

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear members of the Lisieux community,

If you follow our Lisieux Instagram page, you may have seen that a new little puppy joined my family over the holiday break. We recently lost our beloved 11-year old cavoodle, Poppy, very suddenly, and as any pet-lover knows, the loss of a friendly unconditional welcome home from a loyal furry friend leaves a big gap, so we have welcomed Buddy with open arms and he is already proving to be a much-loved member of our family. I chose Buddy carefully, intending that he can take on a role as a school pet, as his breed, Labradoodle, is known for its companionship of children and nonshedding, low-allergenic qualities. Over the last week, our Advisory Council has considered and ratified a new school policy about Lisieux adopting Buddy as a school dog. This decision comes after considerable research about the benefits of school dogs, including some of the following data: • School dogs build confidence in children and can impact positively on

school attendance;

• School dogs are known to have a positive effect on emotional wellbeing;

• School dogs decrease learner anxiety behaviours, resulting in improved learning; outcomes;

• School dogs can improve reading skills and problem-solving skills.

Our School Dog Policy is available to read in full via our policy page on the Lisieux website or by following this link: <u>https://lisieux.catholic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/Lisieux-Dog-in-School-Policy.docx</u>

It includes opt-out details for any student who is fearful of dogs or does not want to interact with Buddy. Buddy will be based in my office, and will always be on a lead when out of this space. He will be eased into the school life, gradually increasing his time at school, and will begin meeting students from next week. As always, I'd appreciate any feedback from parents about how you believe this is going.

With the easing of restrictions about visitors and parents to our school site, we are warmly inviting parents and family members who may be available to assist with listening to students reading on a regular basis to let us know. We will restart this program on 17 May and volunteers will need to participate in a short training session about protocols for listening to students read prior to commencing. We are seeking volunteers for Year 1/2 between 9:30-11am on all days except Wednesday (specialist day). Volunteers must have a current Working with Children Check. Please phone Reception if you have some time to assist.

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KNOWN & LOVED

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SCHOOL CALENDAR <u>APRIL</u>	
Thurs 29 th	Parents & Friends Meeting 7:00pm
Fri 30 th	Prep 2022 School Tour 9:30am – 10:30am
<u>MAY</u>	
Sun 2 nd	Reconciliation Rite of Enrolment Name Mass – St Therese Church 8:45am
Tues 4 th	Prep 2022 School Tour 12noon – 1:00pm
	Year ¾ Beach Discovery Day
Wed 5 th	District Cross Country
Thurs 6 th	Mothers' Day High Tea 2:00pm – 3:00pm
Fri 7 th	Year 5/6 Beach Discovery
	Mothers' Day Stall
Mon 10 th	Mothers' Day Liturgy 12pm
Mon 17 th	Lightning Premiership
Wed 19 th	Lightning Premiership
Sun 23 rd	Family Mass (Staff, Students, Families) St Therese 8.45am

With Mothers' Day approaching next weekend, I encourage you to note three important events next week: Mothers' Day liturgy will take place in the Multi- Purpose room on Monday 10th at 12pm (all welcome); Mothers' Day High Tea on Thursday afternoon at 2pm (tickets to be purchased via the trybooking link below) and Mothers' Day stall on Friday afternoon.

God's blessings for the week ahead,

Susan Ryan Principal Susan.ryan@lisieux.catholic.edu.au

PRAYER

Lord,

At this time of year we are surrounded by so many shades of gold,

Autumn.

A season miracle that sometimes we take for granted, Another expression of the artist's vision

The blending of the autumn hues with the setting sun. Warm, comforting, perfect.

Thank you for the change of seasons and for Autumn, Lord.

May we always take time to appreciate with awe and wonder the beauty of our earth's glory. Amen.



SCHOOL INFORMATION



Shhh....It's a secret

Our Parents and Friends will be holding a Mothers' Day stall on Friday 7 May. Students are asked to bring along \$5 to purchase a gift.



To join us in this event, please book through the following

https://www.trybooking.com/BQYST

STAFF INTRODUCTION

Introducing...Mr Gerard Douglas.

Q: What is your role at Lisieux?

A: Learning Diversity and Pedagogy Support Leader. I also work with Ubuntu Bleu (Year 5) every Monday and support learning with team teaching across other levels of the school.

Q: What are your favourite things to do in your spare time?

A: Hanging out with my family, playing golf and playing guitar.

Q: What is your favourite holiday destination?

A: Noosa.

Q: What is your favourite AFL football team?

A: Richmond.

Q: What is your favourite food?

A: Pasta.

Q: Where did you grow up?

A: Blackburn.

Q: What are you looking forward to most in 2021?

A: We are moving into a new house which we are very excited about.



PHOTO TERM 2 WEEK 2













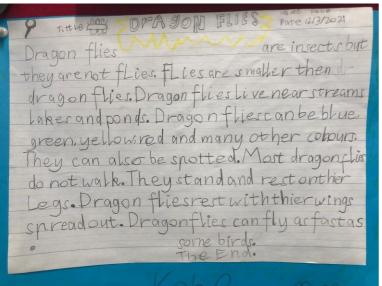








STUDENT WRITING SAMPLES FROM YEAR 1/2



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PARENT & FRIENDS NEWS

Trivia Night - Save The Date!

Our first ever Trivia Night will be held on June 5th from 7pm to 10:30pm at the Grant Pavilion, Torquay!

All the details including booking information will be released next week!

Book your babysitters and get studying! It's going to be a very fun-filled night!

Trivia Night Sponsorship and Prizes

If you or a business you know may be interested in sponsoring the Trivia Night event, please contact us asap to express your interest. We would greatly appreciate assistance to help cover the small running costs of the event.

OR if you or a business you know has something to donate as a prize (for lucky door, round winners or raffles), this would also be warmly received!

Please email <u>lisieuxpandf@gmail.com</u>.

Meeting Tonight

Our next P & F Meeting is on tonight at 7pm in the staff room.

<u>FAMILY UBUNTU GARDEN CREW</u>

Do you have a spare hour during the week? Do you like to catch up with friends or meet new people? Do you like to be in the outdoors?

If you said yes to any of these questions, then this might be for you. We are wanting volunteers to assist in our Ubuntu Garden and The Chook Palace.

Some tasks may be-

- Weeding
- Sowing seeds
- Cleaning Coop

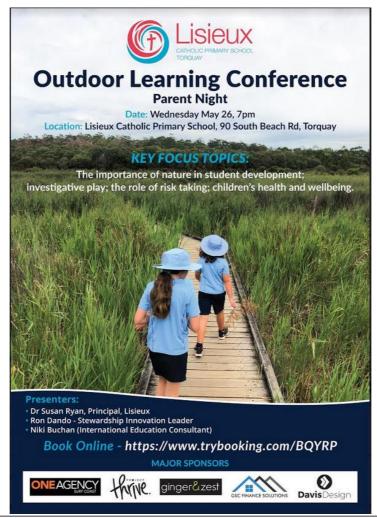
Our aim at Lisieux is for our students to use produce that have been grown from start to finish, for example, using bird manure in our compost bins and then using the compost in our gardens. We are needing our families to assist with these duties, to keep on top of all of this.

We are hoping to run a Monday morning (9-10 am) and Thursday afternoon (2-3 pm) volunteer session.

'Many hands make light work', as the saying goes.

If you are interested, please email Ron Dando. Ronald.dando@lisieux.catholic.edu.au

Thank you in advance, Ron Dando



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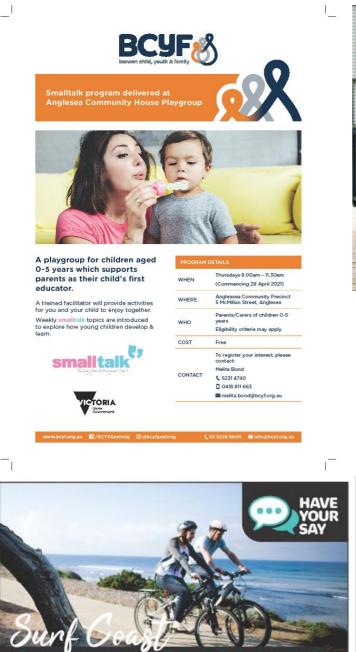
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If you have any questions about Torquay real estate, I'd love to have a coffee with you.

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Connection Through Peer Support

A new social support group for Parents and Carers of Children with Disabilites.

Come and join other parents and carers of children with disabilities in a new social group. We are offering four facilitated sessions run by Carer Gateway and an opportunity to share experiences with other parents/ carers.

- Thursday 20 May 11am-1pm Grant Pavilion Torquay.
- Thursday 27 May 11am-1pm Grant Pavilion Torquay.
- Thursday 3 June 11am-1pm Grant Pavilion Torquay.
- Thursday 10 June 11am-1pm Grant Pavilion Torquay.

Make new connections, learn how to support each other, and take some time to care for yourselves. Parents and carers of children of all disabilities, diagnosed or pre diagnosis are welcome. 20 places available. Sessions are free, lunch will be provided.

Please register ASAP via bdixon@surfcoast.vic.gov.au



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Surf coast

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The Surf Coast Shire Council is developing a Safer Cycling

Strategy and Action Plan and wants input from residents,

The strategy will review existing cycling infrastructure on Council's road network, identify gaps and seek feedback

and suggestions on cycling-related issues and concerns. Anyone can take the survey and pinpoint locations where

there are cycling issues on an interactive map. The survey opened 19 April and closes on 9 May 2021.

whether they cycle or not.