

St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill

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Ministry of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville

3rd September 2015 Term 3, Week 8

Dear Parents.

FATHER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS **TOMORROW, FRIDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER**

We invite all Dads to come to a special DAD morning assembly in their honour commencing at 8:45am tomorrow morning which will be followed by a morning tea and then a visit to the classrooms. We If you wish to support this awareness program, your child may also 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.

To all our Dads, Happy Father's Day for this Sunday.

What Makes a Dad

God took the strength of a mountain, The majesty of a tree, The warmth of a summer sun, The calm of a quiet sea, The generous soul of nature, The comforting arm of night, The wisdom of ages, The power of the eagle's flight, The joy of a morning in spring, The faith of a mustard seed, The patience of eternity, The depth of a family need, Then God combined these qualities, When there was nothing more to add, He knew his masterpiece was complete, And so, He called it Dad.

As you would no doubt be aware through the local and national media, tomorrow is Jersey Day. Jersey Day is an awareness raising

campaign for organ donation that has been initiated by the Gremmo family, who tragically lost their son in a road accident on Glenhaven Road last May. The Gremmo family is well known in the Hills

This Friday, we will be celebrating Fathers' Day here at St Angela's and no doubt many fathers will be wearing jerseys.

wear a jersey over their uniform on this day. We ask that if you wish your child to wear their jersey, you take the time to discuss with them the concept behind the awareness campaign. Consideration should be given to their age appropriateness and level of understanding.

Your participation in this awareness campaign is purely optional. If parents wish, children may wear their sport uniform to make wearing their jersey easier.

Thank you for purchasing our raffle tickets. The raffle for our 15 Year Anniversary will be drawn at the Gala Dinner on 11th September.

Tickets are only \$2 each with a variety of great prizes. Purchasing tickets is **purely optional**. Please note this will be our only major fundraising activity, as we will not be having an 'a-thon' this year.

We kindly ask that you return all sold and/or unsold tickets by Thursday 10th September in an envelope marked '15 Year Raffle'. All proceeds will go towards updating the children's learning resources.

Additional raffle ticket books are available from the office. See further in this Shine, especially for the Dads, information regarding signed State of Origin (NSW and QLD) and Manly jerseys being auctioned on the night.

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:

"Deserving Appreciation Daily"

Our theme this week reminds us to stop and give thanks to God for the wonderful role that our Fathers or significant adults play in our lives. Dads are indeed special and \underline{d} eserve \underline{a} ppreciation daily for the support they give to their families, the love and care and the modelling they pass on to the children. We ask God our Father to bless and watch over all fathers who together with mothers, strive to do the best for their children.

SUMMER UNIFORM

Children may now wear their summer uniform at the discretion of parents. We would expect that all children are in their summer uniform by Monday 12th October.

Year 4 Father's Day Morning Tea Tomorrow Morning Calling all Year 4 and other Mums who can assist

If you can assist to set up, prepare and serve morning tea to our dads tomorrow, Friday 4th September from approximately 8.30am, please contact Leanne Bower on 0428 483 453 or just come to the hall tomorrow morning. Many thanks.



Monday 14th September, 9.00-10.00am K-2 Dance Fever Showcase in StAngela's St Maximilian Kolbe Hall Parents welcome to attend

Sent home in the last week:

Emailed:

Jersey Day, Second Hand Uniform Sale, Yr 5 Personal Development, Yr 6 UNSW Middle School Survey Yr 6 UNSW Middle School Survey, Yr 5 Storyfest





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Religious Education



Sunday, 6th September 2015

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Mark 7:31-37 Don't be deaf to the voice that can heal

Jesus treated this healing as a demonic possession. He spat on the ground as a warning against evil spirits. He touched the man on the ears and the tongue to infuse God's power. As a result, the man was able to truly hear and understand. And the chains that held his tongue (demons bound his tongue) were loosened. The man could speak clearly, for no demon could now touch him. Jesus freed the man from more than a physical ailment. He restored the man's moral character and social contacts. Jews in the time of Jesus assumed physical ailments (like the one the man suffered from) were the result of sin, either personal or ancestral. Such an ailment reflected moral deficiencies. It also placed barriers between the man and a normal social life. (Indeed, some of his family members might have been ashamed of his condition and sought to hide him.) Despite the action of the crowd to deliver the man to Jesus, the man still would have been "different," counted among the outcasts and sinners. We must not overlook whose voice, whose command, healed the man. The man responded to Jesus' word: "Be opened!" The man heard and felt Jesus. His power healed the man. Now, the man could hear the truth. And he could clearly speak the truth. Mark inferred that the man was freed from his demons and rose to proclaim faith. Jesus wanted discretion from the crowd because he would, in time, reveal the type of Messiah he was. He would also reveal the type of follower his Messia-hood required.

From a reflection on the Gospel by Larry Broding

Kindergarten Liturgy

In Kindergarten this term, the children are learning about the way that we celebrate as a family, school and church. Thank you to the many parents who were able to join the children for their Liturgy last Tuesday.



We come together for Baptisms, The Eucharist, Confirmations, and Weddings and also at many other times to celebrate as a community.

> Lord, we thank you that we are a part of your family. Help us to love one another, just as Jesus taught us.

Mrs Marilyn Turner

Religious Education Co-ordinator

Quote of the Week

"Courage is the discovery that you may not win, and trying when you know you can lose."

Pie and Sausage Roll Special Food Day Friday 11th September

Second Hand Uniform Sale Tomorrow, Friday 4th September 1.15-2.45pm

Tomorrow, Friday 4th September we will again be 🍮 holding our second hand uniform sale at St Angela's. These sales will be held twice during the year. We invite parents to donate any school uniform items that are no longer needed and that are in good condition, to go towards the sale. All items will be sold for \$5 or \$10, with profits going towards the school. It is really just a chance to hand in/on any uniforms that you no longer have a need for, as well as a chance to snap up a bargain item that you may need!



Upcoming Dates

Fri 4th Sept

8.45am Fathers' Day Assembly Prayer. Morning Tea and Classroom Visits - All welcome

**************** Stage 2 Touch Football Gala Day at St Mary's

1.15-2.45pm Second Hand Uniform Sale

outside the canteen

Week 9 Mon 7th Sept Year 6 Excursion to The Observatory

Tues 8th Sept 2.30pm Year 3 Liturgy in St Angela's St

Maximilian Kolbe Hall - Parents welcome

Wed 9th Sept Years 3 to 6 (optional) Dance Fever Challenge Evening at Homebush. Doors open 4.30pm for

a 5.30pm start

Thurs 10th Sept 11.00am Year 5 Mass in St Angela's St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - Parents welcome

Book Week Musical Presentation - see this Fri 11th Sept

Shine for details

Pie and Sausage Roll Special Food Day

15 Year Anniversary Gala Dinner at Castle Hill

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Week 10 Mon 14th Sept Sports Code Mufti Day - Gold or fold donation.

Children may wear their favourite sports colours

from any sporting code

9.00-10.00am K-2 Dance Fever Showcase in St Angela's St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - Parents

welcome

Tues 15th Sept K-2 Athletics Carnival - see further information

in this Shine

Wed 16th Sept Year 5 Storyfest

Thurs 17th Sept 11.00am Year 4 Mass in St Angela's St

Maximilian Kolbe Hall - Parents welcome

Last day for Term 3 for the children

Staff Development/Pupil Free Day - Staff will Fri 18th Sept

focus on Religious Formation and Spirituality

Year 5 Storyfest

Storyfest will take place on Wednesday 16th September. At Storyfest there will be 6 storytelling venues and the children will 'tell' their story to other grades. The timetable is as follows:

Time	Activity	Venue
8:45 - 9:15 am	Storyfest Whole School Liturgy	School Hall
9:20 - 10:20 am	Year 5 Storytelling to classes	Your child will either be in the staffroom, hall or a classroom. Please check with them prior to the day.
1:25 - 2:25 pm	Year 5 Storytelling to classes	Your child will either be in the staffroom, hall or a classroom. Please check with them prior to the day.

Please Note: The 1:25 - 2:25pm session is a repeat of the morning storytelling session.

We would like to extend a warm invitation to join us in celebrating your child's storytelling day including both the liturgy and one of the storytelling sessions. We hope to see you there!

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.



Academíc Excellence

Gabriella Fernandes KB Isabella Sultana KG Noah Sweeney KY Eva Lawlor 1B Zalia Ritchie 1G Max Bourne 1Y Jessica Stewart 2B Joshua Holt 2G Emily Crowley 2Y Lachlan Pillon 3B Sophie Young 3G Benedict Solomon 3Y Owen Turner 4B James Brangwin 4G Ethan Gunawardhana 4Y Oliver Murphy 5B Luke Marmara 5G Veronica Ochudzawa 5Y John Alibrandi 6B Ryan Carr 6G

Jacob Sanares 6Y

St Angela's Award

Alex Milas KB Liam Evans KG Grace Mares KY Taylor Ngo 1B Harrison Petras 1G Sean Collins 1Y Keean Holmes 2B Evan Roditis 2G Jessica Hohn 2Y Alexander Petras 3B Riley Hogan 3G Anna McEnearney 3Y Sarah Perez Magnaye 4B Juliusz Jonski 4G Isabella El-Rahi 4Y Olivia Tesoriero 5B Amity Rambow 5G Charlie Kennedy 5Y Amy Gibbons 6B Hayley Johnston 6G

Andrew Bareham 6Y

Last Friday, Year 3 went to Featherdale Wildlife Park. I would like to tell you that it was amazing. I would also like to tell next year's Year 3 classes that the animals are so fantastic and you get to pat the animals. Also, you learn a lot about the animals. I would like a koala for a class pet.

Tiarne Fox (3 Yellow)

Children's Work Books Coming Home

Tomorrow, children will be bringing home their English books. In English, the children have been engaging in learning experiences to help their knowledge and confidence to listen, speak, read, view and write for a purpose. Throughout the grades you will see a variety of the following: guided reading and readers' circle responses, diary writing, written responses, text type development, sounds, spelling, grammar, punctuation and comprehension and computer activities. Please take the time to sit and discuss with your child their work. Focus on how they are transferring their knowledge across into their written work. It is important to look at the quality of the work not just the handwriting. Look at the skills and the different strategies that they are demonstrating and developing. Remember to praise and encourage your child for their efforts so they will continue to learn with enthusiasm. 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.

Gala Dinner Auction Priceless Memorabilia Items

Framed State of Origin NSW Jersey signed by 2015

Framed State of Origin QLD Jersey signed by 2015 team

both jerseys donated by the NSW and QLD Rugby League Association C/- Gareth Holmes (Keean 2 Blue, Macey K Green)

Framed Manly-Warringah Jersey signed by 2015 team

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donated by Manly-Warringah Sea Eagles **

C/- Mal McDonald (Emerson 3 Yellow, Logan 1 Blue)

The above items, which have been termed as 'priceless' will be auctioned on the night of the 15 Year Gala Dinner next Friday 11th September. If you are not attending the dinner but wish to bid for any of these items, you may do so by placing an absent bid using the form that will be emailed to all families soon. One or all of these items would be an investment that would be sure to impress and start or finish off that special collection.

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

We have 251 people attending this great night. What an overwhelming response to our 15 Year Gala Dinner. We have only 9 spots (single or couple) remaining on some tables (first in best dressed). If you still 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.

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

SEPTEMBER

Sun 6th Owen Turner Ashley Davie Jia Jung

Claire Moroney Gemma Yager

Tues 8th

Amelia Piperata Nikki Chanel Natasha Panganiban Fri 11th

Charlie Kennedy

Alexandra Gerrettson-Cornell

Dominic Piperata

Sat 12th Allanah Pillon Natalie Cerreto Joshua Norman Ava O'Brien

MUSICAL - BOOK WEEK

To continue celebrating Book Week, on Friday 11th September, children from K-6 will be attending a musical 'Shine a Light' by Perform! Educational Musicals. Perform! Educational Musicals is a multi award-winning theatrical producer and one of the largest touring theatre companies throughout Australia and New Zealand.

The timetable for the day is as follows:

9:15-10:15am Kindergarten to Year 2

11:15am-12:15pm Years 3 and 4 1:30pm-2:30pm Years 5 and 6

Parents are more than welcome to attend.

Best wishes to our Years 3 and 4 children competing in the Touch Football Gala Day tomorrow

K-2 Athletics Carnival 2015 Tuesday 15th September

See note sent home last week

On Tuesday 15th September, all Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 students will be participating in our annual Infants Athletics Carnival. This will take place within the school grounds. There will be various activities set up on the day and the children will rotate through these with their class. Activities will include ball games, races and novelty events.

The children are to arrive at school as normal on the day. Their participation in activities will begin at 9:00am and will conclude at approximately 12:30pm. Recess will take place at the normal time of 10:30am - 11:00am. Children are to bring their normal recess and lunch.

Students are asked to wear their sports uniform or their colour house shirt. It is essential that they wear their school hat and bring a labelled water bottle to take with them from station to station.

For the day to run smoothly, we would love your assistance. We will require parents to help manage the activity stations, rove etc. If you are able to help, and have completed the Child Protection requirements at http://childprotection.parra.catholic.edu.au, please complete the slip on the note sent home last week and elect the time that best suits you.

All parents and friends are welcome to attend. We look forward to sharing this fun and exciting day with the children!

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 Teachers

***************** **Star Spot**

Congratulations to Jessica O'Meara (4 Blue) who came 1st at the Southern Cross Feis last Sunday. Jessica came first in the Reel. Well done Jessica!

Congratulations to the U/11 Hills Spirit Soccer team who won their Grand Final at Marconi Stadium on Saturday. The whole team is made up of only St Angela's boys and have now been undefeated for two years. Team members are Ben Watson, Raphael Saul, Yianni Paras, Oliver Murphy, Michael Taouk, Vincent Siligato, Dominic Piperata, Matthew Jacobs, Ethan Andrews, Dylan Moc, Robert Piperata, Luke Marmara and Charlie Saul.

Well done boys!

Congratulations to Grace Nugent (5 Yellow) who recently competed at the Hills Dance Spectacular. Grace scored a 1st place with her Under 10's jazz troupe and the next day was awarded 2nd place at the Dance Classique Eisteddfod.

Well done Grace!

Congratulations to Kyle Brett (3 Green) who competed last Sunday at the NSW State Gymnastics Championships. Kyle placed 1st on Double Mini and 4th on Trampoline. Well done Kyle!

Book Club

A reminder that book club orders are due back at school tomorrow, Friday 4th September - 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. 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

By popular request - More Book Week activity photographs

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The Woolworths Earn and Learn Program concludes this Tuesday 8th September. Collect your sticker cards now and drop them in the box either at the supermarket or send into the school office.

'How to Help Your Child Build Resilience to Face Life's Challenges'

Please find below the next instalment from our recent General Parent Meeting presentation:

Additional strategies for parents to help children to develop essential resilience skills:

- Listen carefully to your child. How would they like things to be different? What are some options they can think of that they would like to try?
- When people (young or old) feel overwhelmed by a problem, it can help to look at things that have worked for them before/so far. What has helped even if it doesn't solve the problem?
- Sometimes, children learn to live with difficult feelings. For example, your child might be distressed that they have forgotten that today was Jeans for Jeans Day and have arrived at school in school uniform. If it is not inconvenient you might be able to come back with his or her jeans. But if you have other commitments and there is no time, your child might live with the disappointment. It can be painful, and you might feel guilty, to see your child disappointed, but he might just survive. Over time, he learns the independence of remembering such things for himself. Also, he grows in confidence that he can manage disappointment sometimes.
- Look out for skills that your child has, no matter how briefly they might be expressed. We need to notice and value these moments.
- Be interested in what your child already knows about their situation. Children develop expertise about their own lives.

Year 6 Yearbook

A reminder to students/parents to keep sending in photos to share on the yearbook montage pages. Photos can be sent via email to Kathy Turner titch.turner@gmail.com or USB to the school office marked 'Yearbook Co-ordinator'.

Some of the key events that we are missing that you can help with include: 2014 beach day, 2014 Christmas concert, 2014 Swimming Carnival, 2015 Representative Sport Teams/Individuals, 2014 Girls Basketball Team, 2015 Debating Teams, Confirmation, Reconciliation, Holy Communion, Year 6 Band Members, Year 6 Choir Members, Year 6 Dance Crew, Book Week, Mufti days, Olympathon, Skipathon, Excursions, Chess Club, Student Art/ Written Work......

Please send by the end of term, Thursday 17th September. This is to enable the yearbook to be ready for vetting and printing early next term.

Term Dates for 2015

Term 3 13th July to 17th September

(18th September is a Staff Development/

Pupil Free Day)

Term 4 6th October to 16th December

National Safe Schools Framework

The National Safe Schools Framework assists school communities to take a whole-school approach to creating safe, supportive and respectful teaching and learning environments that promote student wellbeing.

At St Angela's we are committed to providing a safe and supportive school for all our children. This is reflected in the following items from The School's Mission Statement:

Our school environment reflects

- ♦ Safety in the whole school precinct.
- Respect for one self, others, property and the school.

The Learning Programs reflect

- Processes and strategies to facilitate positive student management.
- An emphasis on the development of social skills and the ability to relate positively and effectively with each other.

This week the children will complete a Safe and Caring School survey with their teachers. The survey will provide teachers with helpful information about the children's feelings about school, challenges with peer relationships and will identify any issues that need to be addressed.

Items in the survey include:

At playtime I like to play with

The places I like to play are

Are there any places in the playground where you don't feel safe?

Name anyone who you think cares for, and respects others

Is anyone taking away your right to be happy and safe, or to learn at school?

The children's responses will be collated by the teachers and addressed.

We thank you for your support and partnership as we continue to provide a safe and caring learning environment where relationships are positive and fruitful for our children.



St Michael's Softball Club Registration Open

We currently have vacancies in our teams and are looking for players for U7 to Opens, both boys and girls. Softball is a great sport for all levels of skill and is a fun way to play with friends.

Registration fees are: U7 - \$80; U9/U11 - \$120; U13/U17 - \$140; U19 - \$155; Opens \$165

All new U7 to U11 players receive a free glove, ball and backpack. **Further Information,** please contact Julianne McCaffery <u>secretary@stmichaelssoftballclub.com</u>, or go to our website <u>www.stmichaels.softball.org.au</u>