

### St Angela's Primary School Castle Hill

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Dear Parents,

### FATHER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS NEXT FRIDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER

We invite all Dads to come to a special DAD morning assembly in their honour at 8:45am next Friday morning which will be followed by a morning tea and then a visit to the classrooms. We hope dads (or significant males) and parents are able to join us. Although it is termed Father's Day, it is appreciated that many other significant adults and mothers play the role of 'dad' in the children's lives.

All parents and friends are most welcome.

## Drop Everything and Read

Last Tuesday, hundreds of parents with their favourite books joined the children to enjoy a good read. Our classrooms, playground, hall and library were buzzing and overflowing. It was just wonderful to see children, parents and grandparents in groups and individually reading to each other. Your extremely positive feedback of this annual event has once again been very much appreciated.



## St Angela's Writing Festival

Our St Angela's Writing Festival which was held last Thursday was an amazing learning event, with the children's writing stimulated by the mystery object on the oval that awaited them when they arrived at school.

The children had their own creative theories of what was in the box

and where it came from. The children debated their ideas based on the objects they could see and were even challenged, all in a healthy discussion, by others who thought differently. This was followed by planning a piece of writing that matched their learning intention of 'writing a text to inform, persuade or entertain an audience.'



The creative minds and imagination of the children ran wild and the results were outstanding. We have very talented writers, for example in Naplan for writing this year we have 80% of students in the two top bands. Keep an eye on Shine for more in the coming weeks.

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

Tony Calabria Principal

Theme for the week;

#### "Respect"

Our theme this week focuses on the way we respect others and the relationships we form. Treating others as equals requires mutual respect and a true sense of accepting others regardless of their differences, be it physical, materialistic or intellectual. Our children are continually encouraged to respect others as they would themselves.

### **Grade Assemblies**

Please note as communicated in our term calendar, the remaining whole school assembly for Term 3 is tomorrow, Friday 28th Aug at 2.10pm led by Year 1

All parents are most welcome to join us.

### FATHER'S DAY STALL This Wednesday 2nd September 2015 'A variety of fantastic gifts for dad' - \$5 per gift

We will be holding a Father's Day Stall for the children this Wednesday 2nd September 2015. The gifts will be purchased **on the day**. All gifts will only cost \$5. We will not be collecting money in advance. Children are to bring their money in **on the day**. The children will receive a token for the stall once they have paid. 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. Children are asked to bring in a bag on the day to take their gift home.

If there are gifts left over after all classes have visited the stall, children will be given the opportunity to purchase extra gifts for their grandfathers etc.

### Year 4 Father's Day Morning Tea Helpers Calling all Year 4 and other Mums

We are in need of help to set up, prepare and serve morning tea to our dads on Friday 4th September from approximately 8.30am. If you are able to assist in any way, please contact Leanne Bower on 0428 483 453 or at leannebower72@hotmail.com. Many thanks.



#### Sent home in the last week: Emailed: Letter re 15 Year Anniversary Raffle Tickets Hard Copy: 15 Year Anniversary Raffle Tickets, Special Food Day Order Form

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# **Religious Education**

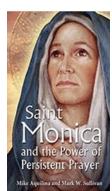
Sunday, 30th August 2015

#### 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 Add nothing, take nothing

We resume our readings from Mark's gospel. Life in a human community is governed by "laws and customs," as Moses reminds the people of old Israel in the first reading. These regulations and their interpretation can give rise to confusion; so Moses urges the people to "add nothing" and "take nothing from" the law which he gives them in the name of God. We meet the same issue in today's gospel reading: Jesus is being hounded by antagonists - some of whom have come from Jerusalem for the purpose. They resent the fact that the disciples of Jesus "do not respect the traditions of the elders" and observe ritual purifications. The response of Jesus has an important lesson for every age, as we endeavour to make Church regulations that are truly life-giving. Jesus shows himself a true interpreter of Israel's faith as he urges his followers to find integrity through the motives of the heart rather than in the observance of external rituals of purification. No wonder the people followed him so eagerly.

From a homily on the Gospel by Fr John Thornhill sm

Year 6 Mass Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> August in St Maximillian Kolbe Hall



Year 6 celebrated the Mass of the day which was the Feast Day of St Monica, the mother of St Augustine. St Monica is the patron of married women and of Christian mothers. The first reading was from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians - *May the Lord be* generous in increasing your love for one another and for the whole human race. The Gospel from Matthew focussed on - Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming. We shouldn't become discouraged if our prayers aren't answer right away. Like St Monica, we should keep praying. Jesus tells us to ask with perseverance and we shall receive.

Mrs Marilyn Turner Religious Education Co-ordinator

## Quote of the Week

"The good life is a process, not a state of being. It is a

direction, not a destination."

# Baby Gírl

Congratulations to the Layoun family on the arrival of Calissa, a sister for Tiani (K Blue)

Welcome to St Angela's School Community

## CHESS

St Angela's Chess competition has commenced. Students from Years 3 to 6 are able to compete. Please see Mrs Rubelj, Mrs Hynes, Mrs Stewart or Mrs Kelly.

Good luck to all involved!





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

What an overwhelming response to our 15 Year Gala Dinner. Only a few spots remain on some tables (first in best dressed). If you wish to attend this fun evening, we will place you with wonderful company. Please contact Laura Hall on 0404 076 631 or Antonella Tesoriero on 0419 997 990 if you wish to attend.

### 15 Year Anniversary Raffle Tickets were sent home this week

A book of 10 raffle tickets has been sent home to each family. The purchase of these tickets is **<u>purely optional</u>**. All proceeds will go towards updating children's learning resources.

Our 15 Year raffle will be our only major fundraising event for 2015. There will be no 'a-thon' which usually takes place in Term 3.

Thank you on behalf of the children of St Angela's who directly benefit from your generosity. ADDITIONAL BOOKS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE OFFICE.

### Help - We Need Your Photos!

We are creating a digital history of our school and surrounding community. If you have any photographs of major events in St Angela's past, please may we borrow them to scan, or if already digital, email the photo to the school office. Events can also be memorable/ funny occasions that happened over the last fifteen years.

Thank you.

## Celebrating our Gifts

#### Academíc Excellence

Zoe Crowley KB Joshua Norman KG Sophia Raad KY Mia Young 1B Nicholas Eric 1G Sarah Mustafa-Ortiz 1Y Jasmine Shepherd 2B Brandon Suefong 2G Brayden Sampol 2Y Isabella Hall 3B Dana Adan 3G Mikaela Southwood 3Y Jessica Portelli 4B Mia Thomas 4G Tanya Benedict 4Y Charlotte Baylis 5B Keira Callaghan 5G Jade Goodall 5Y Alexander Kaelin 6B Max Heming 6G Xin Mei Lees 6Y

#### St Angela's Award

Aaron Zlomislic KB Kai Hall KG Riley Roditis KY Logan McDonald 1B Ruby Moller 1G Natalie Petkovich 1Y Rachel Agius 2B Joshua Murphy 2G Natalie Cerreto 2Y Owen Sereni 3B Amelia Piperata 3G Annika Benning 3Y Thomas Hennessy 4B Riley Azzopardi 4G Mailee Suefong 4Y Jordan May 5B Lachlan Doheny 5G Joshua Israel 5Y Dylan Nguyen 6B Harrison Crotty 6G William Edwards 6Y

### **DIOCESAN VOICE OF YOUTH**

Yesterday, the Voice of Youth Cluster Final was held here at St Angela's. 12 students in total from St Michaels, St Paul the Apostle, Our Lady of Lourdes and St Angela's presented a speech on a topic that they were passionate about. Congratulations to our finalists Charlotte Burgess, Brandon Darmudi and Imogen Pfeffercorn who all spoke beautifully. We are very proud of you!

Congratulations to Brandon Darmudi for being awarded 3rd place and to Imogen Pfeffercorn for being presented with the 'Social Justice Award'. Many thanks to our student

leaders, Amy Gibbons, Zane Smolinski, Hayley Johnston and Joshua Bridge, who were the Masters of Ceremony for the were indeed morning and Special thanks to impressive. Mr Hurst, Mrs Rubelj and Mrs Newbury for their outstanding



work in co-ordinating the proceedings on the day as the host school.

The next instalment of 'How to Help Your Child Build **Resilience to Face Life's Challenges' has been emailed** this week, along with a message from the Parish and Second Hand Uniform Shop information

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

AUGUST Sun 30th Christina Dell'Aquila Connor Calleja

Mon 31st Jared Suarez Mrs Lean

Tues 1st Mailee Suefong

Wed 2nd Luca Muscardo Aidan Vassallo Ruby Chapman

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Thurs 3rd Declan Agius James Brangwin Noah Wheatley

Fri 4th Brayden Manio



Congratulations to Sascha Blefari (1 Blue) and Erin Henderson (6 Blue) who represented St Angelas at the ☆ Arndell Interschools Equestrian competition on Saturday ☆ 22nd August. Both girls performed really well with Sascha ☆ getting a 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 2x 6th place ribbons and Erin getting a 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th place ribbon. Well done girls!

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# Artísts of the Week

Congratulations to our artists for this week:

> Jarvís Hemmings (2 Yellow) Joan Bautísta (3 Yellow)



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Children's artworks are proudly displayed in the Líbrary.

Inter School Dedating Compa

Congratulations to all children who participated in the last round of the Inter School Debating Competition for 2015 against St Michael's. All children were asked to prepare a debate on the topic 'Green is better than red.' The debaters presented challenging arguments. We had success with our affirmative team winning on the day!

We would like to thank all the children who took part in preparing and rehearsing their very convincing debates this year. Also thank you to all the parents who helped and supported their child in the lead up to each debate. A huge thank you to Julia Pinna who gave up her Friday's to adjudicate. We look forward to returning in 2016.

Mrs Rubelj, Mrs Newbury, Mrs Kaelin and Mrs Powell **Debating Co-ordinators** 

Many thanks to our debating co-ordinators for giving their time so generously so that the children can be afforded this extra curricular learning opportunity.

## Year 3's Visit from the Mayor

On Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> of August, Year 3 were lucky to have a visit from Mr Jefferies, the Mayor of the Hills Shire as part of our 'What makes our community unique' unit. He spoke to us about what it was like being a mayor and about all of his responsibilities. He also answered a lot of our questions. It was really fun and interesting listening to him. Written by Giselle (3 Yellow)





Many thanks to Ms Erin Kennedy, who is a personal friend of the Mayor, for co-ordinating this visit.

# Values Matter at St Angela's

#### This week we are focussing on the value of Respect:

We all want to feel important, to be treated kindly, and to have our thoughts and feelings shared without negative comments. In a word, we want RESPECT. But how often do we stop to think about how we treat others? Do we exhibit respectful behaviour towards others?

Respect is one of the foundational pillars of all healthy relationships. Respect toward others comes from recognising the inherent worth of every person. It means being able to communicate your position in a kind and courteous manner and allowing others to have and express their own opinions and beliefs without fear of rejection, even if they are different from your own. Respect means caring about the feelings of others.

#### This value includes the following characteristics:

How do you practise Respect?

Think about how you want to be treated, then treat others that way. Ask yourself, "How do I want others to treat my belongings or my right to privacy? How do I want others to talk and listen to me? How do I want others to treat me when we need to resolve conflicts?"

*Treating others the way you want to be treated, no matter how they treat you.* 

Showing kindness and consideration

Respecting yourself; liking yourself enough to be yourself

Accepting others for who they are

Showing high regard for authority, (School rules) other people, self and country

*Use good manners; speaking courteously to everyone, even if there is a conflict.* 

Be considerate of the feelings of others

Deal peacefully with anger, insults and disagreements Treating property and the environment with care.

The overall message: Showing regard for the worth of someone or something. It includes respect for self, respect for the rights and dignity of all persons, and respect for the environment that sustains all life.

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!

## **Sports News**

Parramatta Diocesan Athletics Carnival 21<sup>st</sup> August 2015

Last Friday 21st August, 23 St Angela's athletes headed off to Blacktown International Sports Park to compete in the Parramatta Diocesan Athletics carnival. The children were fantastic representatives of St Angela's.

St Angela's have experienced great success in the past competing in the relays. This year was no exception with the Senior boys team of Jayson Orley, Joshua Catania, Zane Smolinski and William Edwards placing 3<sup>rd</sup> and the Junior girls team of Mailee Suefong, Mia Thomas, Keira Murphy and Pippa Gattini placing 4<sup>th</sup> and are through to the MacKillop Trials which will be held at Homebush on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September.

It was fantastic to also see the individual success of the following students who will also compete at Homebush:

Aiden Crowley Joseph McEnearney Kaitlyn Langridge Lachlan Doheny Alannah Gattini Joshua Catania Harrison Crotty Zane Smolinski Conor Siney 3<sup>rd</sup> 100m 3<sup>rd</sup> 800m 3<sup>rd</sup> Shot put 2<sup>nd</sup> Shot put 2<sup>nd</sup> 200m 2<sup>nd</sup> Discus 1<sup>st</sup> High Jump 4<sup>th</sup> Shot put 1<sup>st</sup> Discus 4<sup>th</sup> High jump

Thank you once again to the parents for your cheers and support for the children.

Mrs Andra Hemmings Sports Co-ordinator

Special thanks to Mrs Hemmings for her wonderful attitude, time and effort with all our sporting endeavours.

## Children's Work Books Coming Home

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

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 and opportunities at school.

In Mathematics, 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.