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SCHOOL CALENDAR



DECEMBER

- Thur 7th Branching Out Week
- Fri 8th Lisieux End of Year Mass and Student Awards Ceremony
9.30am
Multiple Purpose Room
ALL WELCOME
- Mon 11th Year 6 Graduation Ceremony & Dinner
- Tues 12th Moving Up/Transition Morning
Year 6 students DO NOT attend this day
- Thur 14th Final Day of Term 4
Finish time 12.30pm

Dear members of the Lisieux community,

After three years of dodging COVID, I was feeling confident I had special powers, however, my run of luck ended last weekend and I have been managing my first bout of the virus at home this week. I'm sorry to have missed so many special events at school this week and hope to be back on deck next week.

Tomorrow morning at 9:30am Fr Linh will lead our end of year mass in the Multi-Purpose Room, which will be followed by our 2023 Awards Ceremony. If you are able to join us, please ensure you have emailed Brooke Walsh so we can ensure adequate seating for guests.

Next Monday evening our Year 6 students will take part in their Graduation Ceremony at Torquay Bowls Club, celebrating the culmination of a significant chapter in their lives. We are grateful for the gifts they have shared with our community and wish them our heartfelt blessings for the future.

The holiday season is almost here, bringing with it a sense of gratitude, joy and the opportunity to appreciate all we have shared this year. As we approach the end of another school year, there are so many moments of growth and achievement we can be proud of. As we prepare to celebrate Christmas, let us do so with a spirit of reflection, kindness and goodwill, mindful of the true spirit of the season. This spirit has certainly been alive this week during Branching Out Week where students have engaged in a range of outreach projects and families have generously donated to our appeal. Our Year 5/6 students were particularly inspirational in their planning for and running of a Business and Economics market, which raised over \$1000 for Geelong Mums. What an incredible achievement.



As this will be our final newsletter for 2023, I wish you a joyful and safe Christmas and New Year. May your family celebrations be full of joy, laughter and love.



God's blessings for the week ahead,

Susan Ryan

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Principal



Prayer for the second week of Advent- a prayer for peace.

Isaiah 9:6-7

“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David’s throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this”

Heavenly Father, Lord of All, come and fill this world with your peace. May there be an end to hatred and division among your people. Cease all the fighting and war in this world. Heal the bitterness and hurt in our hearts. In this season of Advent, prepare our hearts for the coming of Jesus, Prince of Peace. Fill our hearts with your peace. Amen.





STUDENT LEARNING & ACHIEVEMENTS

UPCOMING ADVENT LITURGIES

Monday

27

Hope

9AM- LED BY PREP TEAM

Monday

4

Peace

9AM-LED BY 1/2 TEAM

Monday

11

Joy

9AM-LED BY 3/4 TEAM

Thursday

14

Love

9AM-LED BY 5/6 TEAM



NEW TO THE LISIEUX BOOK SHELF

A World Where Boys and Girls Grow Up as Equals

Surf Coast Shire is proud to participate in this year's 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence campaign in Victoria. The 16 Days of Activism will begin on 25 November and end on Sunday 10 December, which marks the global Human Rights Day.

We can all face unfair assumptions and treatment based on gender. Ideas and beliefs about gender limit us, drive this harm, and can lead to violence against women. What we read can help us challenge our attitudes and create a future where we are all safe, equal and respected.

This 16 Days of Activism and beyond, let's change the story and create a future where we are all safe, equal and respected.

Lisieux are the lucky recipients of a book pack funded by Respect Victoria in partnership with Surf Coast Shire Council. The Let's Change the Story book pack contains 22 books themed around gender equality. This initiative aims to subtly engage and educate primary school-aged children about the importance of gender equality through heart-warming storytelling and beautiful illustrations.





TAKE NOTE

This semester our end of year reports will be available online. Students will bring home their individual reflection in a plastic pocket on Wednesday along with a copy of the 2024 Lisieux calendar (oldest child in family only). Please put your calendar in a central place and use as a handy reference as it is full of important information for next year.

Next Tuesday is Moving Up Morning / Transition Day. Current Year 6s are not expected at school on this day and most will be involved in their own secondary school transition sessions at the same time. Lisieux students will work with their 2024 educators for the morning. For Prep and any new families, there will be an information session in the MPA at 9:15am followed by a cuppa provided by the Parents & Friends.

We would like to remind all families that the exchange of candy canes is not permitted at Lisieux and we request that these are not brought along to school. We have found the high intake of sugar disrupts learning and the plastic wrappers end up throughout our school gardens.

An additional Parish Mass for our growing community will commence from Sunday 18th February 2024. This Mass will be celebrated at Iona College at 9am and will be held on the third Sunday of each month thereafter.

This Mass is provided by the Parish for all families who live in the Armstrong Creek and surrounding area and for those who find this a more suitable time for their needs.

More details will follow in the new year.

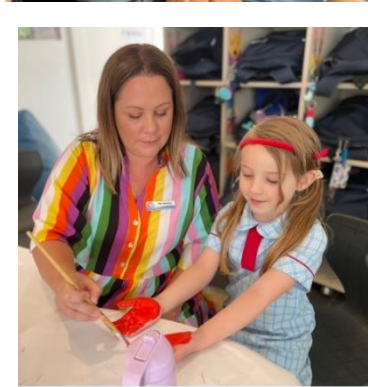


LEARNING COMMUNITY IN PICTURES

In our final edition of The Tide for 2023, we share some happy images from the school year, celebrating the joy of learning in our beautiful school community. Thank you to each and every one of our community members who has helped to ensure that we have shared another successful year. We are so blessed.









Lisieux Wine Fundraiser

Help would be appreciated on Tuesday 12th December from 2 to 3 pm for assistance to label the wine in the multipurpose room. Please text 0490701855 if you can assist. Can all those who ordered through our fundraiser please collect it from the multipurpose room on Wednesday 13th December.



Staff Days of Christmas.

Thank you to those who contributed to the Staff Days of Christmas. The staff are going to enjoy these gifts from us all.

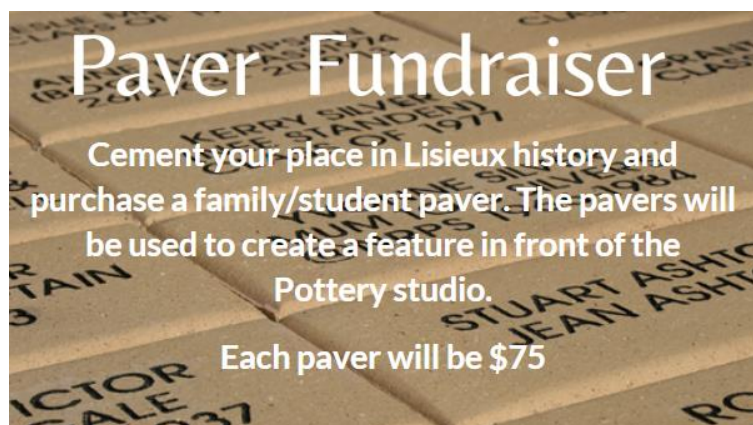
Mon 11 Dec: City to Surf Coffee van and brekky treats from Salty Dog Café
Coffee van will be at school from 8.20am parents are welcome to purchase a coffee at drop off.

Tues 12 Dec: Sushi platters from Funky Ninja.

Wed 13 Dec: Voucher lucky dip.

Thurs 14 Dec: Each staff member will take home a box of chocolates.

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 [here](#)



Thank you all of the parents and carers who have contributed to the fundraisers throughout the year, everything contribution is greatly appreciated.

The Parents and Friends committee wishes everyone happy and fun summer break – Merry Christmas and stay safe. See you in 2024.



Proudly a part of
and supporting the
Lisieux community
- Jess and Chris Henson

If you have any questions about real estate,
we're always happy to have a chat.

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