

# Newsletter



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**"Faith is to believe what you do not see  
The reward of this faith is to see what you believe"**  
*Saint Augustine*

## Dear Parents

On Wednesday 15 August, it was the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This feast day celebrates the assumption of Mary's body into heaven and honours Mary as the mother of us all. We celebrated together with a whole school mass at St Mary's church and spent some time praying to Mary and thinking about her life and how special she is in our lives.

Please keep the Year Three children in your prayers as they take part in their Reconciliation Retreat Day tomorrow at St Mary's church and then receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation next Thursday evening at 7pm. Please also pray for the Year Four children as they receive their First Holy Communion towards the end of the term.

I hope to see many of our Aranmore dads at our special Father's Day Prayer Service and light breakfast on the 31st of August at 8.00am. Please click on the following link to RSVP if you are able to attend <http://www.aranmorecps.wa.edu.au/event/fathers-day-event/> I look forward to seeing lots of dads with their children for the prayer service. The P&F will be running a stall with lots of goodies on sale for the children to buy gifts for their dads.

Thank you to Mrs Foster, our Science Co-ordinator, for organising a great Science Fair on Monday. The children were having loads of fun with slime, rockets, rocks, sunsense and other wonderful experiments! The Yr 6 children displayed great leadership in running the Fair, well done.

Next week we celebrate Book Week. This year's theme is 'Find Your Treasure'. Our dress up day on Wednesday is always such fun and all the children and staff are encouraged to come dressed in costumes relating to the theme or come as their favourite book character. Mrs Gray and Mrs Gane have been very busy planning for the week and I would like to thank them for all their hard work. Please check the Library section of the newsletter for further information from Mrs Gray.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at the P&F Retro Bingo this Saturday 18 August. Thank you to Elle and her band of helpers in putting together what promises to be a fabulous, fun filled evening.

## Board Report

Please find below a brief summary from the School Boards August meeting:

- Principal Report outlining school programmes in relation to Learning, Engagement, Accountability and Discipleship with a focus on Catholic Identity, liturgies and Curriculum in relation to special weeks coming up for the children.
- Aranmore Catholic Primary hosting Child Safe Framework CEWA launch
- School Finance Report presented
- P&F Rep Report presented. Board congratulates P&F on their wonderful fundraising efforts.
- Parish Report – Reconciliation and First Holy Communion coming up
- Marketing - Public Relations, Facebook Page posting schedule
- ICT – school wifi network upgrade
- Security – school security upgrade, security cameras

**Mrs Margaret Williamson**  
**Principal**

**Students must remain  
with parents until  
8:15am**

The duty teacher commences at 8:15am therefore students should not be onsite prior to this time. Any students onsite prior to this time **must be in the company of their parent/guardian**. When you enrol your child in a Catholic School, you agree to abide by the school policies and procedures. **Please help keep our children safe by following school rules.**

MERCY DAY FRIDAY 21<sup>st</sup> SEPTEMBER 9.30am

Mercy Day will be held on the last Friday of this term, 21st September 2018. Please join us for **Mass at 9:30am** in the School Hall. After Mass, we will be handing out the Mercy Values awards. We are promoting the "Milk Bottles for Mercy" fundraiser which will commence now until Mercy Day. More information will be included in coming newsletters and emails. **See the last page of the newsletter for more info on the class fundraisers.**

We are fundraising for Mercy Works who are the charity branch of the Mercy Sisters.

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There will also be a short assembly that afternoon, reflecting on the life of Catherine McAuley, founder of the Mercy Sisters. We welcome you to this event with times confirmed closer to the date.

Image source: [http://www.mercyworld.org/news\\_centre/view\\_article.cfm?id=1331](http://www.mercyworld.org/news_centre/view_article.cfm?id=1331)

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

## YEAR THREE RECONCILIATION RETREAT 18 AUGUST 1:30-3:30PM



A reminder that this Saturday 18th August all Reconciliation candidates are required to attend the Reconciliation Retreat at St. Mary's Church from 1:30 - 3:30pm. Parents we ask that you arrive prior to the conclusion, at 3:15pm so you have time to park and personally collect your child from the Parish Hall.

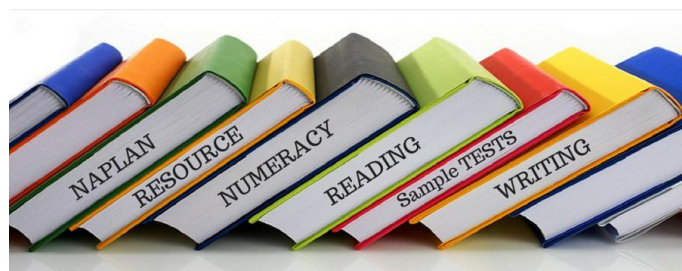
Helen Bubnich and Anita Lombardi  
Year 3 Teachers

## MILK BOTTLES FOR MERCY!

Bring in your 5c pieces and help us raise money for the Mercy Sisters! Each class has a milk bottle to fill so look around in the backseat of your car, under the couch and save all those 5c pieces for a great cause! How many milk bottles can you class fill?



## NAPLAN ONLINE READINESS TEST



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## LEARNING JOURNEY NIGHT

When: Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September  
Time: 3:15pm-6:30pm

Learning Journeys are an informal, student led form of reporting. They are an opportunity for students to show their parents their achievements but also as a tool for community engagement, school pride, positive acknowledgement and the opportunity for family members to have an insight into their child's life at school. Please pop in on **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September any time from 3:15pm** to share in your child's learning. Please keep in mind, this is not an opportunity to discuss your child's achievement and is not a time for parent teacher interviews. **This is purely, a student learning led activity.** If, after the learning journey, you wish to meet with the teacher to discuss your child's academic progress, please schedule a meeting with them at a later date, either in person or by sending an email to [admin@aranmorecps.wa.edu.au](mailto:admin@aranmorecps.wa.edu.au) Thank you.

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

## MERCY VALUE OF THE WEEK

### DIGNITY

*Show respect to everyone –  
We are all made in the image of God*

## PUPIL FREE DAYS FOR TERM THREE

Please take note of the following pupil free days  
next term

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> August**  
**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> August**

### SPECIAL REMINDER DATES FOR TERM THREE

- 20<sup>th</sup> August - BOOK WEEK , Find Your Treasure
- 22<sup>nd</sup> August- Book Week Parade & Kid's and Anxiety Parent Workshop
- 24<sup>th</sup> August Year 4 Red Performance Assembly
- 27<sup>th</sup> August – PUPIL FREE DAY
- 28<sup>th</sup> August – PUPIL FREE DAY
- 30<sup>th</sup> August – Father's Day Stall
- 31<sup>st</sup> August – Father's Day Liturgy and Breakfast
- 4<sup>th</sup> September – P & F Meeting 7.30pm
- 7<sup>th</sup> September – 1G Prayer Assembly & Year 3G/R Liturgy of the Words
- 18<sup>th</sup> September – Learning Journey Night
- 21<sup>st</sup> September – Mercy Day Mass 9.30am (Hall)

### RECONCILIATION

- 18<sup>th</sup> August –Reconciliation Retreat & Rehearsal Day: St Mary's Church 1.30pm - 3.30pm
- 23<sup>rd</sup> August - Sacrament of Reconciliation Night
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### FIRST EUCHARIST

- 29<sup>th</sup> August - Holy Communion Parent Night 2: St Mary's Church 7pm
- 8<sup>th</sup> September – Holy Communion Retreat & Rehearsal Day St Mary's Church 1.30pm - 4.30pm
- 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> September - Sacrament of First Communion St Mary's Church

## ADMINISTRATION

### BEFORE SCHOOL SUPERVISION 8:15am

Please note some children have been arriving at school too early. **School supervision commences at 8:15am. If your child is onsite prior to 8:15am, a parent must remain with them until a teacher comes on duty.** The office staff are not responsible for the supervision of students. If you must drop your child off earlier than 8:15am, Gumtrees before and after school care is available. Enquire at the office or Gumtrees. **Front reception is not responsible for the supervision of students.** These procedures are in place to keep our children safe. Please abide by school policy.

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

## FATHER'S DAY LITURGY AND BREAKFAST

**Attention all Fathers!** We are having a special prayer morning in dedication to all DADS at Aranmore Catholic Primary School on Friday 31st August at 8.00am. There will be a short prayer service, followed by a light breakfast for Dads and their children. If you would like to come along to celebrate Father's Day on Friday 31 August, please RSVP for catering purposes by **Friday 24 August** by following the link below:

<http://www.aranmorecps.wa.edu.au/event/fathers-day-event/>

## P & F

### RETRO MUSIC BINGO NIGHT

Thank you to everyone who has left donations with the school office, your support is much appreciated.



To those of you who have bought tickets, remember the RETRO MUSIC BINGO NIGHT is now BYO! We will charge a small corkage fee and we'll still be selling soft drinks, mixers and snacks (to try and keep our fundraising efforts up), but hopefully the money you save on alcohol will be made up through silent auction and raffle purchases!

Here is a list of all businesses who have donated prizes so far..

KOAS Hair, Hawaiian The Mezz, The Mezz News, Christos Jewellers, Affogato, Leederville Liquor, Mia Casa, Luna Cinema, 5 Senses Coffee, Revo Gym, Bites By D, John Carey, DJ Chopwood, My Little Love Heart, T.H.E. Electrician, Rodan & Fields, Tutti Frutti, Mango PR, Kirsten Cameron Beauty & Remedial Massage, Sweet Remedy, Rio Tinto, MOVE, Keturah Day Spa, The Oxford Hotel, ILKA, The Bra Bar, Meat @ The Mezz, Olive & Coco, Alf's Twilight Cruise, Tredways, Stella Rose, my SABBATICAL, The Barbershop Leederville, Mumma Sweet Lies, Groove Train Fremantle, Re-Boot Fitness, Pio's Cafe, Attika Hotel, Mokaffe, Zephyr, Julio's, Chu Sing, Casa Bianchi, Network Video, Botanix Health, The Cabin, Dejaxy, Wiggly Worm Face Painting, Nessy J Glitter Art, Limnios Property Group, WizeTherapy, Bonnie & Clyde and Hairlarious Kidz.

Special mention to our MAJOR SPONSORS: Icon Conveyancing, Current Electrical, Nexus Home Improvements.

Can I encourage to support these businesses, we are so fortunate to receive their generous donations to our school.

### MISSY MOO'S

Missy Moo's Burger Bar at The Mezz are running a mini fundraiser for the P&F! Grab a coffee, for a gold coin donation, proceeds to the P&F.

**Mrs Elle Gonzalez-Skuja**  
**P&F President**



## SCIENCE FAIR

This week is National Science Week and at Aranmore Catholic Primary School we celebrated gneissly (name of rock)! A massive Science Fair was held in the hall with 10 different activities on offer. There were rockets, UV beads, magnets, microscopes and slime. We had an oresome time.



"We thought the tornado twist was cool because when we shook it the top part started turning like a real tornado."  
"Making mini explosions with Mentos and

vinegar was fun. Our absolute favourite was the slime because it was **messy** science."  
Michael and Isabela 4R

## LIBRARY NEWS

Book Week 2018 will take place in Week 6 from Monday, August 20 to Friday, August 24. The theme for this year is 'Find Your Treasure'.

When we hear the word 'Treasure', people often think of pirates and finding buried treasure. If you consider the word treasure as a verb rather than a noun, there are many and varied things which people may 'treasure' in their lifetimes. When asked, some of the children spoke about special toys they treasure, special people in their lives they treasure and many memories which they treasure. Families may want to use this as a topic to discuss with their children as to what is 'treasured' by them.

As a part of Book Week this year, we will have our annual **Dress-Up Day on Wednesday, August 22**. Children are invited to dress up as a book character and be a part of the celebrations on the day. This will take place at the assembly in the school hall **commencing at 8.45am**.

A major part of the Aranmore Book Week will be a Display of Models which have been constructed by students in Years 5 and 6. Models must be designed with a particular book in mind and the book can be displayed alongside the model. Students will have an opportunity to vote on their favourite models and the winners will receive a prize at end of Book Week. Parents and staff are invited to come into the Library and vote also.

We look forward to an exciting week.

**Mrs Julie Gray, Teacher Librarian.**

## CANTEEN

<b>MONDAY</b>	20 Aug	Belinda & Sandra P.
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	22 Aug	Belinda
<b>FRIDAY</b>	24 Aug	Audrey Brink & help
<b>MONDAY</b>	27 Aug	Belinda
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	29 Aug	Belinda
<b>FRIDAY</b>	31 Aug	Nicole V. & help please

**Mrs Belinda Civiletti, Canteen Manageress**

# Kids & Anxiety:

## An information session for parents and caregivers

There is a high prevalence of anxiety disorders in children and youth, and anxiety in childhood is the most common risk factor for depression in adolescence and early adulthood.

The good news is, we can increase emotional resilience as a family and help children develop positive coping skills before more serious difficulties may occur.

You are invited to a FREE EVENT at Aranmore Catholic Primary School to help parents and caregivers understand anxiety, behaviours and protective factors for their children.

Gemma, Groups Coordinator at Resilience Kit will discuss:

- How common is anxiety and how we can all feel anxious from time to time
- Some of the risk and protective factors for healthy emotional development
- How developing social and emotional skills can help to prevent anxiety
- Why building resilience in the family is important

Spots are limited. RSVP is essential.

**Date: Wednesday 22nd August, 2018**

**Time: 7.00pm - 8.00pm**

**RSVP:** [<http://www.aranmorecps.wa.edu.au/event/kids-anxiety-information-session-for-parents-and-caregivers/>]



presented by | [resiliencekit.com.au](http://resiliencekit.com.au)

**SWIMMING CLUB**

There is no rhyme or reason to our numbers at the moment as we had 26 swimmers on a very rainy Tuesday morning this week. It was a great turnout and most everyone was keen to be in the pool before the coaches had even started the warm up. It looked like tumble turns were top of the coaching agenda again today and hopefully you can practice performing these whenever you get the chance come the warmer weather.

Now it's important to try and be organised with your bag and kit the night before swim club. Sounds easier than it actually is but having a routine (e.g. jocks and socks in shoes) really helps mum and dad out with getting ready. I know myself, I pack my swim back and kit and put it in the car the night before. Then all I have to remember is to put bathers on with some clothes over the top when I wake up and I am ready. Laying it all out also helps you to see if you have forgotten anything.

Right see you 7am toes in next week and a reminder that there is no swim club on our pupil free day on the 28/8/2018.

**Mrs Roslyn Soanes, Swim Club Coordinator**

**NETBALL**

Dear Aranmore netballers

Good luck to our Year 3 and 4's who play their last games this week.. I am really proud of you all and I hope to see you back next year, and even sooner for those that are playing Spring netball. The Year 5 and 6's have 2 more games left all the best to you all.



COACHES REPORTS 10/11<sup>th</sup> August

**YEAR 3 TEAM GREEN**

Sadly due to a spout of illnesses Team Green had to forfeit their game this week. We look forward to our last game next week

Coach Jess

**YEAR 3/4 TEAM SILVER**

Well we played our final game for the winter netball season. Team Silver should be commended on their stamina, perseverance and team spirit. Super proud of everyone, it's really such a pleasure to see everyone developing their netball skills. A very special mention to Nina who was our star defender of the game. Well done girls, Alison and I are looking forward to some pizza net week.

Coach Jodie

**Year 4 TEAM GOLD**

Aranmore Gold played well on Friday afternoon again West Balcatta. The teams were very well-matched last time we met and the game resulted in a DRAW! This

time, Aranmore took the honours 18 v 10. Terrific teamwork by all the year 4's but Special Mention goes to Adonia Papantoniou for her tenacity and intercepts in Defence.

Last game of the season next week!

Coach Lisa

**YEAR 4/5 TEAM RED**

We had a good tough match against City Beach and it was really a really close match for most of the game but we did ending up pulling away for a 16-10 win – really great effort especially as we had no subs. I knew you would all be able to play full games CIRCLE DEFENCE TEAM of Jack, Emmy, Lexi, - Emmy and Lexi were a formidable force down there in defence for the first 3 quarters and even though you were pushed around a little by the City Beach goal shooters – you kept your cool and played good strong defence, Jack you provided a good strong presence there in the last quarter to change things up for us - so well done to you all!

CENTRE COURT team of Amalia, Bianca, Evie, Jack and Emmy - Bianca you worked hard at C against a really tall opponent and you were constantly running the going for those intercepts! Jack and Emmy provided us a good option in the last half to give Bianca a much needed break – so proud of you Bianca – you always respond to every challenge every game! I thought the combination we had of Bianca, Amalia and Evie in the centre court for the first half was really solid – really like the pace that Bianca and Amalia have to move the ball to our shooters and Evie was always there backing up and picking up those loose balls!

GOAL SHOOTING team of Jack, Tyler and Amalia – accurate shooting again team, you did really well with your rebounds and your ball movement between each other as well.

Coach Jen

**YEAR 5 TEAM AQUA**

Today we versed St Hilda's! The last time we versed them we lost by 29 goals but today it was 19 goals! The coach of saint Hilda's said the girls are improving each time we versed them! Special mention to Clara with some awesome intercepts and Anthea for fantastic rebounds! Good job girls Go Aranmore!!!

Coach Holly

**Netball Scholarships**

Calling all Year 6 netballers. If you wish to be considered for a netball scholarship at Aranmore Catholic College in 2019, please see the application forms on the Aranmore Catholic College website.

Further information on the requirements and the applicable forms for applying for a scholarship can be found via the following link

<https://www.aranmore.wa.edu.au/enrolments/scholarships>.

**Mrs Jennifer Saliacus, Netball Coordinator**



**Parents  
& Friends**

# Retro Music Bingo

**Get your groove on!**

WHEN

**Saturday 18th August, 7pm**

WHERE

**Aranmore School Hall**

DRESS CODE

**Retro**

**Silent Auction :: Live Auction**

**Licensed Bar NO BYO**

**Fundraising to upgrade  
the multipurpose sports  
courts next to the hall.**

**Tables  
of 10  
\$250**  
includes drink  
on arrival.

**Tables  
of 10  
\$300**  
includes drink  
on arrival and  
grazing platter.

**Tickets available online via [www.trybooking.com/XABH](http://www.trybooking.com/XABH)**



# MILK BOTTLES FOR MERCY

*We will be collecting until Thursday 20th Sept*

Students are asked to bring in your 5c pieces to fill the 2L Milk Bottle in your classroom. **How many bottles can you fill?**  
In order to fundraise for the Sisters of Mercy and Mercy Works, we are collecting as many 5c pieces as possible from now until Mercy Day. Please look under your bed, couch and car seat and bring those 5c pieces into class to help us fill up our Milk Bottles.



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**\*Don't forget, Mercy Day Mass, 21st Sept 2018, 8:45am\***



# Pupil Free Day!



## Term 3 Pupil Free Days

YMCA Gumtrees OSHC will be offering a full day of care for the Pupil Free Days on **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2018.**

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> August 18** Sand Art Day  
Let's show off your creative and fine motor skills with colored sand.

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> August 18** Cup Cake Tuesday  
It's back by popular demand! Decorate your own cupcake. Which one is your favourite..vanilla, choc chip or chocolate?



*Activities such as crafts, painting, drawing, sports games, board games plus more also on offer.*

### BOOK NOW:

**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](mailto:oshc@ymcawa.org.au)

**Pupil Free Day Fee - \$70**

## SEPTEMBER HOLIDAYS

# School HOLIDAY Program



**FUN! EXCURSIONS & GAMES**



MON 24/09/2018	TUE 25/09/2018	WED 26/09/2018	THU 27/09/2018	FRI 28/09/2018
<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY (CLOSED)</b>	<b>Whiteman Park Bag It (Excursion)</b> Reduce your use of plastic and express your creativity by designing your very own 'leaf print' calico bag to take home today.	<b>Faulkner Volcano Park (Excursion)</b> Let's explore, run, slide and jump at the newly renovated Volcano Park! Join us for a day full of fun and games.	<b>Bowling and iPlay (Excursion)</b> It is not only Ten Pin Bowling but 1 hour unlimited play with Arcade Games (Selected). Let's smash the pins and fun with games!	<b>Fun Key Music (In-House)</b> Not "Yoga" today!! We are going to learn and have fun with music. Grab your microphone and sing it up!!
<b>01/10/2018</b> <b>Optus Stadium Tour and Stadium Park (Excursion)</b> We will have the opportunity to explore the state of the art facilities and experience the inner sanctum as well as the amazing view from level 5.	<b>02/10/2018</b> <b>Lazerblaze (Excursion)</b> When the lights go out, work with your team to make it to your opponent's check points. Take cover though, your pack will time out if you get hit by the other team's lasers. Be sure to wear your sneakers! No runners – No play!	<b>03/10/2018</b> <b>Ace Midland Cinema and Woodbridge Park (Excursion)</b> Let's wind down & watch the latest blockbuster hit before playing at our favourite nature playground!	<b>04/10/2018</b> <b>Inflatable World (Excursion)</b> Home of the biggest Inflatable Playground in Australia. Jump, bounce, flip and slide. Enjoy a fun filled day on these giant inflatables. Don't forget to bring your own socks!	<b>05/10/2018</b> <b>Mindarie Regional Council Composting Day (In-House)</b> <b>Composting Workshop</b> Today, we are introducing our own "Composting Bin" at Gumtrees with inviting an expert from Mindarie Regional Council.

### Early Bird enrolments

Bookings made before 7<sup>th</sup> September 2018.  
Only \$70 per child, per day!  
Bookings made after 7<sup>th</sup> September 2018.  
\$75 per child, per day.

### How to enrol online in 3 easy steps:

1. Visit [ymcawa.org.au](http://ymcawa.org.au) and find your local service
2. Scroll down and sign in or create a My Family Lounge Account
3. Create your vacation care booking

**Manage your booking using the FREE My Family Lounge App!**



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29	30	31				

**Gumtrees OSHC**  
22 Brentham Street, Leederville  
Booking enquiries: 08 94738407  
Service Supervisor: 0427 471 201

### What you get

Price includes all excursion admission prices, activities, bus costs, morning and afternoon tea. Childcare benefit and childcare rebate fee reductions are available.

### What to bring

Packed lunch, water bottle, hat, sun protective and weather proof clothing, safe enclosed footwear.

### Opening Times

The center is open from 7.00am to 6.00pm Monday to Friday. Please ensure your child arrives by 9.00am so that they do not miss the excursion.

**[ymcawa.org.au](http://ymcawa.org.au)**





### **NAPLAN ONLINE – School Readiness Test**

You may have heard that NAPLAN Online was introduced in 2018, with 274 schools' Western Australian schools participating. Our school will be transitioning to NAPLAN Online in 2019.

NAPLAN online will provide better assessment, more precise results and faster turnaround of information. Your child's results will be returned to the school faster, within a few weeks rather than a few months.

This trial, called the School Readiness Test (SRT), will enable us to assess our technical readiness to implement the new online assessments. In addition, it will give us a chance to try out the new national online assessment platform in a real-life classroom environment

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Participation in the SRT is a key step to ensuring a successful NAPLAN online experience in 2019.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Williamson  
Principal