

# Newsletter

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## 2023 Term 4 Week 4

### All Saints Day and The Feast of the Holy Souls

In the Church, the month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls. The Church commemorates all those who have departed from this life. The Church has always taught us to pray for those who have gone to eternity. On Tuesday the Church celebrated all the holy men and women who have been canonized by the Church. It's a yearly reminder of our connectedness as Christians to the Church. It comes from a conviction that there is a spiritual connection between those in Heaven and on Earth.



All Souls' Day, celebrated on Thursday, was a day for commemoration of all the faithful departed. Happy All Saints' Day to you and your family! May God bless us, today and tomorrow. Wishing for the divine blessings of All Saints' Day to touch your life and make it wonderful! May God and the saints be with you always!

### PUPIL FREE DAY NEXT FRIDAY

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

The **Pre-Primary Assembly** this morning was absolutely wonderful! What a performance from our very talented children sharing their learning this year through their gifts and talents as Superheroes. Well done on showcasing how thoughtful, helpful, friendly, proud, musical, brave and SUPER you ARE!

Work on the **Playground** begins next week. What exciting news and we can't wait to see it come to fruition. We will be watching closely! A **BIG** thanks to the **APA** and all **families** for contributing to this much awaited and much needed space for our children. As you know it is so important for children to have opportunities to create and play.

The **Annual BIG Day Out** for the year 4s at Aranmore Catholic College on Wednesday was a real treat for our year 4 students. The children were engaged in exciting activities, including woodwork, art, science experiments. *The best part according to Flynn was the woodwork; and according to Penelope was the scavenger hunt for the art activity. The College always goes overboard to showcase their programs and even through in lunch this year which was a delicious pizza! Flynn and Penelope certainly had great things to say about the College, from the friendly staff to the fun facilities.* Apparently, the day was the best excursion this year! That is excellent news Flynn and Penelope !

Our **Vinnies Christmas Appeal** starts next Monday and runs through to Friday 17 November. Vinnies are seeking donations of non-perishable food items, Christmas foods, bon-bons, and party food (chips, lollies etc). Hope that you can contribute to this very worthy cause and help make someone's Christmas a special occasion! Full list of items on the flyer accompany the newsletter.

### **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!

This meeting is a reporting meeting of the events of the School Advisory Council and the APA.

The School Advisory Council seeks 2 nominations for Council. The terms of reference for the operation of the Council are available with this newsletter. There are 6 Council meetings a year and the AGM.

Council membership is for a term of 3 years, with no more than 6 consecutive years. If you are considering volunteering your time and commitment to our school community and would like to know further, please contact me via email or the school office for an application form.

The APA seeks new members to join in 2024. Please consider giving your time to help build friendships among community and assist in the fun fundraising events that help provide extra resources for our students. Nomination forms will be provided to those interested, on request at the Office.

### **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 onto any of your friends that may be looking for a great education in a small community for their child.

**120 YEARS CELEBRATION & REUNION SUNDOWNER** for parents, staff, and former students of St Mary's, CBC Leederville, Aranmore Catholic College and Aranmore Catholic Primary School. Please see the link below and the flyer accompanying the newsletter.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/reunion-sundowner-aranmore-catholic-college-tickets-736239561347>

Please mark these **2024 Pupil Free days** in your calendar:

Friday 1 March

Friday 28 June

Friday 20 August

Several other dates to come in next week's newsletter

### **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](http://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 begins Wednesday 31 January 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 if you require assistance.

## Kiss and Ride

**Please remember to use your family 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 up 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 3. 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 **must** use the facilities available in the administration area. Parents are not able to accompany their child to student toilets.

## Important Dates

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  
22 November  
28 November  
29 November  
1 December  
3 December

Pre-Kindergarten Prayers  
Annual Community Meeting  
ACPS Transition morning  
2024 Kindergarten Parent Information evening  
Thanksgiving Mass St Mary's Church  
First Week of Advent

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