



Ltyentye Apurte Catholic School

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Dear Families,

WELCOME to the new school year! We hope that everyone had a peaceful holiday and that you feel ready... excited indeed about what 2021 has to offer. In 2021 we welcome two new staff including a Deputy Principal and someone that's worked here before and known to all. More on that later. In 2021 we'll no doubt experience successes to be proud of challenges to test us. In whatever we do, let us remember to do it in the spirit of Jesus; honest and good, caring and compassionate, loving and respectful of our Brothers and Sisters in Christ. This includes everyone in the school community: parents and carers, students and staff and stakeholders that work with us.

Last week all staff returned to work. On Monday and Tuesday we were joined by Paul Salmon, a trainer for the **Resilient Educators Program**. This was all about how we make ourselves *resilient* by taking care of our personal well-being (sleep, healthy diet, managing stress and so on). By doing this we become strong, deal with problems better and last longer as teachers / educators.



No doubt you have seen 'new faces' walking around the community. **Let me introduce them to you...**



WELCOME, Georgia Brown: This is her kwementyaye name. Her real name begins with a 'P'. Georgia is our new Deputy Principal. Her family come from Grenada – a small island nation in the Caribbean. Georgia spent most of her life in the UK but has been living in Australia since 2005. She has a husband in Melbourne and a daughter in the UK. Georgia has been working at Xavier Catholic College in Wurrumiyanga, Bathurst Island. She is extremely excited and happy to be in Ltyentye Apurte. 😊



WELCOME, Sharon Norgren: We are so pleased that Miss Sharon has returned to LACS. She has worked here for four years already (2011 – 2014) and also Term 1, 2018. Sharon has been working at a school for students with special needs in South Australia. Her happiest years in teaching were always at LACS and she's been keen to return for some time. Sharon will be teaching Middle 1 in the new building. I am sure that many people will be pleased to see her around again. 😊

LACS Classes and Teaching Teams (Semester 1, 2021):

Pre-School	<i>Tina Williams and Delphina Cavanagh</i>
Junior 1 (Trans / Yr. 1)	<i>Michelle Abraham, Nalita Palmer and Vanessa John</i>
Junior 2 (Yr. 1/2)	<i>Haidee MacKenzie, Jane Oliver and Ashley Smith</i>
Junior 3 (Yr. 3/4)	<i>Rosie Landsberg, Cecily + Thecla Palmer, Julia Cavanagh</i>
Junior 4 (Yr. 4/5)	<i>Mark Wisemantel, Nora Wheeler and Br Francis</i>
Middle 1 (Yr. 5/6/7)	<i>Sharon Norgren, RP and Kyle Ryder</i>
Senior Ladies (Yr. 8 – 12)	<i>Indi Parr and Rosalie Hayes</i>
Senior Fellas (Yr. 8 – 12)	<i>Marcus Williams and Franky Gorey</i>

What's Happening at School THIS Week?



- On **Wednesday** the whole school will go to church for our **Beginning of Year Mass**. It starts at 10 am.

A Message from our Religious Education Coordinator, Rosie:



As we begin a **new school year**, we turn to God in prayer:

God of strength and wisdom, we praise you for the wonders of our being, for mind, body and spirit.

Be with our children as they begin a new school year.

Bless them and their teachers and our staff.

Give them strength and grace as their bodies grow;

knowledge and wisdom in their minds as they develop understanding; and peace to their spirits.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

God bless. Rosie Landsberg

God bless our students and families. Have a great week, everyone!

Principal

- School **CLOSED** before 7:45 am. **BREAKFAST** starts at **8 am**. **SCHOOL** starts at **8:30 am** and finishes at **3pm**.
- LACS is committed to the teachings of love and justice from Jesus in the Gospels. We are committed to the safety and wellbeing of all students. We have zero tolerance for child abuse and exploitation.