

# Newsletter



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*Every day may not be good, but there is something good in every day!*

Dear Parents

It is with mixed emotions that we share the news with you that **Mrs Julie Gray** is retiring. Mrs Gray has been at Aranmore Catholic Primary School for an extended period of time and her commitment to the community will be celebrated after the Liturgy on Aranmore Day, next Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2019. An invitation is extended to all in the community to join us from 8.45am in the hall as we will bid Mrs Gray farewell during this gathering.

With the retirement of Mrs Gray we have been fortunate to be able to appoint **Mrs Linda Flynn** to the position of **Science teacher**. We thank Mrs Flynn for stepping in to this position and committing to the continuity of the Science teaching and learning program for our students. We welcome Mrs Flynn to the Aranmore community and look forward to working with her for the rest of the year.

Learning Journeys are coming up on Tuesday next week and provide a wonderful opportunity for your children to lead you on their learning journey and show you all the hard work and effort that they have been diligently displaying this term. It is also an opportunity to discuss with your child areas of possible improvement. Teachers will be in attendance however should you wish to discuss your child's progress an appointment needs to be made for a more convenient time.

Just a reminder that the **Commitment and Enrolment Masses** for the Sacramental Programme at St Mary's Parish are being held this weekend at St Mary's Church. **All students receiving one of the sacraments this year** need to attend ONE of these masses : Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April @ 6.30pm; Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April @ 8am or 10.30am. Please refer to the Religious Education and calendar section of the newsletter for further details. Keep reading the newsletter for updates regarding further parent information evenings and retreats.

There have been some **CHANGES in the dates for the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist** for our Year 4 students. Please note ... Student Retreat is now Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August and Celebrations of the Sacrament will take place on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September and Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September. Both parent information sessions remain unchanged.

**Lent** is a good time to disentangle ourselves from all the things that get us tied up in knots. It is a time when we are called to simplify life and to focus more on others as we prepare to celebrate Easter. It is the season to work on our inner freedom. Although it is autumn in Australia, it is time for a spiritual spring-cleaning. Here are some simple daily suggestions to take you up to the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent :

- Spend a day where you don't eat unless you are sitting down.
- Make tea in a teapot and wait for it to brew properly
- Find out where your coffee was grown and who was likely to have picked it.
- Sit for a while in the waiting section of a hospital and pray for all who suffer.
- Go for a walk with someone who can only move slowly.
- Vacuum someone else's car.

Stay tuned for some final suggestions in next week's newsletter.

Wishing you a safe & enjoyable weekend, with God's blessings ...

**Mrs Lisa Deans**  
**Principal**

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Don't forget to fill those money boxes! Collection will cease at the end of this term so please do your best to fill them up as it is for a good cause. We ask that all money boxes be returned by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April.



**Fourth Sunday of  
Lent 31<sup>st</sup> March**



Salma featured in Project Compassion 2013. At the time she was pregnant with her first child, sick and terribly frightened. In distress, she sought the help of a midwife trained by Caritas' Safe Motherhood Program. Six years on, she's now a healthy mother of two strong, happy

children. Salma is committed to giving her children the education they need to provide them with the future she hoped for.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help provide essential health care, employment and training for First Australians like Michaela.**

**Lives change when we all give 100%.** You can donate through School and Parish boxes and envelopes, or by visiting

[www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion)

### SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION NIGHT

Please note that the Commitment and Enrolment Masses for all Sacraments are coming up:

- Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April 6:30pm
- Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April 8:00am or 10:30am

Attached to this newsletter are the important dates for the Sacramental Program. Please note changes to the Holy Eucharist Student Retreat and Holy Eucharist Celebration of the Sacrament

- Holy Communion Retreat & Rehearsal Day: Saturday 31 August 1:30-4:30pm St Mary's Church
- Sacrament of First Communion: Saturday 21 6:30pm and Sunday 22 September 10:30am St Mary's Church

**Miss Sarah Lister & Miss Kate Johnston  
Assistant Principals**

## PASTORAL CARE

Our prayers are extended to Father Angelo, our Parish Priest, who is currently unwell. We pray for a speedy recovery to good health.



*Sending Healing Prayers*

Our prayers and thoughts are with the Verdugo Elzo (Leon KR) whose aunt was in a serious accident.

## MERCY VALUE OF THE WEEK HOSPITALITY

Be welcoming, friendly and inclusive  
In all you say and do

**4 APRIL 2019**

### SPECIAL REMINDER DATES FOR TERM ONE

- K-6 Learning Journeys (3.15pm – 6.30pm) – Tuesday 9 April
- Aranmore Day – Thursday 11 April
- Holy Week celebrations – Friday 12 April
- Term One concludes – Friday 12 April
- Term Two commences – Monday 29 April

### COMMITMENT & ENROLMENT MASSES FOR ALL SACRAMENTS:

Saturday 6 April & Sunday 7 April

### CONFIRMATION

- Confirmation Parent Night 1: Wednesday 10 April 7pm St Mary's Church
- Confirmation Parent Night 2: Thursday 23 May 7pm St Mary's Church
- Confirmation Retreat & Rehearsal Day: Saturday 25 May 1:30-4:30pm
- Sacrament of Confirmation: Saturday 8 & Sunday 9 June

### RECONCILIATION

- Reconciliation Parent Night 1: Wednesday 31 July 7pm St Mary's Church
- Reconciliation Parent Night 2: Thursday 15 August 7pm St Mary's Church
- Reconciliation Retreat & Rehearsal Day: Saturday 17 September 1:30-3:30pm St Mary's Church
- Sacrament of Reconciliation Night: Thursday 22 August 7pm

### FIRST EUCHARIST

- Holy Communion Parent Night 1: Wednesday 7 August 7pm St Mary's Church
- Holy Communion Parent Night 2: Thursday 5 September 7pm St Mary's Church
- Holy Communion Retreat & Rehearsal Day: Saturday 31 August 1:30-4:30pm St Mary's Church
- Sacrament of First Communion: Saturday 21 6:30pm & Sunday 22 September 10:30am St Mary's Church

### LEARNING JOURNEY AFTERNOON/EVENING

**TUESDAY 9<sup>th</sup> APRIL 3:15 – 6:30pm**

Learning Journeys are an informal, student led form of reporting. They are an opportunity for students to show their parents their achievements and reflect on their learning. Your child will act as your 'tour guide' as they proudly share their knowledge, skills and experiences from Term 1 with you.

Parents have the opportunity to come along anytime between 3.15pm - 6.30pm. Please read the outline for the session below.

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 3:15pm – 6:30pm

- Children finish school at 3.00pm, as normal.
- Parents (along with their child) may wish to arrive anytime between 3.15pm – 6.10pm
- The tour should not last more than 20 minutes
- Teachers will be present in the classrooms but are not available for one-to-one consultation or reporting to parents. If you wish to meet with the teacher to discuss your child's academic progress, please schedule a meeting with them at a later date, either in person or by sending an email to administration [admin@aranmorecps.wa.edu.au](mailto:admin@aranmorecps.wa.edu.au)
- Parents will be responsible for the supervision and safety of their child(ren) during this time. This is also particularly relevant to **younger siblings** who need to be **supervised** so that they remain **respectful** of both the classroom environment and the property of all students in the class
- Learning Journeys will conclude at **6.30pm**. A 5 minute warning will sound before the conclusion of the Learning Journey night and we ask that parents move promptly off school grounds at 6:30pm

We look forward to seeing you all there!

### ARANMORE DAY - THURSDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

- **8:45am** the day will commence with a prayer service in the Hall. At the conclusion of the prayer service, Mercy Value certificates will be presented to children in each class. We will also take this opportunity to thank and farewell Mrs Deans.
- **9:45** until recess, Mr Tsang will hold Tabloid Sports for the PP – Year 2 classes, with the assistance of the Year 6 children.
- **10.40 – 11.10** Recess: P & F will be providing all children with a Hot Cross Bun. *The children have the option of a fruit or fruitless Hot Cross Bun with or without butter. The children will make their selections in class with their teachers however, the Kindy and Pre-Primary teachers will have checklists outside the classroom for parents to select their child's Hot Cross Bun. Please make your selection by 5<sup>th</sup> April.*
- **11:10-12:40pm** 'Aranmore Has Talent' contest. The P & F kindly donate individual medals for the winners of the contest. Parents are more than welcome to attend.

- **12:40-1:20pm** Lunch: Sandwiches will be provided for the students for lunch. Students will have 4 options to choose from:

1. Ham and Cheese
2. Ham and Salad (Tomato, Lettuce, Carrot)
3. Cheese only
4. Salad only (Tomato, Lettuce, Carrot)

*The children will make their selections in class with their teachers however, the Kindy and Pre-Primary teachers will have checklists outside the classroom for parents to select their child's lunch. Please make your selection by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April. Thank you to Mrs Ellison for organising the sandwiches on Aranmore Day.*

- **1:30-3:00pm** the Year 3 – 6 classes will be involved in Tabloid Sports.

### URGENT: Parent Helpers Required – Aranmore Day

We require parent helpers to assist Caroline Ellison in the school canteen with making the sandwiches for the students on Aranmore Day. If you are available to help please contact Caroline in the canteen or email Mrs Ellen [admin@aranmorecps.wa.edu.au](mailto:admin@aranmorecps.wa.edu.au)

### OUR YEAR 6 CAMP EXPERIENCE

Our camp experience was really fun we left the school at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup> of March. We loaded our luggage on to the bus and set off for Fremantle Prison. Then we set off to Point Walter where we commenced our first activity with no time to spare. The first activity varied from Pool Games, to archery, to high ropes and finally to river paddling. It was amazing, we learnt a lot of new and interesting things and had the time of our lives. Then came dinner, we had a lovely roast accompanied by some juice and gravy. We relaxed in our dorms until the quiz night started! We did a series of tricky but fun questions. Then we started on the disco!

On the second day we did Team Building (where we build up teamwork skills), Raft Building (learning how to build a raft), Crate Climb (where you built a tower of crates and climbed up) and the Flying Fox (where you soared down a rope wearing a harness). My favourite activity was the Flying Fox. We finished the day off by holding our Aranmore Has Talent auditions that night with "The Defaults" smashing first place.

On the last day, it was time to say goodbye to camp. Camp was amazing everyone enjoyed it so much and we can't wait to do it again in high school!



By Rebecca Puccini and Joshua Lucano



## LATE ARRIVAL CARDS: SIGNING CHILDREN IN

We will be implementing a new sign in process for children who arrive late to school. School begins at 8.45am. **Any child who arrives after the 8.45am bell will need to walk with their parent to the office to be signed in using SEQTA Kiosk.** Once a parent has signed in their child, the child will be given a green card to hand to the teacher when they get to their class. This process ensures we know that the student has arrived at school and have been signed in correctly, as this is a legal requirement.

**Please note:** If you are signing your child out of school, Mrs Ellen will call for your child / children from their class. Parents are not required to collect their child from class.

## JUST A REMINDER!

Before the 8:45am rings, families are asked to move out of the classroom quickly as teachers need to commence their lessons on time. We ask that parents do not hold conversations close to the classroom door as the chatter can be disruptive to classroom teaching, particularly at the start of the day when we commence with prayer.

We welcome parents on the school site but ask that you please be respectful of the school as a learning space. Perhaps take advantage of the many coffee shops and cafes we have on our doorstep for catching up with one another.

Once school has been dismissed. Children are to make their way to cars quickly so that parents can alleviate traffic congestion and make room for others who are yet to arrive for pick up.

## WINTER UNIFORM - TERM 2 and TERM 3

Please note that upon commencement of Term Two on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2019 all children are expected to be wearing the **Winter Uniform** up until the conclusion of Term Three. Please note the **Uniform Shop will not be open in the school holidays.** Please ensure that after the school holidays, all children return to school wearing the correct shoes, sneakers, jewellery and hair ties.

See information taken from the Parent Handbook:

### GIRLS

Blue school tunic (with belt)  
White school shirt (long or short sleeve)  
School Tie  
School jumper  
Black school shoes  
Short white socks or navy tights  
Blue Aranmore Catholic Primary School hat

### BOYS

Grey shorts or long trousers  
Blue school shirt  
School tie  
School jumper  
Black school shoes with Aranmore school socks  
Blue Aranmore Catholic Primary School hat

**Miss Sarah Lister & Miss Kate Johnston**  
**Assistant Principals**

## P & F

### ARANMORE DAY, EASTER & END OF TERM ONE

To celebrate Easter, Aranmore Day and the end of term one the P&F are giving each child a Hot Cross Bun for morning tea on Thursday, 11th April. If your child has a dietary requirement, such as gluten intolerance, please let Alison or Andrea know by email [andrea@andreatan.net](mailto:andrea@andreatan.net) and we will be more than happy to organise a suitable substitute.

### SAVE THE DATE

The Flavours of Aranmore cake stall will once again be at the Mt Hawthorn Streets and Laneways Festival on Sunday May 5th. We are looking forward to having lots of different cakes baked by our school community. More details closer to the date.

### ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

We are doing our Entertainment Book fundraiser again this year to raise funds for school improvements and additional resources for our children. We will keep promotional emails to a minimum as we will be sending home the books with your eldest child in May. This allows you to have a good look through the book to determine if you would like to buy it. If you **DO NOT** wish to have the book sent home please either email Paula Buttigieg [buttsoz@hotmail.com](mailto:buttsoz@hotmail.com) or leave a message with Mrs Ellen in the front office. You also have the option to purchase ONLINE.

**Please note: you will automatically be opted out from receiving a book if you purchase the digital version. We will keep spares in the front office if you wish to purchase a hard copy in addition to your digital.**

**Mrs Alison Wilmot & Mrs Andrea Tan**  
**Co P&F Presidents 2019**

## SPORT

### 2019 STIRLING SLAM SERIES

Well done and congratulations to all our interschool basketball teams at this week's Interschool Basketball Stirling Slam Tournament. All our teams were very competitive reaching the finals in their group stages.

Our Year 3/4 Boys were the Runners Up team for their group, losing by 1 point in the final game.

The Year 5/6 Girls were ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> in their final standings. They too only lost one game throughout their tournament. The Year 5/6 Boys reached the semi finals only to be defeated by this year's eventual champion school, Sorrento PS .

The children absolutely enjoyed the day. Their sportsmanship, ability to work together as a team and their conduct on and off the court were outstanding.

A huge thanks to Aleks Lackovic, Tim Clark, Mark Civitella, Marie Lucano, Jen Saliacus and Georgia Cassidy for all their help on the day.

**Mr Phil Tsang**  
**Sport Teacher**

## NETBALL

Our Year 5 and 6 netball teams started training on Wednesday morning before school. We had a great turnout with 35 enthusiastic netballers taking the court at 7.30am for their first training session. The Year 2 and 3 teams will start training next week and our Year 4 team will start after the school holidays.

We wish all our teams the best of luck for the 2019 season and thank our coaches and managers for taking care of the teams this year.

**Mrs Jennifer Saliacus, Mrs Julie Panotidis  
and Mrs Jessica Jones  
Netball Coordinators**

## CANTEEN

<b>MON</b>	8 April	Caroline
<b>WED</b>	10 April	<b>HELP NEEDED</b>
<b>FRI</b>	12 April	<b>HELP NEEDED</b>

Please contact Caroline on 0409 200 633 if you are able to help in the Canteen

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### DRAMA CLUB TERM 2

The Aranmore Primary Drama Club will recommence in Term 2 and is for interested students in Years 3 – 6.

When: Mondays 3pm - 4.45pm

Where: Ali Roberts Studio, 341 Oxford St, Leederville.

The students are met in the Aranmore undercover area and walk across the park to the studio. The activities encourage imagination and creativity through theatre sports, improvisation and character development. Drama is a wonderful way for children to express themselves, outside of a regular classroom setting, and develop life skills. Students in Years 5 and 6 may also have the opportunity to enter the Catholic Schools Performing Arts Festival. For more information contact Ali Roberts: 0426 600 757, [admin@alirobertsstudio.com](mailto:admin@alirobertsstudio.com)

### WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE

Some of our Aranmore community members are participating in **The World's Greatest Shave** to show their support of people living with blood cancer.

Casey Harman, Anabel Harman, Fiona Wringe (Teacher), Olivia Kowal and Darren Kowal will be shaving their heads on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April straight after school at the Loftus Centre. If you wish to show your support please attend on the day or you can make a donation by following this link :



<https://secure.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/registration/TeamFundraisingPage.aspx?teamID=115340&languagePref=en-CA>

REQUIREMENTS FOR PREPARATION	THE SACRAMENT OF ...		
	CONFIRMATION Year 6	HOLY EUCHARIST Year 4	PENANCE Year 3
Sacramental Information Evening <i>*All parents invited to attend</i>	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2019 7pm St Mary's Parish (all Sacraments)		
Commitment and Enrolment Mass <i>*choose one Mass this weekend to attend with your family</i>	Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> April 6:30pm or Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> April 8:00am or 10:30am (All Sacraments)		
Parent Info Session 1 <i>*parents are invited to attend</i>	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> April 7pm St Mary's Parish	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> August 7pm St Mary's Parish	Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> July 7pm St Mary's Parish
Parent Info Session 2 <i>*parents are invited to attend</i>	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 7pm St Mary's Parish	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 7pm St Mary's Parish	Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> August 7pm St Mary's Parish
Student Retreat <i>Children are invited to attend</i>	Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> May 1:30-4:30pm St. Mary's Parish	Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup> August 1:30-4:30pm St. Mary's Parish	Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> August 1:30-3:30pm St. Mary's Parish
CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT <i>*choose one Mass this weekend to attend with your family</i>	Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> June 6:30pm or Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> June 10:30am	Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> Sept 6:30pm or Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Sept 10:30am	Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> August 7pm



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As in previous years, the P&F are raising money for valuable school resources and facilities for our kids. The Entertainment Book sales are a valuable contribution towards our overall fundraising for the year. For every membership we sell for \$70, we get to keep 20%.

Choose between the Entertainment Digital Membership or Entertainment Book. Both Memberships contain thousands of up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers for Perth's best restaurants, cafés, family dining, attractions, accommodation and travel packages. The Membership is valid until 1 June, 2020.

So you can see what is in an Entertainment Membership, we will be sending a Book home with your child on Monday 20/05/2019. **Remember to email Paula at [buttsoz@hotmail.com](mailto:buttsoz@hotmail.com) before April 12<sup>th</sup> if you wish to opt out ☹️**

To order your Book or your Digital Membership securely online visit: [www.entbook.com.au/846j53](http://www.entbook.com.au/846j53)



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**Aranmore Catholic Primary School P&F**

Eldest Child's Name : \_\_\_\_\_ Class/Room: \_\_\_\_\_

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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