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Week 6

Today the Church celebrates the life of St Augustine of Hippo. The world's first great psychologist. Augustine did self-reflection and analyses ages before other great philosophers including, Saint Ignatius. Augustine perceived unconscious motivations centuries before Freud. The painfully self-aware, tell-you-everything, what-are-you-hiding, hyper-modern psyche of today is deformed Augustinianism. It took a long time for the future to catch up to him. Augustine self-investigated his early childhood, his unsatisfied father-hunger, the emotional darkness caused by the death of friends, his enduring guilt for stealing some pears, his complex love for his mother, and how hard it was/is...how hard...to leave the woman he has loved for fifteen years, as they had a child together.

St Augustine is the Patron Saint of Brewers, because of his conversion from a former life of loose living, which included parties, entertainment, and worldly ambitions.

Working Together to Transform Community

The **Year 4 Liturgy** celebrated today with Fr Stephen was a prayer service celebrating together the special grace of reconciliation and the goodness in repairing relationships and becoming closer to God.

Next week Year 2G are celebrating **Father's Day Liturgy.** Parents of the Year 2G children are invited to attend this special celebration.

P&F Father's Day stall is Thursday and Friday mornings. \$5 and \$10 gifts available. Parents are asked to use cash notes if possible, to limit the handling of cash.

A very BIG thank you to all families and staff for a wonderful and **Book Week** this week! Yesterday began with the staff performance of the fun rhyming story of a mouse and a monster, The Grufallo, and the annual student Dress-up parade. Sincere thanks to all families who have been able to support the **Book Fair**. The children have thoroughly enjoyed exploring the books and goodies for sale. Your generosity is very much appreciated, especially in the present financial climate. A special thanks to the **year 6 students** for displaying your fabulous models constructed on the them e of your favourite books. Your works displayed creativity, problem solving skills. Well done!

Science week celebrations next week and the activities look like a lot of fun as well as a lot of exciting learning. Why and how does a volcano erupt?

Congratulations to Ansh Kabra on being awarded a year 7 scholarship to Wesley College! We offer you lots of happiness and successes in your journey Ansh.

Next week I will be working at a local catholic school in the area of school improvement. Our staff are available to you for any difficulties, fully supported by Miss Johnston and Mr Huntington. Ought there be a matter of urgency, I am contactable.

A very BIG thank you to the staff who have worked tirelessly this term to enrich the learning opportunities for all students. Our **professional learning** day last Friday was a reflective faith-based opportunity, bound in the life of **Catherine McCauley**, and the **Mercy** tradition, the charism of our school. Lots of ideas evolved from this day to deepen our understanding of the Mercy tradition as a staff, for students and the parent community, that will become key focus points for the school's **Evangelisation Plan** from 2021.

Recently a staff **School Improvement Team** was elected. That team works with staff, student and community feedback to assist prioritise and enable key areas for improvement in our community.

At the moment, the **Team** is working with staff towards the development of a set of **Guiding Principles** that encompass our beliefs and values and guide who we are, the way we work, in all we do. They create a culture where everyone understands what's important, connecting our actions with our school motto **TRUST** and **Mercy** values.

Behaviour Management of students for actions of a **severe nature** is taken extremely seriously. Currently a staff team is working on scripting the detail for this to add to the School's **Managing Student Behaviour** policy. This review will be shared with the community at the end of term.

Kiss N Ride continues to cause safety issues. Parents are asked to drive slowly through Brentham Street, especially during drop-off and pick up. A reminder that banking on the curb is dangerous to our students, parents and neighbours. We are working with the City of Vincent to improve the safety for all.

Assemblies, Prayer Assemblies and Community Participation. For the duration of the term, all parents and family members of the class presenting the assembly/liturgy/mass are invited to attend the celebration. We ask that ALL visitors come to the office to sign in & out (as per COVID requirement), before and after the celebration. This way visitors are accounted for in the event of the need to contact those on site, at that particular time. Social distancing is in play. Parents are asked to use the sliding doors from the north side of the hall.

Assemblies will continue to be recorded to share live with the student community, and to share via Seesaw with the relevant families who are unable to attend. Masses and Liturgies of the Word will not be recorded in respect of the reverence of the sacrament/liturgy.

We hope to see you soon!

Enrolment Interviews for 2021 (and beyond) are being held NOW! If you know of a family looking for a school that is child focused, with a vibrant family friendly community, Aranmore is the place to be! Enquiries welcome!

School Fees for all families who may need to make adjustments to their payments, please contact me via admin@aranmorecps.edu.au. There is NO need for any family to place themselves in hardship due to school fee commitments.

ALL SCHOOL messages are shared via the school app. Please ensure that you have downloaded it to a mobile device. School app: 'Aranmore Catholic Primary School' on either Android or iOS.

Coming Events:

Monday 31 August to Friday 4 September Science Week

Monday 7 September to Wednesday 9 September Year 6 Camp

Tuesday 8 September School Board meeting

Tuesday 15 September Parents & Friends' meeting

Pupil Free Days:

Friday 25 September Professional Learning Day

Monday 16 November Staff Wellbeing Day (no staff onsite)

Monday 14 December to Friday 18 December Staff End of Year Administration

Jonnine Lamborne

Principal

May love & peace be found here

Offer Freedom with Boundaries - The Fathering Project

Kids need freedom within boundaries. It is like a tunnel. The edges are solid and you give them freedom to bounce around a bit within those walls as they move ahead.

- By giving your child small amounts of freedom they learn valuable decision making skills.
- They will make mistakes, but they will also learn from those mistakes.
- And yet boundaries are still important, to keep your child safe and protected. It is a delicate balance.



The Fathering Project is a brief email parents can subscribe to free of charge. Words of wisdom are forwarded weekly.

www.thefatheringproject.org

Ali Fisher

Social Worker

2020 Basketball Slam Series Winners

Congratulations to both our junior and senior basketball teams in winning their Interschool Basketball Slam Series Carnival last week. The sportsmanship, behaviour and skills displayed by all our students were exemplary. Both teams, coached by Mr Lackovic, progressed through the tournament undefeated.

Both teams are now invited to participate in the Champions Cup in Term 4. The Champions Cup Carnival will see all Slam Series winners across WA competing for the shield and the title to be the best basketball school in WA. Well done boys!

A huge thanks to Mr Lackovic and Mrs Saliacus.



FATHERS and PARENTS DAY STALL 2020 - Term 3 Week 7

Thursday 3rd September



