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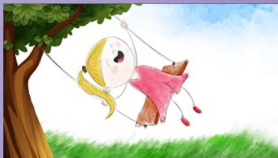
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2024 Parent Information Night

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Welcome to Country

In recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people's spiritual and cultural connection to the *Country*, we acknowledge the traditional custodians of the Wurundjeri lands on which we meet today and where we will educate future generations of children.

We recognise the continued care of the lands and waterways, passed down from generation to generation, wisdom that is shared and life that is celebrated in harmony with the natural environment.

We honour the Elders, past and present who have laid the foundations, traditions and culture of reemerging Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and we commit ourselves to working together for reconciliation and justice.

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Opening Prayer

Matthew: 5:14-16

You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel basket; it is set on a lampstand, where it gives light to all in the house. Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father.

Mark 9: 36-37

He took a child and put them in the midst of them and taking them in his arms, he said to them: 'Whoever receives one such child in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me receives not me but the one who sent me.'

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others."

1 Peter 4:10

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School Vision

With Christ as our guide and in a spirit of authentic partnership,
St Lawrence of Brindisi Catholic Primary School
is committed to developing a culture of nurturing relationships and
dynamic learning, pursuing fullness of life for all.

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A Typical School Week at St Lawrence

At St Lawrence of Brindisi we recognise that a typical school week is a balance between routine and flexibility:

- Every child should engage in 10 hours of English learning (5 hours of reading and 5 hours of writing)
- and 5 hours of Mathematics spread across the week
- Other learning areas are covered either as a specialist learning area, for example, Visual Arts, or in our Investigations time
- Religious Education is covered for 2 ½ hours a week. This will often be integrated with other learning areas
- Our language learning program is Auslan, which the children learn every day.
- All of our teachers engage in collaborative planning every week. This ensures that they are planning carefully to meet the needs of every child and provide targeted adjustments if required
- The children have two recess times, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. The morning recess is followed by time to eat their lunch

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A Typical School Day

8:30 - Gates open

8:50 - Bell rings, learning time

10:50- 11:20 Recess

11:20-11:30 Eating time

11:30-1:30 Learning time

1:30-2:00 Afternoon play

2:00-2:10 Eating time

2:10-3:10 Learning time

3:10 Bell rings

3:30 Gates close

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- Any students starting late, needs to be signed in at the office
- Absences need to be communicated to the school
- All students allocated to a collection point

Kayla

Communication with the School

At St Lawrence of Brindisi we recognise that communication and partnership is critical:

-Parents and guardians are encouraged to talk with teachers if they have a concern or question about their child's transition progress.

-It is critical parents provide us with all information relevant to their child, for example, any health concerns, changes of address and emergency contact details.

-Any external reports should have already been shared with the school, so that we as a staff can have a wholistic picture of your child and support their transition to school. The more knowledge we have about your child, the better informed we are to create an inclusive and supportive environment for them.

-You know your child best! If there is something you think would help teachers and staff build a strong trusting relationship with your child, please communicate this with our team.

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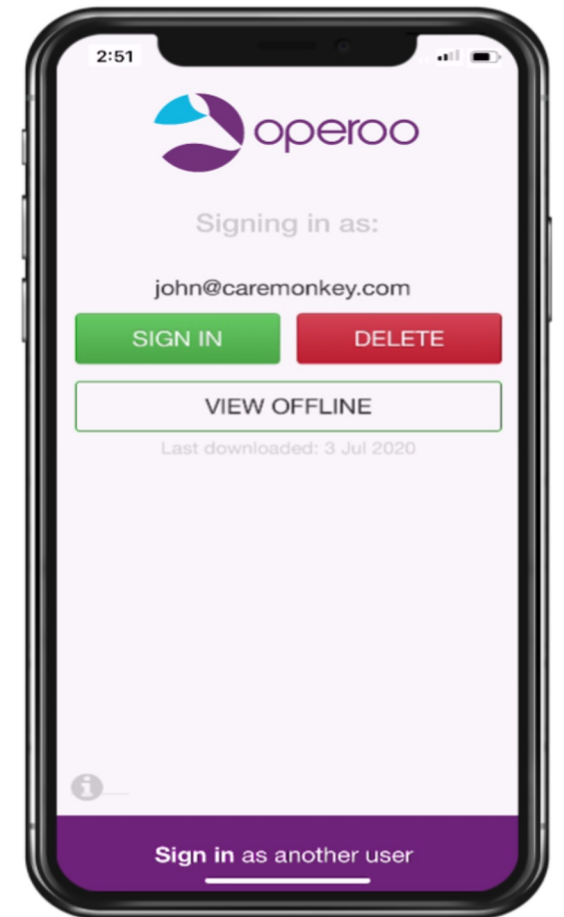
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Communication with the School

-In the event of an emergency parents will be notified but must not come to school to collect their children until we have communicated with you that it is safe to do so.

-Parents and guardians must complete all necessary documents sent via **Operoo**, prior to any excursion or camp. We cannot take children from the school grounds without parent permission.



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Important Information - Parent & Guardian Partnerships

At St Lawrence of Brindisi, one of our core areas of focus is to act in a spirit of partnership with parents. There are many ways that parents and guardians can engage in the life of St Lawrence's and have an active voice in the ongoing development of our community:

- **School Advisory Council:** This group plays a critical role. While not a governing authority, the SAC provides advice and support to school leadership. This group includes members of the school leadership team, a parishioner and eight parents.
- Interested parents and guardians can make expressions of interest to be appointed to this group and serve for a term of three years with a maximum of three terms. The SAC usually meets twice a term, in Week Three and Seven). The SAC and this will be vital in the development of our new school community.
- **School Community Team:** Formerly called a P&F, the focus of this team is not simply fundraising but more importantly, to build a strong sense of community between the parents and guardians and to build their partnership with the staff of St Lawrence of Brindisi.
- Parent volunteers.

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Sun Smart Policy

Summer hat must be worn during Term One and Four.

Sunscreen is available for students to apply prior to going outside to play.

If your child has sensitive skin, you may provide them with a specific sunscreen, or apply this before starting school.

During transition sessions we will be going outside so we ask that parents and guardians ensure their child has a wide brimmed hat clearly labelled with their name to wear whilst outside.



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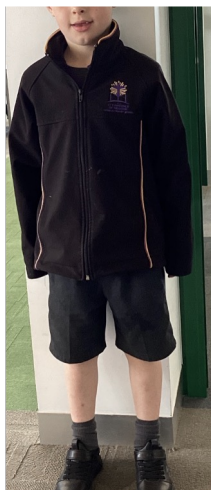
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Uniform

What to wear?
Summer/ Winter uniform
Sports uniform
Hats



How to order?
Physical shop or online



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Books and School Materials

Books and classroom resources are provided by the school. These are included within the school fees.

There is no need to purchase these from an outside provider.

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Medications

If your child requires medication it is important that you inform the school of this. There are procedures and protocols required for medications

Also if your child has any allergies or is in the process of being tested for allergies, we ask that you inform the school.

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When Your Child is Unwell

You can:

Fill this information in on the **Operoo** app

or

Contact the office directly

If your child is ill at school the school will contact you with the details on your enrolment form.

It is vital that these details are continuously kept up to date for this reason. Please notify the school of any changes to your contact or emergency contact details.

If you are planning a holiday, this must be communicated with Bill in writing first.

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2025 School Fees

School Fees:	per family	\$1 390
Curriculum (stationery) Levy	per student	\$360
Excursion Levy	per student	\$150
Capital Levy	per family	\$250
Technology Levy	per student	\$85
TOTAL PAYABLE (for a one child family)		\$2 235

Curiosity LC (Grade 3&4) Camp	\$275	A two-day, one-night camp
Challenge LC (Grade 5/6) Camp	\$400	A three-day, two-night camp

- Families with a Health Care Card can claim a rebate on fees
- Forms must be completed by the due date indicated by the school bursar
- Further information can be provided by Emma in the admin office

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Important Information: OSHC

Before and After school care, and vacation care is provided on-site by KellyClub. This is a paid service and is not run by the school.

Costs:

Before School: 6.30 - 8.30am
Days

Permanent: \$21
to \$45 extra for event or

Casual: \$23
excursion days

After School: 3.15 - 6.30pm

Permanent: \$29

Casual: \$31

Vacation Care: (9 weeks)+ Student Free

\$65 per day plus up

Contact:

Puneet Dhillon

Tel: 0421 834 994

stlawrence@kellyclub.com.au



Child Care Subsidy can be deducted from these amounts if you are eligible.

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MULTI-SPORT PROGRAMME



Kelly Sports multi-sport programmes take place once a week at the children's school, so they don't need to travel to their activity.

Kelly Sport programmes allow children to participate in:

✓ Soccer	✓ Cricket	✓ Gymnastics
✓ AFL	✓ Touch rugby	✓ Handball
✓ Basketball	✓ Athletics	✓ Ultimate Frisby
✓ Netball	✓ Volleyball	✓ Golf
✓ T-ball	✓ Dodgeball	✓ Tennis
✓ Hockey	✓ Circus	

Our programmes teach children the essentials in a fun and enjoyable environment, improving their motor skills and coordination. Kids develop an enthusiasm for sport which gives them the confidence to join sports clubs and teams in the future.

This programme is best suited for Prep – Year 4 students.

Specific term-time sports can also be facilitated for Year 4-6 students to complement existing team sports.

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DANCE PROGRAMME



Kelly Sports Dance programmes take place once a week at the children's school.

Students will have a fantastic time learning new moves in our high-intensity, excitement-filled dance environment. Our experienced coaches incorporate lots of fun through dance-related games and activities.

Styles of dance covered

✓ Cheerleading	✓ Jazz/Funk
✓ Modern Contemporary	✓ Hip Hop

The programme aims to:

1. Increase the students' awareness of dance, creative movement and music.
2. Introduce them to different styles of traditional and modern dance.
3. Increase their flexibility, coordination, creativity and confidence.
4. Enable students to perform a choreographed dance and create their own routine.

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FUNDAMENTAL MOVEMENT-SKILLS PROGRAMME



This Kelly Sports programme is designed to teach children the fundamentals of sport. It is all-inclusive with high participation.

We aim to develop and enhance the following skills: running, jumping, catching, throwing, skipping, kicking and striking.

Fundamental movement skills form an important part of a child's development and enable them to develop the specific skills required for sport, games and recreation, preparing them for a healthy, active life.

This programme recognises that children love to play games and learn best while actually doing, often without even realising that they are practising certain skills.

By playing games, we engage all children and ensure the sessions are positive, fun and encouraging.

The programme improves children's self-esteem, confidence, concentration, positive well-being and teaches social development skills like cooperation, communication, fair play and interaction.

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COACHING & OFFICIALS



Kelly Sports can officiate or coach football, soccer, netball and basketball at your next inter-school competition. Just send us the draw, and we'll do the rest! We cover all your HR requirements and can tailor an induction for your school.

The Coaching & Officials programme covers the cost of:

- ✓ Uniforms as applicable
- ✓ Sourcing & recruitment of coaches and officials
- ✓ Allocation of coaches and officials to matches
- ✓ Insurance

"We engaged Kelly Sports to provide our umpires and we were really pleased with the quality of the officials they provided. They related to the kids with a professional approach and made good decisions. Kelly Sports were easy to work with. I just sent them the term's draw and they did the rest."

Stef Defran
Bialik College

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PRESCHOOL SPORTY SHORTIES PROGRAMME



Kelly Sports' preschool programme 'Sporty Shorties' is specially designed for preschool-aged children.

We've run sporting clinics in over 300 preschools and childcare centres around Australia, instilling a love of physical activity in young children. Each weekly session runs for 30 minutes and uses equipment suitable for 2.5 to 5-year-old children. All our coaches are rigorously screened and fully trained to run fun, engaging programmes in a safe and encouraging environment.

The Sporty Shorties programme includes all mainstream sports and helps preschool children improve their fine and gross motor skills, hand-eye coordination and foot-eye coordination. It also teaches social interaction, sharing and taking turns, concentration and listening, and empathy.

"It is a wonderfully inclusive programme, inspiring confidence in children of all abilities."

Maria Tzavellas
Centre Director, Villa Bambini

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HOLIDAY PROGRAMME



Kelly Sports facilitate over 40 Holiday Programmes across Australia and New Zealand. We focus on giving children aged 5-12 the opportunity to do things they enjoy in a safe, supportive and encouraging environment.

These programmes are packed with variety to entertain and inspire children and are full of exciting activities to ensure every kid has a great time.

"Kelly Sports have been a wonderful partner with helping Racing Victoria set up our Saddle Up School Holiday Programme. I couldn't have been happier with their enthusiasm and can-do approach. Friendly, engaging, hardworking, well presented – all that we could ask for and more. I look forward to a long relationship with Kelly Sports and could not recommend them more highly."

Nicole Coughlan
Marketing Manager, Community Racing Victoria

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2025 Start of Year Dates

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Thursday, January 30:

First day of school Exploration (Preps) only. 8.50am - 12.30pm. Testing Day for Grade 1-6

Friday, January 31 - Monday, February 3:

Whole School Testing Days: Exploration to Grade 6

Appointment times only - School Administration Team will provide details

Tuesday, February 4:

First Day: Grade 1 - 6 only. Testing Day for Exploration (Preps)

Wednesday, February 5

Prep Rest Day. G1 - 6 at school

Thursday, February 6:

First full school day: Prep to Grade 6

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Lunches - What to Pack

-It is important to not overpack lunch boxes as children can feel overwhelmed with the amount of time to eat all of these foods.

One example of how lunchboxes can look would be

One main food, a piece of fruit or vegetable and a snack.



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Lunches - What to Pack

- We strongly encourage parents **not** to send nut-based foods to school as this helps to keep all our children safe.
- Healthy snacks are recommended. Brainfood break.
- Please we ask parents, to not tell their child to 'Eat everything'. We are trying to promote social context, there are time constraints in school which differ from kinder. Children will eat what they eat. Teachers will not be enforcing children to eat everything in their lunch boxes.



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Preparing Your Child for School

- School is an exciting time. Build up the excitement and your child's confidence, by helping them to feel prepared.
- Practise opening and closing containers zippers on lunch boxes and school bags.
- Encourage your child to do things independently, such as putting on their school shoes and getting dressed. This eases the transition and can make school morning run much smoother.
- Pack together. It is important that your child knows what is theirs. When they are apart of the packing process, they are more confident to identify things if they are lost.

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Show Bags

We have prepared a show bag for you and your child. It contains relevant information that can support your family with the transition, such as Kelly Club information, Uniform guide and a copy of this booklet.

If you have any question about the information in the pack, please ask questions to any of the staff, as we are here to help.

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Questions

If you have any questions in regards to the transition process we are here to help and answer them.

If there are any questions that are pressing for you prior to the first transition please feel free to contact the office.

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