

# Newsletter



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**2021 Term 2 Week 10**

Today the Church celebrates the Nativity of John the Baptist. The Nativity of John the Baptist anticipates the feast of Christmas. The Nativity of John the Baptist is one of the oldest festivals of the Christian church. This celebration comes three months after the celebration on March 25 of the Annunciation, when the angel Gabriel told Mary that her cousin Elizabeth was in her sixth month of pregnancy, and six months before the Christmas celebration of the birth of Jesus. The purpose of these festivals is not to celebrate the exact dates of these events, but simply to commemorate them in an interlinking way.

Did you know John the Baptist taught his disciples the prayer we know as the Our Father:

*He said to them, "When you pray, say: "Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who sins against us. And lead us not into temptation."*

What a busy two weeks! Hope you have been following our Instagram page keeping up with the busyness of our fabulous community!

Thank you to Year 5 Red for the fabulous assembly you directed this morning. It was a creative historic account about cartoons. It was a great education for all.

Student reports have been distributed today. We hope that you have the opportunity to sit with your child to discuss their achievements this semester. We are very proud of the effort and work they have put into their learning this semester! It has been wonderful to see so many parent teacher meetings taking place and know that there are more next week. Teachers are appreciative of the support parents extend to supporting children's learning.

Italian Week activities were a great success! Thank you to Signora Morlotti for the preparation of the week's events. It was wonderful to have so many parent and grandparents helping and having so much fun this week, thank you very much!

This week we farewell staff on Long Service Leave and Extended Leave. We hope that Mr Sharpe and Miss Johnston have a wonderful time next week, as they add an extra week to holiday time. Mrs Bubnich is adding an extra week on at the end of the holidays, week 1 term 3. Mrs Tancredi is on leave for the first 5 weeks of term 3. Mrs Foster has extended leave until the end of the year. We hope they all have a wonderful time and enjoy the relaxation and adventures that are offered away from the very busy and demanding pace of school life. We already look forward to your return. A special thanks to Mrs Foster as you begin your extended leave. Thank you for your care and commitment for your students and setting them up for a successful semester 2.

An important request. If your child is engaged with any type of intervention, or allied health service, parents are asked to share all available reports to the Leadership team via the office. This ensures that the Leadership team is fully informed of the specific strategies and recommendations made to support your child. The Leadership team best supports classroom teachers when we are fully informed.

Playgroup! Our 18 month to 3 year old playgroup is looking for interested families. This is a great opportunity to meet other families and engage your child in a play-based environment for an hour each week! Led by our Social Worker, Eryn Webster, who has years of experience working with younger children, this is an opportunity too good to refuse! If you know of families looking for an exceptional opportunity, please encourage our service.

**School Fees.** Parents and carers are reminded that final instalments are due 4 August. Those families who have not contacted the finance officer re their payment plan are asked to do as soon as possible. Mrs Taylor will be contacting families who have yet to commit to a payment plan, during the school holidays.

**School uniform changes. Important to know that families are not expected to purchase new uniforms unless your child requires new items. Current stock will be sold until new stock is necessary.**

<b>What doesn't change?</b>	<b>What will change?</b>
Mrs Jill Eftos will continue to run our uniform shop	As of Term 3, the uniform shop will be open Wednesday 8:15am to 9:15am
Standard uniform sizes available to try on	Faction Tshirts are synthetic/cotton backed and should wash and wear longer
Pre-order using the form available	Interschool Tshirt is block red colour; synthetic/cotton backed for better wash and wear
	School hat is reversible. Next time you need a hat, buy your child's faction colour
	School tracksuit has a minor change to design (removing white inserted bands; adding piping to front of top and down trouser leg)
	Less stock will be kept in the shop floor
*Costs will generally remain the same across the range of uniform items.	
** There will be community consultation as a gender neutral uniform is developed.	

## IMPORTANT DATES

2 July	Last day of Term
19 July	Term 3 Commences Staff Professional Learning Day
20 July	Students begin term 3

## ADMINISTRATION

### **Student Absence**

If your child is away from school for any reason, a written note needs to be sent to school immediately after any absence. Notes or emails must contain the child's name, date, year level, reason for absence and name of guardian. This is a legal requirement.

### **Signing Children In And Out**

It is important to remember that when your child / children either arrive late for the day or are picked up before the end of the day, that they are signed in or out by an adult. Children are not allowed to sign themselves in or out.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### **St Vinnies Winter Appeal**

As part of our social justice work, Aranmore Catholic Primary School will be supporting the St Vinnie's Winter Appeal. The aim is to help those people within our community that are less fortunate than us to stay warm during the winter months. How can you help? This year we have been asked to donate essential items for those in need. Please refer to the flyer on the last page for more information and your class seesaw page.

### **The Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment 2021**

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 26 July** in Term Three. 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 that consists of a series of Religious Education (RE) tests. 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 marked by the Office of Catholic Education Western Australia (CEWA). Formal school and student reports are produced by the Office of CEWA and will become available to schools in Term Four.

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 if you have any inquiries regarding the administration of *The Bishops' Religious Literacy Assessment*.

## CURRICULUM NEWS

### **Winter Carnival**

Congratulations to all students who competed in the Winter Carnival last week. Our Netball, Soccer and Football teams had a great time competing. It was an exciting learning day and a fun experience for all of us. We learnt new skills and worked as a team. It was a very successful event for all us.

By Lexi.K (Yr. 6)

## Italian Week

Complementing the Italian program at Aranmore Catholic Primary, students showcased their experiences of Italian culture through a number of activities. Making and cooking Italian biscotti, Italian crostatine, Italian Pizza and enjoying a gelato. Students also participated in bocce games and soccer games. A big thank you to Nonno "Signor Celani" that played the accordion for our kindy classes. "E' stato Fantastico". Bravissimo!

The children enjoy the cooking activities and the Italian food, it was delizioso! Meals are a very important part of Italian Culture; usually shared with family and friends. Meals are an opportunity for groups to come together and talk; while enjoying some great food. A big thank you goes to all the parents and helpers that came along and helped with all the cooking activities. We couldn't have done it without you!

Italian Teacher  
Nataschia Morlotti



## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Swim Club

On Tuesday we worked on our kicking by doing some freestyle drills that made our legs work hard. We then practiced backstroke with and without our flippers. We practiced some backstroke drills that taught us what position our head should be in so we don't sink.

Only one more session to go before holiday break!

A reminder that we welcome new swim club members for a free trial. We train for one hour per week on Tuesdays at 7am. It's an excellent way to build endurance and assist completing your regular swim grade level. We have two brilliant swim coaches and look forward to you joining us.

Please email admin for enquiries.

Mrs Nicole Rohde  
Swim Club Coordinator