

# School Newsletter 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2021

## Ltyentye Apurte Catholic School

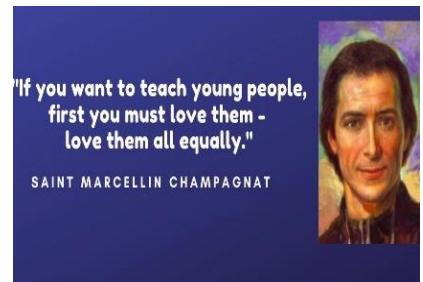
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Dear Families,



**On Tuesday evening, 12<sup>th</sup> October, we received the sad news that Br. Redmond Casey had passed away in Ashgrove, Brisbane.** He was peaceful and calm and without pain. He had been in the excellent care of the doctors, nurses and Brothers in Brisbane for about two months. Brother was looking forward to celebrating 25 years at Santa Teresa this year. Next year he would have been a Brother for 70 years. The following year he would have been 90 years old. However this was not to be.

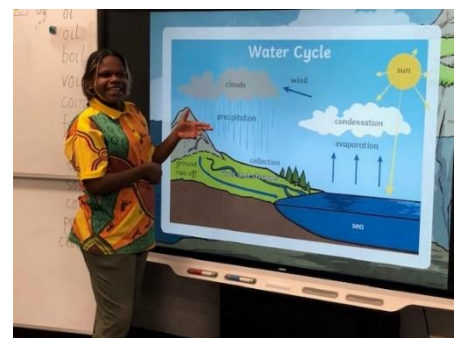
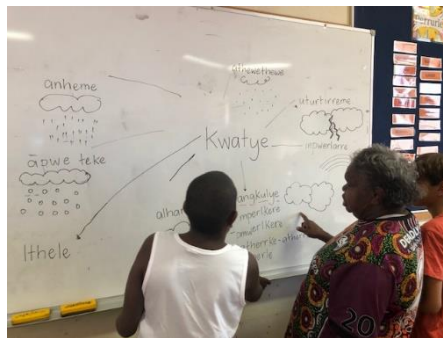
We are very grateful for who Brother was and what he did at Santa Teresa. Among his roles were bus driver, delivering teachers to school and home again, assisting with transport around the community, excursion driver, Pre-school driver, family record-keeper and supporter of the Dockers AFL team. He was always willing to help those with a need or request. He attended many community gatherings and enjoyed meeting families and children. Of course he knew them all and their parents and grandparents. He always attended church and Home Masses and was willing to read when invited. He loved sport, especially AFL and golf. In his room at Santa Teresa are many medals which he won in golf, plus the occasional trophy.



We appreciate the many gifts of Brother, his generosity, his personal interest, his willingness to assist, his sense of humour, his dedication, his care of children and his commitment to the community of Santa Teresa. Brother loved the community of Santa Teresa and loved being at Santa Teresa. **May his generous and loving soul rest in peace.**

Br. Francis Hough

### Other News:



**This term the whole school unit of work is about Kwatye 'Water'.** In Arrernte the students will talk about and describe sources of water and how people read signs of water in the land to know where water is. Students will also learn new Arrernte words and sentences and continue to practise reading, writing and speaking in Arrernte. The main book some of the students will be reading is "Kwatye Akngerre Apetyeme", (Big Rain Coming). Classes will be going on local outings to explore sources of Kwatye.

Senior students will be learning more about the Arrernte seasons. They will explore and discuss the different environmental features of the changing seasons and how these influence the lives and activities of humans and animals.

**Aboriginal Seasons - The Arrernte People**

The Arrernte people live in the desert climate of Central Australia. They recognise two main seasons, which roughly correspond to the western yearly calendar. There are several subcategories within the two main seasons. The Arrernte people, like other Indigenous people, have their own terms to describe the weather. The calendar below is one way; however, other terms and categories may be used.

Western Calendar	Arrernte Season	Arrernte Subcategories
October-November	Summer	Utyene (October), Utyene mpepe (November)
December	Summer	Utyene mpepe
January	Summer	Utyene mpepe
February	Summer	Utyene mpepe
March	Summer	Utyene mpepe
April-May	Winter	Alhwerpe arle (April), Alhwerpe Utyene mpepe (May)
June	Winter	Alhwerpe Utyene mpepe
July	Winter	Alhwerpe Utyene mpepe
August	Winter	Alhwerpe Utyene mpepe
September	Winter	Alhwerpe Utyene mpepe
October	Winter	Alhwerpe Utyene mpepe



Check out Pre-School and Junior 1 students having fun and learning lots in different ways:



Board games at playtime



Middle 1 and Senior Ladies are growing vegetables

Junior 2 love to read together



### This week and Ahead:



- This term staff will be learning and teaching about the **MindUp for Life curriculum**. MindUp teaches children the skills and knowledge needed to regulate their stress and emotion, build positive relationships, and act with kindness and compassion.



- **AFL is on Tuesdays - week 3, 5 and 7 !** Tommy will be here to work with all classes. Students love it! Some students 'might' also be attending the Galaday in Alice Springs later in the term. To Be Confirmed...

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

Georgia Brown, Deputy 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.