Dear Parents and Families, Staff and Children

During these weeks following Easter we remember the time that Jesus spent with his disciples and friends over forty days following the resurrection before His Ascension into heaven. Jesus wanted to reassure his disciples and friends that he was truly risen from the dead and alive, and wanted to prepare them for their task of continuing the work of spreading the Good News. These appearances often ended with the ‘Breaking of the Bread’ and we continue to celebrate this special presence of Jesus each time we come to Mass.

Yesterday’s Gospel at Mass (John 21:1-19) told the story of one of these encounters Jesus had with his disciples and friends in the days after the resurrection. After Peter and some others had been fishing unsuccessfully all night Jesus instructed them to try one more time and this time they enjoyed success with a great catch of fish. After the miracle Jesus asked Peter three times to express his love for Jesus. Peter did so emphatically to which Jesus replied ‘feed my lambs; look after my sheep’.

This conversation between Jesus and Peter was a means for Jesus to identify the special role Peter and the disciples were to play in spreading the Good News. The lambs represent those who are innocent and dependent and in need of nurturing and support. The sheep represent those who are looking for leadership and direction. Spreading the Good News means showing other people how to live according to the plan of God. To do this is to make sure that everyone, especially the disadvantaged and powerless are cared for and supported. As followers of Jesus and members of God’s family this is our role too.

We pray this week for the grace and strength to continue the work of Jesus by spreading the Good News in the things that we say and do.

Yours sincerely

In JMJ

Br Daniel (Principal)
Staff Development/Pupil Free Day

The Staff Development Day this term is scheduled for Friday April 26th (day after Anzac Day). All staff members are required to attend school on this day but the children do not attend school.

The Winter Timetable has now commenced

8.30am – 10.30am  Session One
10.30am – 11.00am  Morning Tea
11.00am – 1.00pm   Session Two
1.00pm – 2.00pm    Lunch
2.00pm – 3.30pm    Session Three

1.00pm finish on Friday.

Thank you

Thanks to Peter, Wighto, and Matthew who accompanied and supported the boys who participated in the Marist Basketball Carnival in Alice Springs at the end of last term. Congratulations to the boys who participated – they did their best, made some new friends and were fine ambassadors for Ltyentye Apurte School. The boys who participated were Graham Abbott, Simon Bloomfield, Nicholas Flowers, Robert Ryder, Floyd Spratt, Rhys Ullamari (Captain), Dallas Williams, Scott Young, Helaman Ryder & Virgil Conway. Graham, who scored over 100 points was awarded the MVP (Most Valuable Player) for Ltyentye Apurte. Overall, this was a wonderful experience for all concerned.

Thank you to all who contributed to the Caritas Appeal at school during Lent. A total of $202.55 was donated by the children which was a very generous response and means that children chose to go without something in order that others less fortunate would receive some assistance.

Welcome

We welcome the members of ARMtour (Athletes as Role Models) who will be working with the children during this week. Parents are asked to sign the permission form with this newsletter that concerns, and return the photographs during the ARM tour visit, and to return the forms to the class teachers.