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Dear Parents,

ST ANGELA'S, CASTLE HILL CELEBRATES GRANDPARENTS TOMORROW, FRIDAY 30TH OCTOBER COMMENCING AT 8.45AM ALL WELCOME

St Angela's school Community invites all grandparents to join us for a celebration of joy and thanksgiving to honour the gift of grandparents. We hope that this day will continue to strengthen the bonds grandparents have with their grandchildren and nurture the unique tradition that we share in each family.

Program outline commencing at 8.45am:

- ✦ Morning assembly/Prayer of thanksgiving for our grandparents
- ✦ Classroom visits to join in learning activities with the children
- ✦ Morning tea in the school hall

This is a wonderful event and is a highlight of our calendar for all grandparents who enjoy visiting the school. Please see additional information in this newsletter regarding morning tea and parking.

We hope you can join us.

Once a year I like to publish the following extract which always receives very positive feedback. I thought it would be once again timely to repeat it, especially given that tomorrow so many wise, experienced and extraordinary people will be visiting our school for Grandparent's Day.

Some Good Advice From a 90 Year Old

To celebrate growing older, I once wrote the 40 lessons life taught me. It is the most requested column I've ever written (by Regina Brett, 90 years of age).

My odometer rolled over to 90 in August, so here is the column once more:

- ✦ Life isn't fair, but it's still good.
- ✦ When in doubt, just take the next small step.
- ✦ Life is too short to waste time hating anyone.
- ✦ Your job won't take care of you when you are sick. Your friends and parents will. Stay in touch.
- ✦ Pay off your credit cards every month.
- ✦ You don't have to win every argument. Agree to disagree.
- ✦ Cry with someone. It's more healing than crying alone.
- ✦ It's OK to get angry with God. He can take it.

- ✦ Save for retirement starting with your first pay cheque.
- ✦ When it comes to chocolate, resistance is futile.
- ✦ Make peace with your past so it won't spoil the present.
- ✦ It's OK to let your children see you cry.
- ✦ Don't compare your life to others. You have no idea what their journey is all about.
- ✦ Everything can change in the blink of an eye. But don't worry; God never blinks.
- ✦ Take a deep breath. It calms the mind.
- ✦ Get rid of anything that isn't useful, beautiful or joyful.
- ✦ Whatever doesn't kill you really does make you stronger.
- ✦ It's never too late to have a happy childhood. But the second one is up to you and no one else.
- ✦ When it comes to going after what you love in life, don't take no for an answer.
- ✦ Over prepare, and then go with the flow.
- ✦ Be eccentric now. Don't wait for old age to wear purple.
- ✦ No one is in charge of your happiness but you.
- ✦ Frame every so-called disaster with these words "In five years, will this matter?"
- ✦ Always choose life.
- ✦ Forgive everyone everything.
- ✦ What other people think of you is none of your business.
- ✦ Time heals almost everything. Give time.
- ✦ However good or bad a situation is, it will change.
- ✦ Don't take yourself so seriously. No one else does.
- ✦ Believe in miracles.
- ✦ God loves you because of who God is, not because of anything you did or didn't do.
- ✦ Don't audit life. Show up and make the most of it now.
- ✦ Growing old beats the alternative - dying young.
- ✦ All that truly matters in the end is that you loved.
- ✦ Get outside every day. Miracles are waiting everywhere.
- ✦ If we all threw our problems in a pile and saw everyone else's, we'd grab ours back.
- ✦ Envy is a waste of time. You already have all you need.
- ✦ The best is yet to come.
- ✦ No matter how you feel, get up, dress and show up.
- ✦ Life isn't tied with a bow, but it's still a gift.

This weekend we celebrate All Saints and All Souls. We keep in our prayers all those who have gone before us who are now at eternal rest with Christ by their side.

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

Tony Calabria
Principal

International Teachers' Day

Next Thursday 5th November, we celebrate International Teachers' Day (official date earlier this term) here at St Angela's. Christ's blessings are clearly evident in our beautiful children. They are truly a gift to be celebrated.

Teachers will be treated to a delightful morning tea from the class parent reps. Appreciation and thanks to your Class Parent Representatives for their efforts in making the day so special for the staff.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations - You are in our Prayers
Masses Sunday 1st and 8th November
11.00am and 2.00pm

Congratulations to all Year 3 children and their families in our Parish who, over the next few weeks, continue receiving the sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time. We ask that God bless you and be by your side on these special days.



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Sunset and Movie Night - Paddington

Rescheduled date for this exciting event is
the evening of

Friday 20th November

Please keep an eye on Shine for further details.



Religious Education

Sunday, November 1, 2015

Feast of All Saints, Year B



Matthew 5:1-12 Teaching of Jesus contradicts the world's view on happiness

The Beatitudes Jesus offers us are a sign of contradiction to the world's understanding of happiness and joy. How can one possibly find happiness in poverty, hunger, mourning, and persecution? Poverty of spirit finds ample room and joy in possessing God as the greatest treasure possible. Hunger of the spirit seeks nourishment and strength in God's word and Spirit. Sorrow and mourning over wasted life and sin leads to joyful freedom from the burden of guilt and spiritual oppression. God reveals to the humble heart the true source of abundant life and happiness. Jesus promises his disciples that the joys of heaven will more than compensate for the troubles and hardships they can expect in this world. Thomas Aquinas said: *No one can live without joy*. That is why a person deprived of spiritual joy goes after bodily pleasures. Do you know the happiness of hungering and thirsting for God alone?

From [a reflection on the Gospel](#) by Don Schwager

Year of Consecrated Life

November 2014 – February 2016

Pope Francis announced that 2015 will be a year dedicated to the promotion of consecrated life, and is asking the church's religious sisters, brothers and priests to "wake up the world" with their testimony of faith, holiness and hope. Each of us are called to be holy. What Jesus wants the most is that we come close to His heart. To draw close to Him and to learn from Him how we can become holier. Many times we can think that holiness is only for those who have time to pray, those who can devote themselves to prayer all day. But it's not that way at all! Some people think that holiness is closing your eyes, bowing your head and putting on a really pious face. Holiness is something much greater and more profound than our external gestures.



Mrs Marilyn Turner
Religious Education Co-ordinator

Theme for the week:

"Learning is Living"

Our theme this week encourages children to learn from everything they do. Whatever the experience, giving thought to what has been learnt or taken place allows the children to prepare for future situations. Our theme this week also implies that we can learn so much from those who have the wisdom that comes with living through experiences. The grandparents and elderly who will visit our school tomorrow have a wealth of experience to share with us.

Please keep in your prayers

Our prayers are extended to the Aguas family (Shiloh, K Blue) due to the passing into eternal life of Shiloh's grandfather.



TERM 4
Week 4
Fri 30th Oct

Upcoming Dates

8.45am Grandparents Day Assembly
followed by classroom visits, Book Fair and morning tea

Sun 1st Nov	11.00am and 2.00pm First Eucharist Ceremony at Our Lady of the Rosary Church
Week 5 Mon 2nd Nov	2.10pm Year 2 Assembly in St Angela's St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - Parents welcome
Tues 3rd Nov	First Kindergarten 2016 Orientation Session 9.00-10.30am Surnames A-D and E-L 11.00am-12.30pm Surnames M-R and S-Z 2.20pm Year 1 Liturgy in St Angela's St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - Parents welcome
Wed 4th Nov	Year 2 Excursion to Parramatta Heritage Park
Fri 6th Nov	Years 5 & 6 Surf Education Program
Sun 8th Nov	11.00am and 2.00pm First Eucharist Ceremony at Our Lady of the Rosary Church
Week 6 Monday 9th Nov	Years 5 & 6 Surf Education Program
Tues 10th Nov	Pizza Hut Special Food Day 2.20pm Year 2 Liturgy in St Angela's St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - Parents welcome
Wed 11th Nov	11.00am Remembrance Day Assembly Prayer - Parents welcome
Thurs 12th Nov	Second Kindergarten 2016 Orientation Session 9.00-10.30am Surnames A-D and M-R 11.00am-12.30pm Surnames E-L and S-Z
Fri 13th Nov	2.10pm Kindergarten Grade Assembly in St Angela's St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - Parents welcome

Quote of the Week

"Nothing limits achievement like small thinking;
nothing expands possibilities like unleashed imagination."

FINAL GENERAL PARENT MEETING FOR 2015 **WEDNESDAY 18TH NOVEMBER AT 7.00PM**

AGENDA

- * Prayer & Welcome
- * Review minutes of last meeting
- * Committee Reports
- * Naplan feedback
- * 2015 in Review
- * 2016 Future Planning

Come along and join us for our final General Parent Meeting for the year. All are welcome.

More photos from our 15 Year Gala Dinner



Celebrating our Gifts

Academic Excellence

Noah Bercich KB
Domenic Laird KG
Cruz Bercich KY
Ava De Carlo 1B
Aidan Vassallo 1G
Mollie Selfridge 1Y
Cairo Piotto 2B
Joshua McDermott 2G
Alexander Mizzi 2Y
Jessica Herbas 3B
Dana Adan 3G
Tiarne Fox 3Y
Thomas Hennessy 4B
Patrick Sultana 4G
Abigail Madayag 4Y
Jack Despoges 5B
Olivia Nati 5G
Owen Azzopardi 5Y
Kaitlin Barnsley 6B
Bailey Lewis 6G
Jacquelyn Bennett 6Y

St Angela's Award

Tiana Azzopardi KB
Joshua Norman KG
Stella Powell KY
Luke Wehrmann 1B
Zoe Ortlepp 1G
Clarissa Gumuljo 1Y
Jason Fahmy 2B
Sanjana Kadam 2G
Joe Khoudair 2Y
Lauren Shin 3B
Sophie Young 3G
Ashley Davie 3Y
Kaleb Brett 4B
Jaida Batoua 4G
Sienna Javidi 4Y
Tiana Alberti 5B
Curtis Rothwell 5G
Oliver Miskovich 5Y
Rachela Tesoriero 6B
Thomas Schenko 6G
Macklin Kirkley 6Y

Happy Birthday!

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

NOVEMBER

Sun 1st

Sarah Crowley
Logan McDonald

Wed 4th

Lilli-Rose Javidi
Masen De Carlo

Mon 2nd

Julian Basso
James Hakme-Bader

Fri 6th

John Alibrandi
Alexandra Knight
Gabriella Way
Leonardo Blefari
Aidan Siney

Tues 3rd

Jade Bower

Sat 7th

Dylan Gularte



KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION PROGRAM ORIENTATION SESSIONS

This Tuesday 3rd November

9.00am-10.30am Students with surname A-D, E-L
11.00am-12.30pm Students with surname M-R, S-Z

Thursday 12th November

9.00am-10.30am Students with surname A-D, M-R
11.00am-12.30pm Students with surname E-L, S-Z

Friday 27th November

9.00am-12 noon All students (children will need recess)

On Friday November 27th, parents are asked to remain for the first hour, 9.00-10.00am, to share a cuppa and for a parent question and answer session. Oz Fashions will also be selling uniforms from 12 noon to 3.00pm.

Grade Assemblies

Please note, as communicated in our term calendar, remaining whole school assemblies for Term 4 are as follows:

Week 5 - This Monday 2nd Nov at 2.10pm led by Year 2
Week 6 - Friday 13th November at 2.10pm led by Kindergarten
Week 8 - Monday 23rd Nov at 2.10pm led by Year 4

All parents are most welcome to join us.

St Bernadette's Primary School Castle Hill

Fun Fair

Tomorrow, Friday 30th October

3.00pm till 8.30pm

Artists of the Week

Congratulations to our artists for this week:

Sanjana Kadam (2 Green)
Roisin Kelly (5 Blue)

Children's artworks are proudly displayed in the Library.



Student Attendance

Please see an important message coming home soon regarding new compulsory school attendance procedures.

Sent home in the last week:

Emailed: Year 6 Graduation Dinner/Disco Flyer, Grandparents' Day and Book Fair Information, Parish News

GRANDPARENTS' DAY TOMORROW

ALL WELCOME

**8.45AM ASSEMBLY FOLLOWED BY
OPEN CLASSROOMS AND MORNING TEA
(plus you can purchase a book to take
home for your grandchild or for the
library on behalf of your grandchild)**

As a large number of visitors are anticipated, we ask that you bring in a plate to share for morning tea if you have a grandparent attending. Your contribution can be left in the hall this afternoon or tomorrow morning, Friday 30th October.

Morning tea/catering arrangements: The morning tea will be in the hall and we kindly ask families to assist with the catering. It would be appreciated if goodies are provided on disposable plates and ready to serve (nut free please). To ensure a balance of food items -

- ▲ all Yellow classes (K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6) are kindly asked to bring cakes, scones or pikelets;
- ▲ all Blue classes (K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6) are kindly asked to bring slices or biscuits;
- ▲ all Green classes (K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6) are kindly asked to bring sandwiches, savouries, dips or cheese & biscuits.

Families with more than one child at school are only required to provide one plate of whichever category they would like to choose. Although we have lots of seating, any additional fold up chairs etc. would be beneficial as we are certainly expecting a large number of visitors. **If you are able to assist in setting up, serving or packing up, please contact Mel Catania on 0417 720 881 or volunteer on the day.**

Parking

To assist with our elderly visitors, the Kiss and Drop may also be used for grandparents to be dropped off. Additionally all car parking at the front of the school and around the hall will be made available for elderly who have restricted mobility etc. (ie. disabled parking).

Save the Date

Year 6 Graduation Dinner/Disco

6th December 2015

6.00 till 10.00pm

Book Club

Please note book club orders are due back at school tomorrow **Friday 30th**

October - 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

THE GOOD GUYS SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL PROGRAM

The Good Guys Support Your School Program concludes **tomorrow, Friday 30th October 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.

Grandparents' Day - Friday 30th October, 2015

Book Fair in the Library!

Donate a book on behalf of your grandchild

All grandparents of St Angela's are warmly invited to donate a book to our Library on behalf of their grandchildren or to purchase to enjoy books at home.

We invite grandparents to visit the Library between 8am-8:30am or 9:30-11:30am with their grandchildren, to view the selection of books available. The Library will also be open to purchase books on Tuesday, 3rd November from 11.15 am -2.45pm (Please see Mrs North). Payment can be made by cash, cheque (payable to St Angela's) or EFTPOS.

If you are unable to attend the Book Fair and would still like to purchase books, you can order online. Please go to the following website - www.centralbooksuppliers.com.au. When purchasing online, please type in the 'Customers Notes' at the end, St Angela's, your child's name and class. All books purchased online are for kind donation to our library and will be delivered directly to the school.

Books donated to the Library will have a 'Donation Card' glued inside the front cover so that the generous donation will always be remembered.

Dance Fever

This year, St Angela's participated in the extremely popular and successful Dance Fever program. Our weekly classes, taught by Mrs G and Cruz were an eagerly awaited event each week. The term culminated with an outstanding K-2 Showcase for parents at school and the very successful Challenge Night at Homebush.

In the words of many, many students, it was simply the best experience ever

In the words of parents:

"I saw confidence in my children that I hadn't seen in the past - they had the time of their lives!"

"I just wanted to write to congratulate you on implementing the Dance Fever dance lessons at school and the culminating evening."

"The dance fever night was spectacular. The kids really did let their lights shine tonight - everyone including the kids, staff and families were smiling."

"I wanted to say how wonderful it was watching the K-2 Dance Fever showcase. The instructors were very professional and had a lot of fun with the kids. I can see why they've enjoyed the lessons so much! I was impressed with how much the kids have learnt and how well they knew each dance. Any chance of it becoming a permanent part of the curriculum?"

In light of the overwhelming response and requests from students, parents and teachers, we have decided to book Dance Fever again for 2016. This fabulous program covers PDHPE and Creative Arts (Dance) outcomes for each grade. The fee for Dance Fever will be added to your school fee account.

Again, thank you for your enthusiasm and support. Your wonderful feedback is always lovely to hear!

Mrs Monica Fitzalan
Assistant Principal