



Dear members of the Lisieux community,

Can you believe it is almost the end of Term One, and miraculously, we have made it through without any lock-downs. Yippee! We have actually had quite a high rate of COVID positive cases within our community this term (compared to other Geelong schools) but thanks to the willing cooperation of families who have tested regularly and the flexibility and resourcefulness of staff, we have managed very smoothly. Thank you to everyone for your role in keeping our learning community calmly ticking along – a great achievement!

Next week is the final week of term, and there are a number of special events planned. Please see the outline below. We are looking forward to welcoming parents and family members to many of these occasions, however, please note that COVID safe practices must be maintained, including vaccination requirements for both indoor and outdoor gatherings. These practices have been developed in partnership with the Department of Health and the Department of Education and Training. They are designed to help keep our students, staff and school community members safe while ensuring that schools can remain open. In keeping our school safe, the intention is not to exclude members of our school community. We know our school community flourishes with the continued involvement of parents and others in the life of the school. Please have your vaccination record ready to show when you arrive at school to join in any of the following events.

Sadly, we have been forced to cancel our planned Family Picnic tonight for the second time due to inclement weather. We will reschedule and let you know of a new date. Hopefully, third time lucky!

MARCH

Thurs 31st

Family Picnic at Lisieux 5pm-7pm POSTPONED

APRIL

Sun 3rd

Rite of Enrolment for Year 3 Reconciliation 8.45am St Therese Church

CANCELLED

Mon 4th

Back Up School Photos Day

Backflips against bullying presentation- All

classes

Wed 6th

Year ¾ Beach Discovery

Thurs 7th

Cross Country

Easter Liturgy 2.15pm ALL WELCOME

Fri 8th

Final Day of Term

One

3.15pm Finish time

Easter Bonnet
Parade and coin
trail 9am on oval
ALL WELCOME

Tues 26th

Term 2 begins

Thursday 31 March, 5pm-	Family picnic* on the oval postponed.		
7pm			
Monday 4 April	Backflips against Bullying Presentation for all classes.		
	Back up Photo Day.		
Tuesday 5 April	Friday Flow Expo*, 2pm. Family members welcome.		
Wednesday 6 April	Year 3/4 Beach Discovery		
Thursday 7 April	Cross Country* at Armstrong Creek Park		
	9:30am-12pm. Family members welcome. Icy pole sale after Cross Country, \$1 per child.		
	Whole school Easter liturgy*, 2:15pm		
Friday 8 April	Easter Bonnet Parade and Coin Trail Challenge* - on the oval		
	Drawing of Easter raffle		
	Final day of term, 3:15pm finish.		

^{*}denotes that proof of vaccination is required for adults attending.

God's blessings for the week ahead,

Susan Ryan

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Principal



The following prayer is often referred to as the Prayer of Peace. It is the Prayer of St Francis of Assisi, who was born in 1182. Francis was a lover of nature, as many of our students are. He took long walks through the countryside and studied its plants and trees; he believed that all plants and animals were a special part of God's kingdom.

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Amen.





Fireball Girls and the Shooting Stars

Last November, we put a call-out to start up an Under 8's all-girl basketball team to play in the summer season at the Surf Coast basketball stadium. Such was the enthusiasm that we ended up with 2 teams across Grade 1 and Grade 2! None of the girls had ever played basketball before, so were thrown in the deep end against predominantly boy teams in the mixed competition. Despite being beaten by these boy teams week in-week out, the girls have a lot fun and have all come so far in their skills, determination, courage and team work. When our teams score a goal, it's like the grand final - big cheers and smiles all round - it's just great to see!

These photo's were taken last Friday night on one of their last games against each other where the number one rule is to have fun! So this is a shout-out to the Fireball Girls and Shooting Stars from Lisieux who we are all super proud of in playing their first ever season of basketball. Well done girls!



Left to right: Sofia Georgiou, Milla Casey, Olive Robertson, Arabella Byrne, Amelia Hacche, Charlotte Brown, Eva Sandler, Emmy Whittaker, Aurora Shaw, Lucy Worner, Annika Hermes, Eve Kerr, Chloe Pearson, Matilda Woodall **Absent:** Zarli Hay, Emmy Kuit, Poppy Flint



School Holidays – Excitement or Terror?

www.childwellbeingcentre.net.au

School holidays can be a great time to hop out of routine and reconnect with children. For many children it's also a very necessary break after a very busy term. While some parents love school holidays, we also have families in the Centre that approach it with a sense of dread. Aside from keeping one (or a mob) of hungry, tired, easily bored children busy, there is also the challenge of staying on top of all those other responsibilities that don't stop too.

Some tips to help have a positive experience during the school holidays (in no particular order)

- Set a school holiday budget for activities (and stick to it). Feeling out of control about finances can add to the stress. Rather than have children asking to go to everything that happens during the holidays, set a budget and involve them in the decision making about outings and special events. Aside from teaching good life skills, this will also help to head off some arguments.
- Plan activities in advance so that children have something to look forward to and some structure during the week. This isn't just about special outings. It can include things like swimming lessons and play dates. Have a calendar up somewhere easily visible so that children can see when things are happening. It helps them to anticipate and make the most of their "free time" at home. There are lots of school holidays activities that don't cost anything (other than time and travel). Draw on the activities that the council, local shopping centre and libraries have to offer to help mix things up and keep things interesting.
- Set rules in place at the start of the holidays for things like device and TV time. Being clear about expectations helps reduce arguments. Also we want children outside taking advantage of the sunny weather when it's shining. Think about all that lovely exercise they could be doing during the day, to help them fall asleep at night (and create some quiet time for you!).
- Have other family members help where they can. Where you can involve other family members in school holidays plans. It's helps make the time fly, gives children other interesting experiences and parents time to have some down time or catch up time.
- Combine forces with other families and schedule play dates or activities. Wandering around Perth Zoo is so much more enjoyable with another adult present to chat to as the children roam. Having a chat with another parent (s) while the kids occupy themselves is a great thing in so many ways. Aside from the kids entertaining themselves, the parents get some down time too.
- Set designated "Parent Rest" times. A miserable stressed parent makes for miserable school holidays for kids too. Give yourself permission to take some time for self-care.



Cross Country

Please note our Cross Country will take place on the second last day of term, Thursday 7 April, at Armstrong Creek. Parents are welcome to come along.

Absence from school

We ask parents to note that we now have an email specifically for daily absence if your child is unwell. You can either phone the school directly or email via absences@lisieux.catholic.edu.au to advise if your child is unwell. If children are arriving after 8:45am they need to check in at Reception to ensure they are marked as present. If your child has not arrived at school by 9:15am in the morning, parents will now receive a text message, asking that you contact Reception to confirm your child is unwell. Extended absences due to family holidays should be advised directly to the Principal via susan.ryan@lisieux.catholic.edu.au

Project Compassion

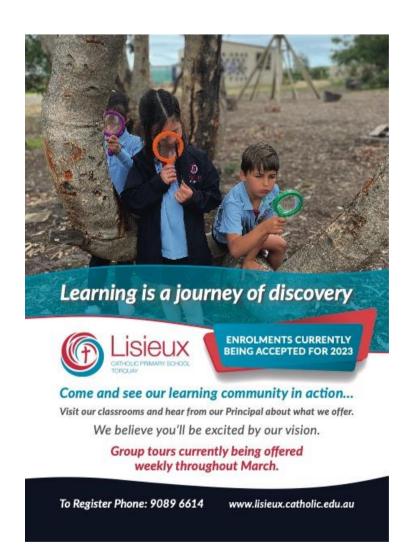
Students are encouraged to save and collect coins in their Project Compassion box during Lent. On the final day of term, we will host a coin trail contest between classes. On the same morning, we will hold our annual Easter Bonnet Parade- please mark this in your diaries as it is always a special event.



ENROLMENT 2023

If current Lisieux families have younger children who are due to commence Prep in 2023, we encourage you to submit your enrolment applications by the end of April or earlier if possible. As we are anticipating more enrolment applications than we expect to be able to accommodate, it is important for us to include all siblings in that number. Our recommendation is that students commencing Prep should be five years of age before the commencement of the year, and turning 6 in their first year of school.

A number of enrolment tours will be held throughout March for interested families and to register, please phone Reception to book a place in a tour.





































RE News

Holy Week Liturgy

On Thursday 7th April at 2:15 pm we will hold our Holy Week Liturgy. Weather permitting, we will hold this on the oval, however if weather is unkind, this event will be in the multipurpose room. Everyone is welcome to come.

Easter Bonnet Parade and Project Compassion Coin Trail

I hope that the Project Compassion Boxes are getting fuller each day and by the time we get to the last day of school they are full to its capacity. We will hold a coin run in the morning after our Easter Bonnet Parade. These two events are always a great experience for all involved. All families are welcome to this event also.



Chicken and Duck Duty

It is that time again where we need volunteers to take care of our much-loved chickens and ducks. The jobs are as follows- letting them out each day and locking them back in, changing duck pond water every other day and just making sure their water containers are full.

If you are available the following slots are on offer:

- 1) Saturday 9th- Tuesday 12th April
- 2) Wednesday 13th- Saturday 16th April
- 3) Sunday 17th- Wednesday 20th April
- 4) Thursday 21st- Monday 25th April

Garden Duty

We have new plants that have been planted this week in our new play space. We are hoping for some family volunteers to come during the holidays to water the plants three times a week.

If you are available, the following slots are on offer:

Week 1 (Saturday 9 th - Sunday 17 th April)	Family 1-	Family 2-
Week 2 (Monday 18 th – Monday 25 th)	Family 1-	Family 2-

Please email Ron Dando- Ronald.dando@lisieux.catholic.edu.au if you are available for either job and he will contact you with a timetable and directions for the duties.

Thanks in advance.















LINKS Property Happy Easter Colouring Competition 2022

Child's name:

Colour in this gicture as best you can and then ask a parent or guardian to take a photo of your work and post it on the LINKS Property Facebook gage or direct message to us on Instagram. First prizes will be given for three age groups, 3-5, 6-8, and 9-12 year olds. Each age group will have one lucky winner selected to WIN \$50! Entries close Thursday 28th April, 2022. Post your coloured artwork to facebook.com/LinksPropertySurfCoast or Instagram @linksproperty. One entry per child. Free to enter for Surf Coast residents only: Happy colouring!

Parent/Guardian name: Signature:

Property Happy Easter 2022 colouring competition.

As Parent/Guardian I give my child permission to enter the LINKS

Illustrated by Sophia Crawley. @earthandtidestudio

Barrie office

Full Tätte available at www.linkagrogory.com.au





Newsletter Advertising/Sponsorship

Newsletter Advertising/Sponsorship positions for 2022 are now open. Limited spaces available.

We also have the opportunity for business to earn 'naming rights' to some 'wish list' items around the school.

If either of these are of interest to you or a business you know, please email lisieuxpandf@gmail.com



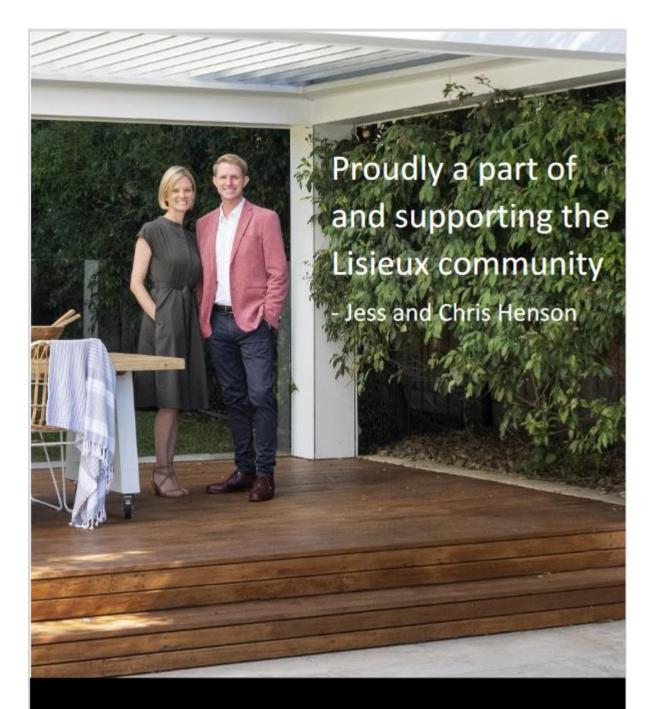
Facebook Groups

Here are some Facebook groups useful for parents and carers to join:

Lisieux Parents & Friends: https://www.facebook.com/groups/219863365445717

Lisieux Parents & Carers Noticeboard: https://www.facebook.com/groups/291861974867417

Lisieux Secondhand Uniform: https://www.facebook.com/groups/330510007547326



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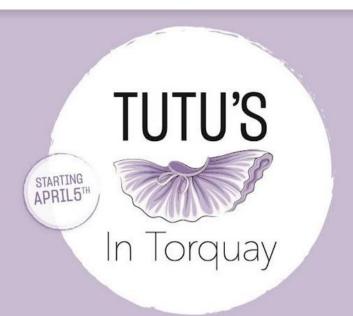
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Come dance with Miss Remy!

Tuesday and Friday mornings. Mums & Bubs: 9.30-10am (both days) Tutu Ballet - 10.10-10.50am (both days)

*No uniform; wear your favourite tutu (Tutu's available to wear at class if you forget)

TIA, 12 Price St, Torquay.

Parking available as well as ramp for strollers

Classes are \$14 each You can buy a 5 class pass or a 10 class pass Available to buy via the Square link



