

# Newsletter



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*Pope Francis has chosen the theme 'Baptised and Sent: The Church of Christ on Mission in the World'.  
The Extraordinary Missionary Month is an invitation for all to join in and do something extraordinary for mission.*

Dear Parents and Guardians,

What a very busy, happy and successful week!

Mission Week Prayer Assembly this morning was a very special gathering to acknowledge our Christian mission. Prayer Doves were beautifully displayed representing families' mission, sharing how they nurture others and show care for others, especially the disadvantaged. Thank you to all families who took the time to participate in this opportunity and our assembly. And thank you to the Pastoral Council for leading in us in prayer.

On Wednesday morning more than 250 Grandparents, Parents and Friends joined in our prayer liturgy to celebrate Grandparents. The liturgy acknowledged the unconditional love and unique care that grandparents abundantly share in families. Lots of fun was had in and out of classrooms, playing games, talking, sharing, and making very special memories. Thank you to the Parents and Friends who were kept very busy making cups of tea and coffee for the crowd, while grandparents mingled and enjoyed each other's company. It was a great morning; the children and staff are still talking about it.

Shortly the teachers will be allocating the children into their classes for 2020. Class placements are a team decision made in consultation with classroom teachers and the Leadership Team. Teachers spend a lot of time and give great consideration to the placement of children. Consideration for placement is made using the following criteria:

- Academic ability
- Sociograms/Friendships - each child is given the opportunity to list six students they might like to have in their class. The teacher considers this list to sort class placements to ensure the child has at least one of their nominated persons in the class.
- Gender balance
- Pastoral and Emotional Wellbeing
- Special Needs e.g. learning difficulties
- Behaviour

Every effort is made to place children where it is felt they will have the greatest opportunity to succeed. If you feel there are extenuating circumstances which may need consideration in the placement of your child, please email these to me via [admin@aranmorecps.wa.edu.au](mailto:admin@aranmorecps.wa.edu.au) by Monday 25 November for consideration. Requests for particular placement cannot be guaranteed. Requesting a certain teacher is not a consideration.

It is good for families to know placements for the following year so that they are able to arrange for children to get together over the holidays if they wish. Children will be notified of their class on the last day of school. These will be pinned up in the hall. If your child is not returning to Aranmore in 2020 please advise the office in writing so that class lists can easily be finalised.

Please join us in a morning tea or workshop this term:

**Morning Teas** after assemblies:

8 November 2020 Curriculum & Booklist Chat  
29 November General School Chat

**Code of Conduct Workshops:**

13 November 6:30pm Library

Please note more workshops will be held early Term One 2020. Parents/Guardians and family members are asked to have signed off on the Code of Conduct before volunteering in the school. This is to ensure the building of positive healthy relationships and the general wellbeing and safety of all community members.

**World Educators Day** A big thank you to the P&F for a delicious morning tea on Thursday to celebrate World Educator's Day. Thank you to all staff for all your efforts, hard work and commitment to ensure the best possible education for our students.

**Telephone Number Change** the school has moved to the Telstra TIPT service, *Telstra Internet Protocol Telephony*. The new number is 6318 7800. The 94449366 number will be transferred for 12 months. The school has been paying for access to this service for seven years through the annual digital technologies levy paid to the Catholic Education WA. CEWA requires that all school use this service as the current technical arrangements with Telstra will no longer be supported.

Parents/Guardians and Visitors (including contractors) to the school are being asked to sign the school's **Code of Conduct** agreement. For parents/guardians, this is a one-off request. The purpose of the Code of Conduct is to describe minimum standards of conduct in all behaviour and decision-making to ensure the safety and well-being of students, staff and parents. The Code of Conduct promotes positive relationships in our school community. The Code of Conduct is a Catholic Education initiative and compliments Child Safe practices in our school.

Jonnine Lamborne  
Principal

*May love & peace be found here*

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### FEAST OF ALL SAINTS – NOVEMBER 1

One of the most beautiful traditions of the Catholic Faith is the celebration of the lives of the Saints. Not only do these men, women and children give us inspiration by the way they lived their faith, and often died for it, they also continue to offer us help in our daily lives.

### FEAST OF ALL SOULS – NOVEMBER 2

All Souls Day is when the Church commemorates and prays for the holy souls in Purgatory, undergoing purification of their sins before entering heaven.

### MISSION WEEK



Students participated in activities throughout the week discussing the Popes message for Mission Week *'I am a mission, always; you are a mission, always.... As far as God's love is concerned, no one is useless or insignificant.'*

The Pope asks us to think about the needs of the world and to set a mission. The students wrote and shared their own missions in

class and families were invited to send in decorated doves with their family's mission. It was lovely to conclude Mission Week with a Prayer Assembly presented by the Pastoral Council. We sincerely thank our students, parents and families for taking part in this week's activities.

### ADVENT PRAYER ASSEMBLIES

Please mark these dates in your diary. Our Advent Assemblies commence Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November. All families are welcome to attend. The Advent Prayer Assemblies commence at 8:45am on the following days:

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> Nov Year Six Green  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> Nov Year Six Red  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Dec Year Five Green  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Dec Year 5 Red

Mrs Sarah Pracilio & Miss Kate Johnston  
Assistant Principals

## ADMINISTRATION

### KINDERGARTEN SPORTS CARNIVAL - THURSDAY 7 NOVEMBER

The Kindergarten Sports Carnival will be held at Aranmore Catholic Primary School on **Thursday 7 November 9:00-10:00am**. The focus of the carnival will be on participation and sportsmanship. We invite all our parents and grandparents to attend and cheer on the children. If you would like an older sibling to attend the Kindy Carnival, please send an email to notify the classroom teacher. Students will not be released from class at 9.00am unless a parent is with them.

### PRE PRIMARY – YEAR TWO SWIMMING LESSONS

Swimming Lessons at Beatty Park Aquatic Centre Lessons for Pre-Primary, Year One and Year Two students will commence on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October and run until Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November (Weeks 3 and 4). The students will receive 10 (x30min) lessons. Swimming is an important life skill and an integral part of the PE program. Students are asked to wear their sports uniform for the duration of these two weeks.

### HATS & SUNSCREEN

We ask for your cooperation as the school's sun safety procedures become even more important as the weather starts to warm up. Please ensure your children bring their school hats to school every day. The school rule applies, if there is no hat – there is no play. Even when the children are waiting in Kiss and Ride – they must wear a hat, unless sitting in the shade areas.

We also encourage children to come to school with sunscreen already applied. Sunscreen is available in the classrooms for re-application during the day and we would like children to be familiarised with re-applying for sun safety.

### SUMMER UNIFORM COMMENCEMENT OF TERM FOUR

This is a reminder that students in Years Pre Primary to Year Six must wear summer uniform in Term Four. The Uniform Shop is open each Tuesday morning from 8.00am till 9.30am but will not be opened during the school holidays.

School Sandals in 2019 are now black. Please note, students are to wear school uniform sandals and not fashion sandals. If you are unsure, please see one of the Assistant Principals prior to purchasing the sandals.

## LOST PROPERTY

We have now changed seasons and students may not realise they are missing bits and pieces from their winter uniforms. This includes sports uniform and winter/summer uniform items. Please make time to review these items as they may belong to you.

Mrs Sarah Pracilio & Miss Kate Johnston  
Assistant Principals

## P & F

Thank you to the mums who helped the P&F serve morning tea on Grandparents Day. I hope that all that came enjoyed the morning.

School Christmas Disco is coming up in November. Thank you to Nicola & Nadia for taking over the co-ordinating duties. A signup sheet will be put up soon, please sign up to help even if it's only for 30 minutes. It will help a great deal and we can continue to have a disco for the children.

Mrs Andrea Tan  
P&F President (2019)

## SPORT

### INTERSCHOOL SLAM SERIES BASKETBALL

State Schools WA run competitions throughout the year called the Schools Slam Series. Numerous schools are represented in this basketball competition. On Thursday our Year 3/4 Boys, Year 5/6 Boys and Year 5/6 Girls Basketball teams competed in one of the School Slam Series held at Bendat Stadium. Our teams, debuting with their new uniform, were very competitive this year. It was exciting and a privilege to watch how each team followed and successfully implemented their coach's game plan and strategies.



Our Year 4/5 Boys reached the semi-finals to be defeated by the eventual winning school Good Shepherd. They won the minor play off for 3<sup>rd</sup> position.

The Year 3/4 Boys cruised through their competition winning all their games. They were clearly a class above the rest.

Our Year 5/6 Girls were also dominant remaining undefeated throughout their competition. Well done to everyone on an outstanding effort. A huge thanks to all our parent helpers and our coaches: Aleks Lackovic, Jen Saliacus and Mark Civitella.

The Year 5/6 Girls will now qualify for the Champions Cup on 21<sup>st</sup> November, which has each of the Slam Series winners contesting for the "2019 State's School Champion".

## INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS

Our CPSSSA Interschool Athletics Carnival will be held on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October at the State Athletics Stadium. Students who have been selected have been issued a permission note detailing the day. A programme and a list of the interschool squad has been posted on the Sports Board. Best of luck next week.

Mr Phil Tsang  
Sport Teacher

## SWIM CLUB

As we are now heading towards the warmer months and it is lighter in the mornings, we are welcoming back some of our swimmers that took a break over winter. It's great to have a few new swimmers join us after coming to try out the squad at the end of last term. Last week we welcomed Sofia from Year 4 Red for a trial. Today the younger Years Two, Three and Four worked on their freestyle and backstroke. Great to see everyone so keen.

Our swim club breakfast windup and awards is on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December at 7.15am. If you have been part of the swim squad this year we'd like to invite you along. Please bring a small plate of healthy food to share.

We'll see you all next week.

Mrs Nicole Rohde  
Swim Club Coordinator

### END OF YEAR DATES

- Students will finish on Friday 13 December
- Year 6 Graduation and Mass will be held on Thursday 12 December – 6:00pm St Mary's
- Thanksgiving Mass will be held on Wednesday 11 December
- Combined Kindy Christmas Concert – Thursday 5 December