

2023 Term 2 Week 4

Dear God, thank you for your amazing power and work in our lives, thank you for your goodness and for your blessings over us. Thank you for your great love and care. Thank you for your sacrifice so that we might have freedom and life. Forgive us for when we don't thank you enough, for you are, for all that you do, for all that you've given. Help us to set our eyes and our hearts on you. Renew our spirits, fill us with your peace and joy. We love you and we need you, this day and every day. We give you praise and thanks, for You alone are worthy! We ask this through Jesus. Amen.

Congratulations to the students who received the Sacrament of Penance on Wednesday evening in our parish church, St Mary's. The celebration was prayerful and reverent with the children participating in the liturgy. Thank you to Mrs Poncini, our teachers and parents for your prayers and assisting in the preparation of the children.

The **Year 2 assembly** this morning was an uplifting celebration of the learning of narratives which is taking place in the classroom. Our **Pre-Primary Liturgy** this morning reflected upon the importance of family and love. It was wonderful to see a great turn out of parents and family members supporting their children at both events.

WOW! Chess Club has taken off with a bang! It is wonderful to see so many of our students engaged in the challenge and problem solving on Thursday mornings. We had to purchase more chess sets to meet demand. It is great to see the students challenging each other, older and younger and helping each other. Thank you to Mr Sharpe for assisting and also to the staff who help out.

It's Simultaneous Story Time next Wednesday. National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS) is held annually by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA). Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops and many other places around the country. Now in its 23rd successful year, it is a colourful, vibrant, fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy, using an Australian children's book that explores age-appropriate themes, and addresses key learning areas of the National Curriculum for kindergarten to year 6. This year the story book is The SPEEDY SLOTH by written by Rebecca Young and illustrated by Heath McKenzie.

Did you see the **parent UR STRONG information** provided to parents via Seesaw at the beginning of the week? Please have a look at the resources available so that you are aware of the learning and strategies we are implementing with the children; a great way to keep up with your child and support this initiative. Look out for the next parent meeting date before the end of the term!



City of Vincent feedback. Please see the flyer accompanying the newsletter re Brittania Road and Matlock Street Traffic Calming.

Canteen News as of Wednesday 10 May: All ice-cream orders are to be made online. No currency will be accepted over \$3 per child for canteen items. Currently children are bringing large amounts of cash to school and this is not safe. We have been and continue to work towards a cashless canteen as preferred by CEWA Ltd. A reminder that children are not permitted to purchase for other children.

Child Safety Procedures

A reminder that **ALL volunteers and helpers** at school, no matter for how short or long, are to sign in and out of the school at the front office and sign and adhere to our **Code** of **Conduct**.

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.

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.

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. Most Term 2 dates are on the app, calendar and on the website and will be reviewed during the holiday period.

Jonnine Lamborne Principal Trust in Mercy Life

Important Dates:

Please refer to the school calendar on the website and school app for further information.

22 May Student Pupil Free Day

24 May National Simultaneous Story Time

Confirmation Child Parent & Sponsor Workshop 5:30pm School Hall

26 May Our Lady Help of Christians Feast Mass

Confirmation Retreat at school

29 May National Reconciliation Week Reflection Year 4

St Vinnies Winter Appeal

2 June Liturgy Year 3 9:30am Library

5 June WA Day Public Holiday

6 June Catholic Day (No staff or students required at school)

7 June LifeLink Launch

8 June Eagles & Glory Cup (All Years 5&6 students)

9 June LifeLink School Fundraiser

Assembly Year 1&2 class

11 June Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation 10:30am



