

### St Angela's Primary School

**Castle Hill** 

## SHINE

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Dear Parents.

A very wet welcome back to Term 2. I have been extremely proud and impressed with the children's excellent behaviour and their positive attitude to learning during the big downpour. I hope that the holidays were an enjoyable time to just 'be' and to spend time with loved ones. We look forward to an exciting term ahead of faith, fun and learning as we all 'let our light shine'.

### Lest We Forget 100 Years

The Anzac tradition was forged 100 years ago on 25 April 1915, when the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps landed on the Gallipoli Peninsula.

It marked the start of a campaign which lasted eight months and resulted in some 26,000 Australian casualties, including 8,159 who were killed or died of wounds or disease. The bravery and spirit of those who served on the Gallipoli Peninsula shaped a legend, and so the 'Anzac' became a part of the Australian and New Zealand lexicon. In 1916, the first anniversary on the landing was observed in Australia, New Zealand, England and by troops in Egypt. That year, 25 April was named 'Anzac Day'. By the 1920's, Anzac Day ceremonies were held throughout Australia and the states had designated Anzac Day as a public holiday. Commemoration of Anzac Day continued throughout the 1930's and 1940's with World War II veterans joining parades around the country.

Over the ensuing decades, returned Australian servicemen and women from conflicts such as Malaysia, Vietnam, Korea, East Timor, Iraq and Afghanistan as well as peacekeepers and veterans from allied countries, now march proudly in the parades.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old; Age shall not wear them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning We will remember them.

Thank you to our Year 6 teachers, Mrs Rubelj, Mr Hurst and Mrs Newbury, for co-ordinating tomorrow's reflective Anzac Day ceremony which will now be relocated to the St Maximilian Kolbe Hall due to the ground near our flagpole still being extremely slushy. The children respectfully and reverently will present this significant ceremony for parents, teachers and the student body. Thank you once again to all involved and those who will attend. Special thanks to Flight Lieutenant, Frank Di Stefano, from the Royal Australian Air Force who will be addressing the children. During the prayer, we will remember all those who died defending our country during the wars which Australia has been involved in this century.

As has been tradition here at St Angela's after the service each child will enjoy an Anzac biscuit.

#### Mother's Day is coming!

On Friday 8th May we will celebrate Mother's Day at St Angela's. Our celebrations will begin with a special Mother's Day Assembly at 8.45am, followed by a Mother's Day cuppa and then a visit to the classrooms for a learning activity, with those who admire you most. We hope you can join us.

#### Thank You!

Secretary's/Administrative Professionals Day will be celebrated on Friday 1st May. On behalf of our community, I wish to extend thanks and appreciation to our fantastic secretarial staff - Mrs Burke, Mrs Hall, Mrs Martin and Mrs Poleweski. We appreciate and are grateful for their efficiency, skills, use of technology, public relations, care for the children and generosity of time. So much of their work is behind the scenes but is an essential element to the success of our school. Their attention to detail, care for the children, welcoming manner and expertise in all aspects of their work is to be congratulated. From all of us, we say Thank You.

#### **Prayerful Reflection**

Thank you to the parents who attended the Stations of the Cross as part of our Holy Week celebrations at the Friary Gardens on Holy Thursday. The reflective experience at the gardens was indeed special and very much appreciated by the children.

I hope that your own Resurrection celebrations that you attended at the beginning of the holidays were a spirit filled experience of our faith and the Catholic story. Gathering in prayer is such an important part of our faith community. Together we reflect on the most important event of our liturgical year, the Resurrection. Unlike the doubting Thomas, the children's love of their faith is strong and just beautiful to behold. You should be extremely proud of the wonderful work you have begun and continue to do in your children's lives as the primary educators of their faith. Thank you once again to Mrs Turner, our Religious Education Co-ordinator, and the staff for co-ordinating our Holy Week school celebrations.

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

Tony Calabria Principal

## Anzac Day 100 Year Commemoration Friday 24th April

Our annual St Angela's Anzac Day Commemoration will be held tomorrow, Friday 24th April at 11.00am. This ceremony is led by our Year 6 students and we will 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 parents and friends are most welcome to attend. Children in Scouts and Guides may also wear their uniform on this day.





### **Religious Education**

Sunday, Apríl 26th 2015 Year B



Fourth Sunday of Easter

John 10:11-18 Lost sheep are being carried on the Shepherd's shoulders

The Gospel reading of today's liturgy, 'I AM the good shepherd'..., takes us deep into the mystery of what God has done for us in Jesus Christ. The Good Shepherd theme has had a great impact on Christian consciousness. One of the earliest and most repeated motifs of Christian art is the youthful shepherd carrying the lost sheep home on his shoulders.



As so often happens with the best things in life, we tend to take this theme for granted. Today's text helps us to find a fresh appreciation of its implications. He says that he is the "good" shepherd – in contrast to the unfaithful shepherds who have failed God's people, thinking only of their own interests - because, as he three times repeats, he "lays down his life" for them. He lays it down, he explains, "in order to take it up again." In his Resurrection, he will be a source of life for

them. And in this drama of his death and resurrection, he is carrying out and making clear to the human family what his Father wills for them – an enterprise so dear to the Father that he looks upon the Son's obedience with a renewed love.

From a homily on the Gospel by Fr John Thornhill sm

### Visit to the Friary Shrine of the Holy Innocents and Garden of the Immaculate

On Holy Thursday the children of St Angela's experienced a journey through praying the **Stations of the Cross** at the Garden of the Immaculate. The children, through Jesus' suffering and dying were brought closer to the message of forgiveness and love. Through walking this journey they are able to follow Jesus more closely and accept the love he has for them. The shrine and the grounds are open every day from 6am to 6pm (8 Greyfriar Place, Kellyville). All are most welcome to visit and pray in a place of quiet reflection. Mass is celebrated every weekday at 6.45am (Monday to Friday).





Mrs Marilyn Turner Religious Education Co-ordinator

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

Our prayers are extended to the Crowe family (Dylan 2 Yellow) due to the passing into eternal life of Dylan's grandfather.

# Consent Forms - last day next Tuesday 28th April

Please note, given the overwhelming majority of 'Yes' consent forms returned, if your forms have not been returned by the due date, *your approved consent will apply*. This will be a perpetual permission whilst your child is at St Angela's. If you wish to change your child's 'consent' status at any time, please advise the office in writing. Thank you for your support.

### Theme for the week;

#### "Be Enthusiastic in all you do"

The words of Ralph Emerson clearly express the focus of this week's theme:

#### Enthusiasm

Enthusiasm is one of the most powerful engines of success.

When you do a thing, do it with all your might.

Put your whole soul into it.

Stamp it with your personality.

Be active, be energetic, be enthusiastic and faithful,

and you will accomplish your objective.

Never give up. Nothing is beyond reach.

Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm.



## Upcoming Dates

Week 2 Fri 24th Apr

9.00am Year 6 End of Year Celebration Committee meeting at Air Coffee, 1/10 Salisbury Road, Castle Hill - All welcome

11.00am Anzac Day Ceremony - All

welcome

Sat 25th Apr 6.00am Anzac Day Dawn Service at

Centenary of Anzac Reserve (formerly

Wrights Road Reserve)

Mon 27th Apr Dance Fever Trial - Parents welcome. See

this newsletter for times.

Tues 28th Apr 7.00pm Mother's Day Wrapping Night in the

library - All welcome

**Thurs 30th Apr** 8.45am Fun(d)raising Committee Meeting in

the staffroom - All welcome

Fri 1st May 9.45am Debating - St Angela's vs St

Madeleine's. All welcome.

**Sat 2nd May** 2.00-6.00pm Reconciliation Preparation Day

at St Angela's in the St Maximilian Kolbe Hall

followed by Mass

Week 3

Tues 5th May

PSSA Cross Country at Eastern Creek

Wed 6th May

Mother's Day Stall - \$5 per gift

Fri 8th May 8.45am Mothers' Day

8.45am Mothers' Day Assembly Prayer followed by morning tea & classroom visits -

All welcome

### Quote of the Week

"That some achieve great success, is proof to all that others can achieve it as well."

## Friday 29th May Staff Development/Pupil Free Day - Literacy Focus

### Major Events Coming Up

Please find outlined below two major upcoming events taking place at the Wrights Road Reserve, now known as Centenary of Anzac Reserve:

- This Saturday 25th April at 6.00am Anzac Day Commemoration Service Ceremony for the Shire.
- Saturday/Sunday 16th and 17th May Hills Relay For Life.

Coming Home Soon:

Term 2 Parent Calendar Grade Curriculum Overviews

### Celebrating our Gifts

#### Academíc Excellence

Alex Milas KB Darius Mekary KG Riley Roditis KY Jonah Singh 1B Emma Lang 1G Megan Thomas 1Y Jack Tole 2B Evan Roditis 2G Sienna Van Jour 2Y Flynn Jamer 3B Kyle Brett 3G Thomas Norris 3Y Alexander Arends 4B Emily Nasso 4G Sebastian Cignarella 4Y Olivia Tesoriero 5B Mia Jamer 5G Ajang Dau 5Y Michael Breva 6B

Megan Perusich 6G

William Edwards 6Y

#### St Angela's Award

Shiloh Aguas KB Isabella Sultana KG Yasemin Vancuylenberg KY Luke Di Stefano 1B Sullivan Harris 1G Luke Watson 1Y Mischa Vujnovich 2B Jeannette Khoudair 2G Oliver Chapman 2Y Jamie Ella 3B Sarah Tesoriero 3G Matteo Muscardo 3Y Maks Tole 4B Samantha Hohn 4G Alyssa Frasca 4Y Joel Hunt 5B Timothy Bagtas 5G Lily Boucher 5Y Michael Easterbrook 6B Alannah Gattini 6G

Marcus Basso 6Y

### **Sibling Enrolments for Kindergarten 2016**

We ask that enrolment applications please be returned to school by next **Friday 1st 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 the Parish is conducting on Wednesday 20th 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 to be signed on the evening. 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). Thank you.

### **WINTER UNIFORM**

Children may now wear their winter uniform at the discretion of parents. We would expect that all children are in full winter uniform by Monday 4th May.

### **Sent home in the last week:**

Emailed: Spelling Words - Year 1

Commemorative Courtyard Information and Order

Form

Sacrament of Confirmation Letter from Our Lady of

the Rosary Parish - Year 6

Hard Copy: Entertainment Book Flyer

## Happy Breshday!

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

<u>APRIL</u>

**Mon 27th** Joshua Murphy Thurs 30th
Lucas Seda
Aaron Zlomislic

Tues 28th

Jake Blackwell Charlotte Hogan Riley Hogan Will Johnston

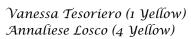
Amelia Blackwell

MAY Sat 2nd

Jarvis Hemmings Katarina Mabic

### Artists of the Week

Congratulations to our artists for this week:





Children's artworks are proudly displayed in the Library.

# Dance Fever Please note new date - This Monday 27th April

We are investigating the opportunity and related cost of supplementing our school PE program with Dance, through the very popular Dance Fever. This would entail students taking part in dance lessons, traditional and contemporary, each week facilitated by trained Dance Fever staff. Many other local schools already take part in this initiative, which culminates in a Dance Fever Night at Homebush (participation on the final night is purely optional). Our school will welcome the Dance Fever staff **this Monday 27th April** for a trial day before we make a final decision. After hearing feedback from schools involved previously, we are sure the children will delight in learning the Cha Cha, Tango etc. Parents are welcome to attend and see the Dance Fever trial in action. Please see below for class times:

 Kindergarten:
 8:45am to 9:15am

 Year 1
 9:20am to 9:50am

 Year 2
 9:55am to 10:25am

 Year 3
 1:30pm to 2:00pm

 Year 4
 11:10am to 11:40am

 Year 5
 2:10pm to 2:40pm

 Year 6
 11:50am to 12:20pm

### **St Angela's Commemorative Courtyard**

Once again, we would like to invite families to participate in this unique fundraising project. By purchasing a paver for \$30.00, your child's name or family name will be permanently engraved on a paver which will be laid in the quadrangle area outside the Years 5 and 6 classrooms, the area known as our Commemorative Courtyard. If you decide to take advantage of our offer your paver will become part of our school's history. Please complete the order form which was emailed to all families today and return with payment to the school office by Monday 11th May 2015.

## MOTHER'S DAY STALL

#### CAN YOU HELP?

Calling all Year 1 Parents and other parent helpers

Mothers Day Stall Gift Wrapping Night

#### This Tuesday 28th April

7.00pm in the school library
Many hands needed!
Please contact Jo Harris on 0408 377 870 or the school as soon as possible if you can help.
Please bring scissors with you.

We will be holding a Mother's Day Stall for the children on Wednesday  $6^{th}$  May 2015.

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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 Jo Harris on 0408 377 870.

#### Year 1 Parents Helpers for Mother's Day Stall

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Wednesday 6th May 9.00-11.00am

Many hands needed!

If you are available to help out on the stall day, please return the attached slip to school by Monday 27th April or contact Jo Harris on 0408 377 870.

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  $6 \mathrm{th} \mathrm{May}.$ 

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

### Easter Egg Raffle Congratulations to Zaidyn Wallace (5 Green) who

was the winner of St Angela's Easter Egg Raffle. Many thanks once again to the Colosimo family (Ariella 2 Yellow). The raffle raised over \$670.00 towards Project Compassion.

### **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.

### **Grade Contact Lists**

The voluntary grade contact lists advertised in Shine last term will be sent home soon. We are awaiting a number of grades that are yet to be finalised.

The date is set - Thursday 28th May for our first disco of the year to be held after school/ evening (session times to be confirmed). Keep an eye on Shine for more details. Please note Friday 29th May will be a Staff Development/Pupil Free Day.

### entertainment Books

Entertainment Books are now available to purchase. Flyers were sent home with your child today. Please visit https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/2144d46. For further information please contact the school office.

### **Parish News**

**2016 ENROLMENTS FOR MARIAN COLLEGE** will coincide with the compulsory Parent Information Evening for Confirmation for children currently in Year 6 or older, at 7.30pm on **12 May 2015** at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Kellyville. This meeting will be either in the school hall (if it is available) or in the Parish Church.

WESLEY GIANT GARAGE SALE
WESLEY UNITING CHURCH
32 SHOWGROUND ROAD, CASTLE HILL
FRIDAY 1ST MAY AND SATURDAY 2ND MAY
8.00AM TO 1.00PM

### Calling any available men!

For the Mother's Day celebrations it would be fitting to have all mums able to enjoy a cuppa. We, therefore, are seeking any available and willing men who could assist in setting up and/or serving morning tea on Friday 8th May. Please return the slip below if you are able to share some time for the wonderful mums in our community.

### MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION HELPERS

am available to assist with setting up and/or serving morning tea on Friday 8th May (Set up approx. 8.15am, serving approx. 9.10am)	
Parents Name	
Child's Name	
Child's Class	