

Newsletter



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"If a man wishes to be sure of the road he treads on, he must close his eyes and walk in the dark." St. John of the Cross

Dear Parents

As part of our **STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths) programme** we recently celebrated **National Water Week**. Classes participated in water education sessions run by the Water Corporation about water conservation, supply, recycling and water in Aboriginal culture Thank you to Ms Nelson for her coordination of this and to the class teachers for the activities that they integrated in their class curriculum.

Congratulations to our 2018 **Numero** teams who competed admirably against other schools on Monday. Aranmore CPS came 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 5th Wow what a result! One of our Numero teams is eligible to complete in the Numero Grandfinal in November. Special thank you to Ms Wringe who co-ordinates the Aranmore CPS Numero Club and has been training the children along with assistance from Mrs Bubnich and Mr Scutti.

Congratulations to our Athletics Interschool team who came 2nd overall at the carnival last Thursday against 8 schools. Our great sportsmanship shone through once again and I heard many pleasing reports about our responsible Year Six students assisting on the day. Special thank you to Mr Tsang who has done a great job training the children, it certainly paid off.

As a special thank you to all parent and grandparent helpers and volunteers who have assisted in any way throughout the year...reading rosters, excursions, covering books, canteen roster, garden, Library, craft, P&F and Board involvement and the list goes on and on... ***You are invited to our Volunteers Afternoon Tea on Thursday 22nd November at 2.00pm in the Library.*** It is our way of saying thank you for all that you do at Aranmore Catholic Primary School. Please rsvp by clicking on the link below. I look forward to seeing you at the afternoon tea.

<http://www.aranmorecps.wa.edu.au/event/volunteers-afternoon-tea-4/>

Aranmore Catholic Primary School is delighted to be hosting **Gallery on Brentham**, our students' annual art exhibition. Gallery on Brentham showcases individual masterpieces across different art mediums and techniques from students Pre-Kindy to Year 6. Join us throughout the week of **Tuesday 13 – Friday 16 November**, before, during and after school and see the creative talent of our children. All art pieces will be in the running for special awards. Join us at the **Gallery's unveiling - Tuesday 13 November at 6.00pm in our Hall.**

Letters have been sent to all of the incoming students for **Pre-Kindy and Kindergarten for 2019**. If you did not receive your letter, please contact the school office. The following dates and times are for the Parent Meetings and Student Orientation sessions to be held in the next few weeks:

***Pre-Kindy 2019 Parent Meeting and Orientation
30th November 1.30pm to 2.30pm
in the Pre-Kindy classroom.***

***Kindergarten 2019 Parent Meeting
15th November 9.15am
in the Hall***

Kindergarten 2019 Orientation
29th November 9.15am-10.00am
in the Kindergarten Red/Green classrooms

Our **Pre-Kindy (Three Year Old) 2019** programme running on **Mondays** next year is almost full. We will be running a **Friday** session as well as long as we have viable numbers. If you have any further queries regarding the programme please check the school website or contact the school office and speak with Amanda to enrol your child. If you have friends or neighbours with children who would be ready for a Three Year Old programme please encourage them to enrol.

There are vacancies in Kindergarten for 2019 as well as some other year levels. If you know of anyone looking for a position please recommend our beautiful school

The Annual General Meeting for the P&F and School Board will be held on
Tuesday, November 13th in the school hall, commencing at 6.45pm.

Reasons you should come to the AGM:

- Show your **support** of the hard working School Board and P&F
- Gallery on Brentham (our annual art exhibition) will be held on the same evening from 6.00pm onwards in the Hall. Come and see the wonderful work that your children have created. Please see the flyer at the end of the newsletter for further information. The **School Band** will play from 6.15pm till 6.30pm for your entertainment.
- There will be a brief review of 2018 School Board and P&F activities
- Office bearers for the Board and P&F will be elected
- **2019 staffing** will be announced. You will find out your child's year group teacher for 2018
- **2019 school fees** will be presented
- **Focus areas for 2019** will be shared by the Board and P&F
- You will be able to mingle with other parents, relax and enjoy a **delicious supper**
- Please rsvp your attendance for the AGM by clicking on the link:

<http://www.aranmorecps.wa.edu.au/event/school-board-and-pf-agm/>

Please consider if you would like to nominate/re-nominate for the P&F Committee and/or a class representative. Our P&F Executives are all retiring this year so please consider nominating for the role of P&F President, Vice President, Treasurer or Secretary.

<http://www.aranmorecps.wa.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/PF-Nomination-Form-2019.pdf>

We have three Board members retiring from their positions this year. If there is anyone who wishes to nominate for these three vacancies, you will need to complete a nomination form and return it to the school office by Wednesday 7th November. Please click on this link for a nomination form. Voting will then take place on the night of the AGM and candidates will be asked to speak for no longer than a minute in support of their application.

<http://www.aranmorecps.wa.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/nomination-form-for-2019.pdf>



Mrs Margaret Williamson
Principal

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

ADVENT PRAYER ASSEMBLIES

Please mark these dates in your diary. Our Advent Assemblies commence Wednesday 21st November. All parents & visitors are welcome to attend. The Advent Prayer Assemblies commence at 8:45am on the following days:

- Weds 21st Nov Year 6G
- Friday 23rd Nov Year 6R
- Weds 28th Nov Year 5G
- Friday 30th Nov Year 5R

ST VINNIES CHRISTMAS APPEAL

This year St. Vinnies have a special food allocation for donations. **These will be collected on Friday, 16th November** but start buying items now as they might be on special! Each classroom will have a poster displaying the types of goods accepted by St Vinnies. Please remember these need to be non-perishable items. Please bring all donations directly to the classroom. As always, your generosity is much appreciated especially at Christmas time.

Kindy – tinned food
Pre-Primary – beverages
Year 1 – condiments
Year 2 – treats
Year 3 – meals
Year 4 – tinned food
Year 5 – condiments
Year 6 – meals

Miss Tania James & Miss Sarah Lister
Assistant Principals

CURRICULUM

2019 BOOKLISTS

As part of our Sustainability Programme we are becoming more environmentally friendly therefore hard copies of the 2018 booklists will not be sent home. Instead booklists will be placed on the Aranmore Catholic Primary School website. **You can order online now by following this [link](https://order.campion.com.au/):**

<https://order.campion.com.au/>

Booklists need to be **finalised by 16 November 2018**. As per last year, all booklist orders will be delivered at home to families in December once school has finished. Should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the office or Campion directly (08 6240 2778).

NUMERO

Exciting news! 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 5th place go to ... Aranmore!

Congratulations to the sixteen interschool Numero students who represented Aranmore on Monday 29th October. They displayed outstanding Mathematical skills, teamwork and beautiful manners. They were an asset to Aranmore.

In 5th place was Falcons of Fractions - Marcus Cassidy, Gabriella Alfonso, Amelia Watts and Reuben Panaia.

In 3rd place was Marvelous Mathletes - Bethany Clarke, Lucinda Boylen, Ansh Kabra and Mia Pappas.

In 2nd place was Number Ninjaz - Joanne Nguyen, Isla Buttigieg, Jude Garbenis and Eva Papantoniou.

In 1st place was Subtraction Samurai - Eli Genovese, Aidan Ling, Rebecca Puccini and Patrick O'Loughlin. Subtraction Samurai will now represent Aranmore CPS at the grand final on Thursday 8th November.

Thank you to all the parents who have assisted throughout the year by getting your child/children to Numero Club on time, staying and playing or coming along to show your support at the interschool competition.



The final Numero Club for 2018 will be on Thursday 8th November.

Ms Fiona Wringe, Numero Coordinator

CHESS CLUB

CHESS CLUB ON FRIDAYS IN THE LIBRARY

Want to do something different at lunchtime? Need a little friendly mind exercise? Or just need some thinking time? Come to **chess club during lunchtime every Friday**. Located in the library, this is an awesome way to spend your time with friends during a hot lunchtime and a great opportunity to learn new skills.

Chess is a board game of strategic skill for two players, played on a mat on which each playing piece is moved according to special rules. The object is to put the opponent's king under attack (check!) and if he can't move into a safe square it's Checkmate!

Chess is a great way to practice with friends. As well as being a mind improving game it is also a way to socialise. Playing chess expands your social circle, helps improve friendships and is great for building self-confidence.

Chess can be played by anyone and anywhere, including indoor and outdoor venues. Chess is exercise for the brain and will be present all through your life from young to old.

We hope to see you there and we are always willing to help you learn this amazing game!

Matthew Kerr and Remy Soanes
Year 3 Chess Club Members

SOCIAL WORKER

THE POWER OF POSITIVE PARENTING

Last week's Positive Parenting Seminar was well attended and lots of positive feedback was received. The take home messages were:

- Create a warm, loving, safe environment for your child
- Use positive strategies to encourage your children's learning
- Use assertive discipline to help your child take responsibility for their actions
- Have reasonable expectations of both your child and yourself
- Take care of yourself by looking after your own needs, balancing work and family responsibilities, challenging negative thinking, and working as a team.

Another important discussion focused on the importance of embracing situations in which children are able to take risks and to face challenges. Clearing the path for a smooth existence does not help them. Similarly children need to have the opportunity to learn from their mistakes and to have the opportunity to have another go to get it right. So when they mess up, as they will, talk about it and then give them the chance to get it right.

Mrs Ali Fisher, Social Worker

ADMINISTRATION

JUST A REMINDER!

Before the 8:45am rings, families are asked to move out of the classroom quickly as teachers need to commence their lessons on time. We ask that parents do not hold conversations close to the classroom door as the chatter can be disruptive to classroom teaching, particularly at the start of the day when we commence with prayer. We welcome parents on the school site but if you are not a designated school helper for the day, we ask that you please be respectful of the school as a learning space. Perhaps take advantage of the many coffee shops and cafes we have on our doorstep for catching up with one another.

Once school has been dismissed, Children are to make their way to cars quickly so that parents can alleviate traffic congestion and make room for others who are yet to arrive for pick up. If you choose to stay back after school for a play on the Adventure Playground, we ask parents to please supervise your children closely and remind you that access to school toilets will not be available after 3:20pm.

CANTEEN

ACPs promotes sustainability in as many areas of school life as possible. One such initiative was removing plastic waste from the Canteen. Students who order food from the canteen do not get plastic cutlery instead, they receive a metal fork. These then go into one big green tub, ready to be washed. Unfortunately, our supply of forks has dwindled as children are either throwing them out, or leaving them on the floor and they soon disappear! Please have the conversation with your children about looking after not only the environment but also our canteen cutlery. Remind them it needs to go back into the tub at the end of eating time. Thank you



Ms Tania James & Miss Sarah Lister
Assistant Principals

MERCY VALUE OF THE WEEK

COMPASSION

Show you care for others
In your words and actions

1 November 2018

SPECIAL REMINDER DATES FOR TERM FOUR

- Prayer Assembly 1R – Friday 2 November
- Prayer Assembly 2G & Remembrance Day – Friday 9 November
- AGM 7:00pm School Hall – Tuesday 13 November
- Performance Assembly 6G – Friday 16 November
- P&F Christmas Disco – Saturday 24 November
- PP Nativity Play – Thursday 29 November
- Kindy Green Nativity Play – Tuesday 4 December
- Thanksgiving Mass – Wednesday 5 December
- Kindy Red Nativity Play – Thursday 6 December
- Year 6 Graduation and Mass – Thursday 6 December
- Students last day of school – Friday 7 December

STUDENTS LEAVING ARANMORE AT THE END OF 2018

Should your child **not be returning to** Aranmore CPS in 2019 could you please notify the school in writing as soon as possible or complete the form below and return to the office. We have some families who are currently on the waiting list and quite keen to enrol their children. (Yr 6 families do not need to send in this form).

Child's name:

Class 2018: _____

Destination school: _____

Signed:

(parent/guardian)

SCHOOL SAFETY UPDATE No.2 Thursday 21st November 2018 (Week 4, Term 4)

VISTING OUR SCHOOL

The school operates between 8:15am and 3:20pm. Any persons, including parent, grandparents and other members of the community, who are visiting the school between 9:00am-2:30pm must report to reception first, before proceeding onto school grounds. This includes any parents dropping off lunches, books, etc. It is for the safety of our school community that all visitors are noted on arrival. Please do not proceed on to school grounds without first signing in at reception. This even includes if you plan to "pop in" to drop off something to your child. Please help us keep our school safe by following protocol.



CODE OF CONDUCT

All Catholic Schools have a Code of Conduct. This is the minimum standard for how all persons are expected to behave in our school to ensure the safety and well-being of students, staff, parents and other community members. There are 12 statements associated with the Code and these are expanded on in the policy section of our school website.

1. You act safely and competently.
2. You give priority to students' safety and well-being in all your behaviour and decision making.
3. You act in accordance with the values of the Gospel as defined in the Code of Ethical Conduct.
4. You conduct yourself in accordance with laws, agreements, policies and standards relevant to your relationship with the school community.
5. You respect the dignity, culture, values and beliefs of each member of the school community.
6. You treat personal information about members of the school community as private and confidential.
7. You give impartial, honest and accurate information about the education, safety and well-being of students.
8. You support all members of the school community in making informed decisions about students.
9. You promote and preserve the trust and privilege inherent in your relationship with all members of the school community.
10. You maintain and build on the community's trust and confidence in Catholic schools and the Church
11. You act reflectively and ethically.
12. You allow students to have a voice in their education, safety and well-being.

P & F

The P&F and School Board AGM is fast approaching. This is an opportunity to hear about the year's achievements and activities and find out what is in store for next year. It coincides with the wonderful student Art Exhibition and band performance which are both not to be missed! As part of the evening, the P&F hold a small market for local and family businesses to promote and sell their wares. Previous years have seen a selection of clothing, gifts, Christmas cakes, cards, preserves, jewellery and make-up. We will also have a recycled book stall. **Please contact Paula Buttigieg at buttsoz@hotmail.com or 0408100420 if you are interested in holding a stall. The cost is only \$10 per table. First in best dressed** 😊

Hope to see you all there!

Mrs Elle Gonzalez-Skuja
P&F President

SPORTS

SWIM CLUB

Thank you everyone, yes all 30, of you for arriving on time on Tuesday morning and for listening hard to our coaches without all the chatter. I know the coaches and all your peers enjoyed that everyone could participate in the relays. We welcomed newbie Vincent Tiller this morning who gave swimming club a go. Well done Vinnie on a great effort.

It was fantastic to see so many children. Thank you to those of you who are waiting for equipment as swim club children no longer coming along return their flippers and kickboards. I apologise for the delay and hope more equipment comes back soon.

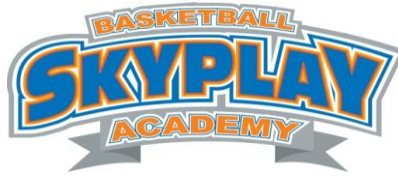
Mrs Roslyn Soanes
Swim Club Coordinator

CANTEEN

Help needed for some Fridays this Term in the canteen. Please contact Belinda on 0414 597 477 if you would like to put your name down.

MONDAY	5 Nov	Belinda
WEDNESDAY	7 Nov	Belinda
FRIDAY	9 Nov	Jeff Turnbull & HELP

Mrs Belinda Civiletti
Canteen Manageress



SKYPLAY BASKETBALL ACADEMY - ARANMORE COLLEGE - FREE TRIAL OFFER

We are launching our Skyplay Basketball Academy program at Aranmore College on Saturday mornings. The program is unique and we are the leader in Perth with developing and preparing basketball players for competitions through our unique training style. Come and join the fun. Please bring the form below for two free trials. The three hour Saturday program is designed to help further develop your basketball skills, fitness and game play.

Dates & Times U12 & 14 boys & girls

03/11/2018	9:30am-12:30pm
10/11/2018	9:30am-12:30pm
17/11/2018	9:30am-12:30pm
24/11/2018	9:30am-12:30pm
01/12/2018	9:30am-12:30pm
08/12/2018	9:30am-12:30pm
15/12/2018	9:30am-12:30pm

Please bring this completed form in for two free trials:

Name: _____ Age: _____ Male/Female

Address: _____ Post Code: _____

Parents Name: _____ Signature: _____

Mobile: _____ Email: _____

First session: ____ / ____ / 2018

Second session: ____ / ____ / 2018

Note: please bring a basketball, towel and water bottle for the sessions.