

St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill

SHINE

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Sending Home Information and News about Education

Ministry of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville

4th February 2016 Term 1, Week 2

Dear Parents.

What a fantastic start to the school year. Our children are very settled and enthusiastic about their learning. Our new Kindergarten students have been particularly impressive and are well and truly already part of our St Angela's community.

As always, I am very proud of our beautiful children. They are treating each other with respect and understanding, focusing on their learning and working together as a faith community. Each morning the children recite our school prayer. It is a lovely way to begin each day of faith, fun and learning.

'St Angela's School Prayer'

As I begin a new day
Help me to act as you did while you were here on earth.
Help me to pray as you did thanking God for His many gifts
Most of all help me to use my talents to make the world a better
place as you did Saint Angela.
May I Let My Light Shine always.
AMEN

We look forward to gathering with our new families across Years 1 to 6 and all Kindergarten families tomorrow afternoon for a welcoming BBQ commencing at 5.00pm under the big top. We also look forward to presenting our new Kindergarten children to our school community at assembly on Friday 19th February at 8.45am. Parents are most welcome. We hope you can join us.

This week coming we will also hold our grade information sessions for Kindergarten and Year 1 and our combined Year 2 to 6 parent information session (see this Shine or email earlier in the week for dates/details). We hope that you can attend so as to enhance the learning of your child by being fully informed of the processes, procedures and content for your child's new grade and stage of learning. Your support and partnership is extremely valued and appreciated.

Thank you for your continued support. It is in partnership that we can achieve great things for our children.

Tony Calabria Principal

Theme for the week:

'Together we are a Community'

Our theme this week helps acknowledge and appreciate our wonderful St Angela's community in which each one of us plays a vital role. Together we gather, bonded by our Catholic values and relationships. As a community we examine just how we treat each other so as to continue to foster our sense of community and create harmony.



Upcoming Dates

Week 2 Fri 5th Feb

5.00pm Kindergarten and new families BBQ

Canteen and band/instrument lessons begin

Week 3 Tues 9th Feb

Grade Information Sessions in St Angela's

St Maximilian Kolbe Hall

6:00pm - Year 1 7:00pm - Kindergarten

Wed 10th Feb

11.00am Combined Ash Wednesday/ Opening School Mass at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Church - All parents welcome

Fri 12th Feb

8:45am Combined Year 2 to 6 Parent

Information Session in St Angela's

St Maximilian Kolbe Hall

HeartKids Red Day - see further information in this Shine

Kindergarten and New Families Welcoming BBQ

TOMORROW, FRIDAY 5TH FEBRUARY AT 5.00PM THIS EVENT WILL TAKE PLACE UNDER THE BIG TOP

All Kindergarten and new families to St Angela's are invited to a welcoming BBQ tomorrow, Friday 5th February at 5.00pm. Food and drinks will be provided.

We hope you and your family can join us.

COMBINED ASH WEDNESDAY/OPENING SCHOOL MASS AT OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH CHURCH WEDNESDAY 10TH FEBRUARY, 11.00AM

Our combined Ash Wednesday/Opening School Mass will be held this Wednesday 10th February at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Church commencing at 11.00am. Everyone is most welcome to come and to be part of this wonderful celebration of our Faith. The children really enjoy having their parents present, if it is possible. We hope you can attend on this special occasion as we gather to pray for a safe and enriching year for everyone in our school community.

Information sent home this week:

Emailed: OLOR Parish Travel and Wrights Road -

Kindergarten and new families, Year 2 to 6 Grade Session, Canteen Information, Kindergarten and new families BBQ Helpers, Year 1 News Topics and Spelling Lists, Morning and Afternoon Arrival and Departure

Hard Copy:

Lists, Morning and Afternoon Arrival and Departure OLOR Parish Travel and Wrights Road - Kindergarten and new families, Student Information Form, School Fees





Religious Education

Sunday, Feb 7th 2015 Year C 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Luke 5:1-11 "Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch."

Jesus reassures Simon and his companions: "Do not be afraid." They are words they will hear again; because he is calling them to be his partners in the work of building his Kingdom. The huge catch of fish made by the boat in which Jesus and Peter were is a sign of a much greater catch of people to be made by the new community led by the Spirit of Jesus and under the leadership of Peter. The following of Jesus is understood as absolute – one must leave everything and throw in one's lot totally with Jesus wherever that will lead. Those boats and nets were the security on which the lives of Peter, his companions and their families depended. But they left them and everything else. This is faith, this is trust. Without it, the mission cannot succeed.

From a reflection on the Sacred Space website.

Misericordiae Vultus - The Face of Mercy

In section 6 of the *Bull of Indiction*, announcing the Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis declares that the "mercy of God is not an abstract idea." He describes it as "a concrete reality through which He reveals his love as that of a father or a mother, moved to the very depths out of love for their child."



"The Holy Door will become a Door of Mercy through which anyone who enters will experience the love of God who consoles, pardons and instils hope."

Mrs Marilyn Turner Religious Education Co-ordinator

<u> Please keep in your prayers</u>

Our prayers are extended to the Ogilvie family (Mrs Ogilvie, 6 Green teacher) as Mrs Ogilvie's father is very ill at this time.

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SOCIAL JUSTICE

Social justice is reaching out to those less fortunate. Throughout the year, as a community which is truly blessed, we will be reaching out to others in need through a variety of charities and Caritas.

HeartKids - Friday 12th February

We would like to support 'HeartKids' NSW through their Sweetheart Campaign on Friday 12th February (celebrated on Valentine's Day) by asking children to bring in a gold or fold donation and to wear red ribbons on their uniform or in their hair and/or red socks from home to acknowledge and raise awareness of children with heart disease. This worthy charity has supported five of our students at St Angela's with their serious heart conditions, including open heart surgery. All funds raised will go towards helping HeartKids support the eight babies born every day with childhood heart disease in the hope of finding a cure.

Thank you for your support.

Quote of the Week

"Joy is a flower that blooms when you do."



WELCOME

We would like to welcome 13 new families to our school this week:

The Aldag family - Bailey (4 Blue) and Saxon (4 Yellow) The Eastwood family - Maddison (2 Yellow) The Gomes Pestana family - Lara (2 Green)

> The Gulumian family - Romik (1 Yellow) The Henao family - Alexia (5 Yellow)

> The Hopkins family - Deagan (1 Yellow)

The Knevitt family - Nikolaj (4 Green), Kaija (2 Blue) and Miha (1 Blue)

The Lee family - Ronan (5 Blue) and Yorick (2 Blue) The Mizzi family - Matthew (2 Green) and Zoe (1 Blue)

The Nirmalan family - Nitika (2 Green) The Rodger family - Sophie (5 Blue) and Olivia (4 Green) The Smith family - Benjamin (2 Green)

The Stavropoulos family - Alexander (4 Green) and Sienna (1 Yellow)

We hope that your years here with us at St Angela's will be richly blessed and that you will make good friends and experience learning that is meaningful, exciting and growth promoting.

GRADE INFORMATION SESSIONS AND PARENT AND TEACHER INTERVIEWS

The following grade information sessions will be held for parents:

Year 1 - 6.00pm on Tuesday 9th February Kindergarten - 7.00pm on Tuesday 9th February Year 2 to 6 (combined) - 8.45am on Friday 12th February

This year, we are trialling a new approach to our grade information sessions for Years 2 to 6. An information email was sent to all parents on Tuesday.

Parent and Teacher interviews - 16th February (details to be sent home soon)

Thank you for your support.

Are you receiving emails?

As information and various notes are emailed from the school, please ensure that we have your correct/preferred email address on our system. Many thanks.

SCHOOL CENSUS DAY NEXT FRIDAY 12TH FEBRUARY

Next Friday 12th February is School Census Day. All children should attend school on this day and absence should only be if it is absolutely necessary.

If you know that your child will be absent on Friday 12th February, please email the school at stangelas@parra.catholic.edu.au explaining their absence <u>prior</u> to the day. Likewise, if your child is unexpectedly absent on the day, please email the school by 10:00am on Friday 12th February simply advising your child's name, class, the reason for their absence and when they will return. <u>Please note: Auditors have advised that written advice from parents is essential.</u>

This is of course a requirement that applies to every day of the school year, however, Census data is directly related to Government funding for our schools and the requirements outlined above are set by the Department of Education.

Thank you for your co-operation.

CLASS PARENT REPRESENTATIVES

At the grade information sessions for Kindergarten and Year 1 and the combined Year 2 to 6 session, we will be asking for volunteers to take on the role of "Class Parent Representative". This voluntary role assists the class/grade community and the teacher. Aspects of the role include:

- Attending a meeting once a term
- Welcoming new parents to the class
- Coordinating nominated class school activities, for example, the Mothers' Day stall
- Bringing forward any ideas that parents may have to add to school life
- Encouraging/coordinating the class or grade to have a parent morning tea
- Encouraging others to seek information from the appropriate source
- Liaising with the class teacher to assist with volunteers etc. if needed
- Celebrating baby arrivals etc. with a card

The role can certainly be shared and we welcome your participation. For ease of communication, we will endeavour to have a maximum of 2 parents per class to fulfil this role with one being the main contact person.

Star Spot

Congratulations to Kaitlyn Langridge (6 Yellow) who competed at the Showcase National Dance Championships at the Gold Coast over the holidays. Her troupe was awarded a 1st and 2nd placing with an overall highest score for pre-teen troupe making them National Champions for Showcase 2016. Well done!

Canteen and band lessons begin tomorrow, Friday 5th February

School is Cool - but not if you're late

Being at school on time in the morning is paramount. Your child is disadvantaged if they are late. They miss important messages and/or the start of their lessons. In all their learning results suffer. If on the odd occasion you arrive after 8.30am (you will know it is after 8.30 if the teacher is no longer on duty at the kiss and drop) you, as the parent, must visit the office to sign a late slip for your child to take to class

Many thanks for your support in this area.

2016 Newsletters

A reminder that you can access the school newsletter via our website at **www.stangelaschill.catholic.edu.au**. To view our latest newsletter go to Current Community then click on Newsletters.

Also, a reminder to parents that if you would like to submit an item for approval to be printed in Shine, eg. A child's achievement in Star Spot, we ask that you email your item to

stangelas@parra.catholic.edu.au by 12 noon on Tuesday of the week you would like your item printed. As you can appreciate, children often inform us of achievements, however, we ask that achievements be advised in writing by a parent as children often miss important details. We thank you for your assistance.



Happy birthday to our new Kindergarten children who celebrated their birthday in January and are now part of our St Angela's community:

JANUARY

Sat 2nd Thurs 7th

Max Lukjanenko Caitlin Bagtas
Lachlan Hall

Sun 3rd Harrison Lee

Charlotte Lockwood

Wed 20th *As*hton Yu

Joseph Brouillard

Tues 5th

Happy birthday to members of our St Angela's community who will celebrate their birthday this coming week:

FEBRUARY

Sun 7th Thurs 11th
Gabriel Younan Amity Rambow
Alexander Bovopoulos

Mon 8th

Cristian Frasca Fri 12th
Sebastian Khoury Georgia Prestage
Sophia Raad Sabrina Sultana
Harrison Valenzisi

Wed 10th

Zoe Dimitriadis

Dana Adan

Kai Hall

Sat 13th

Aoife Collins

Benjamin Smith

Mrs Turner

SCHOOL FEES

School fee accounts for 2016 will be mailed out by the Catholic Education Office early next week. As in the past, families will be given a choice to either pay their account under the current school fee payment terms of 30 days or by weekly, fortnightly or monthly instalments over a 6 month period from March to August. This payment arrangement is known as a flexible payment plan (FPP). To make FPP payments families will complete and lodge a direct debit authority with the Catholic Education Office. There is no additional administration fees to families accepting the FPP offer, however if a payment rejects fees may be incurred and if a payment rejects twice it is automatically cancelled. Alternatively, accounts may also be paid via BPay allowing parents to set up their own periodic payment and select a period (eg. Monthly) to pay their fees by instalments. There is no cost to parents using BPay. At the school office, accounts can be paid by cheque, cash and Eftpos. Detailed information regarding FPP along with the appropriate application forms will be included with your school fee account. These forms need to be returned to the Catholic Education Office before 26th February 2016. As per last year we have also included the majority of school based fees for 2016 into the annual account so that these costs are incorporated into FPP arrangements. Term 1 fees, unless undertaking a FPP arrangement, are due on 7th March 2016. Please refer to the 2016 School Fees information sent home today. If you have any further enquiries please contact the school office on 9894 9377.

CANTEEN PRICE LIST

As emailed earlier this week, please find outlined below the price list for the canteen this year:

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Fruit Juice	\$1.50
Flavoured Milk	\$2.00
Water	\$1.00
Icey Poles	\$1.00
Popcorn	\$1.50
Calippos	\$1.00
Oreo's	\$1.00
Quelch	\$0.50
Breadstick	\$0.20
Fandangles	\$2.00
Frosty Fruits	\$2.00



Thank you

Canteen Committee



PLAY RUGBY LEAGUE WITH THE BRUMBIES

Does your child want to play rugby league in a safe and happy environment? The Baulkham Hills Brumbies Junior Rugby League Club includes students from St Michaels, Our Lady of Lourdes, St Bernadette's and St Angela's from Under 6's to Under 11's. The Brumbies play in the Parramatta Convents Association and games are played on Sunday's.

Registration fees for the 2016 season are \$130 for one child and \$190 for a family. This is great value for money and includes shorts, socks and a drink bottle

2016 will be the **20 Year Anniversary** for The Baulkham Hills Brumbies and therefore the Registration Fees for *ALL UNDER 6* players will be reduced to \$30!

Registrations for new players for the 2016 rugby league season will take place on Sunday 21st February at Castlewood Oval, Castle Hill, between 10am and 12pm. All new players will be given information to register online from this date. You will need to please supply *original* copies of your child's birth and baptism certificates. For returning players, you should have already completed your registration online by February 14th.

Any queries, please contact; Brad Curl (President) - 0419 686 661 or Simone Urquhart (Registrar) - 0412 996 479 Email: brumbies.jrlfc@gmail.com







CANTEEN HELPERS 2016

The school canteen opens tomorrow. The canteen will open Tuesdays and Fridays. It does not open on rainy days.

We require some helpers each Tuesday and Friday from 12.25 to 1.25pm to be put on a 6 month roster. If you are able to help, please fill out the canteen helper form below and return by next Thursday 11th February (no babies or toddlers please). Enquiries: Natasha Vitanza on 0416 766 181.

Thank you

Canteen Committee

Please return to the school office by Thursday 11th February

I would like to help in the canteen once a month on the following day:

	Tuesday	or	Friday	(please circle)
Name:				
Phone: (mo	bile)			
Email:				
Child's Nar	ne:		Class:	
Any dates n	ot available:			

Thank you

To Wayne Davie, Helen Morley and Laura Hall for all their help with the organising and selling of preloved uniforms at our recent sale. Your time is very much appreciated.

St Angela's Staff 2016

Principal: Mr Tony Calabria

Assistant

Principal: Mrs Monica Fitzalan

6 Blue: Mrs Natalie Newbury 6 Green: Mrs Amanda Ogilvie 6 Yellow: Mrs Jasna Rubelj

5 Blue: Mrs Danielle Albertini (Co-ordinator)

5 Green: Miss Gabrielle Joice5 Yellow: Mrs Rosanne Javidi

4 Blue: Mrs Michelle Szady 4 Green: Mr Lee Hurst 4 Yellow: Mrs Marilyn Turner

(Religious Education Co-ordinator)

3 Blue: Mrs Kathryn Newman (Co-ordinator)3 Green: Mrs Brooke McDonald/Mrs Tahlee Simpson

3 Yellow: Mrs Kelly Hynes

2 Blue: Mrs Catherine Bateman2 Green: Mrs Michelle Yager

2 Yellow: Mrs Meegan Flello (Co-ordinator)

1 Blue: Mrs Louise Lean1 Green: Mrs Kristy Smith1 Yellow: Mrs Marilyn Hyam

K Blue: Mrs Simone Di Stefano K Green: Mrs Marie Murray K Yellow: Miss Shanna Howe

Special Miss Janine Lawrence Education: Mrs Elizabeth Kelly

Teaching Mrs Rosanne North (Teacher/Librarian) Learning Mrs Karem Castro (Library Assistant) Centre:

Specialists Mrs Kerry Powell (Music 1-6)

And Mrs Andra Hemmings (Physical Education)

Co-ordinator Mrs Lucy Kaelin (2Y and 5B)

Release: Mrs Lynne Sandri (4Y and Kinder Music)

Mrs Natalie Moller (3B)

Teachers' Mrs Karem Castro
Aides: Mrs Bernadette Melville
Mrs Karen Mirabello

Mrs Mary Richards Mrs Lisa Sinclair

Maintenance: Mr Rick Laird

Cleaning: Mrs Ana Stuardo

IT Trainee: Mr Hayden Grant

COSHC

Supervisor: Kathleen Donahower