

School Newsletter

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Dear Families,

We will celebrate the Sacrament of First Holy Communion at the 10am Mass next Sunday, 23rd June. Please pray for the students, their families and all those who are helping to prepare this very special event. The students have been learning about the Mass, the Sacraments that we receive as members of God's family, what makes a community, the meals Jesus shared with his friends and the gift of Jesus we receive in Holy Communion.

Next Sunday is the Feast of Corpus Christi, when *Ruot, Kayme, Darius, Destiny, Dominic, Terrance, Latoya and Shalana* will be blessed with the grace of God. We pray that their families will continue to support and encourage them to receive Holy Communion as they journey together in faith and peace. Anne Hazel

NAIDOC Week Celebrations: In the last week of school this term, on Tuesday and Wednesday, we will celebrate NAIDOC week with lots of fun and educational activities prepared by our aboriginal staff. On Tuesday 25th June our students will rotate around many different cultural activities in the school grounds. The following day we are heading out bush to Philipson's Bore Campground, where there will be more cultural activities as well as a lunch of kangaroo tails, potato and damper. Please be sure to sign your child's consent form. We welcome everyone in the community to visit the school and join us in celebrating your unique culture.



We had many Award winners last week. We celebrated the excellent qualities they are showing at school, such as, kindness, respect and strength. We also have a lot of students who are trying hard to improve their spelling. They are earning a certificate each time they go up to a new level.



Preston Oliver in M1 created an entertaining and creative story titled, "Zena and Friends". Preston's art work shows his amazing imagination. He shared his story and illustrations with the whole school at Assembly. Sista Sounds ran music workshops for our girls. They created a great song, which we hope to share soon.





Dogs are causing lots of problems at school

Dogs are arriving at school at breakfast time and grabbing food out of the hands of our students. Sometimes they bite. Sometimes they even follow children into the Canteen to get food. We have paid for a Vet to take the dogs away, but some families would not let the dogs be taken to town. These dogs are skinny and hungry. If they are not fed at home they will keep trying to get food at school. Please help us to keep our children safe by making sure your dogs stay at home. We are going to keep trying to get the hungry dogs to town. We are also building a high fence to keep the school and our students safe and to keep dogs and horses out.

Parent/ Teacher Interviews

Please come to the library after school on Monday 24th June at 3pm to meet the teachers and receive your children's reports. They would like to talk to you about how your children are going at school.

End of Semester Assembly

On the last Thursday of school we will have a special Assembly and hand out the Principal and Attendance Awards. Please support your children to come to school everyday so they can take part in all the great activities we have planned over the next two weeks.

End of Term 2 and Beginning of Term 3

The last day of school will be on Friday 28th May. School will end at 11am to give families time to prepare for a funeral at Santa Teresa Church at 1pm. School begins again on **TUESDAY 23RD JULY.** The day before, on Monday 22nd, all staff return to school for a retreat where we will reflect on the holiness in every moment. The retreat will be led by Marist Brothers. We will also revisit the Vision and Mission statement of Ltyentye Apurte Catholic School.

I wish you a peaceful and happy week. God bless, Deb