

# Newsletter



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The mercy of Jesus embraces everyone in every part of the world: open your hearts! Pope Francis

**Dear Parents,**

Applications for **Pre-Kindy and Kindergarten** in 2017 are currently being processed. If you are a current Aranmore family you still need to fill out a separate application form for your little one who is due to come to school. **If you have a child ready to commence Pre-Kindy or Kindy in 2017, please contact the school office for an application form.**

On **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March at 2.00pm** there will be a parent meeting for all current parents at the school who have a sibling enrolled to attend **Kindy in 2017**. The meeting will take place in the Library. I look forward to seeing you all there.

As parents submit applications for their children to attend **Catholic high schools** you may be asked for a **priest reference**. The usual procedure is for parents to apply to their own local parish. However if you do not belong to St Marys Parish in Leederville but would like Father Angelo to write you a reference for your child then you will need to make an appointment to meet with him to discuss this. Father Angelo is more than happy to assist. Father Angelo can be contacted on 94449624 or if you email at [smc\\_secretary@aapt.net.au](mailto:smc_secretary@aapt.net.au) then Father can reply and set up a meeting time with you.

As part of the Aranmore CPS 2016-2010 Strategic Plan and the 2016 Annual School Improvement Plan, in the section of Engagement, one of our goals is to improve communication across the parent and school community. One of the strategies is to raise the School Board Profile. Many families were able to meet the School Board members at the Bush Dance Sausage Sizzle a few weeks ago as they were industriously cooking sausages.

## **Members of the Aranmore Catholic Primary School Board 2016**

Margaret Williamson	Principal
Jeff O'Halloran	Chairperson
Martin Boylen	Treasurer
Darren Kowal	Secretary
Father Angelo	Parish Priest
Alf Parolo	P & F Rep
Leanne Cormack	Committee Member
Paula Sutherland	Committee Member
Julie Pannell	Committee Member

Another strategy 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.

Please find below a brief **summary form the School Boards February meeting:**

- Welcome to new Board Members and Board Induction– Leanne Cormack and Julie Pannell
- Bishops Mandate – Code of Ethical Conduct appropriate to Catholic schools.
- Discussion of the implementation of the School Improvement Plan 2016 and Strategic Plan 2016-2020
- Principal Report outlining school programmes in relation to Learning, Engagement, Accountability and Discipleship with a focus on Religious Education, Pastoral Care and Curriculum.

- School Finance Report
- Thank you to P&F regarding all their hard work and effort thus far
- P&F Rep Report
- Parish Report – sacramental programme has commenced; parents asked to meet with Father Angelo personally regarding high school references
- Public Relations – continued focus on attracting more families to the school; marketing strategies
- Building and Maintenance – discussion reading the Rosewood Development (Aged Care) near the school
- Sustainability –School Board currently reviewing our Waterwise practices; school garden

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**Mrs Margaret Williamson  
Principal**



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### LENT

Lent is marked by a time of prayer and preparation to celebrate Easter. Since Sundays celebrate the resurrection of Jesus, the six Sundays that occur during Lent are not counted as part of the 40 days of Lent and are referred to as the 'Sundays in Lent'. The number 40 is connected with many biblical events but especially with the forty days Jesus spent in the wilderness, preparing for His ministry by facing the temptations that could lead him to abandon His mission and calling.

Christians today use this period of time for introspection, self-examination and repentance. This season of the year is equal in importance only to the Season of Advent in the Christian year and is part of the second major grouping of Christian festivals and sacred time that includes Holy Week, Easter and Pentecost. It has traditionally been marked by penitential prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Some churches today still observe a rigid schedule of fasting on certain days during Lent, especially the giving up of meat, alcohol, sweets and other types of food. Other traditions do not place as great an emphasis on fasting but focus on charitable deeds, especially helping those in physical need with food and clothing or simply the giving of money to charities. Most Christian churches that observe Lent focus on it as a time of prayer, especially penance, repenting for failures and sin as a way to focus on the need for God's grace. It is really a preparation to celebrate God's marvellous redemption at Easter and the resurrected life that we live, and hope for, as Christians.

### CALLING ALL CHILDREN WHO HAVE RECEIVED THE SACRAMENT OF EUCHARIST

**St. Mary's Parish Leederville  
NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

**BECOME AN ALTAR SERVER**



Please contact Caterina O'Loughlin at [caterina\\_ol@hotmail.com](mailto:caterina_ol@hotmail.com) for further details.

**Ms Adriana Coniglio  
Assistant Principal**

## CURRICULUM

### PRE PRIMARY & YEAR 1 LITERACY WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS

**All Pre-primary parents** are invited to attend a Literacy workshop conducted by Miss Cassandra Lioni and Miss Sarah Raspa on **Thursday 17 March**. The workshop will be held in the **School Library at 2:00pm**. We encourage all parents from Pre-primary to attend if you have this date and time free.

**All Year 1 parents** are invited to attend a Literacy workshop conducted by Mrs Angie Lionetto-Civa and Miss Catherine Connell on **Friday 11 March**. The workshop will be held in the School Library **at 2:00pm**. We encourage all parents from Year 1 to attend if you have this date and time free.

## HEALTHY FOOD AND DRINK POLICY

Over the next few newsletters we will be adding elements of the Healthy Food and Drink Policy for your information.

### CLASS COOKING

- Teachers who plan for cooking learning experiences should follow the Traffic Light system in choosing healthy recipes for the children to make.
- Foods to make may include:
  - Pikelets
  - English muffin base pizzas
  - Healthy fruit muffins
  - Healthy fruit slice
  - Banana bread
  - Lasagne
  - Fried rice

Recipe ideas can be found at:

<http://www.heartfoundation.org.au/healthy-eating/mums-united/tools/Documents/Summer%20Lunchbox%20Lifesavers.pdf>

<http://www.heartfoundation.org.au/Recipes/Pages/default.aspx>

### CLASS REWARDS

Teachers will use a non-food item based reward system in the classroom to support the healthy ethos of the school and reinforce the health lessons taught in the classroom.

### LUNCHBOXES

Parents are encouraged to provide a healthy recess and lunch for their child/ren.

<http://www.choice.com.au/reviews-and-tests/babies-and-kids/food-for-kids/kids-food/kids-lunch-box-snacks.aspx>

**Ms Adriana Coniglio**  
Assistant Principal

## SUSTAINABILITY

Huge congratulations to the Aranmore Catholic Primary School Community for achieving accreditation to be a Waste Wise school for 2016.

It is through being environmentally conscious that we are helping to make a difference both locally and globally. Reduce, reuse and recycle. Keep up the great work!

**Mrs Morgan Foster**  
Sustainability Coordinator



## P & F

### FAMILY CAMP OUT

Thank you to Meg Clarey for organising the Family Camp Out which is being held on 19<sup>th</sup> March. Please see flyer at the end of the newsletter for further details.

### P&F MEETING

The next P&F meeting is being held in the Library on 1 March. All welcome!

## SAUSAGE SIZZLE

The year 2 and year 4's will be running the next sausage sizzle on the 15 March. Let your class rep know if you can help out on the day.

### CYBER SAFETY

Cyber Safety is being held on Thursday 17 March in the Aranmore Catholic Primary School Hall from 6.30pm – 8.30pm  
Cost - \$5

### CLASS REP

We still need a rep for 5 Green so if anyone is interested please let me know as soon as possible. Class reps please pick up your contact detail forms from the Front Office.

Class	Name	Mobile
Pre-Kindy	Peta Edler	0412 261 822
Kindy Green	Holly Taylor	0437 154 717
Kindy Red	Simone Parekh	0422 894 437
Pre-primary Green	Olivia Litas	0439 974 287
Pre-primary Red	Taylor Ly	0411 821 005
1 Green	Amanda Kakulas Lucy Keating	0439 962 466 0426 246 182
1 Red	Megan Clarke	0412 865 867
2 Green	Anna Infirri	0413 115 361
2 Red	Marie Lucano	0413 598 122
3 Green	Jacquie Kubacz	0417 925 493
3 Red	Simone North Julia Novatis	0438 022 176 0411 069 475
4 Green	Melanie Rowe	0400 217 697
4 Red	Andrea Murray	0408 324 878
5 Green		
5 Red	Michelle Cracknell	0407 951 221
6 Green	Ashe Wilke	0475 097 533
6 Red	Dee Rowse	0423 136 401

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

## ADMINISTRATION

### PUBLIC HOLIDAY

A reminder that Monday, 7 March is a Public Holiday. Enjoy the day with your families.

### PETS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

Please be advised that we do not encourage pets on the school grounds due to allergies that other school children may have and also from a safety aspect. We ask that pets are kept at home. Although, if a child / children would like to showcase their pet to the class, then special permission for the pet to be at school should be sought from the classroom teacher/s. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in this matter.

### SCHOOL PHOTOS

Our school photo day is coming! All students should have now received a Kapture Photography order envelope. The recommended method of ordering your photos is online through Kapture's website as your payment is secure and can be easily verified at any time. Alternatively you can pay by cash or cheque and return the provided envelope to the school on the photography day.

**If you place your order online please DO NOT return your envelope to school.**

Any parent who forgets or is unable to supply their envelope on the photo day will have five (5) days to complete an order online. Late payment envelopes cannot be accepted by the school office or by Kapture.

## PLEASE NOTE SIBLING ORDERS CLOSE MONDAY 15 MARCH 2016

Kapture offer a money back guarantee for any parent who is not fully satisfied with their photo package. Should you have any queries before or after photo day, please direct them to the Kapture office on 9240 1714 or email [enquiries@kapture.com.au](mailto:enquiries@kapture.com.au).

All students will be photographed individually on photo day for school administration records AS WELL as included in their class group photo available for purchase to all families. Should there be any reason why your child should **NOT** be included in the photo shoot –please contact the school office.

**Ms Adriana Coniglio**  
Assistant Principal

### SPORT

#### ARANMORE NETBALL CLUB

Have you put your netball form in?

If you want to play this year – and you haven't put your form in yet, please call or email me ASAP as I will be submitting the teams to Perth Netball next week.

[Julie.scherini@amnet.net.au](mailto:Julie.scherini@amnet.net.au) – 0419904264

**Mrs Julie Scherini, Netball Coordinator**

#### ARANMORE SWIM CLUB

What a great, super, fantastic turnout this morning! We had 23 swimmers but the great fact is we had five newbies come along for the first time on what was a chilly morning. Welcome to Lucinda Boylen, Francesca, Juliette and Sienna McCagh, and Damien Lawrence. Great to have you all along for the first time and I hope to see you all again next week. Good on you Tommy Shead who looks like becoming a regular after his first swim last week. It was a big effort from everyone and good to see you all getting used to the 50 metre pool ready for the faction swimming carnival (31/3).

Now a word on the weather. In Term 1 we really need to use the 50 metre pool for competitive carnival practice and therefore we have to be outdoors. It is unfortunate that we have had only one really warm Tuesday morning so far and although the water is warm the air is still cold. I can only suggest a swimming cap and to keep moving as much as possible which I know coach Trish is pretty good at having you all do. Try to keep coming and giving it a go! See you next week. Toes in 7am. If you have any questions please just ask or email [roslynsoanes@bigpond.com](mailto:roslynsoanes@bigpond.com)

**Mrs Roslyn Soanes, Swim Club Coordinator**

### UNIFORM

Please check your child's winter uniform for commencement of Terms Two on April 26, 2016.

If you require to purchase new winter uniforms please complete an order form which is available from the School Office or call into the Uniform Shop on any Tuesday from the **15 March 2016**.



**Mrs Jill Eftos, Uniform Manageress**

## KEY DATES

- P&F Meeting 1 March 7.30pm in Library
- Labour Day Public Holiday – Monday 7 March
- School Photo Day – Tuesday 15 March
- Sausage Sizzle Hosted by Yr2 & Yr4 15 March
- Cyber Safety Workshop 17 March 6.30pm – 8.30pm
- Family Camp Out - 19 March
- Pupil Free Day – Tuesday 29 March
- Pupil Free Day – Wednesday 30 March
- Faction Swimming Carnival – Thursday 31 March
- K – 6 Learning Journey (3:15 – 6:30pm) - Tuesday 5 April
- Aranmore Day – Thursday 7 April
- Term One concludes Friday 8 April

#### ALL SACRAMENTS PREPARATION NIGHT:

Thursday 31 March - 7:00pm St Mary's (Years 3, 4 and 6)

#### COMMITMENT & ENROLMENT MASSES FOR

**ALL SACRAMENTS:** Saturday 2 & Sunday 3 April

#### CONFIRMATION

- Confirmation Parent Night 1: Tuesday 6 April
- Confirmation Parent Night 2: Thursday 5 May
- Confirmation Retreat & Rehearsal Day: Saturday 7 May
- Sacrament of Confirmation: Saturday 14 and Sunday 15 May

#### RECONCILIATION

- Reconciliation Parent Night 1: Tuesday 27 July
- Reconciliation Parent Night 2: Thursday 18 August
- Reconciliation Retreat & Rehearsal Day: Saturday 20 August
- Sacrament of Reconciliation Night: Thursday 25 August

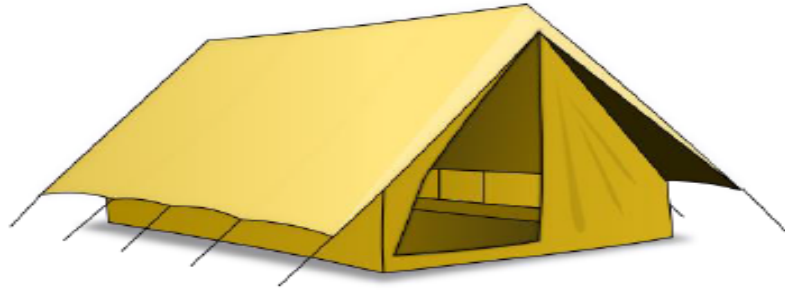
#### FIRST EUCHARIST

- Holy Communion Parent Night 1: Thursday 4 August
- Holy Communion Parent Night 2: Wednesday 31 August
- Holy Communion Retreat & Rehearsal Day: Saturday 3 September
- Sacrament of First Communion: Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 September

### ARANLICIOUS CANTEEN

Monday	Feb 29	Dee
Wednesday	Mar 2	HELP
Friday	Mar 4	Sandra
Monday	Mar 7	HOLIDAY
Wednesday	Mar 9	Rachael
Friday	Mar 11	Andrea

**Mrs Belinda Civiletti, Canteen Manageress**



## Family Camp Night

Join in the fun with other Aranmore families and pitch a tent on the school grounds (around the Adventure Playground area) for a camp night. Or bring a swag/mattress and sleep in the undercover area.

### Saturday 19th March

When: Set up from **4pm**  
Play before a BBQ dinner.  
Pack up after a BBQ breakfast the following morning.

**\$10 Family Camp Fee**

Sausage sizzle (\$3), hamburgers (\$5) available for purchase on the night.  
Bacon and egg rolls (\$4) available in the morning.  
Note, orders to be processed prior to the event.

- BYO additional food & drinks
- Alcohol Free
- Tents only (or swags/mattresses)
- Pre-Kindy to Year 6 Aranmore CPS children all welcome
- School amenities will be available

Family Camp Fee and Food bookings to be made at [trybooking.com/HESD](http://trybooking.com/HESD)  
Deadline: Friday 11th March.

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## Social Media 101 – Cybersafety

### PARENT Information Session

*The world of social media and technology is fast becoming the centre of young people's universe. Whether they are messaging, posting on walls, snap chatting, pinning or liking, our kids are often more engaged in their online world than the physical world. It is a tedious and challenging task for parents to stay on top of social media trends while monitoring their child's online behaviour. Even more challenging is managing the behaviour that comes as a result of being too 'wired' to the online world: lack of sleep, mood swings, and lack of participation in family activities. We are offering a workshop for parents to learn more about social media and technology trends, and strategies for behaviour management. Topics covered will include what sites and apps and games young people are accessing, typical behaviours they are displaying in the outlets, and how to manage them. We will discuss behaviour management strategies around social media, how to stay safe online, and setting boundaries around technology.*

**Aranmore Catholic Primary School Hall**

**Thursday March 17<sup>th</sup>**

**6.30pm – 8.30pm**

**Cost - \$5**

**Booking are essential and can be made via [trybooking.com](http://trybooking.com) please note tickets are being subsidised by our generous P&F. Parents from the wider community are also very welcome to attend.**

Enquiries can be directed to Ali Fisher – Social Worker – 9444 9366



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Social Media & Cyber Safety Strategies