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Week 2 Term 2 Newsletter

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers,

Take a look at these two images below of 'the light at the end of the tunnel.' Which one resonates with you? Which resonates at this particular time of change in our lives and our world?



For some people these current covid-19 times have been so challenging that hope has almost been lost. For me, and the staff at St Patrick's we have looked to embrace the challenge and find the opportunities, the wonder, the hope. We have also worked to support our students with structure and learning experiences that help them find routines and 'flow' in each day. In ourselves we have worked to focus on the personal strengths of trust, resilience, courage and determination. We know as parents you too will have been working to help your children to accept what is and to find the positive each day.

Now that the light at the end of the current tunnel is shining more brightly I am sure we are all feeling a little (or a lot) lighter. Thank you for all the messages sharing how you and your children are feeling about the great news of a start for all on Monday 18th May. I think we are going to be so excited it may well feel like the first day of school for the year!



Thank you to Tam Prime and the fundraising committee for the beautiful plants for Mother's Day. Thanks to Mrs Grant for the creative 'Remote Mother's Day' package of joy.

Blessings and kind wishes to all mother's and mother figures on a happy day on Sunday.

Kind regards,

Jo

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL



SUCCESS CRITERIA **LEARNING** **INTENTION** **and**

James Nottingham is creator of "The Learning Pit" and author of many books to support teachers in their pursuit to challenge the learning.

One of the understandings that James promotes and that we are working on at the moment is the development of learning intentions and success criteria. This understanding enables us to work towards actioning our goals;

All students make measurable progress in literacy and numeracy.

All students access quality learning to meet individual needs.

A learning intention is exactly that, the intention of the learning that is about to take place. If I asked you to hit a target and didn't tell you, or show you where the target is, it would be very difficult for you to reach it. The same applies to students and their learning. If we don't tell them what the goal or intent of the learning is how will they know if and when they reach it?

A success criteria is a little more complex; a well written success criteria relies on the teacher knowing the curriculum, knowing best practise in teaching, knowing the students and being able to break the curriculum into manageable steps for students. For example, a learning intention for a Maths lesson could be:

Learning intention-To multiply two digit numbers using partitioning

Success Criteria-

Make 35

Partition 35

Make 3 (3 is the multiple)

Multiple (and make) each part of the partition by the multiple.

Add the results.

Prove your answer to your partner.

Choose another multiple, work out the answer by doing the same.

Record what you have done in words.

Record what you have done in mathematical symbols and numbers.

As you can see the list is quite long and would not be achieved in one lesson. The list also demonstrates how students move through deeper understanding. Firstly making the algorithm, then using their words to explain, then finally recording.

Yours in Number

Caz Perryman

RE NEWS

This weekend we celebrate Mother's Day. Students both at home and at school have been busy creating personalised gifts for their Mums and Grandmas.

As we are unable to celebrate in our traditional way this year the students and Teachers have created a virtual liturgy.

The virtual liturgy can be found on Seesaw or by following this link: https://youtu.be/vAAy_AlarGw

Ms Spicer has also created a video just for Mums! This can also be found on Seesaw or by following this link: https://youtu.be/I_9N56Xyonk



FROM THE SCHOOL CAPTAIN

Hi it's Brodie here,

Just checking in to see how you are all going during the current Covid19 situation?

We have all faced difficult times over the last few months, and I've been thinking a lot about the people in our community that are isolated and haven't been able to socialise with others.

Staying in touch now is more important than ever. It could be as easy as picking up the phone and ringing someone you would normally visit.

I know we all have things we are looking forward to getting back to, like school, seeing our friends and sport, but we must remember to look out for others during this time of uncertainty as we transition back to our normal lives.

Remember any gesture of kindness, no matter how small could "brighten" another person's day.

Hope you all stay safe and well and I'll see you back at school soon.

Your school captain,

Brodie

PARISH NEWS

Mass will be streamed on Sunday at 9:30 from St Patrick's

Please click on the below Mass Link:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC_IP75FT2djL7Oowe5WUrhQ

Peace - Fr Luke



ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN

LUMEN CHRISTI CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Lumen Christi enrolments for 2021 are now open and will close Friday 17 July.

Please note places are filling quickly.

To enrol, please follow the links on the College website <https://lumen.nsw.edu.au/>

Due to COVID 19 and social distancing requirements, the College Open Day will not go ahead this year.

For further details regarding enrolments, please contact the College on 6495 8888.