

St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill



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Sending **H**ome **I**nformation and **N**ews about **E**ducation

Ministry of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville

10th April 2014 Term 1, Week 11

Dear Parents,

The rain held off! Congratulations to all the children on their outstanding participation in the Cross Country last Tuesday. Strong school spirit was clearly evident as children cheered on their peers regardless of which colour house they belonged to. Many thanks to Mrs Hemmings for co-ordinating the day, the teachers and to the many parents who assisted and supported the children on the day. All children ran with enthusiasm with many improving from last year. The winning colour house was Salo.

As Easter falls within the holidays this year, we will hold a special whole school 'Resurrection Celebration' on Thursday 1st May at 2.10pm. All are most welcome to attend and celebrate the Risen Lord with us. We hope you are able to join us.

The special time of Holy Week next week gives us an opportunity to reflect on the unconditional love God has for us, so much so that He sent His only Son to be our Saviour. I encourage you to participate in your Parish Easter Celebrations and in conversation with your children share with them the true spirit, meaning and symbols of Holy Week and Easter.

Easter Parish Masses at Our Lady of the Rosary

Wednesday of Holy Week: 16 April

7pm Mass of the Holy Oils, St. Patrick's Cathedral (*please note: there will be no evening Mass at OLOR)

Holy Thursday: 17 April

7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper Adoration until Midnight

Good Friday: 18 April

11am—Stations of the Cross
12 noon: Community lunch in the parish hall
3pm: Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday: 19 April

7pm: Easter Viail

Easter Sunday: 20 April

Masses at 7am, 9am, 11am and 6pm

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the teachers for their dedication and commitment to Catholic Education over the past term. Together the teachers facilitate learning so that the children work towards reaching academic and human excellence in a faith filled community. Their generosity in terms of time, self and sharing of skills is often outside the normal hours of the day but it is in giving so much that they truly receive.

I would like to extend to all of you wishes of happiness and relaxation over the holidays. Make and take time as a family to enjoy each other. The primary years are certainly precious and pass quickly. The time invested now is paid back ten fold in the quality of your child's relationships with you and others.

Happy Easter to one and all.

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

Tony Calabria Principal



Upcoming Date

Week 11 Fri 11th Apr Last Day Term 1

Sat 12th Apr Easter Parish Working Bee

Sun 13th Apr Palm Sunday

9.00am Anzac Day Sunday Service at

Wrights Road Reserve

Fri 25th Apr 6.00am Anzac Day Dawn Service at Wrights

Road Reserve

Term 2 Week 1

Mon 28th Apr Children return to school

Tues 29th Apr 11.00am Anzac Day Prayer - All welcome

Wed 30th April 7.00pm Mother's Day Stall Gift Wrapping

Night in the library - All welcome

Thurs 1st May 2.10pm Resurrection Celebration in St

Maximilian Kolbe Hall - All welcome

Fri 2nd May 9.00am Kindergarten 2015 Enrolment

Information Session and School Tour in St

Maximilian Kolbe Hall

Sat 3rd May 2.00-6.00pm Reconciliation Preparation Day

at OLOR Parish followed by Mass

Week 2

Mon 5th May School Photo Day - Winter uniform to be

worn

Wed 7th May 9.00-11.00am Mother's Day Stall - Gifts are

\$5. Money is to be brought in **on the day**

Theme for the week:

"Love and Forgiveness"

One of the greatest gifts Jesus left us is a true model of forgiveness. The moving 'Palm Sunday' gospel from this weekend tells us about the last moments of Jesus' life. In a world where surprisingly children and adults sometimes find it difficult to forgive others for whatever reason, take a moment to place yourself in the journey that Jesus experienced as part of Holy Week.

He was innocent and condemned to death, but still He managed to find love in his heart to forgive those who spoke ill of Him, persecuted him and sentenced Him. "Father, Forgive them for they know not what they do". Luke 23:34

WINTER UNIFORM

Children may wear their winter uniform any time from Week 1, Term 2 at the discretion of parents. Please note we ask that all children are in their full school winter uniform for our **photo day on Monday 5th May**.





Religious Education



Palm Sunday of Lent, Year A

Matthew 26:14-27:66 Resurrection helps make sense of suffering 'as we participate in the liturgy of Holy Week, let us not concentrate simply on the sufferings of Jesus as if there was something good about suffering. Those sufferings only have meaning because they lead to resurrection, new life and new joy. The pain and sufferings of our lives are not the punishments of God, still less are they to be sought out. Suffering, pain, sickness are not in themselves desirable. They become, however, sources of good when they help us to become more mature, more loving, more caring, more sympathetic people — in other words when they lead us to be more like Jesus himself, when they lead to our own liberation and the liberation of others.' http://livingspace.sacredspace.ie/LA061/

Journey to Easter Reflection

On Thursday afternoon the children reverently shared the joy and sorrow of the special events during the days called Holy Week -

Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, and Good Friday - through prayer, song and art appreciation. We will gather after the holidays as a school community to celebrate the Resurrection on Thursday 1st May 2.10pm in St Maximilian Hall. All Welcome to attend.



Mrs Marilyn Turner Religious Education Co-ordinator

Project Compassion - Last Call

Each classroom has a project compassion box that children have been contributing to as part of our outreach program. All funds raised go towards supporting Caritas Australia. Thank you for your generous contributions.

Anzac Day Commemoration

Our annual Anzac Day Commemoration will be held on Tuesday 29th April at 11.00am. This ceremony is led by our Year 6 students and we reflect on the events of the Anzac's in our wars and their fighting spirit and values that they instill in us all. As is tradition at St Angela's the children will receive an Anzac biscuit after the ceremony. All are most welcome to attend. Any members of our parent community who are currently serving in our Defence Services and would like to sit with our Year 6 leaders please notify the office by Monday 28th April so we can reserve you a seat.

Mrs Meegan Flello Co-ordinator/Year 6 Teacher

KINDERGARTEN 2015 ENROLMENT INFORMATION SESSION AND SCHOOL TOUR FRIDAY 2nd MAY at 9.00am St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - All welcome

Please pass this information onto neighbours, friends etc. who may be interested in enrolling their child in our great school.

Premier's Reading Challenge

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Holidays are a great time to read!

As noted in last week's Shine, the NSW Premier's Reading Challenge is now running and will

conclude on 1st September 2014. Books read from 1 September 2013 can count towards the 2014 challenge. We are encouraging every child in the school to take part. Information about Premier's Reading Challenge as well as user names and passwords were sent home last week with the reading log. When children complete the challenge please send a copy of the personal reading log to the library (please keep originals). Prizes will be given to the first child in each class to complete the challenge. Remember our local libraries support the challenge as well.

Mrs Rosanne North Teacher Librarian

SALE DATES OF UNIFORMS

Oz Fashions will be trading in our St Maximilian Kolbe Hall on the following dates:

Thursday 10th April 2.50pm to 5.00pm Friday 11th April 2.30pm to 5.00pm Saturday 12th April 11.30am to 2.00pm

Please note all winter stock is now available.

Parents may also utilise the order form system from the office or website under Parents, Notes from School, Whole School, Uniform Order Form. Sample sizes are held in the office. <u>Please note our school photos in which we ask the children to be in winter uniforms are on Monday 5th May.</u>

WHOLE SCHOOL RESURRECTION CELEBRATION THURSDAY 1 st MAY AT 2.10PM ALL WELCOME WE HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US

Upcoming Community Events at the Wrights Road Reserve

Anzac Day Sunday Service Sunday 13th April at 9.00am
Anzac Day Ceremony Friday 25th April at 6.00am
(If attending could children please wear their winter school uniform)

Relay For Life Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th May

Keeping Your Children Safe

At St Angela's, in the last week and first week of each term, each class takes time to discuss the protective behaviour themes of:

- "We all have the right to feel safe all of the time."
- "Nothing is so awful that you can't tell someone about it."

Please take the time to encourage and support these themes so that the children feel comfortable to discuss any issues that may be affecting their lives.

Book hunting over the holidays! Do you have our readers at home? During the course of each and every term books/readers etc. are sent home with children from the class, the library and from

our Special Education Support. Although these are recorded, unfortunately some are never returned. Before contacting the relevant parents directly we would kindly ask that you have a thorough search at home, in toy boxes, on shelves, under the bed etc. so that these books can be returned and are therefore then able to be circulated to other children. All St Angela's books are stamped with our school stamp and/or have library bar codes on them. Reimbursement of lost books by parents is very much appreciated but the majority of books, in particular readers, can only be purchased in levelled sets, making replacements expensive and difficult.

Easter Egg Raffle - Last Call

Once again, this year we will hold an Easter Egg Raffle. Tickets will be on sale from tomorrow until the end of next week. All proceeds will go towards Project Compassion to help those less fortunate.

Tickets are only \$1 each and the prize is an extra special massive 5kg chocolate egg.

Please send money to school with your child if you wish to participate in this purely optional raffle. The raffle will be drawn next Friday after lunch and the lucky family will be contacted to pick up their prize.

Many thanks to the Colosimo family (Ariella 1 Blue) for their generous and kind donation of this prize.



Happy Birthday!

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

April Mon 14th Ava De Carlo

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Tues 15th Seth Panganiban Maks Tole

Wed 16th Ariella Colosimo Megan Selfridge Sean Collins

Thurs 17th Sophie Milas

Fri 18th Harrison Petras Ben Moroney Philippa Gattini

Sat 19th Joel Cartisano

Sun 20th Flynn Jamer

Mon 21st Chloe Geromboux Noah Granero



Tues 22nd

Stefan Geoghegan Mrs Javidi

Wed 23rdLily Carrington
Jake Fenech

Thurs 24th Charlie Nelson

Fri 25th John Paruit Nicholas Murdocca Nicholas Sebastian

Sun 27th Joshua Murphy

Mon 28th Riley Hogan Charlotte Hogan Jake Blackwell Will Johnston

Wed 30th Lucas Seda

May Thurs 1st Isabella Arends

Fri 2nd Katarina Mabic

Sat 3rd Mikaela Love Sean Salib

School Photos Monday 5th May Envelopes have been sent home today Please keep envelopes until photo day Family photo envelopes available from the office Children are asked to wear full winter uniform

Celebrating Our Gifts

Academic Excellence

Jessica Lester (K Blue)

Liam Norris (K Green)

Nicholas Eric (K Yellow)

Emily Lambert (1 Blue)

Joshua McDermott (1 Green)

Victoria Pinna (1 Yellow)

Kiara Lee (2 Blue)

Harry Clarke (2 Green)

Alannah Bridge (2 Yellow)

Emily Ortlepp (3 Blue)

Riley Azzopardi (3 Green)

Samantha Hohn (3 Yellow)

Nicholas Sebastian (4 Blue)

Nathan Fox (4 Green)

Georgia Prestage (4 Yellow)

Liam Byrne (5 Blue)

Jacquelyn Bennett (5 Green)

Reine Farah (5 Yellow)

Alex Ranieri (6 Blue)

Daniel Griffin (6 Green)

Luis Reyes (6 Yellow)

St Angela's Award

Zalia Ritchie (K Blue)

Sascha Blefari (K Green)

Jorja McKnight (K Yellow)

Noah Granero (1 Blue)

Oliver Simunic (1 Green)

Isaac Estera (1 Yellow)

Giselle Mendiola (2 Blue)

Emerson McDonald (2 Green)

Bianca May (2 Yellow)

Nicholas Perusich (3 Blue)

Mikey Roditis (3 Green)

Owen Turner (3 Yellow)

Amity Rambow (4 Blue)

Serena Adoranti (4 Green)

Dylan Moc (4 Yellow)

Sophia Jandrlic (5 Blue)

Lilli-Rose Javidi (5 Green)

Megan Selfridge (5 Yellow)

Marcus Alilovic (6 Blue)

Eve Nugent (6 Green)

Myrto Syrmalis (6 Yellow)

Star Spot

Good luck to Alannah Gattini (5 Yellow) who today competes in the NSW PSSA Swimming Championships.

Congratulations to Montana Ritchie (4 Blue) who finished 4th in the MacKillop diving competition.

Congratulations to Brae Harriss (5 Yellow) who has been selected in the Parramatta Diocesan Rugby Union team.

A rescheduled date for the Stage 3 Girls

Diocesan Soccer Gala Day has yet to be

confirmed by the Diocesan organisers.

Keep an eye on Shine for further information

PRIVACY LEGISLATION 2014

As of 12th March 2014 updates have been made to the Privacy Legislation in NSW. The Catholic Education Office has made new Privacy documentation available to school communities via the Catholic Education Office website at http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au/policy-central and following the privacy link. A copy of the Standard Collection Notice has also been sent home via your child with today's newsletter.

MOTHER'S DAY STA

We will be holding a Mother's Day Stall for the children on Wednesday 7th May 2014.

The children will be able to choose from a variety of beautifully packaged gifts for their mums, grandmothers etc. The children will be given an opportunity to view the gifts in advance. To make the stall more affordable all gifts will cost \$5. We will not be collecting money in advance. Children are to bring their money in on the day in an envelope clearly marked with "Mother's Day Stall", their name and class so it doesn't get lost. The money will be exchanged for a token at the entrance to the stall. Any children who forget their money on the day will still be able to select a gift which will be put away and can be collected from the school office on Thursday once money is received. If there are gifts left over after all classes have visited the stall, children will be given the opportunity to purchase extra gifts.

Any queries please contact Michelle Jacobs on 0413026922.

Calling all Year 1 Parents and other parent helpers Mothers Day Stall Gift Wrapping Night Mark this Date

Year 1 Parents Helpers for Mother's Day Stall

MOTHER'S DAY STALL **VOLUNTEERS**

Any queries please contact Michelle Jacobs on 0413026922.		

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Calling all Year 1 Parents and other parent helpers Mothers Day Stall Gift Wrapping Night Mark this Date Wednesday 30th April 7.00pm in the school library Many hands needed! Please contact Michelle Jacobs on 0413026922 by Friday 18th April if you can help. Please bring scissors with you. ***********************************		
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Year 1 Parents		
Helpers for Mother's Day Stall		
Wednesday 7th May		
Many hands needed!		
If you are available to help out on the stall day, please return the attached slip to school on Monday 28th April (first day back) or contact Michelle Jacobs on 0413026922.		
All help will be greatly appreciated.		
Thank you from the Year 1 Parent Reps		
MOTHER'S DAY STALL		
VOLUNTEERS		
I am available to help with the Mother's Day Stall on Wednesday 7th May.		
Time Available		
Parent Name Parent Signature		

Time Available	
Parent Name	Parent Signature
Child's Name	Child's Class

17 Year 6 students from St Angela's (as listed previously) again travelled to FOXTEL studios at Macquarie Park to film for the TV show, 'It's Academic'. It was certainly a great learning opportunity, in which students waited in the 'Green Room', attended hair and makeup, filmed in a live studio and had the experience of being part of an interactive, knowledge based quiz show.

The highlight of 'It's Academic' for me was:

"Going to FOXTEL studios was a once in a lifetime opportunity and I had lots of great friends with me to share the experience."

Nicholas Bell (6 Green)

"It's Academic was lots of fun! I learnt a lot of new facts on the day!"

Holly McNamara (6 Green)

"It's Academic was the best experience of my life and I enjoyed solving tricky questions and spending time with my friends."

Christopher Cignarella (6 Blue)

Congratulations to all the students on their behaviour, bravery and

enthusiasm in taking on such a great adventure! We are very proud of you. We look forward to seeing the TV stars on Channel 7 during October. Watch Shine for the actual show screening date.

Mrs Monica Fitzalan **Assistant Principal**



YOU ARE INVITED TO A PARENT MATHEMATICS WORKSHOP (EXTENDING MATHEMATICAL UNDERSTANDING) 9.00am WEDNESDAY14TH MAY

The goal of this program is to continue to build on the mathematical strengths of the children and support their areas of need in this Key Learning Area in a fun and enjoyable atmosphere. The workshop will be an opportunity for parents to further gain an insight into the way that Mathematics is taught. Parents are invited to come along and participate in various new activities.

All those attending will receive a showbag kit containing equipment and strategies to help their children at home. We hope to see you there and ask that you RSVP by emailing the school at stangelas@parra.catholic.edu.au.

Sibling Enrolments for Kindergarten 2015

Enrolments packs were sent home this week. If you could please complete the necessary information and return to school by Friday 2nd May. We will then advise you of an interview date towards the end of May. Please note included in your enrolment pack is information regarding sessions that Fr Joe is conducting on Thursday 8th May. It is a requirement that you attend one of these sessions (no need to book) and that you take the blue form from the enrolment pack with you to your session. A reminder that we require your child's birth certificate, baptismal certificate, immunisation record, a small photograph of your child (eg. passport size), latest council/water rates notice and citizenship/visa information (if child or parents are born overseas).

St Angela's Cross Country 2014

After all the rain we have had over the past couple of weeks we could have had a swimming carnival instead of Cross Country. The children were amazing on Monday and I was so proud of the effort and determination the students showed to achieve their personal best whether it was 1st or 31st.

The Official results of the day were:

12 yrs

Boys Girls

 1^{st} Tyron Moc 1^{st} Isabella Arends 2^{nd} Jackson Khoury 2^{nd} Bianca Maree 3^{rd} Jayden Vella 3^{rd} Maggie Callinan

11yrs

1st Hayden Orley 1st Caitlin Robertson 2nd Brae Harriss 2nd Chloe Boucher 3rd Zac Vander Stok 3rd Holly McNamara

10 yrs

 1^{st} Bailey Lewis 1^{st} Alannah Gattini 2^{nd} Ben Watson 2^{nd} Mia Jamer 3^{rd} Ben Moroney 3^{rd} Keira Callaghan

9 yrs

1st Joseph McEnearney1st Ava Foxe2nd Owen Turner2nd Grace Nugent3rd Spencer Anderson3rd Chantelle Mendoza

8 yrs

 $\overline{1}^{\text{st}}$ Tom Smales $\overline{1}^{\text{st}}$ Philippa Gattini 2^{nd} Charlie Saul 2^{nd} Charlotte Hogan 3^{rd} John Papadimatos 3^{rd} Keira Murphy

7 yrs (Year 2)

1st Cameron McCranor1st Dana Adan2nd Ben Solomon2nd Katarina Costa3rd Dominic Christie3rd Holly DiStaso

Year 1

Kindergarten

1st Tristen Gunawardhana1st Yasmin Davie2nd Evan Hunt2nd Sascha Blefari3rd Ben McNamara3rd Tyra Moc

The Age Champions are:

Senior Champions:

Tyron Moc Isabella Arends

Runners Up:

Jackson Khoury Bianca Maree

11yrs Champion:

Hayden Orley Caitlin Robertson

Runners Up:

Brae Harriss Chloe Boucher

Junior Champion:

Joseph McEnearney Alannah Gattini

Runners Up:

Bailey Lewis Mia Jamer

A big thank you to Michelle Jacobs, Rosemary Gattini, Debbie Hefron, Natasha Vitanza, Margy Atchison, Nicole Love, Hayley Cane, Mary O'Neill, Justin Lawton, Jenni Lawton, Fiona Hohn, Leonie Fox, Robert Hall and Susan Vassallo who gave their time to help with timekeeping, recording, place judging, texta marking and course marshalling. Thank you to the parents and grandparents who came to cheer and support the children. Finally a big thank you to the teachers for their help on the day and for preparing the children during sport time to achieve their best.

Andra Hemmings

Sports Co-ordinator PTO



JOURNEY TOWARDS EASTER 2014

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH

Way of the Cross

Each Friday during Lent at 10am at the Shrine of the Holy Innocents on the Friary grounds 7.30pm in the Church after Mass

Second Rite of Reconciliation

7.30pm 11 April Blessed John 23rd Stanhope Gardens 7.30pm 14 April St Monica's Richmond

Palm Sunday: 13 April

Masses: 7am, 9am, 11am and 6pm 10.45am Solemn Procession will begin

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Divine Mercy Sunday: 27 April

Masses at 7am, 9am, 11am and 3pm
Exposition and Reconciliation from 1pm with
Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Solemn
Mass will begin at 3pm.

NB. There will be no evening Mass on 27 April

THE RETURN OF PROJECT COMPASSION

BOXES should be between Palm Sunday, 13 April, and Holy Thursday, 17 April.

News from the Parish

RECONCILIATION IN PREPARATION FOR EASTER

There will be Reconciliation (Confession) in our parish on the following days, in preparation for Easter:

18 April (Good Friday) : 9am until 10am; and 19 April (Holy Saturday) : 9am until 11am

FIRST RECONCILIATION

There will be a **compulsory** day of preparation for children who have already received their First Reconciliation Activity books on Saturday, **3 May** from 2pm-6pm in the OLOR Parish/School Hall followed by 6pm Mass. Please allow your children to take part in the full day of preparation so as to be well prepared for the Sacrament.

The celebration of FIRST RECONCILIATION will be on Tuesday 20 May at 5.00pm and

Wednesday 21 May at 5.00pm (choose one)

sacraments@olorparishkellyville.org.au

YEAR 7 ENROLMENTS FOR 2015 MARIAN COLLEGE CONFIRMATION INFORMATION EVENING FOR PARENTS

Tuesday 27 May at 7.30pm at St Bonaventure Hall (School/Church Hall) Kellyville. Confirmation is offered only to children in Year 6 or order who have made their First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion.

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH DINNER DANCE - 26 July (please set the date aside)

The venue, date and entertainment are arranged. We now need a group of committed parishioners to assist in making this evening successful and enjoyable. For further information please contact Tracy on 0433 696 117.