

St Angela's Primary School Castle Hill

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Dear Parents.

As we end Term 2, I would like to thank you for your support, enthusiasm and positive feedback throughout the term. It has certainly been an exciting time, filled with many examples of faith, fun and learning. For your attendance and support at events throughout the term, we thank you. Our action packed Term 2 included Anzac Day Celebrations, Debating, Reconciliation, Mother's Day Celebrations, NAPLAN, Assemblies, Year 6 Canberra Excursion, Feast of the Ascension, Pentecost, Feast of Corpus Christi, Feast of the Sacred Heart, Food Day, Sport Days, General Parent Meeting and EMU morning, Masses and Liturgies, Year 5 Bathurst Excursion, Year 3 Brewongle Excursion, Reports, Parent/Teacher Interviews and Athletics Carnival. Working together is what continues to build our strong community.

We look forward to Term 3 and Mr Calabria's return. We hope that he had a wonderful trip overseas. His dedication and commitment to St Angela's is much appreciated and we look forward to hearing of his exciting adventures!

It was wonderful to see so many parents arriving for their Parent/ Teacher interview and speaking so positively about their child's progress, so realistically about their child's challenges and so warmly about their child's teacher.

Parents and teachers are both vital and critical to the wellbeing and Fr Alejandro has notified us that as of 1st July, morning masses will be development of our children and we must always work together to make the most of children's learning and to nurture their talents.

This is especially refreshing given that the workload of a teacher is often criticised by the media and perceptions of a '9 to 3' day are still present. In comparison, our teachers spend the '9 to 3' part of the day with the children, facilitating their learning. Countless hours aside from this time are then spent each day correcting and assessing the student's work (this term in particular has seen teachers meeting to analyse children's work samples, results and assessments against

criteria linked to our syllabus to ensure a correct A-E achievement level) planning lessons, preparing resources, meeting with support teachers to discuss children's needs, professional development to continually improve the quality of their teaching, regular meetings with parents to discuss children's progress, staff meetings, presenting inservice/information evenings to parents, organising excursion opportunities, carnivals and many, many more while, at the same time, juggling their own family lives and finding time for reflection and self renewal.

My appreciation and thanks to you as parents for your valuable role as the primary educators of your child and to the teachers, a dedicated team of professionals who give so generously of their self, skills and time.

Improving the learning outcomes for all children at St Angela's is our core business. The children are our first priority. This is a great Catholic school that over the last 15 years, has helped produce not just well educated young adults, but compassionate people who, because of their faith, confidently embrace a future with hope and joy. I hope that you are as proud to be a part of this community as I am.

Best wishes to Mrs Rebecca Brown, COSHC Supervisor, who will commence at Good Shepherd, Plumpton from the beginning of next term.

on from Wednesday to Saturday at 9:15am. Please join the Our Lady of the Rosary Parish community if you can.

A special welcome to Fr Gerard Lofranco, who has just arrived as the Assistant Priest at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish. We welcome him to our Parish community.

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

Monica Fitzalan Acting Principal

Theme for the week;		Upcoming Dates
<i>"Keeping Our Children Safe"</i> At St Angela's, in the last week and the first week of each term, each class takes time to discuss the protective behaviour themes of:	<u>Week 10</u> Fri 26th June <u>TERM 3</u>	New date for Years 3-6 Athletics Carnival at Roxborough Park, Baulkham Hills Last day of Term 2
"We all have the right to feel safe all of the time" "Nothing is so awful that you can't tell someone about it" so that children feel comfortable at all times to approach people	<u>Week 1</u> Mon 13th July Tues 14th July	First day of school for the children Dance Fever begins - Sport Uniform K-6 Kindergarten Excursion to Calmsley Hill City Farm
on their network.	Fri 17th July	NSW PSSA Cross Country
This is an opportune time to talk to your children about being safe in the holidays.	Sat 18th July Week 2	Our Lady of the Rosary Dinner Dance at Riverside Oaks Golf Course, Cattai
Sent home in the last week: Emailed: Year 1 Term 3 News Note and Spelling Lists, Student Attendance	Fri 24th July <u>Week 3</u> Tues 28th July	Year 4 Excursion to The Rocks 7.30am Optional ICAS English Competition (Years 3-6) in the library
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Religious Education



Sunday, June 28th 2015

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Mark 5:21-43: Healing of woman, girl is prompted by faith

Mark concludes his account of the ministry of Jesus in Galilee with descriptions of some remarkable miracles worked by Jesus during this ministry. In today's reading Jesus shows himself the Lord of life and death – healing the woman 'who had suffered for 12 years', and bringing back to life the young daughter of one of the elders of the local synagogue. The woman's faith is less informed; naïve perhaps, very like the faith of so many simple believers. But what she knows of Jesus inspires her to seek a healing by 'touching his clothes'. The reaction of Jesus is to lead her to the personal meeting with him that should take place in an authentic faith.

Pope Francis' new Encyclical released

Everything is connected," the Pope writes. "Concern for the environment thus needs to be joined with a sincere love for our fellow human beings and an unwavering

commitment to resolving the problems of society." Pope Francis has challenged "every person living on this planet" to enter into a new dialogue toward building a better future in his encyclical letter *Laudato Si*^{*}, released last week in Rome. He highlights the fact that local individuals and groups can make a real difference. They are able to instil "a strong sense of community," "a readiness to protect others," and "a deep love for the land."

http://cathnews.com/cathnews/21750-praised-be-francis-newencyclical-released

Fr Anthony Zahra 1928-2015

Fr Anthony passed away early Sunday morning on the 14th June of heart failure at the age of 87. Fr. Anthony Zahra arrived in Australia from Malta in 1961 and worked in various parts of the country. In the late 1980's he came to the Diocese of Parramatta to work with his fellow Conventual Franciscan Friars at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish. He strongly supported the development of the Shrine of the Holy Innocents, especially as he celebrated the monthly Pro-life Masses beginning in 1993. For several years he also offered Mass regularly at Parklea prison. Fr. Anthony retired in 1999 yet continued ministering the Sacrament of Reconciliation until this past year. Fr Anthony visited St Angela's often in the past and regularly assisted in St Angela's Grade Reconciliations held in St Maximillian Kolbe hall.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him. May he and all the faithfully departed rest in peace. Amen



Mrs Marilyn Turner Religious Education Co-ordinator

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Raffle Tickets

Thank you to those families who have returned the raffle tickets that were recently sent home from Our Lady of the Rosary Parish for the upcoming Dinner Dance on Saturday 18th July. The Parish have asked that sold or unsold tickets please be returned <u>on</u> <u>Monday 13th July</u> (first day of school next term). Many thanks.

World Youth Day Raffle Tickets

Thank you also to those families who have already returned their World Youth Day Raffle Tickets. We ask that families please return their tickets, either sold or unsold, **by Monday 13th July.** Thank you.

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

Our prayers are extended to the Hanna family (Ethan 6 Green) due to the passing into eternal life of Ethan's grandmother.

Quote of the Week

"Be yourself, everyone else is already taken."

YRS 3-6 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL TOMORROW, 26TH JUNE

Just a few quick reminders for the Athletics Carnival tomorrow, Friday 26th June.

- Students competing in the 800m need to be at the oval by 8.15am.
- If your son/daughter is catching the bus from school could you please make sure they are at school by 8:30 as the buses will leave the school at 8:40am SHARP!
- Students will need to bring their own morning tea and lunch. Don't forget plenty of water.
- There will be a coffee van for the parents, along with a cake stall.
- Thank you to all the parents who have offered to help on the day, there will be a short meeting at 8:45am.
- Children may wear school shorts and a t-shirt of their colour house. Support your colour house with wigs, balloons, streamers etc. Points for colour/best dressed go towards the Spirit Cup. School hat must be worn.
- Don't forget the Parents/Teachers v's House Captains Relay, any parents interested please see myself on the day.

Mrs Andra Hemmings Sports Co-ordinator

Athletics Carnival 2015 - LAST CALL

Carnival Cake Stall - Year 3 Parents

This year we will be having a cake stall and a coffee cart available for parents.

We kindly need your help to cater for the cake stall at the Athletics Carnival on Friday 26th June. We hope that you can generously assist as follows:

Homemade cakes and slices, cut up in individual serves ready to sell, cupcakes, muffins etc. (nut free).

This is only a guide. Any specialty or treat that you are able to bring would be most appreciated. Items can be brought with you to Roxborough Park, if you are attending, or they can be sent with your child on the day. Thank you for your assistance.

Year 3 Parent Reps

Helpers Needed for Cake Stall

Thank you to those parents who have volunteered their time to assist with the cake stall. We are still in need of helpers and if you are able to help, please either contact Rebecca Nati on 0414 966 203 or simply volunteer on the day. Many thanks.

Change of School for 2016 To estimate enrolments for 2016, it would be appreciated if the school could be notified in writing of any children who may be leaving St Angela's at the end of the year, from grades other than Year 6. Thank you.

Celebrating our Gifts

Academíc Excellence

Isabella Khodeir KB Taylor Brett KG Leonardo Blefari KY Tristen Gunawardhana 1B Alec Austen 1G Jessica Lester 1Y Harrison Valenzisi 2B Clarissa Burgess 2G Anjali Hunt 3B Emily O'Rourke 3G Matteo Muscardo 3Y Riley Mackay 4B Jaida Batoua 4G Sienna Javidi 4Y Sarah O'Donnell 5B Vincent Siligato 5G Jessica Perez 5Y Conor Siney 6B Seth Henderson 6G Georgia Tole 6Y

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St Angela's Award

Lucca Piotto KB Ruby Chapman KG Mia Khoudair KY Ava De Carlo 1B Luke Younis 1G Megan Thomas 1Y Tahlia Mackay 2B Emily Lambert 2G Connor Calleja 2Y Jason Herbas 2Y Jessica Brincat 3B John Papadimatos 3G Enrique Hanza 3Y Lara Atchison 4B Nikhita Mohan-Ram 4G Gabriel Van Jour 4Y Robert Piperata 5B Emma Vitanza 5G Owen Azzopardi 5Y Sophia Di Giacomo 6B Lilli-Rose Javidi 6G Macklin Kirkley 6Y

star spot

Congratulations to Freya Begg (1 Blue) who was recently awarded a yellow belt in karate. Well done Freya!

Congratulations to Rachel Western (6 Blue) who will be competing at Star Power Nationals Dance Competition in Las Vegas, Nevada, USA during these school holidays. Rachel may also be competing against dancers from the TV show 'Dance Moms', Good luck Rachel!

Congratulations to Isabella Chidiac (3 Blue) who was a hostess for the Kids of Oz Charity Ball last Saturday evening which raised over \$50,000 for the indigenous children of Tennant Creek. Well done Isabella!

Congratulations to Montana Ritchie (5 Blue) who will be competing in the Australia Elite Junior Nationals for Diving in the 3m Springboard and 5m Platform events at Sydney Olympic Park on 9th and 10th July. Good luck Montana!

Term Dates for 2015

Term 220th April to 26th JuneTerm 313th July to 18th SeptemberTerm 46th October to 16th December

Happy birthday to members of our St Angela's

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community who will celebrate their birthday this coming week and during the holidays:

<u>JUNE</u> Sun 28th Zane Smolinski Olivia Mizzi

Mon 29th Frederick Johan Michael Taouk Adam Hochstetter Noah Sweeney

Tues 30th Chantelle Ritchie

JULY Wed 1st James Cassab Marissa Alberti Jonah Singh Luke Wehrmann

Thurs 2nd William Elliott Jemma Turner Tiana Alberti Felicity Rankin Georgia Zeid Priya Tulsi Ciara Crowley

Sun 5th Ethanael Lorenzo Alexander Mizzi

Mon 6th Tiarne Fox

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Tues 7th Hayley Johnston Jessica Woolnough

Wed 8th Zoe Ortlepp

Thank you

Thank you to the large number of parents who have given generously of their time and support in so many ways this term at St Angela's. This includes helping with excursions, sporting events, literacy, numeracy, parent meetings, library assistance, special food days, canteen and book club.

Thurs 9th Jessica Perez Georgia Lee

Fri 10th Jessica Brincat Dylan Manio Tom Smales Annika Clarke Angelina Tallaridi

Sun 12th Frederik Bounassif Mrs Fitzalan

Mon 13th Oliver Miskovich Noah Hemmings

Wed 15th Vanessa Tesoriero

Thurs 16th Jessica Mitchell Ella West

Fri 17th Lauren Dominguez Emily Lambert

Sat 18th Jayson Orley Juliusz Jonski Robert Kelly Owen Sereni



15 Year Anniversary Dinner Dance Friday 11th September "A Touch of Sparkle"

Thank you for your generous offers to date! Arrangements for the evening are well underway. Invitations will be sent to all families soon, with live music and great prizes to be won. Start getting your friends together and organise your table of 10.

Calling any expert 'cup cake' makers who would like to donate their time and talents to make delicious treats for the night. Please contact Antonella Tesoriero on 0419 997 990 or email the office if you are able to assist or if you have any enquiries.

Many thanks.

Uniform News

As Oz Fashions collect and deliver orders each Tuesday and Friday, the first pick up for uniforms will be the first week of next term, Tuesday 14th July with the first delivery being Friday 17th July. Oz Fashions have advised that should you wish to contact them during the holidays please do so via email at elle@ozfashions.com.au. A reminder that order forms can be downloaded from our website under Parents, Notes from School, Whole School, School Uniform Order.

Kindergarten Mum's High Tea

A High Tea has been organised for all Kindergarten Mums. Details are as follows:

When:	Saturday, 18th July from 12.00-3.30pm
Where:	Hills Lodge, Castle Hill
Cost:	\$42.00 per person
RSVP:	Tereza Miletic on 0411 788 121 or
	tereza.miletic@gmail.com by Friday 26th June

This is a great opportunity to create new friendships and connections. There are limited spots available so please RSVP so you don't miss out.

TSA Band Camp 2015!

Yes, it's that time of year again! Pull out your best swimmers for the waterslide, your grooviest PJ's for the pyjama disco and get into training for the staff V students beach volleyball match!! (Oh, and you should probably practise your band music too!)

Whilst most kids come to camp for the excitement of new friends, fun activities and a weekend away, the real benefit is in the valuable experience (both musical and social) gained from such intensive time spent in such a highly musical environment. With over 8 hours of face -to-face tuition over the weekend, there is over a term and a half worth of 30 minute lessons to be had! Camp is also a valuable experience for students who may be losing interest in music and need a boost of enthusiasm and practise to get them to a level where they can enjoy their music and performance.

Notes for camp should have already been received by band parents via email outlining details including cost, venue, times and dates. If you did not receive this email or you need another copy, please visit <u>www.teachingservices.com.au</u> and download the note from the 'Band Notes' section of the website. Permission notes, along with deposit, need to be returned ASAP to avoid missing out as the camp participation needs to be finalised at the beginning of Term 3.

International Competitions and Assessments (ICAS) Years 3 to 6

The ICAS English test will be held on **Tuesday 28th July** in the library starting at <u>7.30am sharp</u>. This is due to the fact that not all students participate and therefore your child will not miss out on their classroom learning. The test must be done on the designated day at the designated time. Unfortunately, tests not completed during the supervised time cannot be done at an alternative time. A pencil case containing a pencil, an eraser and a ruler are required.



Please note, due to the Athletics Carnival this Friday, the next Year 6 Committee Meeting will be held at 9.00am on Friday 17th July at Air Coffee, 10 Salisbury Road, Castle Hill.

Call to all Year 6 Students

Time to get creative over the holidays and design a front/back cover for your Yearbook. Details can be found in the Yearbook letter on Yolo. Please submit designs by the end of Week 1 next term, Friday 17th July. Any enquiries, please contact Mrs Kathy Turner on 0435 282 616 or titch.turner@gmail.com.

Keep Us Informed

For our 'Star Spot' or 'Keep in our Prayers' newsletter sections, please convey in writing to the office via your child or email, any significant achievements or experiences that as a community, we can acknowledge, celebrate or pray for together.



INTERNET/FACEBOOK/TEXT MESSAGING

As a parent you have a responsibility to monitor your child's use of technology at home, in

particular, over the holidays. As a school we speak regularly to our older grades about appropriate technology use. If this technology is being used inappropriately by your child or others then action needs to be taken. Suggestions include:

- Viewing your child's text messages (both inbox & outbox)
- Viewing internet history
- Viewing emails sent and received
- Encouraging your child to block any children on Facebook if needed

- Setting up rules of usage and following through with

restricted or no mobile phone, internet usage etc. for a period of time

- Monitoring games they play against others on the internet.

Please let us know if we can help you in this important area.



THE GOOD GUYS SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL PROGRAM

A reminder that The Good Guys 'Support Your School Program' has commenced for 2015. If buying items at The Good Guys, Castle Hill, don't forget to collect school reward vouchers which the school can use to buy equipment etc. for the children.