Learning - Education

New Reporting Format: The staff members have been inserviced on the changes to the new reporting templates and assessments of students. The parents will be advised of the changes closer to the end of term.

Performance Management Appraisals: These are going well. All Educational Assistants have now been appraised and have set goals to further develop as educators within the school.

Professional Development: The Leadership Team attended a professional development. On ‘Differentiated Instruction’. The ‘Differentiated Instruction’ is the way in which we as educators anticipates and responds to a variety of student needs in the classroom. To meet the student needs, teachers differentiate by modifying the content (what is being taught), the process (how it is taught) and the product (how students demonstrate their learning).

Although as educators we endeavour to cater for the needs of each individual student, it is an area we have identified as requiring further development. Deb and I will be guiding the staff in the future.

Robotics Program: The robotics program has now been formulated into the curriculum. Under Mrs Ioppolo’s guidance, the students are designing and creating their own robots. This is part of the 21st Century learning program we have introduced at the school.

NAPLAN Assessments: The Years 3 & 5 students are completing these assessments this week. These assessments will be completed by Thursday.
**Engagement – Community**

St Columba’s Day with South Perth: The students will be celebrating St Columba’s Feast Day with the St Columba’s School South Perth students. Our Years 1-3 will be travelling to South Perth and their Years 4-6 will be travelling to our school. Both schools are coordinating a BBQ, ice cream and fruit box. The students will be participating in tabloid sports as well as lunchtime activities.

**Accountability - Governance**

Staff Taking Leave/Long Service Leave:

- Laura Gotti will be getting married this weekend and will be absent from work for the next couple of weeks. Trish Dawson will be relieving.
- Caroline Brewer will be taking LSL during the first 5 weeks of Term 3. Marinella Fasolo will be relieving in Caroline’s class during her absence.
- Ali Martin will be taking LSL during the 2nd five weeks of Term 3. Trish Dawson will be relieving in Ali’s class during her absence.

Stage 6 Building Program: The Stage 6 Building Program is currently running on schedule with the second storey concrete being poured later this week. The undercroft is also on schedule and should be completed by the end of Term 2.

**Discipleship – Catholic Identity**

Community Mass: Very positive response from the community in this occasion. Thank you to those who attended the celebration.

Mothers’ Day Mass: A very positive response to the celebration. It was great to see the church full of mothers and grandmothers.

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