



# School Newsletter 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020

## Ltyentye Apurte Catholic School

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Dear Families,

On Tuesday last week we held an **AFL Day** to celebrate the Grand Final over the weekend and the return to AFL lessons on Tuesdays. Students got to wear their footy colours and there was a sausage sizzle.



On Wednesday last week, Cecily, Franky and I visited OLSH College at Wadeye. We learned much about their **bilingual education program and resource production**. This is the way we're going at LACS, Santa Teresa. We want our students to keep their language (Arrernte) and culture strong. Research shows that children who are strong in their first language do better in a second language (English) and feel better about themselves (wellbeing). This week, Marcus and Franky are presenting **electronic Arrernte resources** that they've made at a conference in Alice Springs. Their work will be seen all over Australia and overseas! We're very proud of them!



Cecily, Franky and Justin at OLSH College, Wadeye. Lots of learning. Great plane ride!

### ☀️ STUDENT STARS OF THE WEEK ☀️



## LOOKING AHEAD



### School Start Times and Our 'Duty of Care'.

There has been some concern recently about **how EARLY some students come to school and WHO should look after them**. We call this 'duty of care'. When your children are at school, we (the school) have a legal duty of care – to look after them as you would expect. But when does this start?

As a reminder, breakfast begins at 7:45 am and finishes at 8:30 am. Staff are expected to be at school by 8 am and students, from 8:30 am. Some students arrive at 7:30 am – a whole HOUR too soon!

#### Looking ahead, the following rules apply:

- School's legal duty of care will begin at **7:45 am**.
- JP will serve breakfast from then and a staff member will supervise students.
- The gates will be locked until 7:45 am. We will not have duty of care for your children before 7:45 am.
- If a staff member has children who are students, they will look after them until 7:45 am.

	<p><b>A Message from our Religious Education Coordinator, Rosie:</b></p> <p>Good day, everyone. Sunday was <b>All Saints Day</b> and Monday is <b>All Souls Day</b>. We will celebrate Mass at the cemetery at 9 am on Monday.</p> <p>The flowers in the garden of our lives – our loved ones – in the true sense, belong to the King, and to Him alone! We celebrate All Saints and All Souls Day – we commemorate and pray for all the Saints and Faithful Departed... those flowers, who have gone away from the garden of our lives; yet whom we believe, are safe in the Mercy of God! In the Apostles Creed, we recite, <i>"I believe....in the Communion of Saints"</i>. <i>"Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in Peace. Amen."</i></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>NAIDOC Week</b> is late this year. It will be in <b>Wk. 4</b> from <b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November</b>. This year's theme is 'Always Was, Always Will Be'. Local staff will organise NAIDOC Week at school and non-Aboriginal staff will assist.</li></ul>

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



Principal

Ltyentye Apurte Catholic School is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children and young people. We are committed to the teachings of love and justice from Jesus in the Gospels. We have zero tolerance for child abuse and exploitation.