

School Newsletter 21st November 2022

Ltyentye Apurte Catholic School

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Dear Families,

Last week, this week and next week, the **Senior Ladies** are running an 'intergenerational' **sewing workshop** in the Spirituality Centre. Maree Stone (aka *Apwerte*), who taught here in 1988 and 1989, has returned to run the sewing. The Good Samaritan Foundation has funded the workshop. Women of all ages are welcome and have been busy making shoulder bags and pouches. The machines and fabric were donated from all over Australia and transported by Maree's friend who owns Cahill Transport. The workshop is still going. Everyone is welcome! Mwarre Anthurre, ladies!



In our **Celebration Assembly** last week, we were joined by NT Police Sgt. Don Cockatoo Collins and other officers. They reminded students the **danger of slingshots and rock throwing**. Sadly, in recent months, children have been shooting teachers, builders and fencing contractors around community. It used to be birds but now it's PEOPLE. <u>Slingshots are 'controlled-weapons'</u>. They will be confiscated if found. Please talk to your children about NOT carrying slingshots or throwing rocks if they get angry. It is very dangerous and someone could get blinded or killed...



Santa Teresa Police officers presented awards at our assembly. They were firm but fare.

FAITH FOCUS



Ltyentye Apurte Catholic School (LACS) is a 'Catholic school in the Marist tradition'. By that, we have our link to the Marist Brothers and our 'way' of Catholic education is inspired St Marcellin Champagnat (1789 – 1840).

This year's Marist theme is 'Known and Loved – Dignity for All'. At LACS, inspired by Marcellin, we get to *know and love* the Arrente people and give them *dignity* by *listening* and making *strong* what is important... **your language and culture**.

We give thanks for **Susan Poetsch** – friend of the school and friend of the community. Susan is a linguist from the University of Sydney. She studied Arrente at the school for part of her doctorate. Susan was with us for three weeks and listened to many people here. She left us with a report on how we can **improve bilingual education to make language and culture strong.**

THIS WEEK AND AHEAD:

LITENTIE APURIE SPORTS WEEKEND 20° 27° November Rottal Batte of the Basts Batte of the Basts	The Ltyentye Apurte Sports Weekend begins on Friday 25th November. School will remain OPEN to all students and staff. On Friday 25 th we're also being visited by 25 Year 10/11 students from the Catholic college in Alice Springs.
	Royal Life Saving NT will be running a Swimming Program in the pool in Wk. 8 (Monday 28th November – Friday 2nd December). Students will be supervised by RLS-NT instructors, our teachers and ATs. They will need a towel.

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

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Principal

School CLOSED before 7:45 am. BREAKFAST starts at <u>8 am</u>. SCHOOL starts at <u>8:30 am</u> and finishes at <u>3pm</u>.

• 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.