



Upcoming events:

- 27 Aug: Book Fair
- 28 Aug: G2 & 5 incursions for Science
- 28 Aug 7pm: School Advisory Board
- 29 Aug: G3 Reflection day
- 29 Aug 2.30pm: G4 families conversation re sleepover
- 31 Aug: 8am Coffee & Cake; 9am Mass; 10am Gift stall for Fathers Day
- 3 SEPT: SCHOOL CLOSED**
- 6 Sept: G6 transition day
- 7 Sept 9am: Prep G class liturgy

ST LAWRENCE SCHOOL PRAYER.

Loving God,

Help us to follow St Lawrence's example

By **GIVING** care to the poor,

By **LOVING** you with all our hearts,

And by **LEARNING** to be the best we can.

Amen.

*Jesus, you are the face of compassion
hidden in each human life.
Give us eyes to see and ears to hear
the needs of our brothers and sisters.
Give us loving and generous hearts,
ready to reach out to you in every person we meet.*

REMINDER

Please note that the school will be closed on Monday 3 September for staff professional learning.

FATHERS' DAY EVENTS

Dads, grandads and uncles are invited to 'Coffee & Cake' at 8am on Friday 31 August. Please send back the reply slip so we can organise catering. At 9am all families are welcome to join us for our school Mass for Fathers' Day. We will also have a gift stall at 10 am selling gifts for \$5. Any volunteers willing to help with the stall should contact Maryanne in the school office.

FEAST DAY CELEBRATIONS

On Friday 10 August we celebrated our feast day. Bishop Mark Edwards and Fr Rowan celebrated Mass. Fr Karmel Borg was a special guest and our statues of Saint Lawrence & Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop were blessed. The students participated in activities throughout the day facilitated by the Grade 6 student leaders.



Bishop Mark Edwards and Grade 6 students blessing the statue of Saint Lawrence

CRAZY HAIR DISCO

Thank you to all the students and families who attended the disco. A big thank you also to 'Team Bella' who sold merchandise to support our fundraising for Tristan and Suzie. We



are pleased to inform you that we raised \$2,123 which we will be giving to Tristan and Suzie's families to help them with medical bills.

INDONESIAN PHRASES

You may like to practise these at home:

- Silakan rapikan** (Please pack up)
- Silakan rapikan bahan-bahanmu** (Please pack up your materials)

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Our Grade 6 students will be receiving the sacrament of Confirmation this Sunday at St Peter Chanel church. We ask the school community to please pray for them.

Please come along to help us celebrate our Father's Day Mass in the Community Centre Hall on Friday 31 August at 9am. Mass will take place after the 'Coffee and Cake' morning for all of our fathers, grandfathers and the special men in the lives of our students.



Our Grade 3 students are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. This will take place at St. Peter Chanel Church on 10, 11 and 12 September. Please keep these children in your prayers.

Our next Parish Mass at St. Lawrence School will be on Sunday 16 September at 4.30pm. All parishioners and school community members are warmly invited to attend.

REPORT FROM GRADE 5 ABOUT THEIR EXCURSION TO THE METRO TUNNEL

On Tuesday 14 August the grade 5 students went to explore Melbourne's transport systems. As part of our Inquiry unit this term, we are looking at different innovations so this gave us lots of ideas for our upcoming Challenge Based Learning task. We had the opportunity to visit the Metro Tunnel HQ Information Centre where we had the opportunity to think about different innovations we could create, explore sections of the Metro Tunnel worksite where we saw the machinery in action and we were able to watch an archaeological dig! It was really exciting to be able to see the Metro Tunnel in action using the virtual reality goggles. Did you know that in 2031 the area of Brimbank is estimated to have an additional 36,000 people and Melbourne is estimated to have a population of 8 million people by 2051? That's a lot of people needing to get around! To get more of an understanding of Melbourne's history and our transport network we also went on a guided tour around Flinders Street Station. Listening to the ideas behind the building's design and how much the station has changed as our population has increased was incredible! We would like to thank Mr Robb for his hard work organising this excursion, the grade 5 teachers and we would like to send a huge thank you to our parent helpers Joanne, Trish, Amos, Vineeth, Fiona, Jen and Trish!



OUR SCHOOL EXPECTATIONS:

BE SAFE
BE READY
BE RESPECTFUL
BE RESILIENT

SCHOOL FEES REMINDER

Please ensure that your school fees are up to date. If you are paying by internet transfer, please make sure that you put your surname and the account number in the description to assist in processing your payment to the correct account.

NEW WEBSITE

On Monday 27 August we will launch a new school website. We have included many new photos of our students and the school grounds and we encourage you to have a look. The new website will include more news items and photo galleries.

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BOOK WEEK

The courtyard was awash with colour on Monday 20 August and it seemed that many of the characters that we have grown to love and cherish had stepped out of their books and into our school yard. From Prep to grade 6 children and staff dressed up as their favourite story book character and paraded class by class around the courtyard to the delight of the audience. We all love Book Week dress up day, we are always impressed by the efforts families and staff put into the dress ups and we know it is worth it when we see the children's excitement. Dress up day is the start of our Book week celebrations. This week the children have special Book Week activities in Reading time with a different teacher each day. Also, every morning this week the Discovery Centre will be open and one of the staff will be reading their favourite book. Next week, we will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair. The fair will be open to families before and after school as well as at lunchtime each day.

**BOOK FAIR**

St Lawrence is getting ready for the 2018 Scholastic Book Fair. It starts at lunchtime Monday 27 August until lunchtime Friday 31 August in the Discovery Centre. Students can bring money to school and purchase books. Families are welcome to come in with their child before or after school, we will remain opened until 4pm. This is a great opportunity to get our kids reading!! Hope to see you at our Book Fair.

CYBERSAFETY WORKSHOPS

On Monday 13 August, the Grade 5 and 6 students participated in Cyber Safety workshops. Trent and Sam from the 'Cyber Safety Project' spoke to the students about the importance of being safe online and being aware of the spaces that we enter when using the internet.

"A 'me' space is a space that only you can access, a 'we' space is a space that you can allow people to come into and a 'see' space is where anyone can come into it without asking" – Luke P, 5S.

The children also engaged in some learning around the consequences of sharing personal information with others online.

"I learnt that you shouldn't put any of your personal information on the internet because it can be dangerous and lead others to where you live" – Nicholas, 5G.

"It is important that people we know are the only ones that have access to what we want, such as our address, otherwise it's not safe" – Hilarie, 6T.

"One thing that really shocked me was that 45% of people experienced different kinds of unsafe stuff online" – Marben, 5H.

"Did you know 48% of people go on social media before the legal age of 13? I found this interesting and surprising" – Aidan, 6D.

The Grade 5 and 6 families were also invited to a family learning night later that evening to develop greater awareness of the dangers associated with publishing content online and to take away tools and strategies for encouraging safe practices at home. Thank you to the families who attended.

THE RESILIENCE PROJECT

**GRATITUDE
EMPATHY
MINDFULNESS**

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GRADE 4 'TASTER DAY' AT CAROLINE CHISHOLM CATHOLIC COLLEGE
by Jayden in 4M

On Wednesday 15 August, the grade 4s got to have a taste of high school when we visited Caroline Chisholm Catholic College. We experienced making slime during a fun science activity and played all sorts of wonderful instruments. Goodies were involved too! We got to do some experimenting during science and lots of fun practising on the instruments like the keyboard, percussion instruments and the guitar.

**ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**

We are very proud of our students who represented our school so well at the athletics carnival. They tried their best as well as displaying positive behaviour.

**PLEASE NOTE**

- Derrimut's postcode will change after 31 August to 3026
- Along with mobile phones, students must hand in Apple watches or other smart watches to the office. We have observed students using Apple watches to play games during learning time. We encourage students to leave them at home

COMMUNITY NEWS

MARIAN COLLEGE are excited to announce our Production of Hairspray Jr

DATES: Wed 29 August – Saturday 1 September

TIMES: Doors Open 7pm. Showtime 7:30pm

TICKETS: \$14

VENUE: Marian College Auditorium, 196 Glengala Rd, West Sunshine

TO BOOK: www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=399191

CRC ST ALBANS is hosting a 'LOVE ASIA NIGHT' on Monday 17 September from 6-8pm at 10 Theodore St, St Albans. There will be performances, lantern making, food, karaoke, Asian cuisine and a lantern parade. Contact Tung Phan on 9366 2544 for more details.

JOSEPH'S CORNER is a non-profit support service for families living with alcohol and drug addiction. They are hosting a Trivia Night on Saturday 13 October at 7pm at St Augustine's parish hall, corner Birmingham St and Somerville Rd, Yarraville. Tickets are \$15 per person. BYO food and drinks. For more details phone 9315 2680 or email: contact@josephscorner.org.au

BRIMBANK LITTLE ATHLETICS is hosting a 'Come & Try Day' on Saturdays 1 & 15 September 10am to 12pm at Sassella Park, 119 Station Rd, Deer Park. For more information email: brimbank@lavic.com.au