

Dear members of the Lisieux community,

A huge congratulations to two of our students who have won prizes for their entries in the National Water Week competition. This year's theme was 'united by water', highlighting the important role water plays in bringing individuals and communities together. Violet Robertson, Year 1, took out third place in the local competition and Teddy Robertson, Year 4, won first prize in the local, state and national competition! Their awards were presented at our assembly on Monday by Fernando Garcia, Education Officer, Barwon Water and their work will be featured in a local Geelong exhibition. Obviously, the character strength of creativity runs deep in the Robertson family! Congratulations Teddy and Violet!



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ur 2 nd	Outdoor Classroom Day
	Year 5/6 Beach Discovery
n 6 th	Professional Practice Day STUDENT FREE DAY
es 7 th	Melbourne Cup Day STUDENT FREE DAY
n 13 th	National Recycling Week
	REACH Vietnam Awareness Week
	Ride to school Day
es 14 th	Prep 2024 Transition Session 1 9am-10.30am

Mon 20th Book Fair Week

Wed 22nd Year ³/₄ Beach Discovery

Thur 23rd Grandparents Day

Prep 2024 Transition Session 2 9am-10.30am

Thur 30th Year 5/6 Lifesaving Day

Our Year 3/4 students have spent some time this week reflecting on their camp experience, both the highlights and the challenges and their sense of pride in what they achieved has been very evident. In a time when many schools are cancelling such experiences due to both the challenges of the new industrial agreement and the difficulties of staff being away from their own families overnight, I would like to take the opportunity to acknowledge our staff who took part in this experience, allowing it to be a rich learning opportunity for our students. It may be easy to overlook the hard work that goes on behind the scenes in weeks of planning, through to working tirelessly to create a positive experience for every student, managing individual needs and responding to students who may be experiencing anxiety or homesickness. It is fair to say that our staff come back exhausted but so obviously proud of what our students have achieved. This is one of the many examples of when they go above and beyond because they love their job and they care deeply for their students. They help create unforgettable memories for our children, and we are truly fortunate to have such an amazing team. To those parents who took the time to personally thank staff upon the safe return of every child, please know this is deeply appreciated. Those little moments of thanks and recognition mean so much.

The year 3/4's went on camp to Sovereign Hill in Ballarat. They did wory Fin activities like bowling gold passing and exploring the town. Other activities satisfied our 3/45 such as the gold pour and the confection any making. The children loved the Red hill mine tour and devouved the different types of deticious drops. A late night watching blood on the southern cross the light show took it out of the students so they struggled to get through a wet day 2. Although there was a variety of worries everyone managed to enjoy themselves. Not everyone was in a cabin with their best Friend but scool camp is all about making new friends right? Some of the best nemories were watching then create a ald bar a hanging out in the caltins. tere's some advice for when you go there

gov need to try a rapping drop and go to the red hill nine! By Henry Jameson



We are gearing up for Arts Week next week, with a number of special events planned. Parents are warmly invited to our Bush Dance on Tuesday afternoon or our musical concert on Friday afternoon, both at 2pm.

God's blessings for the week ahead,

Susan Ryan

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Principal



Heavenly Father,

Spring is a metaphor for change. Some changes we eagerly await, and some we find challenging. Some changes we plan and others arrive uninvited. May the sunlight and the rain be reminders that You are at work renewing the earth. As a God of renewal, You are ever at work in our lives, too. Open our eyes and lives to the needed changes in our lives this Spring. Awaken us to new life and perspective, and to being open to the beauty of every day. Amen.



STUDENT LEARNING & ACHIEVEMENTS

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3/4 Soverhighn hill camp 2023 3/4 For camp we went to soverhighn hill, Right now im going to tell you some things we did at soverhighn hill! & MAN We went to the fally shop acording to a lot of was there faviout parl about camp We went into the gold mine it was a bit creepy but fun. A los of kide got a bit precked out and wanted to leave but it was still Fun We went gold panting it was so fun and some people achilly found some gold not a nugget but it was still cool ! didn't find any though We went and watched this guy make the follys it was so cool he was so funny as well. By Indi and Charlize









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Jackson and Arto favourite part was going to the candy shop also going to the mine of under ground. Ario and Jackson licked going in the mine because we got to yo in the water and see under ground, mother good part was going to the candy spon and getting taspbely drops. That we also liked and seeing with our friends and seeing cueryone.

NEW TO THE LISIEUX BOOK SHELF

As we prepare for Arts Week, this is a perfect time to highlight some of the wonderful literature we have featuring creativity. One of our favourites is "Van Gogh and the seasons- an art book for kids". Produced by the NGV, there are several co-contributors to this book who provide an insightful perspective about one of the world's most researched and famous painters. The seasons of the year provide for the book's layout theme, and illustrate the importance the seasons played in Van Gogh's life and creative expression. There is page after page of full colour illustrations on each of the four seasons. The contributors also explore the spirituality of Vincent Van Gogh's art works; he was very drawn to nature and interpreted it as God's revelation of himself.

The book also contains the artist's biography with the inclusion of photographs. This is a great book for budding artists or art historians or those who want to be inspired in their own creative pursuits.



TAKE NOTE

Change to end of year date:

Families will be aware that the pre-advised end of year date for students is noted in the calendar as Friday 15 December. We make every effort not to change advertised dates and to give families plenty of notice for school closure days. Due to OHS regulations, it is a requirement that all our staff update their CPR training before the end of the year. We have liaised with the Advisory Council to seek support of the idea that students will conclude one day earlier, at 12:30pm on Thursday 14 December, allowing time for all staff to undergo relevant training. The Advisory Council has ratified this decision.

Accordingly, please note the revised end of year date for students will now be 12:30pm on Thursday 14 December. The Kelly Club will be available for supervision of those students who require this on Thursday afternoon and Friday.

As part of our Arts Week celebrations in Week 4, we are planning a collaborative weaving project. If you have any scraps of fabric or old t-shirts that you no longer need, it would be greatly appreciated if you could send these in with your child over the next few weeks. Any type or colour of fabric/t-shirt will be accepted!

Coming soon...following a whole school design competition, our Year 6 House Captains have collaborated with Nikki McKenzie from Wurriculture to refine the final designs of our new house polos. These will go into production immediately and we are SO EXCITED to introduce these next year. These will replace our pale blue polos and become our sports tops. They will showcase our four house creator spirits: Bundjil, Parrwang, Kunuwarra, Gherang.

2024 Class groupings

As we begin this process, we ask parents to trust us as experts in this area. If parents believe there is additional relevant educational/social/emotional information that should be considered, you are asked to contact Susan directly via phone or email, noting that it is not always possible to meet every request due to competing requests and the need to achieve overall balanced classes. Any such information / requests should be communicated to Susan by the end of October to enable this to be considered in our planning.

For those families who will be relocating or changing schools in 2024, please contact Susan directly as soon as possible, as we currently have a waiting list for many levels. A change in enrolment projections will also have a financial impact on our planning, so we would appreciate forward notice of any change in circumstance.

LOST PROPERTY

We have a large amount of lost property at the front office without names. If you could please come and have a look if you are missing anything.

Please see below for lost property left over from Year ¾ and swimming.





Why Creative Expression Is So Important For Children

Via <u>www.nido.edu.au</u>

Most people talk about 'creative expression' in terms of the outcome. They see a painting, a story, a sculpture, a song, a dance sequence, a play or even just a tangle of string at the end of a craft session as the all-important end result of the creative activity.

But creative expression isn't about the product. It's more about the process.

Despite what many people think, creativity isn't limited to artistic endeavours like art, music, craft, writing and drama and it's definitely not only about a physical outcome. We can be creative with maths, science, politics, building, and business; with anything that we do! Creativity can be defined as the journey through which we use and develop our imaginations, originality, productivity and problem-solving abilities.

The same principle applies to creative expression in early childhood learning.

Every child has creative potential and every child is capable of expressing that creativity – but the process, not the quality of the outcome, should be the main focus.

An interesting perspective on this topic came from the founder of highly respected Reggio Emilia educational approach to pre-schooling, <u>Loris Malaguzzi</u>, who said that creativity became more visible when adults were more attentive to the cognitive processes of children than they were to the result. Children need encouragement and support to develop their creativity (and by extension, to develop important life skills like self confidence and relationship building) and the process of creative expression is beneficial to both the child and the educator.

Let's take a look at

5 reasons why creative expression is so important to child

Physical development

Working with materials such as paints, crayons, masking tape, string, clay and glue encourages the development of sound fine motor skills in young children develop and boosts hand-eye co-ordination. Creative activities such as the above, also aid muscle development.



Mental growth

Creative expression provides opportunities for young children to try out new ideas, develop their imaginations and problemsolving skills and see what happens as a result of their experimentation. It helps them work out what it is that they love doing best and it teaches them that their abilities and their contributions are highly valued.

Personal growth

The creative experience can help young children to express their experiences and emotions through communicative avenues other than verbal. This can help develop self-confidence, communication skills and a sense of identity while helping children to cope with their feelings.

Celebrates a child's uniqueness

The creative process also provides opportunities to celebrate a child's uniqueness, which is an important element of developing a strong sense of self.

Encourages problem-solving

Creative activities enable children to experiment with thought process, actions and materials and can provide good opportunities for problem solving, collaboration and negotiation – all of which are key skills for life, as they grow older.

In pre-schools, which channel a Reggio Emilia approach creative learning is encouraged through extended projects which can either develop from children's ideas and interests or introduced by experienced educators – and which are sufficiently lengthy so that the development of ideas, negotiations, conflicts, resolutions and progress can be seen and appreciated.

This world-class educational approach is based on the premise of co-learning where educators learn alongside the child – and it recognises and embraces the importance of creative expression. The Reggio Emilia approach also encourages self-guided learning to build on a child's interests; an element of this approach that advocates for self -expression and endless creativity.

Across Australia, Nido Early School have been established to provide parents and children with the very best standard of education and care. Each of their centres has been meticulously planned to support the guiding principles of Reggio Emilia and their high quality furniture, fittings and ever-evolving materials provide a dynamic, inspirational and beautiful environment for children to express their creativity.

If you are interested in finding out more about this highly respected co-learning attitude which is facilitated by industry-best carers and degree-qualified educators who are dedicated to continuing best practice driven by the choices of the child, visit <u>www.nido.edu.au</u> to find your closest centre.

LEARNING COMMUNITY IN PICTURES







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The Cocktail Party and Raffle draw are nearly here. Tickets for both are still available <u>here</u> Below is the complete list of raffle prizes that you could have a chance to win. Another huge thank you to all of our sponsors.

Raffle Prizes

Ena Pelly online voucher \$1000

x3 sessions of SkinPen mirco needling from Injectables by Chloe valued at \$880

RACV Torquay voucher Donated by One Agency Real Estate valued at \$500

Hello World Travel Torquay \$500 gift voucher

Voucher for 4 players for 18 holes of Golf with 2 motorised carts. Valued at \$470 donated by The Sands Golf Club

Sunset family Photography session valued at \$200 donated by Tash Leach Photography Ladies Cotton On clothing pack valued at \$200

Picnic Season Everyday Medley picnic rug and backpack set valued at \$119

Doc Hughes \$100 voucher

Torquay Pub \$100 voucher

Sass Me Lash and brow voucher

Two \$100 Sweet Obsession vouchers

2020 Pikes 'Los Companeros' Shiraz Tempranillo Magnum valued at donated by The Torquay

Wine Bar

A beautiful pot and plant valued at \$100 from Bunnings

\$50 Frankie Says Relax voucher

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Cement your place in Lisieux history and purchase a family/student paver. The pavers will create a feature in front of the pottery studio, which will be used for outdoor classes and other school activities. To order your paver click <u>here</u>





Order your trays of delicious Kensington Pride mangoes now. The trays are 4.5 kg for \$24 and will include 9 to 14 mangoes. Orders are to be placed under 'Events' on School24 by 4 pm on Saturday 28th October. A ''Guest" link is available for neighbours, colleagues, family and friends whom you can collect for and deliver the mango

trays to. Delivery to Lisieux will be at the end of November. Money raised will go towards a pottery kiln.



The 2023 Lisieux Mango Fundraiser

We are selling trays of 4.5 kgs of delicious Kensington Pride mangoes. Each tray will contain 9 to 14 mangoes in a single layer. Mangoes will be delivered directly from the orchard in Bowen to our school in the peak of the mango season. Due to the warmer Winter this year mango orchards across Australia are expecting a lower crop yield, similar to the 2021 season.

Price: \$24 per tray.

Order details: Orders can be placed now via School 24 under 'Events'. If you have not yet registered for School24 go to <u>https://www.school24.net.au/</u> and use the school ID of 25437963.

Non-school members: Can use this School24 'Guest link' to purchase and are asked to include the name of the person who will collect their order in the email section at

payment. https://www.school24.net.au/canteenorder/guest/event?ezp=2175

Orders close: At 4 pm on Saturday 28th October.

Delivery: Mangoes will be delivered to Lisieux at the end of November.

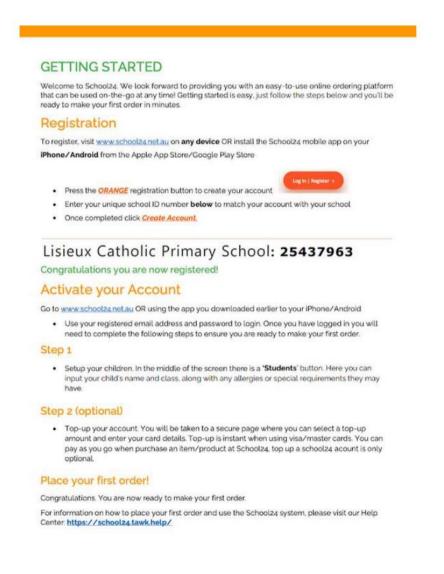
Money raised will go towards: A pottery kiln.

Thank-you to the parents who have already placed an order, they have been received.

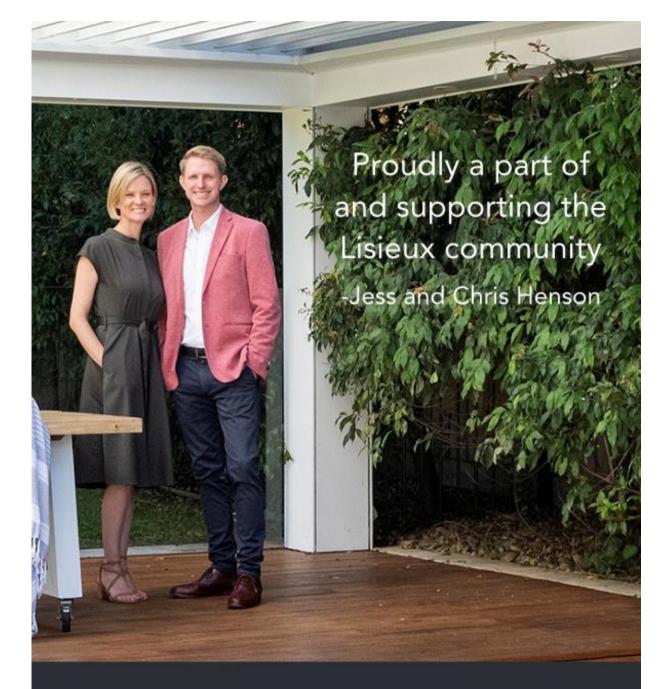
Parent contact: Renee, M. 0490701855



Canteen and Lunch orders: Don't forget Friday Canteen orders by 5pm on Wednesday via School24 app



Thursday lunch orders by 8.30am Wednesday via the Flexischools app



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TICKET GIVEAWAY TO THE CAT IN THE HAT

Hello Lisieux Catholic Primary School! The Cat in the Hat is coming to the **Geelong Arts Centre** during the summer school holidays!

Showcase Family Entertainment is delighted to offer your school a **double** pass (2) to give away to the family of your choice worth over **\$80**

In exchange we just ask for an image or ad of the show in your school newsletter from November 1st for the remainder of the term. How you give the tickets away is up to you and your school. This will be an amazing experience for a lucky student and family!

Simply reply to this email, I will will email you a picture/image to use for the newsletter and then will email you the tickets once confirmed they are in the newsletters. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask.

For more information on the show please visit our Facebook page: <u>www.facebook.com/Catinthehataustralia</u> or website: <u>www.catinthehatlive.com</u>



