



Dear members of the Lisieux community,

Our school production, *The Strength Quest*, premieres tonight at 7pm! We hope all families have their tickets and premiere pack ready for a night of family viewing at home. Enjoy the show and congratulations to all students for your participation!

Next week is BRANCHING OUT WEEK at Lisieux. During Advent, it is the perfect time to think beyond our own needs to ways in which we can support our neighbours. The whole week will be focused on the spirit of giving. We invite families to support Branching Out Week as much as you can by sending donations for local agencies and families in need. There is a specific focus each day and tubs will be available in Reception for donated goods. (Please see table on following page).

Next Tuesday 7 December is Transition / Moving Up Morning. All 2022 students will meet with their teacher and classmates for next year between 9am-12pm. After a period of planning and discernment by our Lisieux educators, our class lists are now finalised. Students are almost always excited and positively energised about this opportunity, although it is only natural that they may be a little nervous; sometimes parents are anxious that their child/ren will not be placed with 'best friends'. We ask that you trust and support us as educators and model a growth mindset to your child with language such as, "Your teachers know how you learn best and will have made the best decision for your class placement"; "This is an opportunity to be best placed with others who are good learning partners for you" and "You may be about to meet some of your new best friends in your 2022 class." Please note that we will not be making changes to the confirmed class lists and request that you do not make contact to ask this of us.

DECEMBER

Thurs 2nd Premiere Night for our School Production See production details below

Mon 6th-

Fri 10th Branching Out Week (see details below)

Tues 7th Whole school Transition session 9am – 12pm

Year 6 students DO NOT ATTEND SCHOOL TODAY

Wed 8th- Thurs 9th Year 3/4 Camp Sovereign Hill

Fri 10th End of Year Mass

9.30am

Parents Welcome

Beach Clean Up Excursion 2pm

Mon 13th Year 6 Graduation Dinner 6pm

Wed 15th Students Conclude

12.30 PM FINISH TIME

We wish our Year 3/4 students all the very best for their overnight camp at Sovereign Hill on Wednesday/Thursday next week. What a wonderful way for this group to complete their 2021 learning journey together.

God's blessings for the week ahead,

Susan Ryan Principal

Susan.ryan@lisieux.catholic.edu.au

BRANCHING OUT WEEK	
Monday 6 December	Donation Challenge: today's focus is toiletries e.g. baby wipes, tissues, deodorant, soap, toothpaste, etc.
	A Geelong Mums representative will speak to all students today about their support agency.
Tuesday 7 December	Donation Challenge: Cans of food e.g. Corn, baked beans, soup, tomatoes, Canned fruit, etc.
	Each class will compete to donate as many cans as possible and will design a city of cans. Items will be added to Christmas hampers for local charities.
Wednesday 8 December	Donation Challenge: today's focus is clothing items e.g. socks, pyjamas, underwear, baby bibs, nappies, t-shirts.
Thursday 9 December	Donation Challenge: today's focus is Children's books and toys.
Friday 10 December	Donation Challenge: today's focus is Christmas items e.g. bonbons, serviettes, Christmas food items.
	Friday 9:30am End of Year mass. Parents are welcome and outdoor, socially distanced seating will be provided.
	On Friday afternoon, students will participate in a Beach Clean Up activity. Gloves and collection bags will be provided.

Throughout the week, students will be engaged in a range of outreach activities. A Children's Choir will visit Star of the Sea Aged Care this week to share some Christmas joy and all students will take part in a stewardship of the local environment activity: Beach Clean Up on Friday afternoon.



Week Two of Advent.

The second candle of the Advent wreath represents love.

God of our waiting, we light the second candle to remind us that Jesus is your greatest gift to us. He is a sign of your love. Help us to walk in love during the weeks of Advent.



What can you do this week to love others the way Jesus loves us?











As mentioned last week, we ask that candy canes are not distributed at school in the lead up to Christmas.

For families with children commencing Prep at Lisieux in 2022, you may find reading this social story together helpful: https://lisieux.catholic.edu.au/enrolment/prep-transition-social-story/

Please note that current Year 6 students should not attend school on Tuesday due to Transition Day. Most Secondary schools are also hosting transition sessions on this day.































Chicken, Duck and Ubuntu Garden Volunteers



Dear Families and Friends,

We are in need of volunteers these holidays to look after our chickens, ducks and Ubuntu Garden.

Jobs are- Keeping water tubs full, making sure food containers are full, opening and closing coop and watering the garden.

The dates are the following:

- Thursday 16th Dec- Wednesday 22nd Dec
- 2) Thursday 23rd Dec- Wednesday 29th Dec
- Thursday 30th Dec- Wednesday 5th Jan
- 4) Thursday 6th Jan-Wednesday 12th Jan
- 5) Thursday 13th Jan- Wednesday 19th Jan
- Thursday 20th Jan- Wednesday 26th Jan

If you would like to volunteer, please email Ron Dando with the dates that suit you-

Ronald.dando@lisieux.catholic.edu.au

Thank you in advance.

Kelly Club Holiday **Program**

DEC-JAN HOLIDAY PROGRAM 2021/2022

BOOK NOW!

Our holiday program is packed full of fun activities, games and structured free time. During our daily program, qualified and experienced Kelly Club staff will be running a range of cooking, sports, arts, dance, games, crafts, excursions and movie time experiences. We provide structured meal times and our activities will be based on exciting themes throughout the holidays.

Location:

St Catherine of Siena Primary School Warralily Boulevard, Armstrong Creek.

Details:

Time: 6:30am 6:00pm

Dates:

16th December 2021 - 24th December 2021 4th January 2022 - 28th January 2022

\$70 per day (CCS will be applied if eligible) *\$20 extra for incursion and excursion days

What does my child need to bring?

Lots of snacks, lunch, appropriate clothing, drink bottle and a hat!
*Breakfast and afternoon tea is provided.

How do I enrol?

Let us know what dates you would like to book your child/ren in and contact us:

Via E-mail - stcatherine@kellycluboshc.com.au





DEC-JAN HOLIDAY PROGRAM 2021/2022 ST CATHERINE OF SIENA, ARMSTRONG CREEK





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Friday 17th Dec LET'S GET MESSY!





HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Tuesday 21st Dec ALL THINGS COLOURFUL!

MELTED CRAYON ART



ANIMAL

aday 22nd Dec SUPER SCIENCE DAY!

TORNADO IN A JAR! MAKE A VOLCANO ERUPTI



Thursday 6th Jan JUNIOR MASTERCHEF

INCURSION!











CHRISTMAS CARD MARING







P & F 2021 End of Year Report

2021 didn't quite turn out to be as smooth sailing as we had hoped, with another year of unpredictability, challenges, and an unprecedented landscape. While of course there were times we could be grateful for silver linings, there is no doubt that this year the fatigue of having to be 'covid-adaptable' got to us all!

We hope that all members of our school community, from the little people through to the big, can look back on the year and be proud of getting through it! And can appreciate the wins and the lessons learnt along the way.

The Lisieux Parents & Friends Association did another fantastic job this year, forging through difficult times to raise over \$10,000 across 8 fundraising events. While we were unfortunately unable to hold our highly anticipated Trivia Night and a number of other events, we did run: a Routley's Fundraiser, Mother's Day Stall, Bunnings Sausage Sizzle, End of Term 2 Sausage Sizzle, Father's Day Stall, Mango Fundraiser and Wine Fundraiser.

With funds raised from both 2020 and 2021 we purchased Lisieux interschool jumpers, a Lisieux marquee for outdoor events, artwork for Estella's Memorial Garden and contributed to the landscaping and play equipment around the new building and oval.

I would like to sincerely thank our generous Major Newsletter Advertisers/School Sponsors Lynne Hayden & Suzy Jones at Links Property, Chris and Jess Henson at One Agency Torquay, Phil Haslam at ANZ Mobile Lending and Greg Pitts at Urban Edge Creative for their support throughout this year. As well as other local businesses who have sponsored some of our events: Peaches Torquay, Eco-libria and Pond Café.

I would like to say a big thank you and well done to our dedicated committee who each had challenges to juggle but regardless committed many hours to attend meetings, problem solve, and plan, organise and run all these events. A special mention to Leah Byrne (Vice President), Danielle Moloney (Secretary), Chantal Nottage-Siket, Andrea Holdaway, Paula Lee, Kyla Casey and Renee Ouroumis for all that you have done this year.

And lastly, thank you to all the members of our community who supported the committee, by purchasing sale items, volunteering your time to help run many of our events and offered kind words of appreciation and support.

Together we have achieved some great things!

Next year we warmly invite members of our community to be part of the Parents & Friends Association. It's a lovely way to connect with others, as well as work together to support the staff in providing a wonderful school for our children to learn and grow. Our AGM will be held in early February, all Office Bearing positions will be up for nomination and it would be great to see some new direction and new ideas for 2022.

Wishing our entire school community a very Merry Christmas and a beautiful summer break!

Hannah Robertson President

MANGOES AND WINE

Please collect your wine and/or mangoes from 3 to 6 pm today, Thursday, or up until 10 am tomorrow.

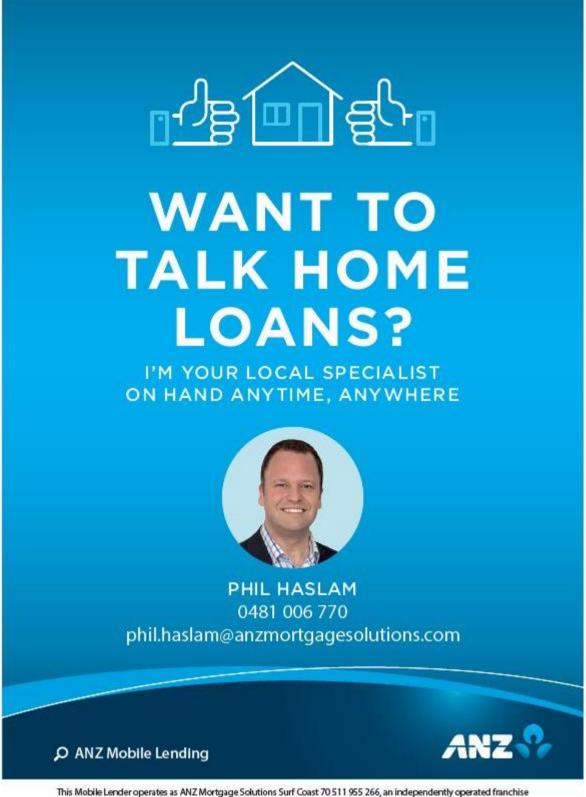
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*PLEASE MARK YOUR NAME OFF THE LISTS ONCE COLLECTED.









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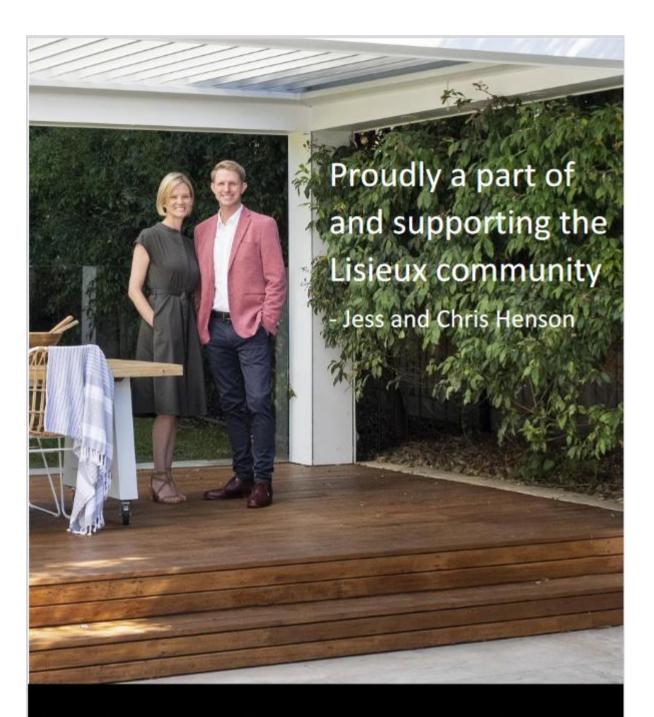


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