2022 Term 3 Week 10



Celebrating Venerable Catherine McAuley

Catherine McAuley was born in Dublin, Ireland in 1778. Dedicating her life to caring for the poor, particularly women, Catherine opened the House of Mercy in 1827: a facility built to house and educate poor women. In 1831 Catherine made her Profession of Vows and created the Order of the Sisters of Mercy. The Sisters of Mercy went on to found convents, schools and hospitals across the globe. They arrived in Australia in 1846, led by Mother Ursula Frayne. The Australian congregation established schools and convents around the country.

We are proud to stand tall in the Values of the Venerable Catherine McAuley and her dedicated Sisters as Aranmore Catholic Primary School, *'where love and peace can be found...'*. We thank the Sisters for their prayers and commitment to our school, Aranmore Catholic College and communal Mercy schools.

Thank you to Year 5R for leading us in a very special mass to thank Venerable Catherine McAuley for her good works and lead us in celebration our charism.

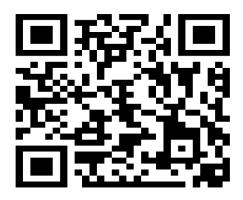
Happy and safe holidays to you all May you enjoy lots of happy family time, making wonderful memories

School resumes Monday 10 October

Community Meeting

The School Advisory Council thanks the parents and carers who attended the meeting on Wednesday evening, learning of the opportunities and changes in 2023. Further opportunity to meet is on Wednesday 2 November at 6:00pm and after the term 4 week 2 & 4 assemblies. The meeting PowerPoint and the beginning of an FAQ information sheet accompanies the newsletter. You are encouraged to make use of the 'form' to seek clarification and raise your questions. All fair and reasonable questions will be responded to in the FAQ. Please see me or a member of the leadership team for queries or concerns that pertain privately to your family.

Please scan the QR Code below for all information relating to the Community Meeting held Wednesday, September 21.



Faction Athletics Carnival

A great day had by all at our annual Athletics Carnival! Lots of fun, cheering, dancing, sportsmanship and skills on display. Our Mercy values were well and truly visible. Congratulations to Aranmore on their win, by 4 points over their rivals! We were blessed with great conditions.

A huge thank you to our staff and parents who helped with the setting/packing up, and the running of the carnival. Your support is sincerely appreciated. Thank you to all our families who came and cheered on their children and to our wonderful, hard-working APA who organised a very successful Faction Bake Off. The atmosphere generated by all contributed to a fun filled day. Mr Tsang and I sincerely thanks our Sport Councillors and the outstanding students from Aranmore College who assisted with the carnival.

Well done to Moloney for winning the Principals' Shield for Athletics this year.

A very BIG thank you to the APA and all families for a fabulous BAKE-SALE!

Congratulations to Aranmore to winning our inaugural Faction Bake-Off.

Make a Move Finale

The Make Move programme was introduced this year as part of our Dance curriculum. The children were facilitated by Miss Meagan Baronas to design and work creatively in small teams to choreograph parts to contribute to their class dance performance.

Last week we saw the culmination of 8 weeks of hard work from our Pre-primary to Year 6 to deliver an outstanding and unique performance. Well done to everyone.

A very BIG Congratulations

Congratulations and well done to Mrs Nicholson and Miss Vivante for securing on-going teaching positions for 2023. Mrs Nicholson at St Simon Peter CPS and Miss Vivante at Holy Rosay PS. We are very excited for you both, extremely grateful for the care and commitment you have given to our students and community in your time here. Mrs Nicholson and Miss Vivante will be farewelled at the end of term 4.

Duty of Care and Supervision of Students

Reminding families that the supervision of students begins at 8:10am each morning and concludes at 3:20pm. Our OSHC service Gumtrees, provided by the YMCA, delivers excellent before and after school care and vacation care. Parents are expected to use this service for care outside of the school's supervision hours. Please contact Gumtrees directly (0427 471 201) to learn more about this service.

State Government Rapid Antigen Tests

Are available for families who have yet to take up this offer. Please contact Mrs Moses or Mrs Joseph (Fridays) to collect your family's allocation.

School Uniform

Our school uniform has always been integral to the sense of belonging to our Aranmore family. Students wear their uniform with great pride and are easily recognised in the community. All students are required to wear our school uniform. Recently there have been some deviations from our school uniform expectations. The expectations are:

- students' haircuts are conservative and not coloured
- black school shoes are school shoes, not black runners
- hair that is longer than the collar is tied back, and hair is clipped or pulled away from the face.

 This includes mullet haircuts

The school will support families who require assistance providing their child with the correct uniform. Please contact the office ought you require assistance.

Lost Property

There continues to be an embarrassing amount of lost property in the big brown box near the library entrance. If your child is missing clothing items, please find some time to have a look. All clothing needs to be clearly labelled with your child's full name and this helps in the return of misplaced items. The box will be emptied at the end of the term. All items that can be reused will be cleaned and offered on the second-hand rack. Items that are not suitable for resale will be binned.

Kiss and Ride

Please remember to use your famiy name card. There is NO PARKING on the east side of Brentham Street from 2:30pm. Please park on the west side of Brentham Street if you need to leave your car to pick your child.

The School App is a 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.

The school app calendar will be updated during the holidays for dates in term 4. For the latest information and any changes, please check the app.

Bathroom and toilet facilities

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 the 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

10 October Term 4 Commences

PP-Year 2 Swimming lessons begin

21 October Year 5G Assembly

Curriculum and Coffee Chat

PP-Year 2 Swimming lessons conclude

25 October School Tour

1 November All Saints Day

2 November Feast of the Holy Souls

Community Meeting 2

3 November Inter-school Athletics Carnival

4 November PP Assembly

Curriculum and Coffee Chat

11 November Pupil Free Day

Jonnine Lamborne

Principal

Be A Mercy Kid



