Loving and forgiving as God loves and forgives. This is a programme of life that can know no interruptions or exceptions.  

Pope Francis

Dear Parents

Please keep the Year Three children in your prayers as they receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation mid-term and the Year Four children as they receive their First Holy Communion towards the end of the term. There are a number of parent meetings held in relation to the sacramental programme which parents need to attend. Please see the Religious Education section of the newsletter or the school calendar for dates.

Mercy Connect is a volunteer programme run by Mercy Works, Sisters of Mercy. This programme recruits, trains and supports volunteers to assist school students and their families settle into Australia. The volunteers offer guidance to students as they settle into the Australian school system. They provide support that nurtures well-being and self-esteem. As part of our Evangelisation Plan and Social Justice programme, Aranmore Catholic Primary School is partnered with Mercy Connect. This connection is also part of our mission to further enhance the Mercy charisma at our school. Please make our Mercy Connect volunteers Mona and Cameron welcome in our school.

Well done to all our Interschool Cross Country competitors who competed against other schools on Tuesday. Aranmore came fourth (4th) out of fifteen (15) schools. Special thank you to Mr Phil Tsang for training the children and to all parent helpers.

Today it is National Tree Day. With the help of some Year Six students I planted 30 flower seedlings in the school garden. Thank you to Mrs Lynn Raschilla (our Garden coordinator) for organising special activities today and for all the great work that she does in our Garden.

The big P&F event is nearly here - Retro Bingo Night is on the 6th August. Book your tickets now on trybooking.com as tables are selling fast. The P&F have done an amazing job securing donations from very generous local businesses and there are some fantastic prizes up for grabs both with raffles and auctions. I would like to thank the P&F Committee for all their great work as they have been working so hard to make this event one that you do not want to miss! I look forward to seeing you all there decked out in your 70s or 80s gear!

ACPS Bunnings Sausage Sizzle which takes place in a couple of weeks on Saturday 13 August at Innaloo. Please see Alf Parolo if you are able to help out on the roster.

Mrs Margaret Williamson
Principal
HOLY COMMUNION PARENT NIGHT 1
For all those parents who have children preparing for Holy Communion this year, the first Parent Information Evening will be during Week Three of Term Three on Thursday, 4 August commencing at 7:00pm at St Mary’s Church. Please remember this date for your diaries. Thank you.

FEAST OF BLESSED MARY MACKILLOP FRIDAY, 8 AUGUST
Mary Mackillop is Australia’s first saint. Mary was born in Victoria in the 1800s and devoted her life to teaching children. She believed everyone, no matter how rich or poor should have the chance to learn. Along with Fr Julian Tenison Woods, Mary MacKillop set up many schools. She also founded an order of nuns called the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart, who continue to do the good work of Mary. Mary died on August, 8 1909 – her feast day. She was canonised a saint on 17 October 2010. The Liturgy Council will be leading the Prayer Assembly in honour of Saint Mary MacKillop of the Cross at 8.45am, in the Hall, on Friday 5 August. All are welcome to attend.

THE BISHOPS’ RELIGIOUS LITERACY ASSESSMENT 2016
At the request of the Western Australian Bishops, Year 3, Year 5 and Year 9 students in Catholic schools across Western Australia will take part in The Bishops’ Religious Literacy Assessment (BRLA) from the week commencing Monday 25 July. The assessment will be accessible to students only online.

Students enrolled in Year 3, Year 5 and Year 9 who are following a regular classroom program are expected to participate. Students with disability are also entitled to participate in the assessment. Exemptions may apply.

The Bishops’ Religious Literacy Assessment is a large-scale, standardised assessment program that consists of a series of Religious Education (RE) assessments. The purpose of the BRLA is to measure student learning of the content in the RE curriculum. The test items in the BRLA are developed and mostly marked by the Office of Catholic Education Western Australia (CEWA). Formal school and student reports are produced by the CEWA for students in Year 5 and Year 9.

The BRLA provides a ‘point in time’ snapshot of student performance in RE. Students’ knowledge and understanding of the content of the RE curriculum is assessed using a combination of multiple choice, short and extended response items. Students’ faith is not assessed. The use of the BRLA complements the school based assessment programs in RE.

Please contact your child’s teacher or myself, if you have any inquiries regarding the administration of The Bishops’ Religious Literacy Assessment 2016.

Ms Adriana Coniglio
Assistant Principal

PASTORAL CARE
We offer our congratulations to the Wang Family (Ethan KR) on the arrival of their son and brother.

YOUTH GROUP AT ST MARY’S PARISH
On Saturday 20th August there will be a youth mass at St Mary’s Parish followed by a youth group. The youth mass is celebrated with lots of singing and our own Aranmore musicians will be playing the mass hymns. The mass starts at 6.30pm and all students are encouraged to attend.

Following the mass there will be a youth group at the Parish Centre at St Mary’s for children from year 5 upwards, including high school students. Children can be from any primary or high school so you can bring your friends and cousins along too.

THANK YOU GOD...
Our school vegetable garden is flourishing thanks to all the beautiful rain. Classes have been busy planting and we have potatoes, broad beans, lettuce, a variety of herbs and garlic growing beautifully.

We were very lucky to receive a very generous donation of garden materials for our school garden from BUNNINGS in Osborne Park. They donated new gardening gloves, small hand shovels, potting mix, fertilisers and a variety of seedlings.

Thank you Bunnings.

Mrs Lynn Raschilla
Garden Coordinator

123 MAGIC™ & EMOTION COACHING (WEMBLEY)
This is a great program to help parents manage difficult behaviour in children 2-12 yrs old

- 7-9pm
- Wed 3rd, 10th & 17th Aug (for parents of 2 to 12 yr olds)
- Thurs 18th, 25th Aug & 1st Sept (for parents of 2 to 5 yr olds)

NB: (Also available on a one to one basis ie 3 x 1.5 hr sessions) Contact: behaviourtonics.com.au 9382 1182 or info@behaviourtonics.com.au

Respect is one of the most important values we can embrace. Respect means that we care for the feelings, wishes, or rights of others. Respect means that we consider other people in all that we do. Before you push into the line at the canteen think about how this affects others. Show respect. When you are choosing people to come to your party think about the feelings of those who have not been invited. Respect the feeling of others. Next time you put your dirty hand on the wall at home think about how this affects everyone else in the family who either has to clean up your mess or look at dirty walls! Show respect for everyone’s feelings. Respect is also a feeling of deep admiration for someone or something based on their abilities, qualities, or achievements. Children respect their teachers for their wisdom and respect their parents for their hard work.

Mrs Ali Fisher, Social Worker
MUSIC NEWS

Congratulations to the Aranmore Primary Band for receiving a Certificate of Merit for your performance at the Don Russell Performing Arts Centre on Wednesday.

The flute ensemble also performed very well and the comments from the adjudicator were very encouraging. Next week the vocal solos are on Monday and Tuesday mornings at Zenith Music in Claremont and the Flute solos are on Friday afternoon. In the next few weeks the following groups will be performing:

- Aranmore Primary Choir Wed 10th August 10.00am St Benedict’s Church, Ardross
- Aranmore Primary Choir and Year 4 Choir Fri 19th August 9.30 am Vasto Club, Balcatta
- Year 3 Classes Choral Speech – Mon 22nd August 11.15am Wellington Room, Morley Recreation Centre
- Year 5 Drama Group – Tues 30th August 9.45am Wellington Room, Morley Recreation Centre

Parents and Friends are welcome to attend any of these performances, there is a small door charge of $4.00

REMINDER FOR SOLO PERFORMANCES

It is the parent’s responsibility to transport the students to and from their solo performances. All students have received the notification of their performance last term. If you do not know the date and time please contact Mrs Twine.

MUSICAL AFTERNOON

Thank you to the students who performed at the Concert on Sunday 23rd July, you performed with confidence and style. It was very enjoyable to watch and listen to such a variety of instrumental performances and to see the up and coming talent developing in the children. Thank you to Mrs Williamson, the instrumental tutors, Cathy Sutherland (the accompanist) and the parents who attended the concert. This event really helps the children to have something to work towards and to develop their confidence and performance skills.

Mrs Twine,
Music CoOrdinator

KEY DATES

- Tutti Frutti Fundraiser Tuesday 2 August
- Retro Music Bingo Night Saturday 6 August
- P&F Bunnings Sausage Sizzle Saturday 13 August
- Pupil Free Day Monday 15 August
- Book Week Dress Up Parade Wednesday 24 August
- Recycle Book Market Wednesday 24 August
- Pupil Free Days Monday 29 and Tuesday 30 August
- Father’s Day Liturgy & Breakfast Friday 2 September
- Fathers Day Stall Friday 2 September
- P&F Sausage Sizzle Kindy, Year 1 & Year 6 Tuesday 6 September
- Learning Journeys Tuesday 20 September
- Mercy Day Mass Friday 23 September

RECONCILIATION

- Reconciliation Parent Night 2: Thursday 18 August
- Reconciliation Retreat & Rehearsal Day: Saturday 20 August
- Sacrament of Reconciliation Night: Thursday 25 August

FIRST EUCHARIST

- Holy Communion Parent Night 1: Thursday 4 August
- Holy Communion Parent Night 2: Wednesday 31 August
- Holy Communion Retreat & Rehearsal Day: Saturday 3 September
- Sacrament of First Communion: Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 September

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Mrs Belinda Civiletti
Canteen Manageress
BIG FUNDRAISING WEEK

Our big fundraising week is coming up! We will run two raffles and tickets went on sale today and will be available from the Front Office. The first raffle is for:

- “Be a Principal for the Day”. One lucky child will get to step into Mrs Williamson’s shoes for a day. This is some of the duties they will get to do:
  - Morning Duty
  - Liturgy
  - Meet with Mrs O’Toole
  - Staff morning tea
  - Visit classrooms
  - Meet with Ms Coniglio
  - Lunch with Principal
  - PA announcement
  - Type letter

Tickets will be $5 each

- The Big Raffle:
  - First Prize: $250 Crown Perth Voucher
  - Second Prize: $200 Oxford Hotel Voucher
  - Third Prize: $100 The Cabin Small Bar Voucher

Tickets will be $5 each

TUTTI FRUTTI TAKEOVER

Aranmore Catholic Primary school are taking over Tutti Frutti Leederville on Tuesday 2 August from 3.30pm until 6.00pm. 10% of profits will be donated to the P&F so go and get your healthy frozen yoghurt fix and support the Year 6 kids as they “take over” the store.

RETRO MUSIC BINGO!! SATURDAY 6 AUGUST

This is an evening NOT to be missed. Tickets are selling fast and will sell out – go to trybooking.com to avoid disappointment.

Sneak preview of some of the AUCTION items:

- West Coast Eagles Signed Jersey and ball
- VIP 8 Seat Box for the Fremantle Dockers games on: Sunday 14 August 2016
- One night stay at Attika Hotel Perth
- Ladies Vintage Bike – value $300
- Twilight Cruise - value $ 300
- Team Slave for half a Day - City of Vincent Mayor & Councillor Murphy

An enormous thank you to our generous sponsors:

- Acton Real Estate - Dalkeith
- Barefoot Consultants
- Brjakovich Demolition & Salvage
- Current Electrical
- Icon Conveyancing
- IGA Mount Hawthorn
- Nexus Home Improvements

We have also received wonderful donations from a large number of businesses. It would be wonderful if we could show our support of these businesses by shopping locally or even just popping in to say “Thank you”.

Mrs Elle Gonzalez-Skuja
P&F President

SPORT

2016 INTERSCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

Well done to our 2016 Interschool Cross Country Team. We all had a great and fun filled day. Our students did us proud, not only in their sporting performances but also in their behaviour and sportsmanship throughout the day. This year we were very competitive against the 15 other schools in our association. All their hard work and training paid off with great results.

Boys Aggregate: 4th
Girls Aggregate: 7th
Most Improved: 2nd
Final Position: 4th

A special mention to the following students:

- Olivia Wolmarans 2nd Yr 3 Girls A Div
- Amalia Kazandzis 1st Yr 3 Girls B Div
- Rebecca Puccini 1st Yr3&4 Girls Res
- Douglas Newman 1st Yr 3 Boys A Div
- Hannah Saliacus 3rd Yr 4 Girls B Div
- Isla Buttigieg 4th Yr 3&4 Girls Res
- Patrick Mason Chambers 3rd Yr 4 Boys A Div
- Lachlan Boylen 3rd Yr 4 Boys A Div
- Sam Edginton 3rd Yr 5&6 Boys Res
- Ben Gibcus 1st Yr 6 Boys A Div

Well done and congratulations on a super performance.

Mr Tsang,
Sports Coordinator

SWIM CLUB

It was yet another cold start to the morning and with the cross country running on today it was only a small number of swimmers who turned up on Tuesday for swim club. We had thirteen swimmers giving it their best effort and many children had to work a bit harder and step up their swimming as the smaller numbers meant less people per lane and less drafting off those in front. So well done to all of those who attended and we hope to see all our swimmers back in the pool next week.

Mrs Roslyn Soanes,
Swim Club Coordinator

NETBALL

Welcome back to Netball for this term. All the girls had a great day, and the rain stayed away which was great. There is only a few more games for the NetSetGo teams, so we wish them the best of luck for the final few rounds.

Mrs Julie Scherini
Netball Coordinator

COMMUNITY NEWS

State Government’s Meth Strategy Forum with Eleni Evangel MLA, Hon Liza Harvey MLA & Hon Andrea Mitchell MLA.

Date: Thursday 11 August, 2016
Venue: Aranmore Catholic Primary School
Time: 6.00 to 8.00pm

See flyer at end of the newsletter for more details.
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Thank you to the following business for their generous donations towards the Retro Bingo Night.

You are invited to
State Government’s Meth Strategy Forum
with
Hon Liza Harvey MLA
Deputy Premier; Minister for Police
&
Hon Andrea Mitchell MLA
Minister for Mental Health; Child Protection

DATE: Thursday, 11 August 2016
TIME: 6:00pm - 8:00pm
LOCATION: Aranmore Catholic Primary School
20 Brentham Street, Leederville

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