HELP REQUIRED
THURSDAY	23 Feb	HELP REQUIRED
FRIDAY	24 Feb	HELP REQUIRED

# SOCIAL WORKER'S CORNER

I warmly welcome back families and new families to Liwara as we start another busy and productive year at school.

Briefly in news that will be of interest to parents....

On Thursday 2 March, staff will be involved in another workshop presented by Holly-Ann Martin, Director and Founder of Safe 4 Kids. Teaching and support staff will be having a refresher workshop of Holly-Ann's 10 week Protective Behaviours lesson plan, which they will be able to utilise in each of the learning areas of school environment. The lesson plans have been designed as a preventative measure to combat child abuse by providing children with clear messages regarding inappropriate behaviour. This allows them to identify unsafe situations, recognise their early warning signs, and seek help immediately - and to persist in seeking help until they feel safe again.

**A Parent Information Session will be held at Liwara also on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, from 6pm to 8pm at which Holly-Ann Martin will present parents with an overview of the concepts of the Protective Behaviours program and talk through current issues parents are faced with.** It will be a wonderful opportunity for parents to gain a deeper understanding and appreciation of the program.

Attached are the details of the information session. Please confirm your attendance via email to: [admin@liwara.wa.edu.au](mailto:admin@liwara.wa.edu.au) no later than Wednesday 1 March 2017.

Jane Evans

*School Social Worker*

*Liwara Catholic Primary School, Greenwood -*

*MONDAYS and WEDNESDAYS 8am to 4pm Ph:9448 3811*

# Sustainable Living

**WRAPPER free**

*wednesdays*

Our first 'Wrapper free day' (lunch and recess) will take place on WEDNESDAY Feb 15 and will continue of 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 & take-away 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.

Some facts:

Australians send 1 million tons of plastic waste to landfill each year. Do your part to make a change.

Why use something for a few seconds that is going to spend the rest of its life trying to break down in landfill.





## MINDARIE REGIONAL COUNCIL EARTH CARERS TRAINING PROGRAM MARCH 2017



DATE	VENUE	TOPIC	PRESENTERS	PUBLIC TRANSPORT OPTIONS
<b>Tuesday 7 March</b> 6.00-8.30pm	City of Wanneroo Depot 1204 Wanneroo Road Ashby, 6065	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tour of Depot with information regarding waste/recycling collection, problems and issues.</li> <li>• Introduction to course, history of waste and disposal with current practices in Perth.</li> <li>• What is an Earth Carer's role in waste management and how can the community be involved?</li> </ul> <p><b>Course starts promptly at 6pm. Please endeavor to be at the venue 10 minutes prior.</b></p>	Peg Davies (Waste Education Officer at MRC)  Officers from City of Wanneroo - Clyde, Dan and Rob	MRC staff will pick up from Currambine train station at 5.30pm or Bus 468 from Whitfords Station.  For Google map of Wanneroo Depot <a href="#">click here</a>  <i>(within the City of Wanneroo Ashby Animal Care Centre complex)</i>
<b>Saturday 11 March</b> 10am-3.00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Resource Recovery Facility Pederick Road, Neerabup</li> <li>• Tamala Park Landfill site 1700 Marmion Avenue, Tamala Park, 6303</li> </ul>	Tour will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Composting facility.</li> <li>• Landfill and tip shop.</li> <li>• Includes discussion on household hazardous waste.</li> </ul> <p><b>Bus for the tour will leave at 10am sharp from City of Stirling offices, 25 Cedric Street, Stirling, 6025</b></p>	Peg Davies (Waste Education Officer at MRC)	MRC provides a bus for the tour.  The bus can also pick up attendees from Stirling Station at 10.10am.  For Google map of City of Stirling offices <a href="#">click here</a>
<b>Tuesday 14 March</b> 5.30-8.00pm  <i>Please note earlier start time.</i>	City Farm Lime Street Off Royal Street East Perth, 6004	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tour of City Farm.</li> <li>• Recycling options and gaps, what is/is not available in local areas.</li> <li>• Local Council recycling services.</li> <li>• Recycling at work.</li> <li>• Green/non-toxic cleaning methods.</li> </ul>	City Farm staff - Rosanne/Thom  Dora Deluca (Permaculture teacher, Manager Wilderness Soc)  Peg Davies (MRC)	Claisebrook train station next to venue.  For Google map of City Farm <a href="#">click here</a>
<b>Saturday 18 March</b> 10am-2.00pm	West Leederville Community Garden(next to Bowling Club) 56 Cambridge Street West Leederville, 6007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Options for domestic organic waste solutions and community responses.</li> </ul> <p><b>Please park your vehicle on the grassed area behind the sealed 'paid parking' car park.</b></p>	Rob and Brenda from Environment House  Peg Davies (MRC)	250m Leederville Station, 400m West Leederville Station, or bus route 82, 85, 92 from Roe Street bus station on Cambridge Street.  For Google map of West Leederville Community Garden <a href="#">click here</a>
<b>Tuesday 21 March</b> 6.00-8.30pm	REmida 1 Prospect Place West Perth, 6065  Enter off Charles Street from <del>north bound</del> side only (divided road)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How to use the knowledge at home, work, schools, neighbourhoods and events. Hints, tips and ideas.</li> <li>• Where to now?</li> <li>• Tour of REmida and reusing industrial waste.</li> </ul>	Peg Davies (MRC)  Earth Carer stories – Karen Thompson	Bus 889 from Roe St bus station, 400m walk from Fitzgerald Street.  For Google map of REmida <a href="#">click here</a>
<b>Tuesday 28 March</b> 6.30-8.30pm	Mindarie Regional Council Administration Building 1700 Marmion Avenue Tamala Park, 6030	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation to graduating Earth Carers.</li> <li>• Talk on relevant topic.</li> </ul>	MRC staff  Speaker to be confirmed	For Google map of Victoria Park Council offices <a href="#">click here</a>

All sessions will include a meal. Resources will be provided for each session.

For further information contact:  
**Peg Davies**  
 Phone: 0422 941 492, Email: [pdavies@mrc.wa.gov.au](mailto:pdavies@mrc.wa.gov.au)





## UNI FORM SHOP

New Opening Days & Times

Monday 8am - 9.15am

& 2.30pm - 3.15pm

Class Assembly Fridays only

8.00am - 8.50am

Please direct enquiries to

[uniformshop@liwara.wa.edu.au](mailto:uniformshop@liwara.wa.edu.au)

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



## CANTEEN

Contact Helen: 9447 5133

## Outside School Hours Care

Before & After School Care

Vacations Care

Contact Centre Supervisors

**0477 994 123**

PLEASE BOOK NOW  
TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT



## 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.*