

Newsletter



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**Apart from the Cross there is no other ladder by which we may get into heaven
– St. Rose of Lima**

Dear Parents

Harmony Day on 21st March is a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home, from the traditional owners of this land to those who have come from many countries around the world. At Aranmore Catholic Primary, we have families from many different nationalities and we celebrate and embrace the individuality and uniqueness of all. This year, to celebrate Harmony Day, Humanities and Social Sciences Co-ordinator Mrs Bubnich has organised a 'world trip' whereby the children have an opportunity to showcase their family culture and heritage and she will set up a display around the hall.

Next Wednesday March 21st we will be holding an **Open Morning for prospective families**. Please see the attached flier at the end of the newsletter. If you know of friends, neighbours or relatives who have children ready for Pre-Kindy (3 year olds), Kindergarten (4 year olds) or any other year levels, please pass on the information to them and invite them to register via our school website or by following this link <http://www.aranmorecps.wa.edu.au/school-tour-registration/>

A **huge thankyou to Meg Clarey** for organising our **P&F Family Campout** last Saturday evening. We had a great turnout of families for this event. Thank you to everyone who assisted on the night including cooking dinner and breakfast and those parents who were able to help set up and pack away. It was very much appreciated. Well done on another successful event and fun campout.

One of the strategies to raise the School Board profile is for a summary of key points from Board Meetings to be published in the school newsletter after monthly meetings are held. Please note that there may be much more discussed at Board Meetings that is not able to be published in the newsletter as it may be of a confidential nature or a work in progress.

March meeting:

- Principal Report outlining school programmes in relation to Learning, Engagement, Accountability and Discipleship
- School Finance Report
- P&F Rep Report presented
- Parish Report – Parish Centenary; sacramental programme
- Public Relations –Marketing update
- Community – Rosewood Inter-generational Music with residents and K/PP
- ICT – upgrade of some interactive classroom and library whiteboards; upgrade pf PA system; Strategic Plan currently being updated

Mrs Margaret Williamson
Principal

MERCY VALUE OF THE WEEK

COMPASSION

Show you care for others
In your words and actions

16 March 2018

SPECIAL REMINDER DATES FOR TERM ONE

- P&F Sausage Sizzle – Hosted by Yr2 and Yr4 Parents – Tuesday 20 March
- K-6 Learning Journeys (3.15pm – 6.30pm) – Tuesday 10 April
- Open Morning for Prospective Families – Guided Tours 9.30am and 10.00am – Wednesday 21 March
- Aranmore Day – Thursday 12 April
- Term One concludes – Friday 13 April

ALL SACRAMENTS PREPARATION NIGHT

Wednesday 4 April 7.00pm St Mary's
(Yrs 3, 4 & 6)

COMMITMENT & ENROLMENT MASSES FOR ALL SACRAMENTS:

Saturday 7 April & Sunday 8 April

CONFIRMATION

- Confirmation Parent Night 1: Wednesday 11 April 7pm at St Mary's Church
- Confirmation Parent Night 2: Thursday 10 May 7pm St Mary's Church
- Confirmation Retreat & Rehearsal Day: Saturday 12 May 1.30pm – 4.30pm
- Sacrament of Confirmation: Saturday 19 and Sunday 20 May

RECONCILIATION

- Reconciliation Parent Night 1: Wednesday 25 July 7pm at St Mary's Church
- Reconciliation Parent Night 2: Thursday 16 August 7pm at St Mary's Church
- Reconciliation Retreat & Rehearsal Day: Saturday 18 August 1.30pm – 3.30pm St Mary's Church
- Sacrament of Reconciliation Night: Thursday 23 August

FIRST EUCHARIST

- Holy Communion Parent Night 1: Thursday 2 August 7pm at St Mary's Church
- Holy Communion Parent Night 2: Wednesday 29 August 7pm at St Mary's Church
- Holy Communion Retreat & Rehearsal Day: Saturday 8 September 1.30-4.30pm at St Mary's Church
- Sacrament of First Communion: Saturday 15 & Sunday 16 September at St Mary's Church

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



PROJET COMPASSION - Third Week of Lent

Ditosa in Mozambique went to live with her grandmother after her parents died of AIDS-related illnesses. She featured in Project Compassion during 2013, then aged 12. With support from the Caritas Australia supported Matuba Children's Centre, Ditosa has now graduated from school with plans for university.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2018 and help bring stability to vulnerable youth, providing just futures for others like Bayan. A Just Future starts with your support!

A Just Future starts with your support! You can donate through Project Compassion boxes/envelopes, visit:

www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion **OR** phone 1800 024 413

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION NIGHT

If your child is completing a sacrament this year, please be sure to attend the Sacrament Information Night on Wednesday 4th April, 7pm in St Mary's Church. Important information will be circulated during this session and we ask at least one parent to attend. Students are not required at this meeting. Please note that the Commitment and Enrolment Masses for all Sacraments are coming up:

- Saturday 7th April 6:30pm
- Sunday 8th April 8:00am or 10:30am

HOLY WEEK

During Holy Week we remember the days and events that led up to Jesus' death and resurrection. We will celebrate Holy Week with a prayerful reflection on Holy Thursday, **29th March at 8:45am in the school hall.** We invite the school community to join us to celebrate the feast of Easter. A time to celebrate the new life given to us through the resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday.



**Ms Tania James & Miss Sarah Lister
Assistant Principals**

PASTORAL CARE

The Aranmore Catholic Primary School community extends its deepest condolences to the Rasano family (Kristian Yr 6) on the passing of their beloved mother and Nonna. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.

CURRICULUM

HARMONY DAY

21st March is Harmony Day. The message of Harmony Day is Everyone Belongs. It is a day to celebrate Australia's diversity and is regarded as a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home. Harmony Day is an Australian Government programme and coincides with the United Nations International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

The school has a 'take home' activity for Harmony Day. A paper chain doll will be sent home shortly. Children are asked to decorate this in a manner that shows their family background maybe with the flag or costume or colours of their heritage, don't forget to put the family surname on the front too. Please return these to school where Mrs Bubnich will create a school display.

LEARNING JOURNEY AFTERNOON/EVENING TUESDAY 10th APRIL: 3:15 – 6:30pm:

On Tuesday 10th April, the Learning Journeys will be occurring from 3:15pm – 6:30pm. Please schedule this into your diaries as we would like all students to visit with their families.

Ms Tania James & Miss Sarah Lister
Assistant Principals

YEAR 5 INCURSION - KABOOMTOON JASON

"On Thursday 8th March, Jason from Kaboomtoon came and paid a visit. He taught us about cartooning and here I will explain how he did it. He gave us marvellous children a sheet with washout shapes on it. We had to use the skills he taught us to draw the faces. Next he handed out sheets with washout bodies on it. We had to use the skills he displayed to draw the bodies. Finally, he gave us rough monster washout shapes and we had to use the monster skills to draw monsters. I myself, am in 5 Green, and my favourite part was drawing the bodies."



By Rebecca Puccini
Year 5 Green

MUSIC

BAND

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected by audition to participate in the Aranmore Primary Band; Sienna Ando, Amia Kariyawasam, Lucas Kelly, Isla Buttigieg, Lenni Kazandzis, Mia Pappas, Eva Papantoniou, Jude Garbenis, Cuba Williams, Aidan Ling, Ansh Kabra, Chase Williams.

Rehearsals have commenced on Friday mornings from 7.45 – 8.45am and the students are very fortunate to be under the direction of Mr Russell Holmes. Mr Holmes is a professional musician, a WAAPA lecturer in Jazz and performs in his own ensemble, The Russell Holmes Trio.

ARANMORE PRIMARY CHOIR

The Aranmore Primary Choir has commenced rehearsals on Thursday mornings at 8.30am with a keen group of singers. All students in years five and six are offered the opportunity to participate in the Choir, there are no auditions. The children have already learnt a selection of songs suitable for performance and had the opportunity to perform at the celebration of the Centenary of Saint Mary's Parish on March 4th. Thank you to the children who were able to perform at this event and to the families for making the time to bring them, especially as it was a long weekend. The children performed beautifully and were a credit to the school.

Mrs Roslyn Twine
Music Teacher

CHESS CLUB

ARANMORE CHESS CLUB

It is with great excitement that I will be running Chess Club this year. For those of you that have been asking and have waited so patiently, I am pleased to let you know that Chess Club will begin next Friday the 24th of March. Chess Club will take place in the Library and will begin promptly at 1pm. All students in Year 3-6 are welcome to join. If you are a beginner please don't be shy, come and join us for lots of learning and fun!!



Mrs Michelle Meade
Chess Club Coordinator

ADMINISTRATION

GRANDPARENTS MORNING

6th April 2018

We invite all Aranmore Catholic Primary School Grandparents to a special morning with their grandchildren.

Prayer Service- 10:30am in the hall

Morning Tea- 10:50-11:10am

Class Visit- 11:10-11:45am

You are welcome to bring a small morning tea to share with your grandchildren. Tea and coffee will be provided. Feel free to bring a picnic rug or chairs.

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BEFORE SCHOOL PROCEDURES

With the new academic year commencing, a timely reminder about before school procedures. We ask that parents and children **please continue to follow the existing before school procedures.** Children will be supervised in the Undercover Area from 8.15am - 8.30am if they are at school during this time.

- Children are encouraged to sit on the benches in the undercover area during this time and chat to one another. There are too many children in the undercover area for them all to be playing
- Children in Year 4-6 only are permitted to play in the 4-square area once the teacher on duty gives them permission
- When the bell rings at 8.30am all children are to walk to their classroom as this is when classroom doors open

We ask that if parents are waiting with their children in the morning that they do so in the undercover area as this is the waiting area for the children. Please do not wait near the Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 classrooms or near the stairwell at the glass doors prior to 8:30am. Please wait in the undercover area as this will greatly assist the teacher on duty in their supervision and duty of care for all children.

If you have a child in PK-PP then you are welcome to wait with your child in the Early Learning Centre however due to duty of care the children **are not permitted** to play on the playground during this time.

We also ask that parents please respect the teachers' time in their classrooms once the doors open and to make an appointment to meet with the teacher before school if required.

For the safety and care of our students your continued support is greatly appreciated.

AUTISM AWARENESS WEEK 26TH MARCH – 2ND APRIL

Research shows that an estimated 1 in 160 to 1 in 100 people have Autism. It is very likely that there is a student with autism in your school, class or amongst family and friends. WE ARE ALL DIFFERENT and a child with Autism is just like everyone else, an individual with strengths and weaknesses. Children with Autism need help making friends and sometimes have difficulty understanding what people are trying to communicate with them. Embracing difference is all about supporting and nurturing the child who is perceived as different. *Did you know?* Monday 2nd April is World Autism Day! Light it up Blue! Did you know that each year cities around the world light up their prominent buildings with blue on this special night? Look out for Perth's Bell Tower!

Find out more at www.autism.org.au

FREE DYSLEXIA INFORMATION SESSIONS

Did you know that on the first Wednesday of every month, the Dyslexia Speld Foundation runs **FREE** information sessions for parents and teachers? These are presented by DSF psychologists /speech pathologists with specialist knowledge in the field of learning difficulties and disabilities (including dyslexia). They run from 7-8pm. For more information Ph: 9217 2500

SCHOOL POLICIES

Aranmore Catholic Primary School staff regularly review and updates school polices to ensure they are up to date and in line with system requirements. You can access our polices at any time via the school website. Our teaching & learning team have recently updated the School Behaviour Policy and this can be accessed from the communications section of our website. It is a condition of enrolment in all Catholic Schools that families will abide by the school policies and procedures.

Ms Tania James & Miss Sarah Lister
Assistant Principals

P & F

FAMILY CAMP OUT

A HUGE thank you to Meg Clarey for organising another fantastic Family Camp Out! Despite howling winds everyone had a great time and enjoyed the best burgers and brekkie in the hood.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

On Tuesday 20th March the Year 2 & 4 Parents have the great delight of hosting the School Sausage Sizzle. Order forms have been sent home with your child. Those who are new to the school, all sausages are gluten free but please provide your child with their own gluten free bread.



For the Year 2 & 4 Parents if you feel like skipping your usual Tuesday activities and helping out, please Sign Up here...

<http://signup.com/go/mUFaYNs>

Thank you.

Mrs Elle Gonzalez-Skuja
P&F President

SPORT

ARANMORE SWIM CLUB

Well we could not have asked for better weather again on Tuesday and what a turn out! We had 28 swimmers which included three newbies. Welcome Cuba and Heidi from 5G, and Chase from 4R. Just remember it gets easier with every week that you come to swim club.

Tuesday was a very busy morning and everyone was keen to head to the 50 metre pool in preparation for the Interschool Carnival. This will be held on 10th May and we have a good amount of time to build our fitness and improve our times. So now is the time to put in the extra effort, especially if you are representing Aranmore at the Interschool Carnival.

Well done everyone and remember toes in at 7am. This helps us all to start on time and for the coaches to get everyone training on the same program at the same time.

Mrs Roslyn Soanes
Swim Club Coordinitor

COMMUNITY NEWS

EASTER TUESDAY 3RD APRIL IS A PUPIL FREE DAY BOOK NOW AT YMCAWA

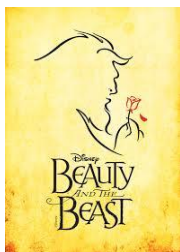
New families – Please visit our website at the link below to register for My Family Lounge

<https://www.ymcawa.org.au/gumtrees/before-and-after-school-hours-care>

Existing families: make a casual booking on the "Pupil Free Day" role through My Family Lounge.

Booking queries: please contact Carolyn on 08 9473 8407 or send an email to oshc@ymcawa.org.au
Pupil Free Day Fee - \$67

ARANMORE CATHOLIC COLLEGE - BEAUTY AND THE BEAST



Aranmore Catholic College are putting on a production of Disney's Beauty and the Beast.

Music by Alan Menken

Lyrics by Howard Ashman and Time Rice

Book by Linda Woolverton

Originally Directed by Robert Jess Roth

CANTEEN

MONDAY	19 Mar	Andrea Jordan
WEDNESDAY	21 Mar	Bruce Ling
FRIDAY	23 Mar	Paula B & Andrea Tan
MONDAY	26 Mar	Belinda
WEDNESDAY	28 Mar	Sharon O
FRIDAY	30 Mar	Good Friday

Mrs Belinda Civiletti
Canteen Manageress

PARISH NEWS

CALLING ALL CHILDREN WHO HAVE RECEIVED THE SACRAMENT
OF EUCHARIST

St. Mary's Parish Leederville NEEDS YOUR HELP!



BECOME AN ALTAR SERVER

For further details please contact Caterina O'Loughlin at
Caterina_ol@hotmail.com

Aranmore Catholic Primary

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OPEN DAY

Wednesday 21 March 9.30am - 10am 2018

Would you like to see what this hidden gem in Leederville has to offer your child?

Join Aranmore Catholic Primary School for its Open Morning where you can see for yourself.

- GUIDED TOURS will be conducted at 9.30am and 10am
- FUN ACTIVITIES for the children

Register now at
www.aranmorecps.wa.edu.au

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