

Ltyentye Apurte Catholic School

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Dear Families,

WELCOME BACK to SCHOOL! We hope you all had a good break and our students and staff are ready for the final term (Term 4) of 2020.

We have a lot of news... In the final week of Term 3, our **new classroom block was opened and blessed** by Bishop Charles Gauci, in the presence of Director CENT, Greg O'Mullane and community members. It was a very happy and successful day for the school and we thank all the people that made it possible. From today onwards, Junior 2, Junior 3, Junior 4 and Middle 1 will all work in the new building.



During the holidays, **teacher Geralyn resigned from her position of teacher (Junior 2) and returned with her husband, Mickey, to Sydney.** We thank Geralyn and Mickey for their great work in the classroom and around the school and wish them all the best in the future. We are pleased that two well-known and respected people will be teaching Junior 2 in Term 4. They are **Nicole Johnson (Nicole Thraves)**, who worked at the school many years ago, and **Katie-Jayne O'Brien**. The students *continue* to be in good hands. We also welcome teacher Ann back to Pre-school.








At the end of Term 3, there were also two staff *job* changes. **Ltyentye Apurte Catholic School has a new Principal. His name is Justin Colley (me).** Although I've been in the principal role at LACS for nearly a year, I renew my commitment to serving the school and the community as best I can. As most of you will know, I've been here since 2015. As I tell everyone... *"love these people, love this place."* This is the spirit in which I wish to continue. At the end of Term 3, our Acting Religious Education Coordinator (REC), **Rosie Landsberg, became REC in her own right** (no more 'acting'). We congratulate her on this achievement.

During the holiday, when school was closed, the **funeral was held for Mrs Alice (Kwementyaye Alice).** Many years ago she helped in the school and both her children went on to work in and / or support the school. We are sorry for PA, his sister and family on the loss of their beloved Kwementyaye. May she RIP.

☀ STUDENT STARS at END OF LAST TERM ☀



LOOKING AHEAD

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This week, it's Indigenous Health (aka Healing Circles) Week in Santa Teresa. Many events are being run by AAAC. However, we'll also be running activities (for staff) at school.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nicole Johnson will teach Junior 2 in Weeks 1, 2 and 3. Joan will teach them for a few days in Wk. 4 and Katie-Jayne O'Brien will teach Junior 2 from the end of Week 4 until last day of Term 4.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teacher Indi will be out in Week. 2. Senior Ladies will be taught by Kellie for part of that week, and then Joan.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students will have swimming lessons in the community pool every week from Wk. 2 until the end of term. They will be taught by their teachers. Royal Life Saving NT will also return this term. Permission letter to follow.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NAIDOC Week is late this year. It will be in Wk. 4 from Monday 9th to Friday 13th November. More details to come.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bethlehem Road WILL go ahead this year, although with changes to be COVID-Safe. More details to follow.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Term 4 is nine (9) weeks long and FINISHES on Thursday 17th December.

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

Justin Lolle

Principal

P.S. Santa Teresa 2020 TRACHOMA SCREENING RESULTS attached. Please read.

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.