

2023 Term 4 Week 2

Mary MacKillop was canonised on October 17th, 2010 at Saint Peter's Basilica, Rome. Pope Benedict XVI proclaimed Mary's sainthood during a canonisation mass, which was streamed live around the world. Mary's extraordinary life and faith were well known and acknowledged throughout Australia and the world.

Along with Fr Julian Tenison-Woods, Mary opened a school in a disused stable in Penola, South Australia. Her vision was to provide education for underprivileged children. Many other women came to join her there, and Mary and Julian founded Australia's first religious order: the Sisters of St Joseph.

This Sunday, October 22, His Holiness Pope Francis invites people around the world to come together in celebration of World Mission Sunday. This annual event serves as a poignant reminder of the life-giving work carried out by missionaries in Australia and across the globe.

His World Mission Sunday message draws inspiration from the Gospel of Luke (cf. 24:13-35), recounting the story of the disciples on their journey to Emmaus. With the theme "Hearts on Fire, Feet on the Move," Pope Francis reminds us that the missionary spirit resides within the hearts of all individuals.

Inspired by Pope Francis's message, Catholic Mission is inviting everyone this World Mission Month to celebrate together the work of Mission.

God of all people, fill our hearts with your Holy Spirit that we will act justly to rid our world of all that harms our brothers and sisters. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sincere thanks to all of you and your extended family members for the support you have shared this week for Friendship Day, Assembly and the Year 3 & 4 Liturgy. The children thrive knowing that you are close by in the learning.

Have you seen our Facebook and Instagram feeds? Lots of school information for you!

Year 1 Assembly this morning was an absolute treat! Thank you for superbly showcasing all the learning you have completed this year! Your technology skills are wonderful and it looked as though you really enjoyed STEM and working with your buddies! We hope that you are very proud of YOU!

This morning the **Year 3 & 4 class** had a beautiful Liturgy of the Word on the theme of 'forgiveness' that fabulously supported their Friendology learning and our Friendship Day! You showed us how much you have learnt about friendships and how to be a great friend and work problems out! Thank you!

UR Strong and Friendship Day! Relationships are at the heart of wellbeing and learning. When we get friendships right in schools, children flourish! On Wednesday our school became a sea of green for 'Friendship Day' to launch our URStrong Friendship Zone – a place in our playground for all students to access.

A team of Year 6 Friendologists were announced and are available to assist students to use the URStrong tools to work through common friendship issues during break times. The students also spent some valuable time with their buddies extending their friendship skills.

Thank you to the URStrong team of staff who have worked so hard to bring this program to life in our school. The school was a hive of energy and enthusiasm on Wednesday thanks to your wonderful planning and efforts.

Visit www.urstrong.com to find out more information about the program.

Run, run as fast as you can! Our **Kindy** children stretched their legs and enjoyed their first **Sport Carnival on Wednesday**. Being able to give the children this experience on our school grounds provides a familiar and comfortable environment for them to have fun joining in with the races and games. We are also very proud of the leadership our Year 6 helpers showed to support our little athletes to have a great time! Thank you to Mr Tsang for organising a fun and action-packed morning.

Next week we celebrate **World Mission Day on Monday and celebrate Children's Day** on Wednesday. Can't wait to see everyone in their **crazy socks** on **Monday**. Parents are very welcome to celebrate our Liturgy of the Word with us, 8:50am in the hall.

2024 Classes and Staff please see the accompanying flyer for the 2024 class lists and staff. As timetables are finalised, more information will follow. We are looking forward to a very exciting and successful year!

A very big **Congratulations to Aaron A** in year 3 on being invited to be a choralist in the St Mary's Cathedral choir. This is an awesome achievement, Aaron. We hope that you love singing your heart out!

Annual Community Meeting

Will be held on Wednesday 22 November, 6pm in the hall. Hope that you can join us to hear the achievements of 2023 and what is to come for 2024. All welcome!

Enrolments are OPEN! We had a wonderful response to our school tour last Tuesday. Next school tour is Tuesday 14 November at 9:00am. Please pass on to any of your friends that may be looking for a great education in a small community for their child.

Dispute and complaints

Ought a concern or query arise, parents and carers are required to meet with class teachers for discussion and clarification. Ought matters be difficult to resolve, parents and carers are asked to follow the school's dispute and complaints procedure, easily accessed on the school website. All CEWA Ltd policies can be found on the CEWA website: www.cewa.edu.au

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.

School Uniform

Full implementation of the uniform changes from 2024.

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. 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.

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

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.

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 **must** use the facilities available in the administration area. Parents are not able to accompany their child to student toilets.

Important Dates 2023

23 October Mission Week Liturgy of the Word

Crazy Sock Day

24 October School Advisory Council Meeting

25 October Children's Day

Aranmore Parents' Association Meeting

26 October Aranmore Educator's Day

27 October Interschool Athletics Carnival

1 November All Saints Day Liturgy of the Word (all welcome)

BIG Day Out Year 4 at Aranmore Catholic College

2 November All Souls Day

3 November Pre-Primary Assembly

6 November St Vinnies Food Drive begins

9 November Remembrance Day Reflection

10 November PUPIL Free Day

11 November Remembrance Day

14 November School Advisory Council Meeting

15 November Aranmore Parents' Association Meeting

17 November Liturgy of the Word Year 5&6

20 November Pre-Kindergarten Prayers

22 November Annual Community Meeting

28 November ACPS Transition morning

29 November 2024 Kindergarten Parent Information evening

1 December Thanksgiving Mass St Mary's Church

2024 CLASSES & TEACHING STAFF

CLASS STAFF MEMBER

Pre-Kindergarten Miss Maddy Murphy

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Pre-Primary Miss Kate Guest

Year 1 Mrs Kaye Elsum

Year 2 Mrs Lisa Charlton

Year 3 Mrs Anna Tancredi

Year 4 Mrs Morgan Foster

Year 4 Miss Fiona Wringe

Year 5 Mr Matt Sharpe

Year 5&6 Mr Mitch Hayes

Year 6 Mrs Michelle Meade

LOTE (AUSLAN) Mrs Janine Del Grossi

Music Miss Rachel O'Hara

Drama Miss Rachel O'Hara

Dance Miss Amanda Oregioni

Phys Ed Mr Phil Tsang

Science Mrs Jennifer Chang-Leng

Classroom and Student Support

Mrs Anna Drew

Mrs Daphne Lapierre

Mrs Mary Monterosso

Mrs Natalie Vuong

Mrs Pam Rimmer

Mrs Sam Teale

Mrs Tess Torre