



# St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill

# SHINE

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5th March 2015  
Term 1, Week 6

Dear Parents,

## Catholic Schools Week

This year we will join Catholic schools across NSW and the ACT to celebrate Catholic Schools Week from 8th to 14th March.

The theme for Catholic Schools Week 2015 is 'Educating for today and tomorrow' which encourages schools to showcase for their local community the opportunities available to students, raise awareness and celebrate the distinctiveness of Catholic schools.

Catholic Schools Week is about strengthening relationships between all those who have a stake in our schools - students, staff, families, priests, parishioners, and members of the wider community - by showcasing what happens in our classrooms every day.

It is for this reason that I would like to extend an invitation to you and your family to join us at St Angela's on Friday 13th March to celebrate with our school and parish community Catholic Schools Week 2015.

Our school will be celebrating with an assembly, including St Patrick's Day, followed by morning tea and open classrooms.

This is an ideal opportunity to support the community of St Angela's and learn more about the great things that take place in Catholic schools every day.

Our school has a supportive community of staff, parents and clergy who work together to focus on giving students the best education possible, encouraging success, promoting discipline, supporting creativity and instilling compassion.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support of St Angela's and I look forward to celebrating Catholic Schools Week with you on 13th March.

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Congratulations to William Elliott (6 Blue) who on Tuesday was awarded the role of 2015 Centenary of Anzac Youth Ambassador (Hills Primary Schools). William presented an Anzac speech at the recent Castle Hill RSL's Hills Centenary of Anzac primary Schools

Educational Kit Launch.

As an Ambassador, William will play an important part in the Centenary of ANZAC Sunday Commemoration Service on 19 April 2015 through accompanying the twenty-one Gallipoli Veteran Year 11 flag carriers on the march and the reading of an ANZAC poem during the Service. They will lay wreaths made by them at the Centenary of ANZAC Dawn Commemoration Service.

Congratulations on behalf of all at St Angela's on this proud achievement.



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## Fun(d) Raising

It's time again to form our Fun(d) raising committee for 2015. This is a special year as we celebrate 15 years of quality Catholic Education at St Angela's. Some of the events planned will include a 15 year Ball/Dinner Dance, Golf Day, along with a number of events to also help the children celebrate. If you would like to be part of this fun group that organises events for the children and/or parents, please let the office know and/or if available join us for a meeting next Thursday 12th March at 8.45am in the staffroom. Whether your contribution is big or small, all are most welcome to attend. If you are able to be part of the various organising committees for different events or have contacts etc. we would love to hear from you or see you at our meeting.

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

*Tony Calabria*  
Principal

## Grade Assemblies

Please note as communicated in our term calendar, whole school assemblies for Term 1 are as follows:

Week 6 - Tomorrow, 6th Mar at 2.10pm led by Year 2

Week 8 - Friday 20th Mar at 2.10pm led by Year 3

Week 9 - Friday 27th Mar at 2.10pm led by Year 1

All parents are most welcome to join us.

**'Baker's Delight' Special Food Day**  
**Tuesday 10th March**

## Theme for the week:

**"Spend Time in Prayer"**

*We have all at one time or another experienced the power of prayer in our lives or in the lives of others.*

*Our theme this week encourages the children to spend time each day in prayer in order to develop their relationship with Christ, particularly during this time of Lent.*

## Sent home in the last week:

Hard Copy: Year 1 Literacy Groups Parent Helpers



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## Religious Education

Sunday, March 8th 2015

Year B

3rd Sunday in Lent



Jesus drives out the moneychangers from the Temple and says that he will destroy the temple and raise it up again. In Sunday's Gospel we read about how Jesus overturned the tables of the merchants and the moneychangers in the Temple at Jerusalem. Jesus' action at the Temple in Jerusalem is recorded in all four Gospels. The Gospel of John, however, places this event much earlier in Jesus' public ministry. Reflecting upon the destruction of the Temple of Jerusalem (A.D. 70), John recalls Jesus' cleansing of the Temple and uses that story to interpret this later event. John explains to his audience, an early Christian community, that temple worship would no longer be necessary because it was surpassed in the passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus. During Lent we reflect upon the meaning of this sign for us and for our world. We might take this opportunity to consider the quality of our prayer and worship. In our prayers we seek to deepen our relationship with the person of Christ. In our worship with the community, we gather to experience anew the passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus and its significance in our lives. Christ promises to be present with us when we gather for prayer.

From Sunday Connection Loyola Press

### PROJECT COMPASSION 2015

Married couple Eric and Ma had an unprofitable farm and limited diet before training at the Tutu Rural Training Centre, supported by Caritas Australia. Now they have a successful farm, a sustainable income and food for life. **"Without Tutu we wouldn't be here where we are now, and it's only possible thanks to you wonderful people of Australia."**



Please encourage your child/children to give to the Project Compassion appeal this Lent.

Mrs Marilyn Turner  
Religious Education Co-ordinator

## Quote of the Week

*"Great achievement is usually born of great sacrifice, and is never the result of selfishness."*

### KINDERGARTEN 2016 ENROLMENT INFORMATION SESSION AND SCHOOL TOUR

Friday 27th March at 9.00am

St Angela's St Maximilian Kolbe Hall

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

**A reminder that both the Student Image and/or Works and Sale of Raffle Ticket consent forms are now due. Many thanks to those families who have already returned these forms.**

## EVACUATION DRILL PRACTICE

Over the coming weeks we will be practising an evacuation drill or lockdown as part of our safety procedures. Teachers discuss the routine with their class before any drills begin so that children are not distressed. The aim of this activity is not to cause alarm, it is a chance for children to become aware of procedures if the need ever arises.



## Upcoming Dates

### Week 6

Fri 6th Mar

2.10pm Year 2 Grade Assembly in St Angela's St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - Parents welcome

Sat 7th Mar

6.00pm Reconciliation Commitment Service at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Church

Sun 8th Mar

11.00am Reconciliation Commitment Service at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Church

### Week 7

Tues 10th Mar

Baker's Delight Special Food Day

Wed 11th Mar

2.20pm Year 3 Liturgy in St Angela's St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - Parents welcome

Thurs 12th Mar

8.45am FUN(d) raising Committee Meeting in the staffroom - All welcome

Fri 13th Mar

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**8.45am Catholic Schools Week Assembly including St Patrick's Day, followed by morning tea and open classrooms - All welcome. Gold or fold donation for Caritas**  
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### Week 8

Wed 18th Mar

Year 1 Excursion to Manly Sea Life Sanctuary

2.20pm Kindergarten Liturgy in St Angela's St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - Parents welcome

Fri 20th Mar

2.10pm Year 3 Grade Assembly in St Angela's St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - All welcome

## QUALITY CATHOLIC SCHOOLING PROJECT

All Catholic schools in the Diocese of Parramatta will be once again participating in the Quality Catholic Schooling (QCS) survey.

The QCS survey provides information from students, staff and parents about our school's cultural behaviour, relationships and learning community, and assists us in our focus on continuous improvement.

Between 9th and 20th March all staff, students from Years 5 and 6, and 60 randomly-selected parents will be asked to complete an online survey. Staff and students will complete the survey online at school. Parents will be sent home a paper survey but will also be able to complete the survey online if preferred.

This year we will be able to get even more information about the link between student wellbeing and learning outcomes. To do this we will need to include a student identifier in the student survey. The survey will remain confidential and individual survey responses will not be accessible by the school or the Catholic Education Office.

An independent survey consultant (Insight SRC) who manages the data collection will ensure the survey data is kept strictly confidential. Each school will receive a de-identified information report at the end of May to help them to develop strategies for further improvement.

While this is a change from previous years, it will definitely help us in working with all students to improve their learning. If you have concerns, please feel free to contact Mrs Fitzalan or Mr Calabria.

As a parent, if you are randomly selected to complete the survey, I would encourage your participation as this will help our school to identify our strengths and areas in which we can focus our improvement.

## Celebrating our Gifts

### Academic Excellence

Giulio Muscardio KB  
Rhys Wilson KG  
William Taylor KY  
Ava De Carlo 1B  
Chanel Nasr 1G  
Finnian Christie 1Y  
Olivia Sultana 2B  
Marcus Como 2G  
Isaac Estera 2Y  
Brinley Lewis 3B  
Michael Alibrandi 3G  
Zoe Byrne 3G  
Joan Bautista 3Y  
Sarah Crowley 4B  
Nikhita Mohan-Ram 4G  
Ethan Gunawardhana 4Y  
Charlotte Baylis 5B  
Lachlan Doheny 5G  
Valentino Anastasio 5Y  
Sophia Di Giacomo 6B  
Logan Remedios 6G  
Lachlan Smethurst 6Y

### St Angela's Award

Bronte Woodhead KB  
Amalia Mohan-Ram KG  
Sophie Wallace KY  
Dineth Jayakody 1B  
Hailey Cassettari 1G  
Tyra Moc 1Y  
Lucas Borg 2B  
Sophie Milas 2G  
Mia Jacobs 2Y  
Isabella Hall 3B  
Raymond Saade 3Y  
Kaleb Brett 4B  
Noah Yeung 4G  
Brendan Wilson 4Y  
Seth Panganiban 5B  
Zaidyn Wallace 5G  
Oliver Miskovich 5Y  
Franzine Soliman 6B  
Liam Hennessy 6G  
Erin Henderson 6Y

## Children's Work Books Coming Home

This coming week the children will be bringing home their books, work folders etc. in the Key Learning Areas of **Religious Education** and **Mathematics**.

In your child's **Religious Education** books, please take the time to look through, discuss and enjoy the work and responses your child has completed, that relate to the Units of Work set out in Diocesan Syllabus, Sharing Our Story. Please remember that not all work undertaken in this Key Learning Area is recorded in workbooks. Prayer, role plays, research reading, listening to God's word etc. also play an important part in the children's learning. You may like to discuss your child's everyday faith experiences particularly in this important time of Lent.

Also coming home will be your child's **Mathematics** books. Please note that not all mathematical thinking is recorded in workbooks. Children undertake a great deal of mental computation, reasoning and problem solving. They are also often required to articulate their thinking in a group.

We encourage you to write a comment to your child in their book after their last piece of work. Children really do treasure your comments and it allows us to see that the book did indeed leave the school bag and that you have taken the time to walk through it with your child. Additionally, we ask that the books be returned promptly the next school day so that your child can continue their written work in the appropriate book.

## Happy Birthday!

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

### MARCH

#### Sun 8th

Reine Farah  
Dylan Moc  
Jack Despoges  
Lachlan Doheny

#### Wed 11th

Olivia Rae  
Ethan Smith  
Luke Watson

#### Mon 9th

Serena Adoranti  
Renee Lenferna  
Isabella Seda  
Tiana Bounassif  
Harrison Tandy  
Mischa Vujnovich

#### Thurs 12th

Curtis Rothwell  
Isabella Chidiac  
Holly Di Staso

#### Fri 13th

Bryce Lenferna  
Eimear Kelly  
Jessica Araneda  
Summer Crotty

#### Tues 10th

Zoe Byrne  
Aaliyah Netana

#### Sat 14th

Jackson Bercich  
Ethan Cabezas  
Dominic Darmudi  
Brayden Sampol



## Star Spot

Congratulations to Emma Vitanza (5 Green) and Alannah Gattini (6 Green) who were selected for the Baulkham Hills Shire Netball Association 11 Years Development Squad. Well done girls!



## From the Library ...

It is an expectation that all children borrow each week. Please ensure that your child has a library bag or similar with them on their library day as they will not be allowed to borrow without one. It would be a great help if you could assist your child at home with reading and caring for their library books.

### Library Timetable

Monday	Years 3, 4 and 6
Tuesday	Years 1 and 5
Friday	Kindergarten, Year 2

## Lost Property

We have several items in our lost property basket. Please ensure all items brought to school are marked with your child's name and that it is legible so that property can be returned to students. Also, as items can sometimes get mixed with others during the day, please ensure that your items do belong to your child. Don't forget labels sometimes fall off and ink fades with time. Lost property is located at the stage under the Big Top.



## Sports News

### Diocesan Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to all our swimmers who competed last Friday in the Parramatta Diocesan Swimming Carnival, at Blacktown Indoor Swimming Centre. All our swimmers did a fantastic job in representing St Angela's. Congratulations to Alannah Gattini who was 11yrs Girl Runner Up. Well done!

It was such an exciting day, St Angela's had by far the best cheer squad both students and even more so, the parents. You all really brought home our relay teams. Our Junior Boys relay team came 1<sup>st</sup> and our Senior girls relay team narrowly missed out on the Diocesan record also finishing 1<sup>st</sup>.

Congratulations to the following children who made it through to the NSW CPS Swimming Trials, which will be held 20<sup>th</sup> March at Sydney Olympic Park Homebush:

- ♦ Sophie Young 50m Freestyle
- ♦ Alannah Gattini 50m Backstroke  
50m Breaststroke  
50m Butterfly
- ♦ Chantelle Ritchie 50m Breaststroke  
50m Butterfly  
200m Individual Medley
- ♦ Georgia Sultana 50m Backstroke
- ♦ Senior Girls Relay (Amy Gibbons, Georgia Sultana, Alannah Gattini, Chantelle Ritchie)
- ♦ Junior Boys Relay (Angus Gibbons, Joseph McEneaney, Tom Smales, Owen Turner)

Mrs Andra Hemmings  
Sports Coordinator

## To all Year 6 Parents

A Year 6 parent committee is being established to organise the End of Year/Graduation events, which include: the Graduation disco/dinner, the Yearbook, the class gift, Graduation Mass and any other requirements. The first meeting is scheduled for Friday 20th March at 8.45am in the staff room. Any parents of the current Year 6 class who would like to be involved are welcome to attend.

Year 6 Parent Reps

## Are you interested in playing soccer?

Castle Hill United are looking for girls to join their U12 (11/12 year old) girls soccer teams. The girls will play in a girls only competition on Sundays. You can register at Castle Hill United website. If you have any questions I am happy to help. Tanya Stornelli 0425 263 482.

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Kellyville Kolts Soccer Club are looking for girls to play in the U10's competition this year. If you are interested, please contact the club via email at ladiesjunior@kellyvillesoccer.org.au.

## St. Joseph's - Baulkham Hills Centre for Reflective Living

### Garage Sale

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March  
7.00am – 1.00pm

St Joseph's 64 MacKillop Drive, Baulkham Hills

## 2015 Parent Representatives

Your parent class representatives have been nominated and are as follows:

- Kindy Blue: Renee Bercich, Marlana Muscardo  
Kindy Green: Tereza Miletic, Anna Chapman  
Kindy Yellow: Laura Hall, Cherille Paton
- 1 Blue: Kari Anne Begg, Renee Bercich  
1 Green: Jill Metcalfe, Susan Vassallo, Jo Harris, Donna Ortlepp  
1 Yellow: Amanda Thomas, Wayne Davie
- 2 Blue: Julie Pinna, Marie Catalano, Doreen O'Donnell  
2 Green: Leanne Bower  
2 Yellow: Michelle Jacobs, Nicole Love
- 3 Blue: Erin Kennedy, Gwen Vujnovich  
3 Green: Rebecca Nati  
3 Yellow: Marga Gunasekera, Joyce Bautista, Wayne Davie
- 4 Blue: Donna Ortlepp  
4 Green: Leanne Bower, Janis Mohan-Ram  
4 Yellow: Doreen Saul
- 5 Blue: Helen Morley, Doreen O'Donnell, Antonella Tesoriero  
5 Green: Leanne Bower, Natasha Vitanza, Michelle Rambow, Rebecca Nati, Wayne Davie  
5 Yellow: Doreen Saul, Vicki Watson, Vivian Mohan-Ram
- 6 Blue: Lee-Anne Egiziano  
6 Green: Annette Peterson  
6 Yellow: Katie Edwards, Kathy Turner, Franca Askew

Keep an eye out for next week's Shine as we outline activities for each grade and initiatives taking place.



## MARIAN CATHOLIC COLLEGE ENROLMENTS - YEAR 7 2016

Enrolments for Year 7 2016 opened on Tuesday 3 March, 2015. It is anticipated that all Year 6 students currently attending St Angela's, Our Lady of The Rosary, St Madeleine's and Our Lady of the Angels will receive an Enrolment Package at their school, in the two week period leading up to our Open Evening. Applications should be **fully completed and lodged** at the College **by Monday 20 April, 2015**. Failure to provide a fully completed application form (including all necessary signatures) and **copies** of all relevant, supporting documentation may delay the processing of applications and enrolment offers. Late applications will only be accepted if there are unfilled places. Any enquiries can be directed to the Enrolment Officer on 9654 6700.

**The enrolment period for Year 7 2016 will close on Monday 20 April, 2015.**

### OPEN EVENING – TUESDAY 17 MARCH 2015

Marian Catholic College extends an invitation to prospective students and their families, to attend our annual Open Evening. This year there will be **three repeated** sessions to showcase the students and the learning experiences offered by the College. The session times will be run at **4:30pm, 5:30pm and 6:30pm**.

**Each** session will commence in the Shared Hall, where the Principal and students from Years 7 and 11 will provide information about school life at Marian Catholic College. **Each information session will be followed by Guided Tours of the school.** Visitors will be able to take part in the activities that will be showcased at the various tour stops.

**NOTE:** Each session will follow **exactly** the same format, so please come to the session time that will suit you the best; there is no need to rush to be at the College for a 4:30 pm start!