



Newsletter

Dates to Remember

28 th April	Term 2 Commences
28 th April	2021 Enrolments Open
1 st June	Reconciliation Day (Public Holiday)
5 th June	2021 Enrolments Close
8 th June	Queen's Birthday (Public Holiday)

Scan this QR code using the device you would like the school calendar to appear on.



Notes Home

Junior & Senior Choir
Senior Ukulele Club
Medical Form
Chief Minister's
Reading Challenge

Due Back

31 July

Executive Report

Dear Aranda Primary School community,

Welcome back to Term 2. I'm not sure where to begin. I think we all need some kind of normality back in our lives. Thank you all for working with us as we attempt to map unchartered waters.

I know our Flexible Learning Platform is not perfect and I understand the difficulty for parents as we attempt to educate our children from home. We will continue to listen to you and adjust what we are producing as time goes on.

I want to congratulate all our children who attended one of the thirteen Safe and Supportive School sites this week. Several of us attended Maribyrnong School this week to check in with Aranda students. Maribyrnong School and twelve other Safe and Supportive School sites are available to children of essential workers. I was so proud with how well our children coped with uncertainty and change in an unfamiliar setting. I would also like to thank the Executive team and all staff at Maribyrnong who cared for our families and welcomed them during some anxious times.

If you need to register your child/ren at one of the Safe and Supportive School sites, please complete this form: <https://bit.ly/actsupervisedcare>

If you are unable to complete the registration for supervised care form online, or you have additional questions, please call **6205 8495** and a team member will assist you.

Let's hope we recover quickly from this pandemic and that before long we can all return safe and well to Aranda School.

Kind regards,
Phil Gray

Important 2021 Enrolment Information

ACT public school enrolments for 2021 open at 6am on Tuesday 28 April 2020. This is for all enrolments from Preschool to Year 12. For applications received by 5pm on Friday 5 June 2020, offers will begin to be made from 27 July. All applications must be submitted online at <https://form.act.gov.au/smartforms/landing.htm?formCode=1087>

You are encouraged to get your application in before 5 June so your school can start planning for your child's education. However, every child from Kindergarten to Year 12 is guaranteed a place at their local public school, regardless of when you apply.



Important Messages

Current, up-to-date information

Updated information for the education sector and other public sectors can be found on the Education Directorate's website

(<https://www.education.act.gov.au>) and ACT Health (<https://www.health.act.gov.au>)

Home Learning Website

The directorate has provided a comprehensive set of Home Learning resources for parents to access during the pupil-free weeks. It can be found at: <https://www.education.act.gov.au/schooling/learning-resource-library>

Seesaw

If you are unable to access Seesaw, or do not receive communications from the school to connect your child, please contact the Front Office with your updated email address.

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop is closed until further notice.
apsuniformshop@gmail.com

Canteen

The Canteen will be closed until further notice arandacanteen@gmail.com

Medication at School

All student medication must be signed in by a parent/carer at the Front Office on arrival at school. Medication must be clearly labelled with the child's name and class. No medication is to be left in school bags during the day.

Newsletter Publication Deadline

Items for inclusion in the fortnightly newsletter must be emailed to info@arandaps.act.edu.au by 3.30pm every odd week on a Tuesday.

Anaphylaxis

Aranda Primary School is an ANAPHYLAXIS AWARE SCHOOL avoiding eggs and all nuts. Our policy is available on the website.

Preschool Enrolments

All four-year-old children in the ACT are guaranteed a place in a public preschool. However, you are not necessarily guaranteed a place at the preschool site of your preference due to capacity constraints at some sites. Information about the enrolment assessment criteria and priority enrolment areas can be found at <https://www.education.act.gov.au/public-school-life/enrolling-in-a-public-school/enrolling-in-preschool>

Please note that the order in which applications are received is not a factor in schools determining places and, as a result, there is no requirement to submit your application form on the first day applications open.

Canberra Strong Together

Canberrans from all walks of life have shared their experiences of COVID-19 in a new ACT Government campaign, Canberra Strong Together. You can view the video here: <https://vimeo.com/412607299/a65a51ab54>

Each person featured in the new video is a proud Canberran, who has invited us into their homes, backyards and makeshift offices, bringing to life their personal experiences amid COVID-19 restrictions.

But we can't stop now, we can't become complacent. The best way to help stop the spread of COVID-19 is by staying at home as much as possible and practising good hygiene. So, let's keep up the good work, Canberra. Let's stop the spread of COVID-19.