Dear Parents and Families, Staff and Children

One of the most important things that Christians believe in is the mystery of the Holy Trinity. We believe that God is a community or family of three persons – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We generally begin and end each prayer by acknowledging this through making the Sign of the Cross. Most blessings are made ‘in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. This is also the formula used for Baptism.

God the Father made everything. God the Son in Jesus gave everything. God the Holy Spirit hovers over all that the Father made, and guides the mission entrusted to us by Jesus. The Holy Spirit is the source of unity and love between the Father who gave us the gift of life and free will, and God the Son who gave us the gift of eternal life which we are free to accept or reject. It is the Holy Spirit who can direct and guide us as we journey through life towards heaven.

God is a community or family of three persons. We are made in God’s likeness so we are made to be a family/community. The needs and concerns of others should also be our needs and concerns. We are not made to live apart from others; we are made to be the one family of God in this world responsible for and dependent on each other. All of the world’s concerns are also our concerns. We have a responsibility towards the environment and towards all that God had made and entrusted to our care. Like Jesus we care asked to give all in the service of others and care for the world. The Holy Spirit is given to us as our helper and guide.

Yesterday we celebrated the Feast of the Holy Trinity and so we pray during this week or the grace to take care of our world and of each other just as God planned for us to do. We pray for the courage to use our gifts in the same generous way that Jesus did through service of others, especially the less fortunate. We pray that we may open our hearts to the Holy Spirit in order that we may receive guidance and direction.

May Mary Our Good Mother bless all Ltyentye Apurte families with peace and unity in the name of God who is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Yours sincerely

In JMJ

Br Daniel

Principal
Br Yon

Kake Yon is leaving Santa Teresa on June 9th to continue his studies for the priesthood. There will be a sausage sizzle after 5.00pm Mass on Thursday June 6th to farewell Kake Yon and thank him for his presence in the community. All are most welcome to Mass and Sausage Sizzle.

Lyentye Apurte Drummers

The Drummers Tour to Melbourne is going extremely well. Their performances have been described as brilliant, fantastic and they have received loud applause from the audiences at the end of their performances. They have been shown extraordinary generosity and kindness by many people in Melbourne, particularly by the three schools who have been hosting the Drummers – Clonard College, Avila College, and Assumption College. The group is due back in Santa Teresa at lunch time on Tuesday providing there are no delays to their flight from Melbourne.

News from the Clinic

It is important that before children commence Pre-school they have their four year old vaccination. This can be arranged for children who are not yet four years old but who are in Pre-school.

Early next term the HPV vaccinations will be done for both boys and girls who turn 12/13 this year. The clinic will arrange for permission forms to be sent home later this term.

National Prayer for Reconciliation (Reconciliation Week May 26th – 31st)

Holy Father, God of love, you are the creator of this land and of all good things. We acknowledge the pain and shame of our history, and the sufferings of our peoples, and we ask your forgiveness. We thank you for the survival of Indigenous cultures. Our hope is in you because you gave us your son Jesus to reconcile the world to you. We pray for your strength and the grace to forgive, accept and love one another, as you love us and forgive us and accept us in the sacrifice of your son. Give us the courage to accept the realities of our history so that we may build a better future for our nation. Teach us to respect all cultures. Teach us to care for our land and waters. Help us to share justly the resources of this land. Help us to bring about spiritual and social change to improve the quality of our life for all groups in our communities, especially the disadvantaged. Help young people to find true dignity and self-esteem by your spirit. May your power and love be the foundations on which we build our families, our communities and our nation. We make this prayer in the name of Jesus Our Lord. Amen.