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SCHOOL CALENDAR



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear members of the Lisieux community,

Welcome to Term 3! A very special welcome to new students and their families: Tom (3/4 Spotted Eucalypt Bleu) and Sadie Derbyshire (5/6 Ubuntu Bleu) and Ollie (1/2 Acacia Bleu) and Lucy Symes (3/4 Spotted Eucalypt Blanc).

On Monday this week, all our staff gathered for a day of professional learning and planning. We began with a beautiful Naidoc Week prayer and reflection, based on this year's theme, 'Heal Country!' As a staff team, we reflected on the successes of Semester One, key amongst these being Friday Flow, our Outdoor Learning initiatives and conference, and programs such as Beach Discovery, Sports Academy and Atelier. Of interest to us as a staff was that the most commonly celebrated achievements all involved community engagement, cross-age interaction and a relationship focus. In our first 3 ½ years as a learning community, we have consistently articulated that these areas are central to our mission. We have repeated our mantra that 'when we take care of wellbeing, we create the best conditions for learning.' It was affirming that other areas of whole school success included our intervention programs, spelling programs, and general academic growth.

Another key focus of our day, as well as planning for Term 3 curriculum, was re-visiting our 'why'. Simon Sinek is a motivational speaker who refers to the most successful institutions and organisations being driven by their 'why' rather than their 'how' or 'what'. In simple terms, our 'why' is the purpose that drives us and to know our 'why' provides direction in life and confidence in making decisions. One hundred odd years ago, the 'why' of schools was to prepare children for the workforce; now it is much more complex and our purpose is deeper. Our staff discussed the key drivers for our 'why' at Lisieux: wanting to create the conditions for our students to develop as fully formed individuals, to be curious and creative problem solvers with a sense of passion and justice for their world, to flourish with qualities of character that will enable them to make the world a better place. We had a very productive day as a staff team, and feel energised about the opportunities for learning that lie ahead this term.

- Mon 19th July Birthday Morning
Tea with Principal
- Tues 20th 2020 & 2021 Eucharist
Candidates Family
Evening 7pm
- Wed 21st Learning Conferences
Students conclude 1pm
- Thur 22nd Parents and Friends
Meeting 7pm Staffroom

Next Wednesday we will be holding Learning Conferences for all students and their families. Having received your child's report in the last week of Term Two, this is an opportunity to discuss academic and social progress and growth, share each child's strengths and needs and have dialogue about what will enable your child to do well in school this semester. We have decided to maintain these conferences as zoom meetings as this allows both parents to participate, where relevant, and avoids families having to organise childcare. In these uncertain times, it also reduces the need to have so many people on site, wearing masks and signing in, etc. Details of how to book will be emailed to all families today. We encourage your child to participate in the online conversation where possible as well. Please note that students will be dismissed at 1pm to allow the conferences to commence at 1:30pm. The Kelly Club will be available for families requiring supervision.

God's blessings for the week ahead,

Susan Ryan

Principal

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Congratulations

A very special congratulations to the Brown family – Jane and Mark, Emily (Carmel Blanc) and Charlie on the safe arrival of their new son and brother,

Jack Harold Brown.

We wish you a lifetime of love and happiness together.





Naidoc Week Prayer

Last week was Naidoc Week with the theme of 'Heal Country!'

We reflect on the following questions:

What are we doing in our life to heal country?

How can we show and teach one another to respect and heal country?

God of all wonder,

As we journey together in this Great Southern Land, allow us to listen deeply to the wisdom of this land and those who belong to it.

May our minds be open to dialogue,

May our hearts be open to transformation and

May our hands do the work of reconciliation.

Amen.





STUDENT LEARNING & ACHIEVEMENTS

Today we were lucky to be visited by our Federal MP for Corangamite, Libby Coker. In Term Two, the year 3/4 and 5/6 students worked in teams to learn how they can reduce the school community's carbon footprint. The focus was on energy use and food wastage. Over four weeks children collected data and created videos for their school community. It was great to have Libby present to talk about climate change.





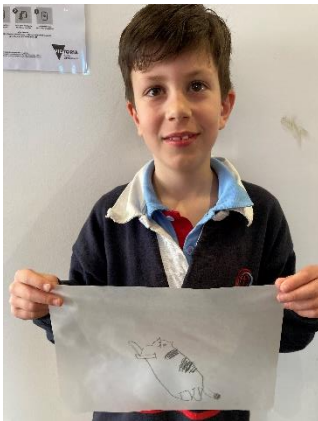
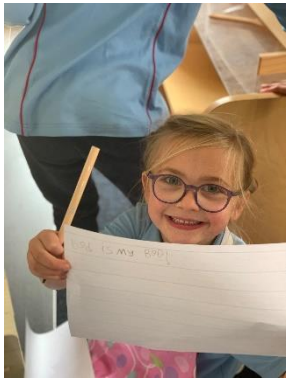
TAKE NOTE

Curriculum news

In preparation for Friday Flow this term, we are seeking donations of balls of wool – any colours would be warmly received.



LEARNING COMMUNITY IN PICTURES





COMMUNITY NEWS

Introducing Mrs Carla Fraser

Q: What is your role at Lisieux?

A: Learning Support Officer for 1/2 Waratah Bleu and Rouge.

Q: Who is in your family?

A: My husband Hugh, Alexander 12, Imogen 9, Louis the cat and Luca the dog.

Q: What is your favourite book?

A: As a child I enjoyed reading The Magic Faraway Tree series by Enid Blyton. As an adult, I enjoy reading biographies.

Q: What is your favourite thing to do on the weekend?

A: On the very rare occasion a sleep in but a cuppa in bed is just as good! I also love a long lunch with family and friends.

Q: What is your favourite AFL football team?

A: Essendon.

Q: What is your favourite food?

A: Chocolate and pizza.

Q: What is your favourite ice cream flavour?

A: Vanilla bean.



PJ Day Sausage Sizzle

Many thanks to the volunteers who assisted with the running of the PJ Day Sausage Sizzle last term. And to all of the families who supported the special lunch event.

We raised \$950!

And thanks again to local businesses Peaches Torquay and Ecolibria who sponsored the lunch.

P & F Meeting July 22nd

Our next meeting will be held on July 22nd at 7pm in the school staff room. We warmly invite all members of the school community to come along. We will be planning Term 3 and Term 4 events.

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Is it time for a change? 

Have you considered working with children, getting paid well while running and building your own business from home?
We can help you get started. You may have some of the skills already, we can help you fill the gaps.


Join us to hear more about what it might take to be one of our Family Day Care Educators.
You may be eligible to enrol in FREE training to complete either your Certificate III or Diploma of Early Childhood www.vic.gov.au/free-tafe
Wednesday July 28, 7pm
Kurrambee Myaring Community Centre, Merrilij Drive, Torquay.
RSVP is essential by emailing familydaycare@surfcoast.vic.gov.au

 **At the information session you will find out how you can set up at home and get started as well as:**

- Hear from other educators.
- How you can earn a good income from your own home.
- Have the flexibility with the days and hours you would like to work.
- Manage and control your work life balance.
- How we provide ongoing support from the sector and our staff.
- Implement your own ideas and philosophy with the children and families in your care.
- Develop strong relationships with children and families.

Benefits of being a family day care educator:

- A meaningful career where you become part of extended families and feel a real sense of community.
- Help shape young children's futures and share the joy they find in everyday things.
- Run your own business from home.
- Flexibility to set your own days.
- Earn up to \$75,000 per year.
- Freedom to operate with flexible learning opportunities - be out in the community and offer real life learning experiences.
- Extensive support from Council staff.
- Guaranteed hearty laughs every day!


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