



St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill

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Term 3, Week 2

Dear Parents,

As a faith community we congratulate and keep in our prayers the Year 6 students who, this weekend, have their preparation day for Confirmation and then over the next three weekends will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Church. The Seven gifts of the Holy Spirit - Wonder, Courage, Reverence, Wisdom, Right Judgement, Knowledge and Understanding inspire us to live our lives in the footsteps of Christ. May the Holy Spirit be a very important part of their lives and guide them in all that they do. May God bless our Year 6 students.

Next week we farewell Mrs Theresa Lowden from our St Angela's community as she travels to China to teach in an International School. Many thanks to Theresa for her contribution to St Angela's both as a teacher and co-ordinator. She is a passionate educator who we will all miss. We wish her all the best.

We welcome Miss Shanna Howe to our St Angela's team, who will be assuming the teaching responsibilities for 4 Green.

In thinking about how respect towards each other is so important, I enjoyed the following reflection that gives 10 simple points to always remember. Why not take the time to share this with your child.

1. Speak to people. There is nothing as nice as a cheerful word of greeting.
2. Smile at people. It takes 72 muscles to frown and only 14 to smile.
3. Call people by name. The sweetest music to anyone's ear is the sound of their own name.
4. Be friendly and helpful. Be a friend to all.
5. Be cordial. Speak and act as if everything you do were a genuine pleasure.
6. Be genuinely interested in people. You can like everybody if you try.
7. Be generous with praise, cautious with criticism.
8. Be considerate of the feelings of others, it will be appreciated.
9. Be thoughtful of the opinions of others, there are always three sides to controversy - yours, the other person's and the right one.
10. Be alert to give service. What counts most in life is what we do for others.

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

Tony Calabria
Principal



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.

Sent home in the last week:

Emailled: Grade Overviews for K-6, Note to 4 Green parents

Theme for the week:

"Care & Compassion"

(taken from The Nine Values for Australian Schools from the National Values Education Program)

Some Food for Thought

How do we care for ourselves? Do we keep a healthy body and mind?

How do we really care for others in need?

Do we think of others who are in need?

Are we compassionate towards the needs of others?

How do we show care and compassion in our words and actions?



Week 2

Fri 24th July

Year 4 Excursion to The Rocks

Week 3

Tues 28th July

7.30am Optional ICAS English Competition (Years 3-6) in the library

Wed 29th July

8.45am Parent Representative Meeting in the staffroom

Fri 31st July

Year 6 only - Pyjama Mufti Day

2.10pm Year 5 Assembly in St Angela's St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - Parents welcome

Week 4

Tues 4th Aug

2.30pm Year 1 Liturgy in St Angela's St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - Parents welcome

Wed 5th Aug

8.45am Year 6 VOY School Final

Fri 7th Aug

Census Day - Please see further information in this Shine

Jeans for Genes Day - Jeans Mufti. Gold or fold donation

9:45am Debating vs St Bernadette's - Parents welcome

2.10pm Year 1 Assembly in St Angela's St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - Parents welcome

7:00pm Confirmation Ceremony at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Church

Important Dates to Note

General Parent Meeting

Wednesday 12th August at 7.30pm

Fathers' Day Celebrations

Friday 4th September

15 Year Anniversary Gala Dinner

Friday 11th September

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Grandparents' Day

Friday 30th October



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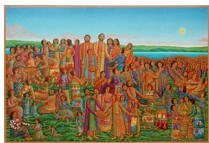
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Religious Education



Sunday, July 26th 2015

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

[contemporary artist](#)
[John August Swanson](#)

John 6:1-15 Eucharist demonstrated through feeding of the 5000

We recognise that today's account of the feeding of the crowd – the introductory section of this long meditation - has strong overtones of the Eucharistic celebration: it is announced that the 'feast of Passover' is approaching; Jesus 'gives thanks' as at the Last Supper; Jesus himself distributes the loaves to all present. This incident reminds us that the Saviour, whose Paschal Mystery we share in as we celebrate the Mass, is concerned for the welfare of God's people at every level. We must have a concern for our brothers and sisters that is more than words and pious thoughts, if we are to show in our lives the true fruits of the Paschal Mystery. It has often been pointed out that, in the miraculous feeding of the crowd, Jesus called upon the generosity of collaborators. The 'small boy' was certainly generous to give up his meal when asked for it. But he was to see his generosity make possible an explosion of divine generosity that is still remembered as we tell the story of Jesus. Surely, there is a clear lesson here for disciples of every age. An [extract from a homily](#) on the Gospel by Fr John Thornhill sm

Religious Education Displays in the Classroom

During the teaching of Religion, teachers use other Key Learning Areas to reinforce the concepts being taught. Creative and Visual Art is easily adapted to support Religious Literacy. This is a wonderful example from one of our classrooms, teaching the children about the Parable of The Lost Sheep.



Mrs Marilyn Turner
Religious Education Co-ordinator

Quote of the Week

"People don't care how much you know until they know how much you care."

COMPULSORY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

The Education Act 1990 requires your child to attend school each day that instruction is provided, unless they are sick or there is another good reason for their inability to attend. Parents are required to explain their child's absence within the following seven days. Not doing so means that an unjustified absence will be recorded on the class roll. Teachers are also required to record lateness and part day absences on the class roll. If your child is late, or if you pick your child up during the school day, you are required to come in to the office to complete a Student Partial Absence form.

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

INVITATIONS HAVE BEEN SENT HOME TODAY

Thank you for your generous offers to date! Arrangements for the evening are well underway. Invitations have been sent to all families this week. A fun evening awaits with great food, live music and amazing prizes to be won. Start getting your friends together and organise your table of 10 or we can place you on a table with good company. RSVP date is Wednesday 26th August.

Please contact Antonella Tesoriero on 0419 997 990 or email the office if you are able to assist in any way towards our anniversary evening with donations, services etc., or if you have any enquiries. Many thanks.

Thank you

To Wayne Davie, Bec Nati, Laura Hall, Jenny Tallaridi, Estelle Yu, Marga Gunasekera, Maria Siligato and Jen Petras for all their help with co-ordinating and helping serve at our Athletics Carnival Cake Stall. Your help was much appreciated.

The Woolworths Earn and Learn Program has commenced. Collect your sticker cards now and drop them in the box either at the supermarket or send them into the school office!

Are you receiving emails?

As you are aware, information, notes, updates etc., are sometimes sent via email. If you are not receiving emails from St Angela's, please contact the office to have your email address updated on our database. Many thanks.

Coughs and Colds

Just a reminder that if your child has flu symptoms it is important that they stay home in order to recuperate fully. When a child has a persistent cough, a check up with your doctor is recommended, to rule out whooping cough. Information on whooping cough can be found on the NSW Health information site www.health.nsw.gov.au



Baby Girl

Congratulations to the Andrew family on the arrival of Abigail
a sister for Ethan (5 Yellow), Cooper (4 Yellow)
and Noah (2 Blue)

Welcome to St Angela's School Community

Baby Boy

Congratulations to the Brook family on the arrival of Tobias
a brother for Zachary (K Yellow)

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Celebrating our Gifts

Academic Excellence

Jared Suarez KB
 Brayden Geraghty KG
 Yasemin Vancuylenberg KY
 Olivia Mizzi 1B
 Jessica Mitchell 1G
 Lachlan Burden 1Y
 Molly Nati 2B
 Jeanette Khoudair 2G
 Jarvis Hemmings 2Y
 Emily Mitchell 3B
 Samuel Langridge 3G
 Emerson McDonald 3Y
 Zoe Dimitriadis 4B
 Ava Foxe 4G
 Isabella Seda 4Y
 Kristian Ebejer 5B
 Timothy Bagtas 5G
 Lucy Van Der Heyde 5Y
 Christopher Ibrahim 6B
 Hayley Johnston 6G
 Michael Rodrigues 6Y

St Angela's Award

Taylor DSilva KB
 Rhys Wilson KG
 Isiah Lorenzo KY
 Sascha Blefari 1B
 Lucas Rothwell 1G
 Finnian Christie 1Y
 Jack Tole 2B
 Kingsley Barnett 2G
 Narelle Barker 2Y
 Dylan Gularte 3B
 Zoe Byrne 3G
 Claire Moroney 3Y
 Sienna Adams-Rodriguez 4B
 Cooper Metcalfe 4G
 Zachary Pace 4Y
 Seth Panganiban 5B
 Chris Park 5G
 Armaan Tulsi 5Y
 Cameron McEwan 6B
 Charlotte Burgess 6G
 Chloe Geromboux 6Y

Happy Birthday!

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

JULY

Mon 27th
 Gabriella Fernandes

Fri 31st
 Jordan May
 Sienna Adams-Rodriguez
 Ava Bizzanelli

Tues 28th
 William Love

Wed 29th
 Andrew Bareham

AUGUST

Sat 1st
 Cassandra Davidson

Thurs 30th
 Isabella Sultana



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 7.30am sharp**. 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 is required.

DIOCESAN VOICE OF YOUTH



This term the students from Year 6 will be competing in the Parramatta Diocese Voice of Youth Contest. Our children are all busy writing and practising their speeches to present to their classes. The students have been given a list of criteria for judging. Some of these include:

- Timing: 3-4 minutes
- Stance: poised, comfortable, confident
- Topic Interest: Audience attention, appropriate level
- Voice: clarity, variety, loudness, pitch
- Speech Cards: keeping pace, correct usage
- Eye contact/gestures
- Involving audience by using individual personality according to topic.

Three winners will be chosen from our school level final to be held on **Wednesday 5th August at 8.45am**. These children will then represent St Angela's at a Cluster Final on **Wednesday 26th August at 9.30am here at St Angela's in our hall**. One winner from the cluster will progress to the Semi Final and perhaps the Grand Final following later in the term. This diocesan speech contest is being conducted so that children with a flair for public speaking have an opportunity to use this talent. Good luck to all our Year 6 students. Parents are most welcome to come along and support our students on either of these days as audience involvement is a major part of their speaking process.

Mr Hurst, Mrs Newbury and Mrs Rubelj
 Year 6 Teachers

Jeans for Genes®

On Friday 7th August, St Angela's as part of its social justice outreach program, will be supporting the Jeans for Genes Day appeal. Children are invited to wear their jeans/denim mufti on the day. We ask that each child brings in a donation of gold or fold in support of this worthwhile cause. Thank you.

School Census Day Friday 7th August

Friday 7th August is School Census Day. All children should attend school on this day and absence should only be if it is absolutely necessary.

If your child is absent on this day, please simply email the school at stangelas@parra.catholic.edu.au by 10.00am explaining their absence and their date of return to school. This email will then be forwarded to your child's teacher. Please note: Auditors have advised that written advice from parents is essential.

This is of course a requirement that applies to everyday of the school year, however, Census data is directly related to Government funding for our schools and the requirements outlined above are set by the Department of Education.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Sport News

St Bernadette's Invitational Netball Gala Day

On Tuesday, 12 Netball teams played in the St Bernadette's Invitational Gala Day at Kellyville Netball Courts. I know every time you read my reports some of you think I just write about their good sportsmanship and excellent representatives of St Angela's because 'it's a given' BUT it is so true. St Angela's are great at sport but are even better at being good sports. A great example of this happened when at the end of a game one boy came racing off to ask what was the name of the school he was playing against. I was thinking what's wrong only to hear the child then yell out to his team mates "Three cheers for Mary Immaculate!" It was very exciting to see the two 9 year girls, 11 year girls, 12 year old girls, junior boys and senior boys win their division for the day. We also had some teams finish a very close 2nd and at the same time we had some teams who just had an awesome day playing with their friends being competitive and respectful to the opposition and enjoying themselves.

Our thanks to all our Team Managers who helped us on the day: Aunty Lauren (Hayley Johnston's aunty), Jenni Lawton, Margaret Easterbrook, Debbie Hefron, Kylie Jamer, Rebecca Batoua, Tara Shepherd, Monica Crowley, Fiona Hohn, David Hemmings, Jordy Jamer, Sonia O'Rourke and Michelle McEneaney. It was lovely to see some ex St Angela's students that are now at Marian who took time from school to help us with umpiring: Emily Horne, Alannah Clifford, Ella McNamara, Jessica Hefron, Kimberley Hefron, Lauren Jacobs, Elyse Grima, Tyler Cunningham, Chloe Madden, Annabelle McEvoy, Emily Spora and Beth Porter.

Special thanks to Mrs Rubelj, Mrs Newman, Mrs Javidi and Mrs Ogilvie who either helped to select and train the teams in their recess or lunch time or supported the teams on the day.

Finally, thank you to Mr Calabria for allowing so many children the opportunity to participate in the Netball Gala Day.

Mrs Andra Hemmings
Sports Co-ordinator



THE GOOD GUYS SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL PROGRAM

A reminder that 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.

Values Matter at St Angela's

During this term, starting this week, information on the "Nine Values for Australian Schooling" will be presented each week in our school newsletter. As you are aware the teaching of "Values Education" has been mandated by the Australian Government. These core values have been identified as including a range of secular and religious world views, and are common to most cultures. They underpin Australian society. As a Catholic School we teach according to Jesus Christ's gospel values which strongly reflect the values of LOVE, FAITH, HOPE, RECONCILIATION, KINDNESS, SELF CONTROL, GENTLENESS, INTEGRITY, RESPECT and JUSTICE. Below is a summary of the nine values for Australian schooling.

Nine Values for Australian Schooling

1. Care and Compassion - Care for self and others
2. Doing Your Best - Seek to accomplish something worthy and admirable, try hard, pursue excellence
3. Fair Go - Pursue and protect the common good where all people are treated fairly for a just society
4. Freedom - Enjoy all the rights and privileges of Australian citizenship free from unnecessary interference or control, and stand up for the rights of others
5. Honesty and Trustworthiness - Be honest, sincere and seek the truth
6. Integrity - Act in accordance with principles of moral and ethical conduct, ensure consistency between words and deeds
7. Respect - Treat others with consideration and regard, respect another person's point of view
8. Responsibility - Be accountable for one's own actions, resolve differences in constructive, non-violent and peaceful ways, contribute to society and to civic life, take care of the environment
9. Understanding, Tolerance and Inclusion - Be aware of others and their cultures, accept diversity within a democratic society, being included and including others.

A key aspect of this ongoing values education is the importance of students developing responsibility, resilience and social skills through co-curricular as well as curriculum programs.

Unpacking NAPLAN & a case study for improvement

Term 3 PRC General Meeting – Mon 3 Aug 2015, 7pm

All catholic school parents and educators welcome!

Free presentation to all who attend the Term 3 General Meeting.

Presenters: Mrs Sue Walsh, Deputy Executive Director, Catholic Education, Diocese of Parramatta

and

Dr Elizabeth Ricketts, Principal, St Aidan's Primary School, Rooty Hill



Venue: Diocesan Assembly Centre(IFM), Grd Flr, Cnr Flushcombe Rd & Marian St, Blacktown

Doors open 6.30pm for coffee & tea.

Further enquiries: Please email prcparrapresident@gmail.com

Please Note: Note-taking is the responsibility of each attendee for the benefit of themselves and the school community that they represent. Formal handouts from presentations is unlikely.