2022 Term 2 Week 6



Prayer for Reconciliation

God of all creation, as we journey together in this Great Southern Land,
we pray for healing forgiveness and unity,
creating a path of good will, with justice and compassion.
Jesus through the power of your love,
You have given us the courage, wisdom, and strength to share our gifts and talents in humility.
In peace and understanding we reconcile with each other.
Creator Spirit, we come together in prayer and thanksgiving for the many blessings we have received.
Allow your Spirit to wash over us and give us strength, to walk together, as one.
Amen

Sorry Day and National Reconciliation Week

This week, our school celebrated National Reconciliation Week. This year's theme was Be brave, make change! We at Aranmore Catholic Primary School would like to say thank you to the Whadjuk people of the Noongar Nation for letting us share your land. We promise to look after it - The animals and the people too.

Last Friday, Year 2 Red led our students in a liturgical celebration for National Reconciliation Week (NRW). Over the week, classes completed activities to acknowledge Sorry Day and have explored texts by Aboriginal authors for NRW. It has been wonderful to see the students' work in relation to these activities displayed throughout the school.



Confirmation and Pentecost Sunday

This coming Sunday we celebrate Pentecost Sunday. Pentecost is a holy day that celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit 40 days after Easter. Originally, Pentecost was a Jewish holiday held 50 days after Passover. Pentecost commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles and other disciples following the Crucifixion, Resurrection, and Ascension, (which was last Sunday), of Jesus Christ. Many people refer to Pentecost as the Church's birthday as it marks the beginning of the Christian church's mission to the world. Congratulations to all Year 6 Confirmation candidates who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last Saturday night at St Mary's Parish, Leederville. This was a major step in the faith journey of our young people! A special thank you to the parents, teachers and catechists who prepared and supported the students.



First Eucharist

Next weekend, 18 June, our Year 4 classes will celebrate a special moment as it will be the first time they receive the body of Jesus through the Sacrament of the Eucharist (Holy Communion). We would like to wish all students receiving this Sacrament God's blessings and ask for our school community to pray for these special candidates.

National Simultaneous Reading

Last Wednesday, ACPS participated in National Simultaneous Storytime. This is an Australia-wide group reading literacy event, where schools, libraries and other institutions gather to read the same chosen picture book at the same time. Our classes read the book, 'Family Tree', by Josh Pike and Ronojoy Ghosh and then participated in an activity. Year 3 Green created a family tree where the students discussed their family celebrations and places they feel safe.





LifeLink Fundraiser

The Archbishop's LifeLink Day for Catholic Schools is both an educational and fundraising initiative where schools participate in a special activity to raise much needed funds to support the vitally important work of the LifeLink. LifeLink reaches out to provide compassionate and practical care to more than 37,000 Western Australian families and individuals in need each year – right here at home in WA! Our Year 6 Pastoral Council has organised a LifeLink 'Funky Friday' free dress day where students are invited to wear brightly coloured, mismatched, or backwards clothes to school for a gold coin donation on Friday, 10 June. We can't wait to see everyone's outfits.

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?

Bring any new, or well-maintained blanket or adult and children coats to the front office or to your class teacher between now and Thursday, 30 June. Please ensure your blankets and coats have been washed.

Election Day Fundraiser

A special thank you to the **Aranmore Parents Association (APA)** and all school community members who contributed to the Breakfast and Bake Sale. There were so many tasty treats to purchase! All of the funds raised from the sale will go towards the ACPS Playground Project.

At Aranmore, **supervision of students** begins at 8:10am and concludes at 3:20pm each day. We ask that parents make use of Gumtrees out of school hours care if you require assistance earlier or later in a day.

The School app is another MUST have. This app is used to quickly inform parents and carers of important information. Don't forget to turn 'notifications' on so that you don't miss a message. Please download from either the App Store or Play Store.

Please refer to the website or the app calendar for the latest term dates. Due to current restrictions, lots of changes have been made.



In the best interests of looking after children safely, the following child protection matter is in place: Bathroom and toilet facilities are available for all visitors to school in the administration area. All adults, siblings and visitors <u>must</u> use the facilities available in the administration area. Parents are not able to accompany their child to student toilets.

Important Dates

06 June – WA Day Public Holiday

07 June – Student Free Day (School closed)

08 June - CSAC Meeting

09 June - IEP Case Meetings

10 June – 3 Green Assembly

10 June – Life Link Fundraiser

16 June – IEP Case Meetings

16 June - Year 6 Winter Carnival

17 June - Assembly 1G

18 June - Holy Communion Mass 6.30pm

Wishing everyone a wonderful WA Day long weekend!

Renae King Acting Principal

Curriculum News

Posting Pen Pal Letters - Year 4

On the 27 May, all of the Year 4s set off to the Post Box on Oxford Street in Leederville to post their pen pal letters.

This term we started to write letters for our Year 4 pen pals at St Thomas Primary School in Claremont. We learnt all about how to start a letter, and how to present personal letters, and how to address envelopes. Some of us learnt what a stamp on an envelope is actually for!

We then walked down to the Post Box on Oxford Street to mail them. Hopefully they get their letters soon and we receive our letters back.

We would like to thank Mr McArdle, Mrs Lang'at and Mrs Smith for helping us on the morning. We really enjoyed the walk, it was like an adventure.

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