From the Executive

Health and PE at Aranda
This year my role, along with Janine Collins, is working across the school providing Health and PE release to the students from Kindergarten to Year 6. These 40 minute sessions with Mrs Collins and myself complement the in class PE program. Students will also have the opportunity to participate in sporting clinics and represent Aranda in sporting gala days.

“Australian children must be supported in developing the ability to move proficiently, the confidence and willingness to try new activities, and an awareness of the importance of physical activity for health. In addition to enhanced lifelong health, physical activity in childhood has been shown to provide immediate short term health benefits – both physical and mental – improved educational attainment, and enhanced life skills. In short, physical literacy and active lifestyles allow children to be fitter, smarter, happier and healthier, for life.” Page 1, Getting Australia Moving: Establishing a Physically Literate and Active Nation (Game Plan) - Keegan, Keegan, Daley, Ordway and Edwards.

This term students have enjoyed Rugby clinics provided through the ACT Brumbies. There were many keen and excited students enjoying these clinics last week. I even heard that they may have recruited some young players from the Kindergarten classes!

Later this term, Mrs Collins will be starting a running club in the mornings. More information will come in future newsletters so watch this space!

Weather at Aranda
Make sure you listen to Mix 106.3 the week starting 17 March for Aranda students reading the weather each morning at 8:30 am. This is a great opportunity for our students and it might be a kick start to a future career in the media.
A-E Reporting

Each year we review and update our database of families who do not wish to receive an A-E Department report. Please complete the tear off slip below and return to your child's teacher.

A-E Reporting

Child’s name: ________________________________

We do not wish to receive an A-E Department report.

Signed: ____________________________ Date: ____________

National Ride2School Day – 19 March

National Ride2School Day encourages students and school communities to embrace a healthier start to the day by riding, skating, scooting or walking to school. This year National Ride2School day will be held on Wednesday 19 March (Week 7). We encourage you all to think about riding or walking to school on that day.

School Disco

Everyone had a fantastic time at the disco last Thursday night. It was great to see so many children dressed in their beach gear, getting their groove on at the disco. A big special thank you must go to those children who stayed behind after the senior disco and helped out with sweeping and cleaning up – Ava (5/6PD), Alissa (5/6TB), Ethan (3/4TF), Roberta 5/6TB), Sophie (5/6LG), Maya (3/4LLD) and Riley (3/4KN). There were also some rubbish superstars at the junior disco as well – Riley Y. A great job! Special thanks to parents and teachers who make these nights possible.

Have a lovely long weekend,

Alison Reid
School Leader C

Book Fair

The Book Fair is coming in three weeks (Week 9 31 March to 4 April)! The theme this year is 'Connect to Reading'.

Books will be sold each day from 8:30 to 9:30 am and 2:30 to 3:30 pm in the Community Room of the Resource Centre. If there is anyone who can help (setting up, selling the books), please contact me at Catherine.gilbert@ed.act.edu.au.

Catherine Gilbert
Library Assistant

Pianist Needed

Are you able to play the piano? Are you free on Fridays between 10:00 and 11:00 am? Are you interested in playing on stage?

THEN WE NEED YOU!

The newly formed Aranda Senior Primary Choir needs a capable pianist to accompany our learning and performing throughout the year. If you are interested please contact Melissa Alexander. We are looking forward to an exciting year ahead and would love to have you join us on our journey.

melissa.alexander@ed.act.edu.au
ph: (02) 6142 3030
P&C Matters

More SOCs are coming so please use up your current SOCs coupons. If you need more free SOCs coupons, ask the Front-Office or visit www.CommunitySOCs.org

2014 Class Parent Representatives

Thank you to those parents who have volunteered to be the Parent Representative for their child’s class (see notes home 27.2.14).

If you were waiting to see if anyone else was going to put their hand up, you may like to know that the following classes still do not have any Class Parent Representative:

- Preschool (Marny & Chris) Thurs/Fri
- Preschool (Kelly & Penny) Mon/Tues
- KSW 3/4KN
- KZW 3/4LLD
- 1/2 AO 5/6TB
- 1/2 EC
- 1/2EJ
- 1/2FA
- 1/2PW

It is important that every class has a parent rep. Please contact me ASAP if you would like to volunteer for this role. Allymike99@gmail.com

Thank you
Allison McGurgan
Class Parent Rep Coordinator.

The Uniform Shop

SALE: The Aranda Uniform Shop is having a summer sale. This Friday from 8:30 am we have on sale:

- **Girls and boys shorts** - $10.00 (usual price $23). (Note: cargo shorts are not included in sale).
- **Girls cotton boot leg pants** - $10 (usual price $30)
- **Girls old style dresses** – size 4 - $5

Sports shorts – The school has decided to introduce a sport short for boys and girls to run in or just for everyday wear. The sports shorts are black and made of microfibre. They are on sale now at the uniform shop for an opening price of $15. Buy a pair for the upcoming Cross County carnival!

Tara Munro-Mobbs
Uniform Shop coordinator
ph: 0411 518998

Community News

To view or download flyers for the following community events, please see our Community Bulletin Board at:
http://www.arandaps.act.edu.au/our_school/community_news

- **First Year of the National Arboretum, 8 March**
- **Canberra Model Train Expo, Kaleen High School, 29 to 30 March**
- **Canberra Toy and Hobby Fair, Kaleen High School 6 April 2014**

Liz Gregory Irish Dance Academy

ENROL in your Irish Dance Class NOW for 2014!

BEGINNERS: Classes for Girls and Boys from 4 to 12 years. Beginners Classes are held after school Tuesday and Thursday at our fully equipped dance Studio in Aranda

(Aranda Scout Hall, Kubura Place, Aranda)

From the 1st lesson children will learn “Riverdance” style and Traditional and energetic Irish Dancing. Children are taught dance for public performances, competitions and local and international championships.

**Enrolments will be accepted at any time during the Term!**

For further enquiries please contact Liz T.C.R.G., A.D.C.R.G – 0419 225195

Ph: 0419225195

www.lizgregoryida.com email: lgida52@hotmail.com
Women and Girls' Fun Run/Walk

The Women and Girls’ Fun Run/Walk is on again this year, 9:00 am Sunday, 6 April. Last year Aranda Primary won the prize for the most participants for a primary school—let’s see if we can do it again. Students, teachers and parents are eligible to join our team.

For information and online registration go to http://www.canberra.ymca.org.au/runnersclub/events/Pages/Women-and-Girls-Fun-Run.aspx

To register as part of the Aranda Primary School team:
Click on the online registration button on the YMCA WGFR homepage. Select I am a participant. Select yes for the question “are you part of a team” then click continue. Enter the team name of the team you wish to join then click the search button. When your team is listed click join. You may be asked this twice. Fill in your details and pay. As the team already has 3 members registered you will get the discounted fee (the discount doesn’t show up until you reach the ‘make a payment’ page).

Early bird entries close 16 March, standard entries close 3 April.

Cheers
Nicki Taws
0408 210736

Languages 4 Kids @ Canberra

Our LCF Fun Languages organise various language clubs in your community: primary (5 to 12 years old), pre-schoolers and little learners.

We provide interesting and structured programs to learning languages and cultures in French, Italian, Mandarin and Spanish.

For more information, you may go to our LCF website ww.lcfclubs.com.au or contact Sarah Mak @0431252768 or sarah.mak@lcfclubs.com.au

The Aranda App Codes

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<td>Gala Day Registrations are now open!</td>
<td>Boys and girls from age 4 up to those turning 18 this calendar year.</td>
<td>16 March at Murranji Street, Hawker</td>
<td>Register now! and learn more about your local soccer club at our new website: <a href="http://www.belsouthsoccerclub.com.au">www.belsouthsoccerclub.com.au</a></td>
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<td>Ice Hockey ACT (IHACT) and efficient way.</td>
<td>FREE Come and Try Day at the Phillip Ice Rink on the 15th of March 2014.</td>
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