



# St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill

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Term 2, Week 7

Dear Parents,

This week, I joined our Year 2 children, their teachers and many, many parents in celebrating a special Liturgy about Pentecost. As we sang and prayed together, the following reflection came to mind:

*I got up early one morning  
And rushed right into the day.  
I had so much to accomplish  
That I didn't have time to pray.  
Problems just tumbled around me  
And heavier came each task.  
"Why doesn't God help me?" I wondered  
He answered: "You didn't ask."*

*I wanted to see joy and beauty,  
But the day toiled on, grey and bleak.  
I wondered why God didn't show me  
He said, "But you didn't seek."*

*I tried to come into God's presence  
I used all my keys at the lock.  
God gently and lovingly chided  
"My child you didn't knock."*

*I woke up early this morning  
And paused before entering the day.  
I had so much to accomplish  
**THAT I HAD TO TAKE TIME TO PRAY.***

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How blessed we are at St Angela's, to have so many occasions when we stop to pray. Each day we pray our school prayer, at 12:00 each day we say The Angelus. May we never forget the power of a prayer.

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I wish to inform you that Mrs Lowden (4 Green teacher) will be leaving St Angela's in Week 3 of next term, as she has accepted a

teaching position in China.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Lowden for her care and dedication in educating the children in her care during her time here at St Angela's. We wish her God's blessings for her new endeavours.

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## Reporting at St Angela's

Student Learning Reports will come home in Week 10 of this term. For the first time, Kindergarten children will receive a Report that is very similar to the Years 1-6 Report. Kindergarten children will still receive Working Towards, Achieving, Working Beyond, rather than A-E grades. Special thanks to our wonderful teachers who are currently putting much time and effort into preparing Reports for all children.

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Disco dancing was the order of the night last Thursday evening as the children bopped till they dropped. What a fantastic night! Many thanks to our fundraising/organising committee and their multitude of capable helpers on the evening for co-ordinating this memorable event for all the children. Thank you to Melissa Chapman, Louise Khoudair, Tara Shepherd, Kerry Valenzisi, Marie Catalano, Anita Tole, Jen Blackwell, Tanya Taylor, Cherille Paton, Cecilie Fitzsimons, Heidi Castillo, Maria Fernandes, Laura Barker, Kirra McNamara, Francine Moc, Linda Cerreto, Janette Layoun, Anna Chapman, Alli Holmes, Vanessa Callaghan, Tegan Baylis, Monica Crowley, Oli Anastasio, Sharon Hogan, Helen Morley, Joyce Bautista, Eve Basso, Sonia Perez, Lisa Netana, Mehdi Javidi and Cathy Bareham.

*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:

### "Looking for the Good in Everything"

*Our theme this week encourages the children and ourselves to look for and appreciate the good in others. This is often related to our outlook on life. The media often portrays the negative aspects of so many people and events. Looking for the good in everything helps us to appreciate how God has blessed us with His abundance of gifts. Good is always present, the challenge sometimes, is to bring it into the spotlight.*

## 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.

## Vinnies Blanket Appeal - Keep someone in need warm this winter



St Vincent de Paul Society  
good works

Warm blankets remain one of the most sought after items for people in need. St Vincent de Paul Society distributes thousands of blankets each year through soup van and welfare services. The demand for blankets always spikes during the cold winter months.

As part of our Social Justice outreach this term we are asking each family to support this appeal by donating a blanket. Our Blanket Appeal will run from this week to the last day of Term 2 to keep someone warm this winter. All of the blankets collected will be delivered to the St Vincent De Paul distribution centre to be given to the homeless, families in need and street kids.

Mrs Marilyn Turner  
Religious Education Co-ordinator

### Sent home in the last week:

Emailled: Change of Sport Uniform Days, Letter to 4 Green Parents, Year 2 Design and Make Note  
Hard Copy: Years 3 to 6 Athletics Carnival Note, Commemorative Courtyard Certificate



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# Religious Education



Sunday, June 7th 2015

The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ  
(Corpus Christi) Year B

## Mark 14:12-16, 22-26 Feast speaks volumes about Jesus' "divine love"

In 2009, Pope Benedict XVI called attention to the observance of the feast of Corpus Christi in many parts of the Catholic world. The then-Pontiff said it was linked to the other feasts nearby in the liturgical calendar-- Easter, Pentecost, and Trinity Sunday.

This feast, the Pope explained, "speaks to us of divine love-- of what it is and what it does." The love of God "transforms all things," he continued. For that reason the faithful organise processions, carrying the Eucharistic Lord into their cities.

The Blessed Sacrament, the Pope said, gives the faithful the strength to continue the mission of the Church. "We all need this Bread, because the journey toward freedom, justice, and peace is long and tiring."

From [a homily](#) by Pope Benedict XVI, on June 14, 2009

## **From the Year 4 Mass on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May - 'The Bread of Life':**

We live in a world of signs.

A light on in a dark house means someone is at home. A handshake is a sign of greeting and friendship. A flag is the sign of a nation.

Jesus wanted to leave a sign of His presence amongst us. He told us that whenever his friends meet and break bread, he would be present. The breaking of bread, which happens at every Mass is a sign of God's presence here and now and also challenges us to share our lives with God for his people.

"This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many."

Mrs Marilyn Turner  
Religious Education Co-ordinator

## Quote of the Week

*"The best thing about the future is that it comes only one day at a time."*

## Commemorative Courtyard

For families who have ordered a commemorative courtyard paver, coming home today is a certificate displaying how your child's paver will appear. We ask that you please check this certificate carefully and contact the office if you have any queries by **next Thursday 18th June**. Thank you.

**Best wishes to our Year 5 children as they visit  
Bathurst today and tomorrow**

## CHANGING GOING HOME ARRANGEMENTS

A reminder to parents that our official school day is from 8.30am until 2.55pm and your child is required to be present between these times. Children should not be taken out of school early unless it is for an important reason (ie. Appointment for specialists etc.) Likewise, any changes of going home arrangements should only be made in cases of emergencies. As you can appreciate, contacting classes for children to come to the office for early departures or to advise of going home changes is disruptive to the learning, in particular to the whole school if the class is not in their room and an announcement needs to be made. We ask that all early departures and changes to going home arrangements are completed before 2.30pm. We thank you for your support in this area.



## Upcoming Dates

### Week 7

**Thurs 4th June**

Year 5 Excursion to Bathurst

7.00pm Year 5 Dinner at Castle Hill RSL

**Fri 5th June**

Year 5 Excursion to Bathurst

9.45am Interschool Debating - St Angela's vs St Pauls - Parents welcome

### Week 8

**Mon 8th June**

Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

**Thurs 11th June**

11.00am Sacred Heart of Jesus Whole School Mass in St Angela's St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - Parents welcome

**Fri 12th June**

Year 3 Excursion to Brewongle

CPS & CCC Cross Country Championships at Eastern Creek

### Week 9

**Mon 15th June**

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

**Fri 19th June**

Years 3-6 Athletics Carnival at Roxborough Park, Baulkham Hills

### Week 10

**Mon 22nd June**

Year 2 'Shelter' Design and Make Day

**Tues 23rd June**

Year 1 'Transport Design and Make Day

Parent/Teacher Interviews

**Wed 24th June**

Parent/Teacher Interviews

**Thurs 25th June**

Stage 2 Boys and Girls Soccer Gala Day

**Fri 26th June**

Last Day of Term 2

## Please keep in your prayers

*Our prayers are extended to the Carr family (Jayden 4 Green) due to the passing into eternal life of Jayden's great grandfather.*

## Please keep in your prayers

*Our prayers are extended to the Arida family (Joe and Elle from Oz Fashions) due to the passing into eternal life of Joe's father.*

## Save the date

## 15 Year Anniversary Dinner Dance Friday 11th September

Thank you for your generous offers to date! In preparation for our 15 Year celebrations, we are seeking sponsorship for prizes, donations, services etc. that could assist in any aspect of our dinner dance or be used as part of a St Angela's raffle, silent auction or to help subsidise costs etc. Your business/family's generous assistance would be most appreciated and acknowledged at our major dinner dance function and through our newsletter. Please contact Antonella Tesoriero on 0419 997 990 who will put you in touch with another committee member or email the office if you are able to assist in any shape or form to make our dinner dance memorable.

## Grade Assemblies

Please note as communicated in our term calendar, the remaining whole school assembly for Term 2 is **Week 9, Monday 15th June at 2.10pm** led by Kindergarten

All parents are most welcome to join us.

## Celebrating our Gifts

### Academic Excellence

Tiana Azzopardi KB  
Annika Clarke KG  
Stella Powell KY  
Dineth Jayakody 1B  
Oliver Gerrettson-Cornell 1G  
Sean Collins 1Y  
Joel Cartisano 2B  
Sanjana Kadam 2G  
Fynn Vander Stok 2Y  
Flynn Jamer 3B  
Oshi Kirkley 3G  
Dylan Manio 3Y  
Maks Tole 4B  
Indianna Cane 4G  
Aeven Mendoza 4G  
Alyssa Frasca 4Y  
Roisin Kelly 5B  
Connie Costa 5G  
Arianna Mohan-Ram 5Y  
Dylan Nguyen 6B  
Harrison Crotty 6G  
Zander Askew 6Y

### St Angela's Award

Courtney Azzopardi KB  
Ciara Crowley KG  
Angelina Catalano KY  
Evangeline Green 1B  
Chanel Nasr 1G  
Jorja McKnight 1Y  
Noah Andrew 2B  
Marcus Como 2G  
Nicholas Murdocca 2Y  
Katarina Costa 3B  
Keira Murphy 3G  
James Hakme-Bader 3Y  
Joel Woodhead 4B  
Charles Saul 4Y  
Joel Hunt 5B  
Olivia Nati 5G  
Lauren Dominguez 5Y  
Michael Breva 6B  
Ethan Hanna 6G  
Reine Farah 6Y

## Happy Birthday!

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

### JUNE

#### Sun 7th

Adam Mendoza  
Amalia Mohan-Ram  
Mrs Smith

#### Mon 8th

Tahlia Mearns

#### Wed 10th

Zaidyn Wallace  
Noah Jenkins

#### Thurs 11th

Zachary Hefron

#### Fri 12th

Keean Holmes  
Jessica White

#### Sat 13th

Georgia Sultana

## Star Spot

Congratulations to Brae Harriss (6 Green) who has been selected to represent the Eastwood District Rugby Union Club in the Under 12's at the State Championships to be held at Camden this June long weekend.  
Good luck Brae!

## Emailing of Various School Notes

As various school notes are now emailed, if you change your email or wish to use a different email address to receive correspondence, please advise the office. We encourage you to check your email (and/or spam) regularly for emails from St Angela's. Please advise the office if you have not received emails.

## Year 6 Yearbook

A reminder to all Year 6 students that Yearbook biographies and profile photos are due to be submitted by **tomorrow, Friday 5th June**, with cover designs due by the end of Week 10, **Friday 26th June**. The profile photos include a student choice photo for all students and kindy photo only if not at St Angela's in 2009. Refer to the Yearbook letter for full details. An editable MSWord copy of the biography form was sent out via email by Mr Hurst and is also accessible via Yolo. Any questions, please contact the Yearbook Co-ordinator, Kathy Turner, on 0435 282 516 or [titch.turner@gmail.com](mailto:titch.turner@gmail.com). Thank you.

## PLEASE BE CONSIDERATE

Please show consideration to our neighbours who live in the vicinity of the school by not parking or waiting across driveways or on nature strips. A number of offending cars' registration plates have been reported to the school.

Walkers/Crossers: Please remember to set a safe example for our children. If your child is a 'crosser', please **do not** walk back across the busy road with them. The school side of Harrington Avenue is for 'walkers' only. Your co-operation in this area is most appreciated.

## Artists of the Week

Congratulations to our artists for this week:

Sienna Van Jour (2 Yellow)  
Alannah Bridge (3 Yellow)



Children's artworks are proudly displayed in the Library.

## Children's Work Books Coming Home

This week the children will be bringing home their English books. Please take the time to look through, discuss and enjoy the learning your child has undertaken. Please remember that not all learning undertaken in Key Learning Areas is recorded in workbooks. At times, work is marked for a specific purpose only, eg. speech marks or inclusion of adjectives. Next week keep an eye out for further books coming home.

**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.**



## Dance Fever at St Angela's

Dance Fever has been booked! Thank you to the parents who attended the Trial Day sessions and provided such enthusiastic feedback. Every Monday in Term 3, the talented staff from Dance Fever will be at St Angela's to teach K-6 a variety of structured dances. There will also be a whole school Hip Hop routine to learn. At the end of the term, children will have the opportunity to take part in a 'Challenge' dance-off night at Homebush. Although all children will dance throughout the term, taking part in the night at Homebush is purely optional. The cost will be only \$4.00 per week (ie. \$40.00 per student) for the term, with a separate note being sent home soon.

## Winter Has Arrived

The cold weather is here. Thank you for your efforts with having the children in winter uniforms. The children look fantastic. We appreciate the cost involved plus the constant upkeep with washing/ironing and so on. A tidy uniform gives the children a sense of personal worth and a sense of belonging to our wonderful school. It projects a positive image to others when they see our children wearing their uniform correctly, hair neat and tidy, no jewellery, correct school backpack, with clean shoes and wearing our school hat.

## If you are ever unsure

*A sincere thank you to the parents who take the time to make contact to clarify rumours, stories, perceived events, playground experiences etc. that they may hear from their children or misinformed others. Children love to sensationalise events, and as a result their accounts can sometimes be a mixture of truth and many opinions of others.*

If you are ever unsure about any school event, activity, procedure, learnings or in particular anything that may have involved your child etc. you are encouraged to please take the time to seek clarification, as your first port of call with the school i.e. with class teachers, the office, Mrs Fitzalan or Mr Calabria to get information first hand as opposed to relying on hearsay or other's interpretations or perceptions.

**Please also note it is never appropriate to approach other school children for clarification of an issue or event etc. Matters are always best handled by the teachers and school. Additionally, contacting other parents who you do not know well to discuss children's friendships etc is not always beneficial.**

## Book Club

Scholastic catalogues have been sent home today. Please note book club orders are due back at school **by Friday 12th June**. LATE ORDERS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED. Envelopes should be clearly marked: BOOKCLUB, NAME, CLASS AND AMOUNT. **Payments are accepted by cheque (made payable to Scholastic) and credit card. PLEASE NOTE CASH IS NOT ACCEPTED. Credit card payments are made as per instructions on the Book Club brochures. Credit card information is not to be written on the order forms. If you wish to pay by credit card YOU must ring scholastic on the 1800 number on the order form or online payment at [www.scholastic.com.au/payment](http://www.scholastic.com.au/payment). The receipt number is then to be recorded on the order form then forwarded with your order. There must be a receipt number with your order or I cannot process the order. Thank you.**

Athena Woolnough (0432 682 508)  
Book Club Coordinator

## MORNING KISS AND DROP

Which boxes can **YOU** tick?

- ☐ Do you get your child/children to school on time so they do not miss out on important messages at assembly and the start of their learning time?
- ☐ If your child/children are late (after 8:30am), do you come to the office and complete a late slip?
- ☐ Do you always drive less than 5 km per hour within the school grounds?
- ☐ Do you have your child exit from the passenger side only?
  - ☐ Do you train your child to get out of the car independently?
- ☐ Do you remain in your lane and not overtake when dropping off?
- ☐ Are you a patient driver who is respectful towards others?

*Thank you for your support in helping to provide a safe and speedy drop off in the morning.*

## News from Oz Fashions

Please note that pick up and delivery of orders will resume this Tuesday 9th June. Many thanks for your understanding.

## entertainment™ Books

Entertainment Books are now available to purchase. Each purchase supports fundraising efforts for the school. Flyers are available from the school office. To order and make payment for your book, please visit <https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/2144d46>.

For further information please contact the school office.

## Year 5 Parent Dinner

A dinner has been organised for all Year 5 parents. Details are as follows:

When: Tonight, Thursday 4th June from 7.00pm  
Where: Castle Hill RSL  
Enquiries: Leanne Bower on 0428 483 453

Hope to see you there!

## Year 2 Parent Dinner

A dinner has been organised for all Year 2 parents. Details are as follows:

When: Wednesday 10th June at 7.00pm  
Where: The Fiddler (indoor tables booked), Cnr Windsor and Commercial Rds, Rouse Hill  
RSVP: Monday 8th June to Leanne Bower on 0428 483 453 or Nicole Love on 0402 446 244

Hope to see you there!

## 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.