



Newsletter

Assembly Timetable

Week 1:	Whole School
Week 2:	Junior - Year 1
Week 3:	Senior - 5/6GM & SS
Week 4:	Whole School - Kindy
Week 5:	No Assembly
Week 6:	Junior – 2LG & AW
Week 7:	Senior – 4CW & JK
Week 8:	Whole School – 5/6DS & NF
Week 9:	No Assembly

Dates to Remember

29 Apr	2020 Enrolments Open
6 May	ACT Swimming
9 May	AFL Primary Finals Day
9 May	Yr 6 Future Careers Expo
18 May	Election Day Sausage Sizzle and Cake Stall
	Yr 4 Geoscience Excursion
22 May	Year 6 CHS Visit
27 May	Public Holiday
29 May	Lucas Proudfoot Performance
30 May	Belconnen Cross Country
30 May	Hats Off
4 June	G Force to MRF
5 June	Whole School Photo
10 June	Public Holiday
12 June	ACT Cross Country
2 July	Kindy Health Check
3 July	Kindy Health Check
20 Sept	Grandfriends Day
26 Oct	School Fete

Notes Home

Due Back

Year 6 Future Careers Expo	2 May
Lucas Proudfoot Incursion	16 May
Year 4 Geo Science Australia	16 May
Year 5 Band	30 May
Year 6 Band	30 May

Executive Report

Dear Aranda Community,

Welcome back to Term 2. You may have noticed that work was completed during the recent school holidays to brighten up our hard surface play areas. The Aranda P&C kindly donated the money for these fun playground designs.



Aranda Cross Country Carnival:

Congratulations to all who participated in our Cross Country Carnival yesterday. This event is an important part of our comprehensive Health and PE curriculum. I enjoyed watching the children encourage each other and do their very best on the day. Long distance running is not everyone's cup of tea but meeting challenges head on is something we encourage at Aranda Primary School.



Numeracy and Literacy Development at Aranda:

I was recently thinking about some of the excellent teaching strategies and programs that are evident in our classrooms. Our children at Aranda learn by design and not by chance. We make a point of knowing where every child is at and where they need to go next.



Important Messages

2019 Grandfriends Day

Place this date in your calendars now. Grandfriends Day in 2019 will be held on Friday 20 September, starting at 11am with morning tea.

2019 School Fete

Save the Date – Saturday 26 October 2019 from 3-7pm

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop operates on Friday mornings, from 8.30am – 9.30am only. Please contact the Uniform Shop via email if you have any questions. apsuniformshop@gmail.com

Canteen

The Canteen operates from Wednesday to Friday. The Canteen can be contacted via email on arandacanteen@gmail.com or phone on 0459 599 114.

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.

Throughout the school, Maths and English sessions are designed to meet individual student needs and are often a mixture of fundamental skills, support and extension. Our specialist teachers and a few volunteers support our teachers to provide lessons at the appropriate level for each child. Log in to Seesaw to see some great examples of quality teaching and engaged learners.

2020 Enrolments

Applications for enrolment at Aranda Primary for 2020 are now open. Families can access the Online Enrolment Application Form via the school's website or using this link: <https://form.act.gov.au/smartforms/landing.htm?formCode=1087>

A reminder that children who turn four by 30 April each year are able to enrol in Preschool. Children who turn five by 30 April are eligible to commence Kindergarten.

Families of students currently at Aranda Preschool will not need to enrol to attend Kindergarten as their enrolment will automatically roll over.

We strongly encourage all families to submit an enrolment application as soon as possible. If you have any questions about the enrolment process, please contact the Front Office on 6142 3030 or via email at info@arandaps.act.edu.au

Information about the enrolment assessment criteria and priority enrolment areas can be found at: https://www.education.act.gov.au/school_education/enrolling_in_an_act_public_school.

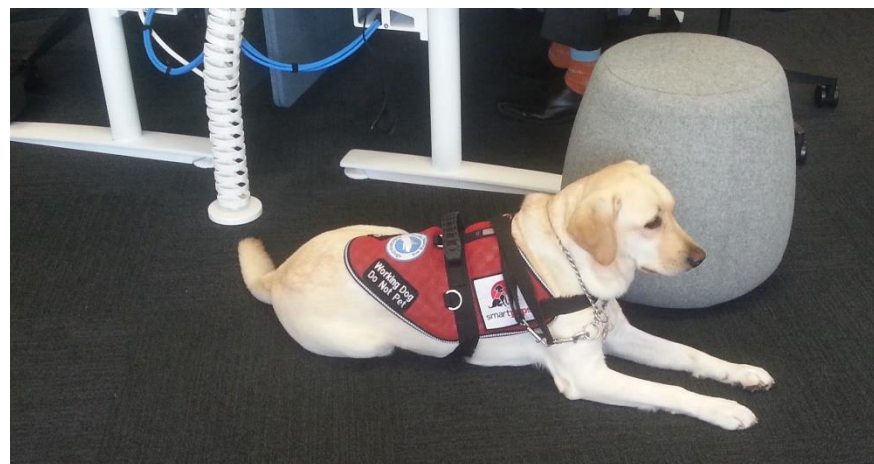
Shiloh:

We welcome Shiloh (a fully qualified assistance dog) who will start at our school this term. Shiloh will provide support for a student in Year 1.

Please note that Shiloh is not a family pet, she is a fully qualified assistance dog.

The school has worked with the Education Directorate and Smartpups Assistance Dogs to ensure Shiloh's smooth transition. This has included a specialised training session for key staff.

For any questions regarding this, please contact Jenny Coen or Phil Gray.





2019 Science Fair:

This year's Aranda Science Fair will be held over two days – 13 and 14 August. Wednesday, 14 August will be the family evening when you are invited to come and see some of the excellent student and class projects. More details will be available closer to the date.

Have a great week,

Phil Gray

Additional Important Reminders

Assembly

Sports ribbons from the Aranda Athletics Carnival will be handed out to placed recipients at the next senior school assembly. This will take place in Week 3, Friday 17 May, starting at 9:10am.

Aranda Athletics Carnival Committee

Have your contact details changed recently?

If you have recently moved to a new house, or changed your mobile phone number or your email address, please advise the Front Office by email at info@arandaps.act.edu.au

It is important that the Front Office have your most up to date contact details to ensure we can contact you should the need arise.



School Photo Information

School Photos

Families who placed orders through The Portrait Gallery will receive their orders today. If you have an issue with your order, please contact The Portrait Gallery directly via email on mail@theportraitgallery.com.au or phone 6241 8942

Sibling Photos

Sibling photos that were ordered and paid for have been distributed to the eldest child today. If you believe that you ordered a Sibling Photo and did not receive a copy, please contact Sam in the Front Office.

Special Photo Orders

If you wish to purchase a copy of one of the photographs listed below, please visit the Front Office to collect an order form. Photos are \$16 each, and payment is in cash only (exact amount please). Copies of these photographs are available for you to view in the window of the Front Office.

- School Leaders
- House Captains
- G-Force
- Media Team
- Year 5 Band
- Year 6 Band
- Senior Choir

Important 2020 Enrolment Information

ACT public school enrolments for 2020 opened at 6am on Monday 29 April 2019. This is for all enrolments from Preschool to Year 12. For applications received by 7 June 2019, offers will begin to be made from 29 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 7 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.

Preschool Enrolments

All four-year-old ACT children are guaranteed a place in a public preschool. However, you are not 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.



**Volunteers needed!
Put it in your diary...**

**18 May 2019
Election Day
BBQ & Cake Stall**

The P&C is looking for volunteers to:

- **Work BBQ shifts**
- **Work cake stall shifts**
- **Contribute cakes and baked goods to the cake stall**

Information about how to volunteer will be sent out via the newsletter and class reps





Aranda Primary School



ARANDA PRIMARY 50TH BIRTHDAY FETE

FOOD | FUN | FRIENDS | FAMILY

26 OCTOBER 2019 3-7PM

GET INVOLVED!

The Aranda P&C is looking for a
huge team of volunteers to:

- Help out on stalls
- Set up and cook on the BBQ
- Help with set-up and clean-up
- Help with selling drinks and food

Do you have a **BRILLIANT IDEA** for a stall?
Send it to the fete committee

If you can help to make this an incredible fete,
please email your details to:
arandafete@gmail.com



Aranda Music and Arts Program

If you are interested in enrolling in lessons please send an email inquiry to info@arandamusicprogram.org or submit an enrolment form, and we can advise whether there are vacancies or a waiting list. To enrol please complete and submit your details at the AMA website: www.arandamusicprogram.org.

Aranda Music and Arts Program is a sub-committee of the Aranda Primary Parents and Citizens Association. It's run by a committee of volunteer parents. The Program incorporates music, drama and art lessons. If you have any questions about the program or would like to be part of this fun and productive committee please contact your AMA tutor coordinator, contact us at info@arandamusicprogram.org or go to our website at www.arandamusicprogram.org.

New dance lessons on Wednesday afternoons!

We are excited to have the opportunity to introduce a new program for Aranda families – check out the attached flyer for more details. For more information or to express your interest, please email info@arandamusicprogram.org.

Vacancies

We have the following vacancies for individual lessons (30 minute lessons) and group lessons:

Instrument	Day/Time of Vacancy
Guitar	Tuesdays 4.45pm Thursdays 4.15pm, 4.45pm and 5.15pm Fridays 4.45pm and 5.15pm
Violin	Mondays 5.15pm
Singing	Mondays 4.15pm
Introduction to Music (Kindy & Year 1s)	Wednesdays 3-4pm
Continuing Music (Year 1s who've done Introduction to Music & Year 2s)	Tuesdays 3-4pm

Expressions of interest for group or individual recorder lessons

If you are interested in attending group or individual recorder lessons on a Monday please send your contact details to info@arandamusicprogram.org.



Wednesday after school dance program 3:00-4:45pm

What to expect?

Love flossing? Dabbing? Making up moves? Grooving to the beat? dancing to your own groove?

This dance program may be for you!

It is designed to access the joy of movement no matter your skill or abilities. We will explore a range of movement styles including contemporary, jazz, hip hop and yoga to develop strength, flexibility and co-ordination and improvisation to develop creativity along to some great music. From a structured warm up, movement games, routines and impro we will explore moving, generating and sharing our experience with each other.

We will meet the students at 3pm at a designated area for afternoon tea then walk - via the underpass - to illeso studio across road for the class and walk the students back to the school designated area for pick up at 4:45pm.

Who is it for?

This class is open to any Aranda Primary School student from Year 2 up, no previous dance experience necessary. We will work in bare foot in the studio, no special shoes or clothes required however students are encouraged to wear clothes they are comfortable to move in. Cost \$25 (includes afternoon tea)

Who is your teacher?

Emma is a professional dancer, choreographer, teacher and movement director of some twenty plus years. Among other qualifications, Emma holds a Master of Arts (Choreography) with First class Honors from the Victorian College of the Arts (2011). Emma teaches dance to diverse groups ranging from children to people with disabilities and professional performers while maintaining her own choreographic and performance career. She is a passionate advocate for assisting others to find joy in their moving bodies. Emma's styles of dance include ballet, contemporary dance, jazz, improvisation, yoga, tai chi and a bit of ballroom! Emma also holds a Working with Vulnerable People card and Senior First aid.

Emma is joined by Chloe who will assist her in making sure everyone has a great time!

Want to express your interest?

Email info@arandamusicprogram.org to express your interest – if we receive enough interest in this new class, we will look to start lessons in Week 3 or 4.



Canteen

Canteen Update: Welcome to Term Two Soups



The cooler weather is upon us and the canteen has just the thing to get you through the winter months. Warm up on Wednesdays with our special soup lunch menu. Soups will alternate each week, starting with **chicken noodle soup in Week One and pumpkin soup in Week Two** (and then alternating between the two for subsequent weeks). Both soups are gluten free and go for the hot price of \$4 for a small serve and \$5 for a large serve. Order a bread roll for an additional \$0.50. Pizzas will continue to be available on a Thursday and spaghetti

bolognese will continue to be available on a Friday, throughout Term Two.

Our canteen is always keen for volunteers. If you think you'd like to help out, please drop into the canteen to see Helen and Natalie, or send them an email at any time: arandacanteen@gmail.com



ParentLink

ParentLink provides parenting education to the community, from birth to teenage years. It is available for parents, carers, kin, teachers, and the broader community, providing information and links to local resources and services.

The ParentLink website provides links to all ParentLink guides including a variety of topics - *Starting School, More than Reading and Writing, Optimism and Cyber Safety.*

The ParentLink suite of resources includes guides specifically for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families, and access to resources for diverse cultural groups.

ParentLink guides are available to view and order via the website at <https://www.parentlink.act.gov.au/>