

# St Angela's Primary School

**Castle Hill** 

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Ministry of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville

10th September 2015 Term 3, Week 9

Dear Parents,











#### "My Dad - My Hero"

A record number of dads were once again present last Friday as we celebrated Father's Day at St Angela's. The children had a lovely morning as their heros visited for a special assembly, morning tea and a visit to the classrooms. In our current climate of busyness and time constraints it was great to see so many fathers organising time for this important occasion. The excitement amongst the children was certainly present as they showed off their work, classrooms, friends and teachers. The many positive and appreciative responses to the day from so many Dads was very much valued. The token gift to dads of a 'Father of the Year' key chain was once again extremely well received. Any child whose father did not receive one is welcome to come to the office for one. The children enjoyed dancing for their dads and the free raffle was a great surprise.

Congratulations to the 120 children who participated in the Dance Fever Challenge last night at Homebush. We were extremely proud of our dancers and their outstanding achievements including winning the Year 3 overall trophy, the best show dance trophy plus highest overall point scores trophy along with a swag of 1st, 2nd and 3rd place sashes. See next week's Shine for more. Many thanks to the teachers who generously gave of their time to support the children in this extra curricular activity.

#### 15 Year Gala Dinner Tomorrow Evening

Thank you to everyone for your amazing support towards our Gala Dinner, raffle and auction. We look forward to a great night. Some last minute details:

- Be sure to bring some gold coins for the coin toss
- BYO camera so that you can capture great memories of the evening (the photographer present will be taking photos for school use
- Please arrive at 6:30pm for a 7:00pm start
- There will be silent auctions on the evening, along with the main auction of the framed and signed 2015 State of Origin NSW and QLD jerseys, together with a framed and signed 2015 Manly Warringah jersey, the raffle draw and a large amount of prizes to be given
- All auction items can be paid for on the night (cash only) as there are no credit card facilities available on the night. Alternatively, payment can be made by cash, Eftpos or credit card at the school office on Monday.

On your behalf, my appreciation and thanks to the organising committee for their time and efforts in co-ordinating for our St Angela's community what promises to be a fantastic celebratory evening. Keep an eye on next week's Shine for a full wrap up.

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

Tony Calabria

**Principal** 

## 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.

> Pie and Sausage Roll Special Food Day

Tomorrow, Friday 11th September

#### **Sent home in the last week:**

Emailed: Absent Bid Form for 15 Year Gala Dinner Auction, Raffle Ticket and Auction Bid reminder

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

## LAST CALL

Could all raffle tickets, sold or unsold, please be returned to the school office tomorrow, Friday 11th September. The raffle will be drawn tomorrow evening at the Gala Dinner.





# **Religious Education**

Sunday, 13th September 2015

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Mark 8:27-35 The 'who' question is central to

our human existence

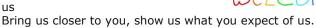
Today's reading from Mark is the climax to which his presentation of the life of Jesus to this point has been leading. The mission of Jesus has been rejected and misunderstood. It is essential to God's designs that the disciples of Jesus do not misunderstand the mission that has brought the Son forth from the Father to bring healing to a lost world. 'Who are you, my companion on the journey of life?' 'Who am I?' These questions, if we face their implications, confront us with the depths and mystery of our common humanity. Jesus called himself, 'the Son of Man', a title that affirmed his sharing in our human condition. When the 'who' question is addressed to him we find not only the mysterious depths of our common humanity, but also the mystery of the generous designs of God, conceived with the Son and the Holy Spirit, in the depths of the divine eternity. Discipleship is learning, in the course of our lives, the answer to the 'who' question we address to the Saviour - who has made himself our ever-present companion. Like Peter, we shall find that we are forced to reevaluate our most basic assumptions in the light of the ways of God we learn from Jesus. - From a homily on the Gospel by Fr John Thornhill sm

#### Year 3 Liturgy Tuesday 8th September

The children in Year 3 will been initiated into many groups during their lives. They will come to realise that their presence in these groups makes a difference. During the early stages of their lives they were initiated, through Baptism, into the most important group, the family of God. This term Year 3 have been learning how they are initiated into the life of the Church through the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.

Loving and caring father God, you long for us to hear you

Draw us near, to our friends, our neighbours, and even stranger among us



Mrs Marilyn Turner Religious Education Co-ordinator

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

Our prayers are extended to the Burke family (Mrs Burke, Administration) due to the passing into eternal life of Mrs

Burke's brother.

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

Our prayers are extended to the Taylor family (William K Yellow) as William's Poppy Duncan is quite ill.

# Baby Boy

Congratulations to the Tesoriero family on the arrival of Thomas a brother for Rachela (6 Blue)

Welcome to St Angela's School Community



# Upcoming Dates

Week 9 Fri 11th Sept

Book Week Musical Presentation - see this

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

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

focus on Religious Formation and Spirituality

TERM 4 Week 1

Tues 6th Oct First day of school for the children

# MUSICAL - BOOK WEEK Tomorrow, Friday 11th September

To continue celebrating Book Week, tomorrow, Friday 11<sup>th</sup> 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.

# Theme for the week: "Responsibility"

This value encourages the children to take responsibility for their own actions. Allowing children to experience the learnings of action/consequence help foster responsibility. When children take responsibility for their own actions they begin to appreciate the value and importance of the decisions they make. Responsibility is all about being accountable for one's own actions, resolving differences in constructive, non-violent and peaceful ways, contributing to society and civic life and taking care of the environment.

# Quote of the Week

"Small opportunities are often the beginning of great enterprises."

# Sports Code Colours Mufti Day - This Monday 14th September

St Angela's as part of its social justice outreach program will be supporting Catholic Missions to help make a difference in the lives of those less fortunate. Children may wear their favourite sports code colours. For the privilege they are asked to bring in a gold or fold donation for the Catholic Missions.



# Celebrating our Gifts

#### Academíc Excellence

Adam Hochstetter KB
Angelina Tallaridi KG
Sophie Wallace KY
Evan Hunt 1B
Jemima Scothern 1G
Benjamin McNamara 1Y
Nikki Chanel 2B
Emma Heanes 2G
Oliver Chapman 2Y

Katarina Costa 3B
Alexandra Crotty 3G
Bianca May 3Y
Ethanael Lorenzo 4B
Jackson Folkard 4G
Angus Gibbons 4Y
Josh Bautista 5B
Mia Jamer 5G
Grace Nugent 5Y
Franzine Soliman 6B

Chelsea Wenaden 6G

Jasmin Mancuso 6Y

#### St Angela's Award

Summer Crotty KB Chelsea Mowbray KG Tahlia Mearns KY Jessica Araneda 1B Cooper Mills 1G Jack O'Neill 1Y James O'Donnell 2B Aidan Bower 2G Jason Herbas 2Y Cameron McCranor 3B Kyle Brett 3G Alannah Bridge 3Y Emily Ortlepp 4B Michael Roditis 4G Xavier Ruiz-Martinez 4Y Dylan Moc 5B Georgia Prestage 5G Ajang Dau 5Y Christina Dell'Aquila 6B Logan Remedios 6G Ian Panganiban 6Y

# Star Spot

Congratulations to the U12 Girls Castle Hill Soccer team who finished in second place overall for the season: Alex Voegt, Natarsha Stornelli, Jemma Turner, Georgia Tole, Rachela Tesoriero, Allanah Pillon and Chantelle Ritchie.

# Fathers' Day Thank you .....

On behalf of all dads and their children a heartfelt thanks for the amazing efforts of the Year 2 and Year 4 parents lead by their respective class parent reps in co-ordinating the gift stall so that Dads could be treated with that special gift on Fathers' Day, chosen by their most loved ones and for the amazing morning tea at our Fathers' Day celebrations. Thank you to all the parents who assisted in one way or another, whether by co-ordinating gifts, wrapping or serving, packing up etc at the Fathers' Day breakfast. Your time and effort is very much appreciated. Thank you to Michelle Jacobs, Leanne Bower, Julie Pinna, Gillian Gunawardhana, Sharon Younan, Monica Crowley, Marie Catalano, Lisa Sultana, Louisa Laird, Nicole Love, Lisa Granero, Laura Barker, Nicolla Paras, Donna Collins, Susan Vassallo, Lisa Murphy, Tara Shepherd, Rosanna Milas, Lisa Sultana, Cecilie Fitzsimons, Rebecca Nati, Antonella Tesoriero, Jill Metcalfe, Fiona Hohn and Donna Ortlepp.

A reminder that next Friday 18th September is a Staff Development / Pupil Free Day.
Staff will gather for a spirituality focus day.
Last day for the children is Thursday 17th September

# okappy Bitashdays

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

#### **SEPTEMBER**

Sun 13th Emma Vitanza

Mon 14th Georgia Tole

Tues 15th Jake Lim

Wed 16th Ethan Andrew Lachlan Burden Chelsea Mowbray Mrs Albertini Thurs 17th
Jack Smales

Marcus Goodall
Fri 18th

Youstina Eskander Jamie Ella Miss Howe Mrs Poleweski

**Sat 19th** Isabella El-Rahi

# **Year 5 Storyfest**

Storyfest will take place this **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> 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!

# Thank you so much ....

◆ To Leanne Bower, Helen Morley, Sally Papallo and Kari Anne Begg for organising our second hand uniform sale last Thursday, which raised just over \$1,200.00 for the school. Your time and efforts in raising funds for St Angela's are very much appreciated.

# Kindergarten to Year 2 Athletic; Carnival Starting at 9.00am this Tuesday

This Tuesday 15th September, all Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 students will be participating in our 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. All parents and friends are welcome to attend. We look forward to sharing this fun and exciting day with the children!

#### Grooming

Please note our school uniform policy for boys haircuts. As parents in charge of taking their child to the hairdresser, haircuts that perhaps follow a trend are not suitable for school and are best left for the first day of the holidays. "Shaved heads, eg. Number 1 shave, undercuts and sculpturing cuts are not allowed at St Angela's." Thank you for your support in upholding our high expectation and standards.

# **Student Absence**

As the term comes to a close, we are required to finalise all attendance records for the term. To assist us with this, please ensure that if your child is absent from school next week, or if there are any outstanding notes for prior absences, that a note to your child's teacher or an email is sent to stangelas@parra.catholic.edu.au noting the date and reason for your child's absence.

Many thanks for your support in this matter.

# Sport News

#### Stage 2 Parramatta Diocese Touch Gala Day

Last Friday, St Angela's had 3 teams at The Kingsway St Marys for the years 3 and 4 Touch Gala Day. The Year 3 and 4 girls and boys were an absolute pleasure to take out and represent St Angela's. The Boys Gold team consisted of Riley Mackay, Riley Azzopardi, Connor Khoury, Kaleb Brett, Zach Pace, Joseph McEnearney, Joel Woodhead, Cooper Andrew, Noah Hemmings and Angus Gibbons. The boys should be really proud of the way they played. They were unbeatable, going through the day undefeated, winning their pool.

The Boys Green Team consisted of Tom Smales, Riley Hogan, John Papadimatos, Alex Arends, Isaac Tenn, James Brangwin, Flynn Jamer, Kyle Brett, Harry Clarke and Oshi Kirkley. The boys came together really well as a newly formed team and improved as the day went on, finishing 4th in their pool.

The Girls Team consisted of Bella Shepherd, Indianna Cane, Charlotte Hogan, Sofia Losco, Annaliese Losco, Jessica Portelli, Sophie Watson, Caity McNamara, Annika Benning and Sarah Crowley. The girls played each game with such great spirit. My highlight of the day was when the girls had a game forfeited, so we decided to have a Parents vs Girls game, which the parents won quite convincingly. The girls finished  $4^{th}$  in their pool.

Special thanks to Glenn Mackay, Rod Hogan and Kylie Cane who were fantastic coaching the teams and giving up their time to do so. Thank you also to Daniel Griffin, Jack Griffin, Adrian Sciglitano and Holly McNamara who were very confident referees.

Finally, thank you to the parents for their support, transporting the children to the ground and cheering the boys and girls.

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Mrs Andra Hemmings Sports Coordinator

Best wishes to Jayson Orley, Joshua Catania, Zane Smolinski, William Edwards, Mailee Suefong, Mia Thomas, Keira Murphy, Pippa Gattini, Conor Siney, Harrison Crotty, Lachlan Doheny, Kaitlyn Langridge, Aiden Crowley and Joseph McEnearney, who will be competing on Monday at Homebush in the MacKillop Athletics Championship. Very proud to say that St Angela's has the most students representing the Parramatta Diocese.

Best wishes to William Edwards who has a very busy week next week as he will also be a member of the MacKillop Softball Team which will compete at Curl Curl in the NSWPSSA Softball Championships. Fantastic Achievement Will and we can't wait to hear how you go.

# Values Matter at St Angela's

Responsibility - Be accountable for one's own actions, resolve differences in constructive, non-violent and peaceful ways, contribute to society and civic life, and take care of the environment.

#### This value includes the following characteristics:

- \* Doing what you are supposed to do
- \* Always doing your best
- \* Using self-control
- Being self-disciplined
- \* Being accountable for your choices
- \* Being a good example
- \* Thinking of ways to help others
- \* Keep trying
- \* Finish your work before you play
- \* Doing your homework on time
- \* Being supportive of others when they need you
- \* Thinking before you act/talk and accepting consequences for your behaviour
- \* Fixing your mistakes and never blaming others for the mistakes you make

The overall message: Being accountable for your individual and community's actions towards yourself, others and the environment. People of character are **responsible.** They are accountable, show self-restraint and pursue excellence. They mean it when they say: you can count on me". Being responsible is part of a person's character.

# CHILDREN'S WORKBOOKS COMING HOME HSIE / Science and other KLAs This Week

This week the children are bringing home their Integrated Unit workbooks. We encourage you to talk to your child about their exciting learnings this term. What new skills have they learnt? What new ideas/information did they find out about? The children are extremely proud of their work and even more so to read a comment.

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.

Thank you for the positive feedback regarding workbooks being sent home each term. The comments you write in support of our child's learning and the teacher/school is truly appreciated and valued by your child regardless of age. Below are just a few examples of parent's comments to their children:

"Excellent work! So proud of your writing. What beautiful writing, I enjoyed reading your stories. Keep up the good work!"

"This page is so beautiful and so true too! Very proud of your work in this book."

"Great writing! It is awesome to see you trying hard to use correct punctuation and concentrating on your spelling."

"Wow! Love all of your fantastic work in this book."

See coming home this afternoon from the Catholic Education Office Diocese of Parramatta a 'Tips for Parents' postcard on keeping children safe online.



# The Woolworths Earn and Learn Program has now concluded. If you have any stickers at home, please send in to the school office tomorrow. Many thanks.

## '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:

- We need to separate the problem from the person. Avoiding labeling children: defiant, unmotivated etc. We need to use language that allows room for change and growth. E.g. Your child has difficulty stopping things he enjoys, when he is told that it is time for dinner.
- After you have listened to your child, you may have some suggestions. You may be able to prompt your child to consider other perspectives. Or the perspective of others
- Children want to do good things and to succeed. People are generally doing the best they can.
- Keep interested in the child as a whole person. What does your child enjoy? Talents or interests outside school? Friendships outside school? What stories or movies does he particularly enjoy? What do these things tell us about the child?
- If you have concerns about something happening at school, work with the school. Communicate with staff any concerns you have, but keep an open mind. Make an appointment with the relevant staff member if you have any concerns. Avoid undermining the school in your child's eyes.
- Parents pass on their skills when we seek to name what the child can do and confirm when they manage; or name what is going on around the child, supporting the child to look and be attentive to others.
- Listen to children, prompt them and allow them to learn ways to look at problems calmly and to consider options and make choices.
- Learning depends on a balance between opportunities for both close support with important adults; and exploratory/independent behaviours.

## THE GOOD GUYS SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL PROGRAM

A reminder about The Good Guys 'Support Your School Program'. 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.

## **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

It's what we do that makes a difference. Thank you to the following parents who took time to let us know ...

A note of thanks to your staff who took Year 2 on a memorable excursion today. I have never seen my child as excited about his learning experience at Brewongle, where he recounted many new things he learnt about wet and dry environments. He didn't stop in the car telling me about what he did ... he really enjoyed it! This is what learning and growth is all about.

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A special thanks to Mr Hurst for setting up the animation classes on Thursday. Every Thursday my son is so excited about going to school to do the animation. What a wonderful idea for kids, particularly boys! Thanks again and keep up the great teaching.

#### **UNIFORM INFORMATION**

A reminder that order forms can be downloaded from our website under Parents, Notes from School, Whole School, School Uniform Order. An amended order form has been uploaded today. Orders forms can be emailed directly to Oz Fashions at elle@ozfashions.com.au or brought to the school office. Oz Fashions collect and deliver orders each Tuesday and Friday.

## MindQuest 2015

Glenwood High School

Cnr Forman Avenue and Glenwood Park Drive Saturday and Sunday 7th and 8th November 2015 If interested, brochures are available from the school office or contact Shelagh on 02 4232 2494.

Closing date Monday 12th October 2015.

Tuesday 15 September 2015

