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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear members of the Lisieux community,

As our first full year in our new Stage 1 building facility draws to a close, we naturally begin to reflect on some of the highlights of the school year. What incredible learning opportunities and community-building memories we have shared this year. A few highlights that spring to mind are the Year 5/6 camp to Bruny Island; inaugural whole school production "What the Birds Saw"; sacramental celebrations; Lisieux School Ball; Beach Activities Day; installation of House murals; Great Victorian Bike Ride...to name a few. Perhaps more significantly, the day-to-day social, spiritual, physical and academic learning opportunities, both inside the traditional classroom and in our much-loved outdoor spaces, epitomise our vision of nurturing the growth of each individual. Personally, I feel so blessed and grateful to all members of our community for the incredible contribution to our Lisieux spirit they have shared.

To Father Linh Tran, our Parish Priest, we are grateful for your guidance and pastoral support. I would also like to acknowledge the ongoing contribution and great energy of both our Parents and Friends Committee and our School Advisory Council - these teams generously donate their time and wisdom to strengthen our community and ensure we are well resourced and committed to our school vision. To the parents and family members who assist in myriad ways with learning programs, who donate goods to our school, drop in to say hello or come to information sessions so we can be co-learners in best practice, thank you for your support.

I loudly and proudly tell anyone I can that we have the best staff team in the world. Their dedication and genuine commitment to each student's wellbeing is beyond compare. Parents can be assured that every single member of the staff team goes the extra mile to ensure the very best learning outcomes for our children, and it is a joy to be part of this vibrant team. Finally, I could not be more proud of our amazing group of students. Every day they surprise me as they model zest for learning, and develop their skills as caring, compassionate young members of society. We are lucky and blessed indeed.

Next Tuesday we will welcome 45 new Preps and 13 Year 1-5 students to our Orientation Morning. Prep 2020 and other new parents are encouraged to join me in the Multi-Purpose Room at 9:00am for a brief introduction to our learning community, after which tea and coffee will be served by members of our Parents and Friends Committee.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

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DECEMBER

Thur 5th Appreciation

Supper for parent

helpers CANCELLED

Fri 6th Outdoor Discovery

Excursion Prep-2 CareMonkey sent 27/11

Year 5/6 Star of the Sea visit 1:30pm – 2:30pm

Mon 9th December

Birthday Morning

Tea

Tues 10th Whole School

Transition Day 9:00am – 12noon

Market Fresh Incursion Prep &

Year 1

CareMonkey to come

Lisieux Advisory

Meeting 7:30pm

Fri 13th End of Year Mass

at Lisieux

9:30am-10:30am

Nativity Play &

Carols

2:30pm - 3:15pm

NEW TIME

Mon 16th Year 6 Graduation

Dinner &

Ceremony 6:00pm

Tues 17th Whole School

Beach Excursion

CareMonkey to come

Wed 18th Final Day Term 4

Early Finish 12:30pm

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There will be lots of opportunities to celebrate our school year over the next week. Please know that you are welcome to come to all or any that you can manage.

God's blessings for the week ahead,

Susan Ryan Principal

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PRAYER

Preparing our Hearts and asking for the Grace

We prepare this week by stepping up the longing. We move through this week by naming deeper and more specific desires.

Each morning this week, if even for that brief moment at the side of our beds, we want to light a second inner candle. We want to let it represent "a bit more hope." Perhaps we can pause, breathe deeply and say,

"Lord, I place my trust in you."

Each day this week, as we encounter times that are rushed, even crazy, we can take that deep breath, and make that profound prayer. Each time we face some darkness, some experience of "parched land" or desert, some place where we feel "defeated" or "trapped," we hear the words, "Our God will come to save us!"

The grace we desire for this week is to be able to hear the promise and to invite our God to come into those real places of our lives that dearly need God's coming. We want to be able to say:

"Lord, I place my trust in your promise. Please, Lord, rouse your power and come into this place in my life, this relationship, into this deep self-defeating pattern. Please come here and save me."

Each night this week we can look back over the day and give thanks for the moments of deep breath, that opened a space for more trust and confidence in God's fidelity to us. No matter how difficult the challenges we are facing - from the growing realization of our personal sinfulness, to any experience of emptiness or powerlessness, even in the face of death itself - we can give thanks for the two candles that faithfully push back the darkness. And, we can give thanks for the graces given us to believe that "Our God will come to save us" because we were given the courageous faith to desire and ask boldly.

Come, Lord Jesus. Come and visit your people. We await your coming. Come, O Lord.

TERM FOUR COUNTDOWN

WEEK 10 (WEEK TWO OF ADVENT)

Tuesday 10 December:

Transition Morning 9am-12noon all students and staff

Final Advisory Council 2019 meeting: 6:30pm

Friday 13 December:

End of Year Mass 9:30am, including presentation of awards;

Nativity Play and Carols 2:30pm

WEEK 11 (WEEK THREE OF ADVENT)

Monday 16 December:

Year 6 graduation ceremony and dinner 6-8pm. Tickets to be purchased from Reception.

Tuesday 17 December:

Final whole school beach excursion and hot chip lunch

Wednesday 18 December:

Classes conclude 12:30pm.

SCHOOL INFORMATION

Please note that a published calendar will be distributed to every Lisieux family before the end of the school year. This is a handy resource to keep in a visible place. An important date to note is the first day of school for Prep-Year 6 students in 2020: **Monday 3 February 8:45am**

PHOTO'S FROM THE WEEK

























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