



Newsletter

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**If your child is sick,
they should not
come to school.**



Executive Report

Dear Aranda Community,

It was so nice to see our children return to school after such a long break. Lots of smiling faces and excited chatter filled our classrooms and playgrounds. During remote learning, our teachers often commented that nothing compares to face-to-face teaching.



We know that things look a little different at school at the moment. Drop off, pick up and how we move around the school will be different to what we were used to until restrictions ease. I am very grateful to all members of our school community who have managed to cope with these changes and keep their sense of humour. Many parents, teachers and students have taken a 'let's make it work' approach.

Unfortunately, we had to cancel the Year 5/6 camp, which was scheduled for Week 9 this term. On a brighter note, the Year 5/6 teaching team are planning a Week 9 extravaganza for the children so they don't completely miss out.



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>)

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 open for Flexischools orders only. If you have any questions, please email 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 3.30 pm 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.

We will visit some local attractions – more details will be sent home soon. Our Year 6 graduation will be held outdoors, which allows us to invite two members from each family to attend. The Year 6 graduation dinner will be held in the school hall with plenty of good food, dancing and entertainment.

We are attempting to hold many of our lessons and activities outdoors, weather permitting. Therefore, it is very important to make sure all children bring their drink bottle and hat to school every day.

World Teachers' Day

Thank you very much to our generous and thoughtful P&C who provided gifts to our teachers for World Teachers' Day recently. We are grateful for your ongoing support and we all feel valued by our community at Aranda school.

Have a great week,

Phil Gray

World Teachers' Day 29 October 2021

On behalf of the Aranda Primary School Community, the P&C organised a thank you gift for all the hard-working, amazing staff at Aranda Primary School. The gift included a tote, canister and coffee voucher from Two Before Ten.



Special thanks go to Aranda Primary parent, Zoë Rose, who designed and gave permission for the 'We are all Ken Behrens' slogan to be used on the tote. Ken Behrens merch is available at <https://www.redbubble.com/shop/ap/85626751> with 100% of profits going to OzHarvest.

If you would like to help out with fun initiatives such as this, please email Wendy at secretaryarandapandc@gmail.com, or come along to our next meeting in Week 8 on Wednesday 24 November at 18:30.



CHERRY DRIVE



Celebrate the arrival of summer with cherries!

The Aranda Primary School P&C is selling boxes of fresh cherries to raise funds for the school. In the last 12 months, money raised by the P&C has been used for many things, including:

- contributing towards the landscaping of the preschool and future landscaping of the school
- purchasing STEM resources, recorders, camp gifts for teachers and teacher appreciation gifts for World Teachers' Day.

Sell to family, friends, neighbours and work colleagues

Cherries can be ordered until 6 pm on Sunday 5 December with delivery scheduled for 8 December. Cherries are to be collected between 4 pm and 6 pm from the carpark on Banaga Place, 'drive-through' style.

Cost of Cherries

1 kg box	\$20.00
2 kg box	\$30.00
5 kg box	\$55.00

Orders can be made until 6 pm, Sunday 5 December

Ordering will be via Flexischools



Aranda Music and Art (AMA) Program

AMA will not be resuming in-person classes at this time. Enrolled families will be informed if it becomes possible to resume in-person classes before the end of Term 4. Some tutors continue to offer online lessons. Stay tuned for information regarding enrolment for 2022. A reminder that all current AMA students need to re-enrol if they wish to continue with AMA in 2022.

Current AMA program vacancies

Classes	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<i>Continuing Music</i> (Group classes for Yr 1 and Yr 2)		3-4pm			
<i>Dance</i>			3-4:30pm		
<i>Drama (Years 2-6)</i>	3-4:30pm				
<i>Flute, Clarinet, Oboe or Recorder</i>	Years K-6, expressions of interest, day TBC				
<i>Guitar</i>	1x 5:30pm			4.30pm, 5pm and 5.30pm	3.30pm, 2x 4pm, 2x 4:30pm, 2x 5pm and 2x 5.30pm
<i>Introduction to Music</i> (Group classes for Kindy and Yr 1)			3-4pm		
<i>Violin</i>	All times				
<i>Irish Dance</i>	Years K-6, expressions of interest, day TBC				
<i>Zumba Kids (see info below)</i>				3-4:30pm	

To enquire about vacancies, please email info@arandamusicprogram.org



2022 Enrolments have opened

The 2022 Aranda Afters enrolment period opened on **Monday 1 November** and will close at 6:00 pm, on **Friday 12 November 2021**.

Summer School Vacation Care (SVC) enrolment period opens this **Monday, 15th November 2021**. Families enrolled at Afters will receive an email with information on how to enrol for the SVC program and the website will be updated to reflect this information.

Details about the enrolment process and relevant policies, plus links to the enrolment forms can be found on the Enrolling with Us page of the Aranda Afters website.