FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear members of the Lisieux community,

As you would now be aware, a phased return to school for students will commence on Tuesday 26 May. Full details of how this will be managed at Lisieux, including protocols for students and parents will be sent to all families today in a separate correspondence. Please read the communication carefully. While the stages of the return have been mandated by the Victorian Government, the situation for every school will be slightly different. In our case, we have approximately 150 of our total 200 students in Prep -Year 2. Additionally, there are approximately 12-15 students per day attending school for remote supervised learning so this means we will have up to 80% of our student cohort back at school in Stage One. For this reason, it is essential that we follow very strict health and safety protocols. If your child is not in Prep-Year 2, and you are not working in essential services areas outside of the home, your child must wait until June 9 to return to school-based learning. It is also essential that parents avoid entry to the school or meeting in any way outside the school buildings. To minimise any risk of a second wave of COVID-19 in our region, these steps are vital.

You may be familiar with the work of two educational theorists if you have ever done any advanced study in education. Benjamin Bloom (known especially for his influence on the creation of Bloom's Taxonomy) was known for his work in promoting higher forms of thinking such as analysing, creating and evaluating. His model is widely used by educators to encourage students' deep thinking and learning in schools. Abraham Maslow was another theorist born in roughly the same period of history. He is well known for his development of the five-tiered model of human needs, including physiological needs (air, water, food, shelter, etc); safety needs; love and belonging; esteem; and, self-actualization (desire to become the most that one can be). As our Lisieux educators prepare for the return of students to school, we are engaging in discussions about both these theorists. Our position at Lisieux is that "Maslow must come before Bloom" especially in this critical time of reengagement and re-connection. What I mean by that is that student wellbeing, safety and sense of belonging will be prioritised over academic rigour for the remainder of Term Two. We know that levels of anxiety have risen for some children; for others, especially our Prep children, it will be like starting school again.

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SCHOOL CALENDAR



PRAYER

We will have a dedicated focus on helping children settle back in and feel confident with those around them, and their setting, in these coming weeks. This, in turn, will build a strong foundation for academic rigour in Term Three.



We congratulate the Cuolahan family (Courtney and Jason, Poppy (Year 3), Tex (Year 1), Betty and Coco) on the safe arrival of Roy Francis Cuolahan, born last weekend. We wish you every happiness.

God's blessings for the week ahead,

Susan Ryan
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PRAYER

Psalm 51:10-19

Create in me a clean heart, O God, And put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, And do not take your holy spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, And sustain in me a willing spirit. Amen.



IMPORTANT SCHOOL UPDATES

Drive-through library

This will run again on Monday between 11am-12:30pm. We look forward to seeing you then and providing students with a bag of books. No need to register, just drive through the Kiss and Drop Zone and wind your car window down.

Pyjama Day

Tomorrow is our theme day and we look forward to photos of students wearing their Pyjama's.

IMPORTANT SCHOOL UPDATES

Reception Hours

Over the past five weeks, we have been operating on a very reduced staff cohort at Lisieux as most staff members worked from home where possible. As we return to 'normal', our Reception will be manned every day between 9am-2pm if you need to call for any matter. Please be aware that you can also leave a message any time and your call will be returned as soon as possible.

Prep 2021

With Prep enrolments closing next week, this is a <u>final reminder</u> for current Lisieux families that if you have a current Kindergarten child, and intend for them to commence Prep at Lisieux next year, you must submit your enrolment application this week. We have more enrolment applications for Prep 2021 than we will be able to accept, and if forms are not submitted by the due date, we will not be able to accept your child.

REMOTE LEARNING PHOTOS of the WEEK













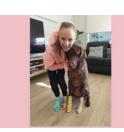














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