

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear members of the Lisieux community,

What a fun week we have had! Book Week kicked off with an amazing parade of character costumes, highlighting our love of books. Today is Footy Colours Day and we will also run our Mystery Book Swap after lunch; hopefully every child will bring home a new book to share this afternoon and funds raised will support The Indigenous Literacy Foundation. Reading is such an important life skill and it is a magical thing to watch a child build their love of books. Reading aloud to children has so many benefits. Research tells us that young children whose parents read them five books a day enter kindergarten having heard about 1.4 million more words than children who have not been read to regularly. As well as building vocabulary, regular reading also encourages a child's imagination and sense of empathy, as it allows them to put themselves into the character's position. It is never too early to start and even much older children love the experience of being read to. I hope you have shared some great book reading sessions with your family this week.

We have also engaged in a tree planting project this week with every student planting a tree and identifying it with their own marker. We look forward to seeing these trees grow and attract lots of native bird life.

Enjoy the long weekend, and (sorry, Tigers's fans but...) GO CATS!!!

**Susan Ryan**  
**Principal**

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## SCHOOL CALENDAR

### OCTOBER

**Fri 23<sup>rd</sup>**      **Grand Final  
Day Public  
Holiday  
Student Free**

**October Birthday Morning  
Tea – Cancelled due to  
current food sharing  
regulations.**

### NOVEMBER

**Mon 2<sup>nd</sup>**      **Staff  
Professional  
Practice Day  
Student Free**

**Tues 3<sup>rd</sup>**      **Melbourne  
Cup Public  
Holiday  
Student Free**

## PRAYER

Thank you, Lord, for the chance to compete and use our talents through sports. Remind us that we are called to give our best and to finish the race or game while caring for others along the way. Help us to practise good sportsmanship and team work and to be humble in victory or loss. Amen.



## SCHOOL INFORMATION

### Reminders

Please note that in order to reduce traffic congestion on South Beach Road, we have been asked by the local police not to line up in the Kiss and Drop Zone before 3:05pm. Your cooperation with this matter would be greatly appreciated.

### Art Room Donations Required

To help us with our art projects this term we need the following and would be happy of donations.

- A working spinning wheel, carding combs etc (Loan only required)
- Colourful tiles, glass vase bubbles and crockery suitable for mosaic.

Thanks for supporting our creativity, Madame Righetti

## WELLBEING

### **The Many Benefits of Reading Aloud to Your Kids**

by [Melbourne Child Psychology & School Psychology Services, Port Melbourne](#)



Reading is vital for developing literacy, a good vocabulary and a vivid imagination.

But with increasingly interactive electronic books that enable independent reading from a younger and younger age, we may be losing sight of the value of reading not only *with*, but also *to* our kids.

A number of recent studies have reinforced the importance of reading aloud to your kids — the traditional way.

One such study evaluated the link between reading to children at a young age and later language development in school.

Brain imaging was used to examine brain activity in children as they were being read to by an adult.

**The researchers found much greater brain activation in those children whose parents read aloud to them more at home.**

This region of the brain that was being activated (part of the left hemisphere) is the same part that is activated when older children read to themselves.

**And the kids whose parents had read to them more at home showed significantly more brain activity in the areas that process visual association — even though they were only listening to the story with no visual aids.**

Researcher Dr. Hutton puts this down to the emphasis on imagination being necessary to interpret a story that is being read aloud.

For example, the child hears that a frog jumps over a log.

The thought process that follows is ‘I’ve seen a frog before, I’ve seen a log before, what does that look like?’

Evoking the powers of imagination while also making visual associations may help children to transition more quickly to independent reading of books without pictures.

It will also help them to be better readers later on, ‘because they’ve developed that part of the brain that helps them see what is going on in the story’.

**Furthermore, reading to your children offers benefits in language development more than simply speaking with your kids.**

Psychologist Jessica Montag says that this is because books contain ‘a more diverse set of words than child-directed speech’. So children are exposed to a more sophisticated vocabulary than they would be in their conversational interactions with adults.

Another study involving parents and children aged 10-16 months showed that both parents and kids used fewer words and vocalisations with electronic devices than they did with traditional toys.

Being read to also enables a more engaged and inquisitive experience with the reader.

The child can ask and answer questions, and make further visual and imaginative associations.

*‘When a parent relates what’s on the page to the child’s experience, the child will have a richer understanding’.*

**This isn’t to say that interactive digital books don’t have value.**

Especially in children with language delays, some features of the electronic books reinforce the connection between images and words.

And for the parents, these books can provide some ‘adult time’ to yourself, while your child is still participating in an educational activity on their own.

The *downsides* of electronic books, however, are that the abundance of animated images and interactive elements can get in the way of learning.

And of course, it adds to children’s already high exposure to ‘screen time’.

**Ultimately, the research shows that kids learn better when an adult is involved.**

Babies learn best by interacting with people rather than passively through a video or audio recording, as do preschool aged children.

And while these studies offer a lot of new research into childhood development, they speak to an ancient art, which has shown that ‘listening to speech is more spontaneously comprehensible and more linked to emotional brain centres [than reading]’.

After all, language comprehension evolved with listening some 150,000 years ago, while writing and reading are a comparatively modern practice at only 5000-7000 years old.

So while reading aloud to your kids is hugely beneficial for their own development, let’s not ignore the benefits it can have for parents — more quality, face-to-face, engaged (and often cuddly) one-on-one time with your child.

WEEK 2 PHOTOS







\*\*\*\*\* A \$40 gift voucher for Peaches Torquay will be awarded to the family who sells the most trays of mangoes. \*\*\*\*\*

**Lisieux will receive \$7 per tray.** Collect orders from family members, friends, neighbours and colleagues. Some people might be willing to have half a tray (6 to 12 mangoes, depending upon the size of the fruit). Please ensure the total of your order is for full trays only, to allow for a smooth collection process. Consider ordering an additional tray to sell to colleagues or neighbours for a set price per mango.

Return your mango order form to school by Thursday 29th October, 2020. Please collect payments from others and make one lump sum payment via EFT to Lisieux.

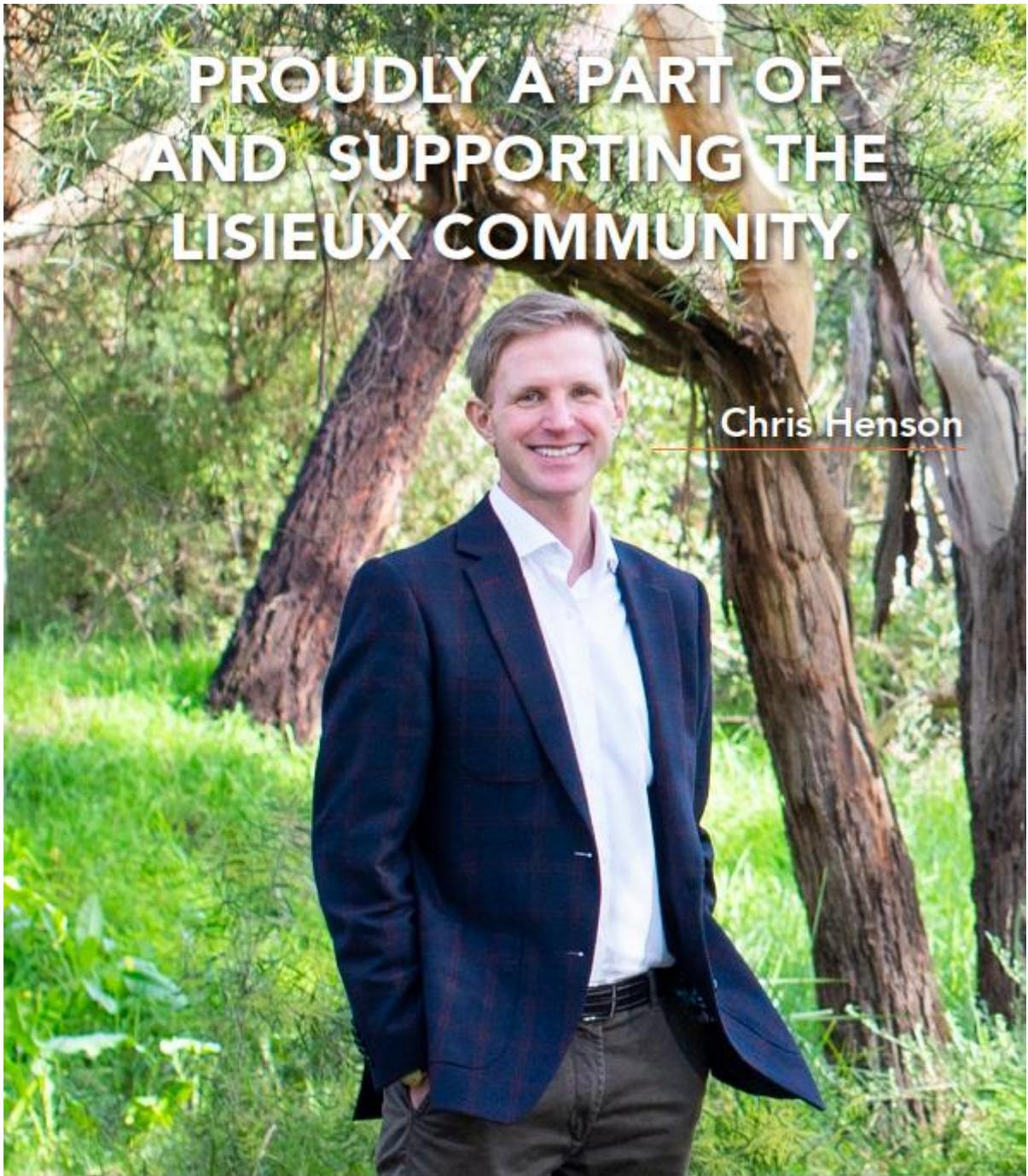
Expected delivery will be in the week beginning Monday 23rd of November, 2020.

How many trays of mangoes could your family consume? Fresh mango, mango ice-cream, mango smoothies, mango icy-poles, mango trifle, mango cheesecake, mango sorbet, mango mousse, mango Weiss bars, mango pavlova, mango fruit salad, mango cake, mango pudding, mango rice pudding, mango purée, mango salsa, mango chutney, mango and coconut, mango and avocado, mango and prawns, mango curry, mango seafood salad, mango and chicken salad, mango cake... the possibilities are great!

Parents and Friends Committee

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Chris Henson



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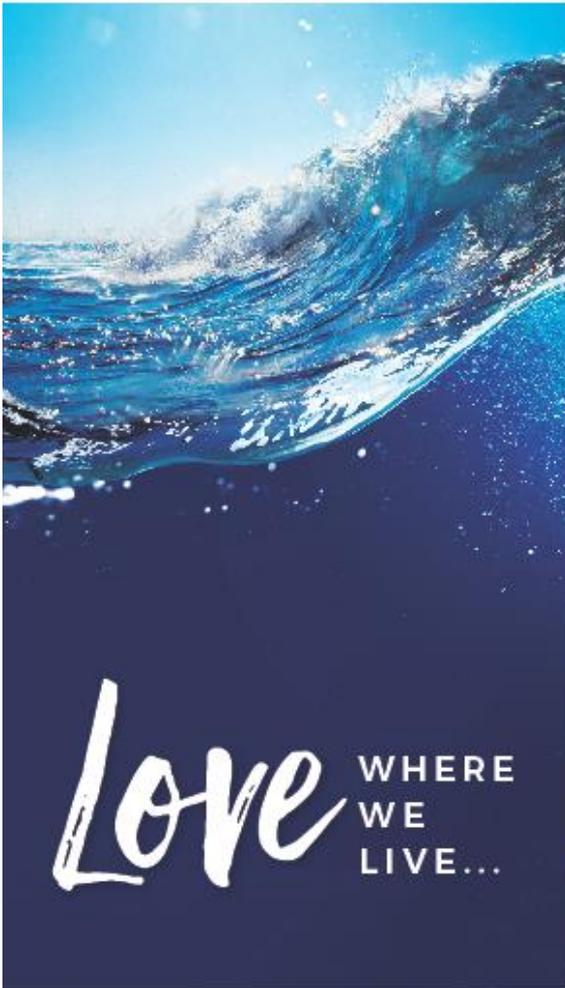
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9 October 2020

### Nazareth Parish School Families

Dear Families,

We are thrilled that our children have been able to return to on-site learning in our schools.

This year has certainly presented us with many challenges as we have faced the changes that the COVID 19 pandemic has imposed on our lives, and livelihoods.

2020 has been a year where we have not been able to do many of the things that were planned.

For our parish this has meant that we have not been able to gather to celebrate Eucharist together for most of the year or to celebrate important sacramental milestones in the lives of our children.

God willing, 2021 will be a year of growth and renewal that will allow our children to continue their faith journey, especially through completing the sacraments that have so far been postponed this year. We are currently planning how this will happen and we will contact you when the details are finalised.

Another challenge of the COVID 19 pandemic has been the financial impact on our families and our parish.

The Parish Contributions received from school families are a significant part of the parish income each year. Whilst we are very grateful to those families who have already paid the Contribution this year, we are conscious that each family faces different financial issues and we do not want to cause financial difficulties. We have therefore decided to waive the Parish Contribution for 2020. If you have already paid the Contribution and would like a refund of the amount paid please contact Rodney Dearing at [Rodney.dearing@cam.org.au](mailto:Rodney.dearing@cam.org.au)

If you are able to help the parish financially by paying the Parish Contribution of \$175 you can do so through CDFpay.

To use CDFpay either click here [CDFpay](https://www.cdfpay.org.au) or visit [Melbourne.cdfpay.org.au/details/?id=141](https://Melbourne.cdfpay.org.au/details/?id=141)

Please select 'School Family Parish Contribution' in the 'My Giving is for' box.

If you have any questions please call Rodney Dearing on 9412 8445.

May the remainder of this year be a time of hope, joy and stability for all of our families and community.

Yours Sincerely

Fr Linh Tran  
Parish Priest

Paul Daffey  
Chairperson  
Finance Committee

The banner features a red background. On the left is a circular logo for 'CHILDREN'S WEEK' with a globe and children. To the right are three cartoon children (a girl and two boys) with their arms raised. Below the logo and children, the text reads: 'Surf Coast Children's Week 2020 is coming to you online' with a hand cursor icon pointing to the word 'online'. At the bottom, it says 'FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY TO ENJOY FROM HOME!'.

### Children's Week 2020 will take place from Saturday 24 October to Sunday 1 November 2020.

The Children's Week theme for 2020 is based on the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child Article 15

**'Children have the right to choose their own friends  
and safely connect with others'**

Children's Week 2020 is a wonderful opportunity to promote the rights of children and young people, and to celebrate their capacity to actively contribute to the world around them.

Enjoy lots of fun and interactive activities for families to enjoy at home.

**Stay tuned for Surf Coast Children's Week to be delivered virtually!**



[www.surfcoast.vic.gov.au](http://www.surfcoast.vic.gov.au)





It's on again! Beached Duck Race No2

Have a "quack" by adopting a duck in the Lions Club of Torquay's Beached Duck Race No 2.

**9.30am Saturday November 14<sup>th</sup>**

COVID Safe

\$5/duck, numbers limited. All funds will go to Lions projects serving our community.

Please go to our **Facebook** page or [torquay.vic.lions.org.au](http://torquay.vic.lions.org.au) for further information on ticket purchasing and prizes.

**Lions Club of Torquay**



## Free Baseball Training for new and returning players ages 5 to 13

**Wednesdays 5:00 to 6:30 pm:**

14 October      28 October

21 October      4 November

at Geelong Baseball Centre, Pioneer Road, Grovedale



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in compliance with COVID-19 protocols

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