

St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill

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Dear Parents,

This year we will join more than 620 Catholic schools across NSW and the ACT to celebrate Catholic Schools Week. There is so much faith, fun and learning that takes place at St Angela's that our Catholic Schools Week will be held over a two week period, from 7th March to 18th March.

Additionally, during Catholic Schools Week (Week 7 - 7th to 11th March), we would like to introduce a "Family Week". Family Week will see the children have a break from formal home learning (although we ask that every child still reads each night) to spend time with you as a family, or helping you for the family. You may choose an activity that you can do as a family each day with your child. Examples may include playing a board game, sitting and sharing stories, cooking a meal together, feeding the pet, playing cards, helping put away laundry, setting the table, reading mum or dad a book, washing the car, gardening, writing mum and dad a thank you note, spending time in prayer/saying the Rosary, going for a family walk etc. Family Week is aimed at freeing children up to assist and/or spend time with those who love them most, their greatest heroes, you their parents and family.

The theme for Catholic Schools Week 2016 is 'I Belong. You Belong. We Belong' which encourages schools to showcase for their local community the opportunities available to students, raise awareness and celebrate the distinctiveness of Catholic schools. The 2016 Catholic Schools Week theme ties with the Church's celebration of the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy, which recognises our Catholic faith values of forgiveness, compassion, strength, aid and love.

Catholic Schools Week is about strengthening relationships between all those who have a stake in our schools - students, staff, families, priests, parishioners, and members of the wider community - by showcasing what happens in our classrooms every day.

It is for this reason, that I would like to extend an invitation to you and your family to join us at St Angela's at the following events to celebrate with our school and parish community Catholic Schools Week 2016:

Mon 7th Mar 2:15pm Thurs 10th Mar 2:20pm Fri 11th Mar 9:00am

Tues 15th Mar 2:00pm Fri 18th Mar 8:45am

Whole School Assembly led by Year 1 Prayer Liturgy presented by Year 3 Open Day for Kindergarten 2017 **Enrolments**

Reading Afternoon

Whole School Catholic Schools Week assembly, also celebrating St Patrick's Day, followed by morning tea and open classrooms.

This is an ideal opportunity to support the community of St Angela's and learn more about the great things that take place in Catholic schools every day.

Our school has a wonderful, supportive community of staff, parents and clergy who work together to focus on giving students the best education possible, encouraging success, promoting discipline, supporting creativity and instilling compassion. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support of St Angela's and I look forward to celebrating Catholic Schools Week with you.

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

Tony Calabria Principal



Upcoming Dates

8:45am Fun(d)raising Committee Meeting in the staffroom - Parents welcome

Catholic Schools Week "I belong. You Belong. We Belong."

Mon 7th Mar 2:15pm Whole School Assembly led by Year

1 - Parents welcome

Tues 8th Mar Special 'Baker's Delight' Food Day

Wed 9th Mar Reconciliation Information Evening at Our

Lady of the Rosary Parish

Thurs 10th Mar 2:20pm Prayer Liturgy presented by Year 3 -

Parents welcome

Fri 11th Mar 9:00am Kindergarten 2017 Enrolment

Information Session and School Tour

Theme for the week:

"Spend Time in Prayer"

We have all at one time or another experienced the power of prayer in our lives or in the lives of others. Our theme this week encourages the children to spend time each day in prayer in order to develop their relationship with Christ, particularly during this time of Lent.

KINDERGARTEN 2017 ENROLMENT INFORMATION SESSION AND SCHOOL TOUR Friday 11th March at 9.00am **St Angela's St Maximilian Kolbe Hall**

Please pass this information onto neighbours, friends etc. who may be interested in enrolling their child in our great school.

Grade Assemb

Please note as communicated in our term calendar, remaining whole school assemblies for Term 1 are as follows:

Week 7 - This Monday 7th March at 2:15pm led by Year 1 Week 9 - Monday 21st March at 2:15pm led by Year 3 All parents are most welcome to join us.

This Tuesday 8th March





Religious Education

Please see coming home today information and brochures about celebrating the Year of Mercy from Our Lady of the Rosary Parish



Sunday, March 6th 2015 Year C 4th Sunday in Lent

Luke15:1-3,11-32

Jesus teaches about forgiveness in the parable of the Prodigal Son.

The parable Jesus tells in this week's Gospel is unique to the Gospel of Luke. The parable of the prodigal son invites us to consider the depth of God's mercy and love. As we listen, we may find no surprise in the anger of the older son toward his younger sibling. Yet the father appears sad and even confused by the older son's indignation. He says that they should celebrate because the lost son has returned. The father is filled with gratitude and love for the older son's faithfulness. This love is in no way diminished by the father's rejoicing at the return of the younger son. Yet the older son's jealousy reveals his limited understanding of the depth of his father's love.

The Fourth Sunday of Lent is traditionally called Laetare Sunday. *Laetare* is a Latin word that means "rejoice." Today's Gospel describes the reason for our joy: God's great love for us has been revealed in Jesus. Through his Passion, Death, and Resurrection, Christ has reconciled us with God and one another.

Year 2 Year of Mercy Liturgy- Tuesday 1st March



Year 2 and their parents gathered in St Maximillian Hall on Tuesday afternoon to pray and reflect on how we are the face of God's mercy to those we come into contact with each day. The children sang the World Youth Day 2016 song – Blessed are the Merciful, pondering on the words "Blest are the merciful; for it is mercy that shall be shown to those who show mercy."

Mrs Marilyn Turner Religious Education Coordinator

Please keep in your prayers

Our prayers are extended to the Mizzi family (Alexander 3 Blue and Olivia 2 Green) due to the passing into eternal life of the children's grandfather.

Catholic Schools Week Reading Afternoon Welcome Parents

To celebrate Catholic Schools Week, we would like to invite you to school on Tuesday 15th March from 2:00pm, to read to or with your child/children and their friends. The whole school will be reading in different areas of the playground. Please meet at your child's class or find them on the playground, to enjoy the wonder of reading. Please bring along your favourite book to model reading or read to the children — maybe an 'oldie but a goodie' from when you were a child!

Quote of the Week

"Let your mind be challenged, your spirit be free, and your heart be full of love."

Did you receive the important information regarding absences and the new SMS/Text notification system? (Emailed last week)

There are new procedures set down by the Diocese relating to changes to student attendance requirements for 2016. Attendance at school is a legal requirement. Our new absence texting system is currently being trialled. Feedback for our SMS/Text system if your child is away has been extremely positive. If your child is absent, you will receive a text that reads:

St Angela's: (Child's first name) has been marked absent from school today (date). Pls reply to this SMS to explain this absence.

You are asked to then respond with a reason for their absence, for example, informing us that they are:

Sick, attending a Medical Appointment or their absence is for Family Reasons etc, etc.

Please do not text ahead of time but rather wait for the text that is sent to you. Parents are discouraged from removing children during the school term, as any absence impacts the learning for your child. If travel during school term is necessary, details regarding considerations and procedures were outlined in the email sent. These documents are also available on our website under Current Community, Notes from School, Whole School.

Year 6 Committee Meeting

A meeting has been organised for any Year 6 parents who wish to join the committee to organise Year 6 events such as end of year celebrations, yearbook etc. This meeting will be held this Tuesday 8th March at 8:30am in the staffroom. All are welcome. If you would like to join and cannot attend the meeting, please contact Debbie Newell at debbie.newell@barreltech.com.au or on 0437 290 973 with your ideas, suggestions etc. Thank you.



From the Library ...

It is an expectation that all children borrow each week. Please ensure that your child has a library bag or similar with them on their library day as they will not be allowed to borrow without one. It would be a great help if you could assist your child at home with reading and caring for their library books.

Library Borrowing Timetable

Monday Years 3 and 6 Tuesday Year 1

Friday Kindergarten, Years 2, 4 and 5

Fun(d)raising Committee If you would like to be part of our exciting Fun(d)raising committee that organises events for the children and/or parents, please let the office know and/or if available join us for a

meeting **tomorrow**, **Friday 4th March** at 8.45am in the staffroom. We have a core group of parents who are more than happy to lead this committee again in 2016. Whether your contribution is big or small, all are most welcome to attend. If you are able to be part of the various organising committees for different events or have contacts etc. we would also love to hear from you or see you at our meeting.

Celebrating our Gifts

St Angela's

Award

Connor Bourne 6B

Arianna Mohan-Ram 6G

Olivia Tesoriero 6Y

Academíc Excellence

Olivia Siligato KB Cristian Frasca KB Kem Young KG Aliyah Henwood KG Ben Wehrmann KY Kirealea Crowe KY Bronte Woodhead 1B Riley Roditis 1B Adam Hochstetter 1G Amalia Mohan-Ram 1G Masen De Carlo 1Y Sean Phung 1Y Ariana Sarmiento 2B Tristen Gunawardhana 2B Freya Begg 2G Benjamin Smith 2G Jessica White 2Y Ryan Sloan 2Y Jessica Woolnough 3B Dominic Darmudi 3B Alexandra Knight 3G Nicholas Murdocca 3G Arielle Henwood 3Y Kate McEvoy 3Y Ivana Alilovic 4B Zoe Byrne 4B Genevieve Brouillard 4G Tom Smales 4G Amalia Araneda 4Y Anjali Hunt 4Y Sophie Rodger 5B Jayden Carr 5B Jack McDonald 5G Tanya Benedict 5G Alexia Henao 5Y Cooper Andrew 5Y Seth Panganiban 6B

Sport News

Diocesan Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to all our swimmers who competed last Friday in the Parramatta Diocesan Swimming Carnival, at Blacktown Indoor Swimming Centre. All our swimmers did a fantastic job in representing St Angela's. It was very exciting to see the Junior Boys finish 1st in their relay. Congratulations to the following children who made it through to the NSW CPS Swimming Trials, which will be held 31st March at Sydney Olympic Park Homebush:

Harrison Tandy - 50m Breaststroke

Curtis Rothwell 6G

Nathan Fox 6Y

- 50m Butterfly
- Sophie Young 50m Backstroke
- Junior Boys Relay (Harrison Tandy, James Baylis, Tom Smales, Angus Gibbons)

Congratulations to Kyle Morley (6 Green) and Ava Foxe (5 Blue) who were selected in the Parramatta Diocesan Soccer Teams. They will compete in Canberra in May. Well done indeed!

Mrs Andra Hemmings **Sports Coordinator**

BAULKHAM HILLS BRUMBIES JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB

CALLING UNDER 6 AND UNDER 10 PLAYERS

The Baulkham Hills Brumbies Junior Rugby League Club includes students from St Angela's, St Michael's, Our Lady of Lourdes and St Bernadette's and are currently seeking players for their Under 6's and

BAULKHAM HILLS BRUMBIES

Under 10's teams. If your child is interested in playing rugby league on a Sunday, contact details are as follows: Brad Curl (President) 0419 686 661

Simone Urquhart (Registrar) 0412 996 479

Email: brumbies.jrlfc@gmail.com



MARCH

Wed 9th Sun 6th Timothy Bagtas Serena Adoranti Krister Lo Renee Lenferna Ruby Moller Isabella Seda Harrison Tandy Mon 7th Mischa Vujnovich

Dominic Christie Mr Calabria

Tues 8th Dylan Moc Jack Despoges Lachlan Doheny

Fri 11th Luke Watson

Thurs 10th

Aaliyah Netana

Zoe Byrne

Sat 12th Curtis Rothwell Holly Di Staso



Congratulations to Genevieve Brouillard (4 Green) who successfully auditioned for a position in a specialist vocal group called 'Cantissimo' with the Australian Girls Choir. Genevieve is one of only 18 girls selected in all of NSW.

Your parent class representatives have been nominated and are as follows:

Kindy Blue: Kristy Zeaiter, Rani Bovopoulos, Carlene Khoury,

Kerry Lockwood

Kindy Green: Michelle Rambow, Donna Brown, Nerida Southwood

Kindy Yellow: Kathleen Roberts

1 Blue: Cherille Paton, Marlena Muscardo

1 Green: Karen Wilson

1 Yellow: Laura Hall, Christine Stavropoulos

2 Blue: Frances Rothwell 2 Green: Donna Collins 2 Yellow: Antonella Tesoriero 3 Blue: Michelle Jacobs 3 Green: Tara Shepherd 3 Yellow: Nicole Love

4 Blue: Nicola Motton-Palmer, Carla Aldag, Nerida

4 Green: Laura Hall, Christine Stavropoulos, Kari-Anne Begg 4 Yellow: Vicki Watson, Carla Aldaq, Joyce Bautista, Wayne

5 Blue: Tara Shepherd 5 Green: Donna Collins 5 Yellow: Jo Andrew

6 Blue: Erin Kennedy, Michelle Jacobs

6 Green: Nicole Love, Joyce Bautista, Helen Morley 6 Yellow: Irena Van Der Heyde, Bec Nati, Rosalie Adoranti

Keep an eye out for next week's Shine as we outline activities for each grade and initiatives taking place.



MARIAN CATHOLIC COLLEGE ENROLMENTS - YEAR 7 2017

Enrolments for Year 7 2017 will open on Wednesday 9th March, 2016. It is anticipated that all Year 6 students currently attending St Angela's, Our Lady of The Rosary, St Madeleine's and Our Lady of the Angels will receive an Enrolment Package at their school, in the two week period leading up to our Open Evening. Applications should be *fully completed* and *lodged* at the College *by Tuesday 26th April, 2016*. Failure to provide a fully completed application form (including all necessary signatures) and *copies* of all relevant, supporting documentation may delay the processing of applications and enrolment offers. Late applications will only be accepted if there are unfilled places. Any enquiries can be directed to the Enrolment Officer on 9654 6700.

The enrolment period for Year 7 2017 will close on Tuesday 26th April, 2016.

OPEN EVENING – WEDNESDAY 9TH MARCH 2016

Marian Catholic College extends an invitation to prospective students and their families, to attend our annual Open Evening. This year there will be **two repeated** sessions to showcase the students and the learning experiences offered by the College. The session times will be run at **4:00 pm and 6:00pm. Each** session will commence in the Shared Hall, where the Principal and students will provide information about school life at Marian Catholic College. **Each information session will be followed by Guided Tours of the school**. Visitors will be able to take part in the activities that will be showcased at the various tour stops.

NOTE: **Each** session will follow **exactly** the same format, so please come to the session time that best suits you.

Sibling Enrolment for Kindergarten 2017

If you are intending to enrol any sibling/s of students already at St Angela's for Kindergarten in 2017, please complete the slip below and send to the school office. This information will assist us in preparing for next year's intake of students. Enrolment packages will be sent home shortly.

Thank you.

2017 SIBLING ENROLMENT INTENTION

I am intending to enrol (Parent First and Surname)				
my child/children into St Angela's to commence Kindergarten in 2017.				
Child (First Name)				
Child (Surname)				
D.O.B				
Please send an enrolment package home with in Class				
Signature: Date:				

Gilroy College Open Evening for Year 7 2017 Tuesday 8 March 2016

Principal's address: 6.15pm in the Brother Damien Harvey Hall

CollegeTours will be conducted at 5.30pm and 7.00pm (bookings **not** required).

Enrolment Packages will be available on the night and from the College office until 6 April 2016.

Applications close 6 April 2016.

For further information visit our website or Email tpoole@parra.catholic.edu.au.

MOUNT ST BENEDICT COLLEGE OPEN DAY

This Sunday 6th March from 10:00am to 2:00pm and prospective Parent Information Evening for Year 7 2018 this Tuesday 8th March at 7:00pm

Please note families with a daughter in Year 5 should apply now for Year 7, 2018. Registration for Waiting List forms should be lodged by the end of Year 4.



Library Helpers

Many thanks to the wonderful parents who helped last year. It was gratefully appreciated. On Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays we will need help covering and shelving books. If you would like to volunteer as a library helper, please fill out the slip below and return it to the office. All help will be gratefully appreciated even if you can only spare $\frac{1}{2}$ hour. Thank you.

Mrs Rosanne North Teacher Librarian

Library Helpers

General Library Assistance (covering and shelving)

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□ Covering			Shelving		
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Friday