

2023 Term 3 Week 8

On Sunday our Frist Holy Communion candidates will experience a very special day in their lives, they will be making their First Holy Communion. Our Catechism teaches that the Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith. When we receive the Lord in the Eucharist, it is an act of thanksgiving to God. It recalls the Lord's Supper with his Apostles. The Eucharist is essential to the communal dimension of our faith. It is the nourishment that enables us to remain spiritually strong and healthy. Pope Francis refers to the Eucharist as a gift. He reminds us about how important the Eucharist is to our faith journey. He encourages us to receive the Eucharist as a family as often as possible if we are so disposed and in the state of grace. We give thanks for all the teachers, relatives, and friends of these children who have helped prepare them for First Holy Communion, and who will assist them in their future growth in faith. We especially thank the parents who are the primary educators of the children in the ways of the faith.

Lord Jesus Christ, bless the children coming forward to receive Holy Communion for the first time.

May this day be the step toward a life-long love of the Eucharist.

Give them a hunger for this sacred food so that they turn to you for comfort, guidance, and wisdom as they grow into full discipleship.

Thank you for their innocence and goodness.

May their hands, extended in anticipation of your body and blood, inspire all of us to cherish this sacred Sacrament. Amen.

Today we farewell **Mrs Pracilio** as she begins her leave to prepare for the arrival of her family's second child in early October. We offer Mrs Pracilio, her partner Mark and son Archer much happiness as the eagerly await the baby's arrival. May good health and God's love bless you. We sincerely thank you for all of your work in our school and the care you have given to the children, your colleagues and parents. We hope that you have a wonderful time.

This week **we warmly welcome** Miss Rachel Bourke as the year 3&4 class teacher and Mrs Gaye Giglia as administration officer (Thursday and Friday) to assist Mrs Watters. We hope that you both enjoy our happy and dynamic community.

To ensure that we are catering for all students, please advise the office if you are not returning in 2024. This is of utmost importance for our planning. This advice needs to be in email to admin@aranmorecps.wa.edu.au before the beginning of Term 4 else families will be billed for Term 1, 2024.

Forgot your lunch? We are implementing a Canteen process for children who forget their recess and lunch on the days the canteen is operational. Children will be provided:

Recess sausage roll \$7

Lunch sausage roll & a drink \$11

Office staff will contact parents for orders to be paid on the day

Please support our very reasonably priced Canteen!

Sincere thanks to all the parents, carers and extended family members who enjoyed a **beautiful liturgy**, **scrumptious breakfast and precious time** with your child. Was great to see so much happiness! Thank you to the staff who worked hard to prepare for the morning! A BIG shout out to **Woolworths Dog Swamp butcher** for donating the delicious sausages. We hope that you had a wonderful Father's Day weekend.

Year 1 & 4 STEM is a bundle of fun! This week, the students, along with their buddies, have embarked on an exciting journey as participants in the Maker's Empire STEM showcase. Applying the principles of design thinking, our students have undertaken a captivating project: designing labels for the fruits and vegetables flourishing in our brand-new school garden. To bring their creative solutions to life, they've harnessed the power of 3D printing technology and printed the perfect labels for our plants. They presented their projects to schools across Western Australia in a Zoom conference. WOOP!! WOOP!!



The year 5 & 6 students attend mass at St Mary's with the Aranmore Catholic College student leaders to bless the 120 years MERCY Education badges. It was a beautiful mass and our children engaged with Father Jeffey's homily about finding happiness in a day.

Late to School Procedure If your child is late to arrive at school in the morning after, after 8:40, Parents are required to sign in students at reception. Unless necessary, parents do not follow their child through the gates. Children in Kindergarten and Pre-Primary will be taken to class by a staff member.

All **school uniform** changes come into effect from 1 February 2024. This change process has been a two-year process, initiated by parents at the end of 2020. A flyer with the requirements accompanies this newsletter.

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**.

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.

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.

Canteen News Children bringing cash to school is not safe. We have been and continue to work towards a cashless canteen as preferred by CEWA Ltd. A friendly reminder that children are not permitted to purchase for other children.

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 ap calendar and on the website and will be reviewed during the holiday period.

Jonnine Lamborne
Principal
Trust in Mercy Life
120 Years Mercy Education

Important Dates:

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

COMING UP:

Sunday 10 September FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Friday 15 September MUSIC AFTERNOON

Thursday 21 September FACTION ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Friday 22 September 120 YEAR CELEBRATION OF MERCY EDUCATION

END OF TERM

Swim Club:

Attention all parents:

Aranmore Primary Swim Squad free trials (2 weeks free!) are back and we are especially looking for swimmers in years 2-4 that are level 5 or above. Coach Allison has many years coaching behind her. Fitness, fun and friendship are key.

Details: we meet 7am-8am Tuesdays at Beatty Park all weeks during term (inside pool). Parents stay and have a coffee while you wait.

Contact: parent volunteer Sara rszorsi@icloud.com for more details.

Equipment: goggles are essential but flippers and board can be hired.

Uniform:

Term 4 sees the return to Summer uniform. Please check that your uniform is in order. Supplies are available from the uniform shop on Tuesday mornings or online/warehouse. Jenny Franklin Enterprises

Holiday Fun

Online enrolment is at the following link:

https://www.bricks4kidz.com.au/perth-karrinyup/program-events/school-holiday-workshops-activities-lego-bricks/

Our Spring Holiday Workshops are located at the following locations:

- BRICKS 4 KIDZ City West @ West Perth
- Christ Church Grammar School @ Claremont
- Our Lady of Good Counsel School @ Karrinyup

