



St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill

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Term 1, Week 7

Dear Parents,

Catholic Schools Week - I Belong. You Belong. We Belong

We are looking forward to our remaining Catholic Schools Fortnight of celebrations:

Fri 11th Mar	9:00am	Open Day for Kindergarten 2017 Enrolments
Tues 15th Mar	2:00pm	Reading Afternoon
Fri 18th Mar	8:45am	Whole School Catholic Schools Week Assembly, also celebrating St Patrick's Day, followed by a community morning tea and open classrooms.

After our whole school assembly at 8.45am, followed by a community morning tea for parents, the children are looking forward to welcoming parents into their classrooms to share a learning activity with them. All parents are most welcome and encouraged to attend. Children are invited to wear green mufti and are asked to bring in a donation of 'gold or fold' to support our social justice outreach through Caritas Project Compassion in order to help make a difference to those in need.

PROJECT

*Calming in times of need
Own it, share it
Makes everyone feel loved
Pass it around and make smiles
A sign of integrity
Something the world needs more of
Signifies a true hero
In times of despair, this shall appear
Overly enjoyed
Not a want, but a need*

I am extremely proud of St Angela's, the amazing staff, beautiful faith filled students and you, our supportive parents, not just during Catholic Schools Week but each and every week. Together we are all very much part of the success of our great school.

At St Angela's, we have high expectations and aim to excel in everything we undertake. Most importantly, we are certainly blessed to work with your child in partnership with you in developing their spiritual, academic, social, emotional and physical potential.

Family Week

Our Family Week, as part of our Catholic Schools Fortnight, has been a huge success. Parents have expressed appreciation at having a little time freed up to spend as a family during these 'precious' years while the children are young. Children have been sharing their 'Family Week' experiences, which have included cooking a meal together, going out for dinner, playing Monopoly, having a family game of soccer, just to mention a few. Keep an eye on next week's Shine for more.

Fun(d)raising

My appreciation and thanks to the talented and committed group of parents who gathered to form our Fun(d)raising team for 2016. We have a number of great events that are in the pipeline, including:

Discos in Terms 2 and 4
The Inaugural Golf Day in Term 3
Outdoor Movie Night in Term 3
Walkathon in Term 3 (coinciding with World Youth Day as we hold our own Pilgrimage).

(Keep an eye out for further details in future editions of Shine for how you can be involved or support these events through sponsorship and donations of prizes/goods and services etc.)

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:

"Have Faith & Trust in Jesus"

Our theme this week helps remind us that we should always place our trust in Jesus - to trust and know that His love and care will always be with us and guide our lives. As a family we live out and show our faith and trust in Jesus as we deal with life's challenges. Prayer as a family is just one of the many ways of making Jesus part of our lives.

KINDERGARTEN 2017 ENROLMENT INFORMATION SESSION AND SCHOOL TOUR

Tomorrow, 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.

Notes sent home in the last week:

Emailed: Reconciliation Information - Yr 3 and new families
Design and Make - Yr 1



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Religious Education

Sunday, March 13th 2015 Year C
5th Sunday in Lent



John 8: 1-11 Let the person without sin be the first to throw a stone.

Having had gospel readings from Luke for many Sundays now, we might be surprised that this Sunday gospel is from the Gospel of John. All is not as it seems. This gospel story, although found in John, is very similar to stories in the synoptic gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke. It is absent from some ancient copies of John, and has long been considered an insertion into John's gospel. It is, nevertheless, reliable gospel tradition, but comes from an unknown source. The early Christians deliberately put down in writing all the traditions about Jesus they had received. The theme of forgiveness is prominent, as on previous Sundays. Jesus is being tested, as so often by the religious leaders of his day. The matter of fidelity to the Law of Moses is raised in a dramatic way. The actions of Jesus are eloquent. He crouches down to write on the ground, turning away from judgement and condemnation. He then 'stands up' to deliver words of forgiveness, words which restore her life to the woman and allow her to rise up. Words of forgiveness empower us to stand erect, and to accept the challenge not to sin again.

Am I prepared to understand and pardon the sinner? Do I value the Sacrament of Reconciliation as a way of receiving for myself the new future offered to the woman in the gospel passage? We pray for readiness to seek the forgiveness of Christ.



Reconciliation 9th March:

Thank you to Fr Alejandro, Fr Robert and Fr Gerard who celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation for Year 4 and some Year 5 children.

Year 3 Liturgy Thursday 10th March:

Year 3 and their parents gathered in St Maximillian Hall on Thursday afternoon to pray and reflect on the Year of Mercy. The Gospel focussed on the importance of forgiving one another. Jesus said, "For if you forgive men when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you."

Mrs Marilyn Turner
Religious Education Coordinator

Quote of the Week

"Great works are performed not by strength, but by perseverance."

Please keep in your prayers

Our prayers are extended to the Egiziano family (Natasha, 5 Blue) due to the passing into eternal life of Natasha's great grandmother.

Great Feedback!

We have had a lot of feedback regarding the ease of the newly implemented absence texting system. The preferred mode is a response to the text sent on each and every day of absence. Just a reminder that all other correspondence, emails etc. should always be sent directly through to the office. From there it is forwarded to the teacher/person who can assist. Many thanks for your support.



Upcoming Dates

Week 7

Fri 11th Mar

9:00am Kindergarten 2017 Enrolment Information Session and School Tour

Week 8

Tues 15th Mar

2:00pm Reading afternoon at St Angela's - Parents welcome any time from 2:00pm onwards

Thurs 17th Mar

7:30pm Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Reconciliation Information Evening

Fri 18th Mar

8:45am Catholic Schools Week celebrations continue with St Patrick's Day Assembly followed by morning tea and open classrooms

News from the Parish

LENTEN PROGRAM

lead by Fr. Alejandro
Tuesday, 10am, parish office

FRIDAYS OF LENT

Shrine **WAY OF THE CROSS** 10am
OLOR Mass 7pm followed by
OLOR WAY OF THE CROSS
AND PRIVATE CONFESSIONS 7.30pm

PALM SUNDAY OLOR Masses

Saturday Vigil 6 pm
Sunday 7am and 9am,
Solemn Procession at 10:45 am,
11 am and 6pm

HOLY WEEK (MARCH 20-27)

Wednesday Mass at OLOR 9.15am
7pm Mass of the Holy Oils
St. Patrick's Cathedral

SACRED TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday

7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
(Adoration until Midnight)

Good Friday

2.15pm - Meditation on the 7 Last Words by Br. Louis
11am - Student Stations at the Shrine
3pm - Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday

Confession from 9 to 10am
10am Stations and Marian Devotion at the Shrine of the Holy Innocents
EASTER VIGIL MASS AT 8PM

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES

7am, 9am, 11am and 6pm

"PARENT" MOVIE NIGHT - COME CELEBRATE FATHER ALEJANDRO'S BIRTHDAY

at a Parish Movie Night on Easter Wednesday, 30th March at 6.45pm: **Batman vs. Superman: Dawn of Justice** at Castle Towers Event Cinemas. According to the synopsis: "Fearing the actions of an unchecked Superman, Batman takes on the Lone Son of Krypton, while the world wrestles with what kind of a hero it really needs." Please note that **this film is rated M**. A free piece of birthday cake will be offered to all attendees. Each ticket is \$20 and all profits benefit the church renovation fund. Hurry don't wait...seating is limited!

Celebrating our Gifts

Academic Excellence

Zachary Vujnovich KB
Cassidy Southwood KG
Jude Moller KY
Zoe Mizzi 1B
Tiani Layoun 1G
Kai Hall 1Y
Mollie Selfridge 2B
Evan Hunt 2G
Emma Lang 2Y
Brandon Suefong 3B
Joel Foxe 3G
Joshua McDermott 3Y
Natasha Panganiban 3Y
Aaliyah Netana 4B
Olivia Rodger 4G
Brinley Lewis 4Y
Zachary Pace 5B
Charles Saul 5G
Felicity Rankin 5Y
Jake Blackwell 6B
Armaan Tulsi 6G
Benjamin Moroney 6Y

St Angela's Award

Claudia Sereni KB
William O'Neill KG
Alice Nugent KY
Miha Knevit 1B
Luca Bercich 1G
Dominique Gualarte 1Y
Sienna Fonseca 2B
Keeley Rule 2G
Lucas Seda 2Y
Grace Karam 3B
Jasmine Shepherd 3G
Owen Sereni 4B
Sarah Tesoriero 4G
Joan Bautista 4Y
Lara Atchison 5B
Riley Mackay 5G
Nicholas Perusich 5Y
Jayson Orley 6B
Krister Lo 6G
Charlotte Baylis 6Y



Happy Birthday!

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

MARCH

Sun 13th

Bryce Lenferna
Eimear Kelly
Jessica Araneda
Summer Crotty
Sienna Stavropoulos

Tues 15th

Sienna Javidi
Aeven Mendoza
Tianna Farah

Thurs 17th

Sarah O'Donnell
Tyra Moc
Darius Mekary

Mon 14th

Jackson Bercich
Ethan Cabezas
Dominic Darmudi
Brayden Sampol

Fri 18th

Jacob Holm
Aaron Hohn
Jessica Hohn

Sat 19th

Emma Heanes
Myah Ciccio



Star Spot

Congratulations to Emma Vitanza (6 Blue) who has been selected for the Baulkham Hills Shire Netball Association 12 Years Representative TDP Team. Well done Emma!

EASTER EGGS AT SCHOOL

As the Easter season and the common sharing of chocolate eggs is approaching, it is important to remember that there are a high number of children at St Angela's who are severely allergic to nuts, eggs and/or dairy etc. Parents are asked to support us by ensuring that Lollies/Chocolates/Easter eggs are not brought to school by the children, either for themselves or to share with others. Thank you for your continued cooperation in making St Angela's a safe environment for all our children.

Afternoon Front Pick Up/Drive Through

- ◆ Drive thru begins once the teacher on duty signals cars to come forward.
- ◆ Please drive to the furthest available area (as marked by the white lines) to allow as many cars in as possible.
- ◆ **Please have surnames clearly displayed** in large print on your front windscreen as different teachers are on this duty and may not know you/your car.
- ◆ Children will be directed to their car by a teacher. We kindly ask that parents do not get out of the car to assist the children.
- ◆ Children must only enter their car on the passenger side.
- ◆ If you are on the phone it must be a hands free phone only. Please do not drive into our school grounds (let alone on the streets, as it is illegal) with a mobile phone held to your ear.

Thank you for your support in this area, as your child's safety and the safety of others is our number one priority.

Artists of the Week

Congratulations to our artists for this week:

Mason Kelly (K Blue)
Isabella Hall (4 Green)



Children's artworks are proudly displayed in the Library.

Thank you

To Joyce Bautista, Donna Collins, Wayne Davie, Cristina Gerretson-Cornell, Amanda MacNaughton, Diana Norris, Angela Papadimatos, Lillian Perusich, Trudi Schenko, Antonella Tesoriero and Natasha Vitanza (co-ordinator) who assisted with the Baker's Delight lunch for the children on Tuesday. Your time was very much appreciated.

Many thanks to our local Baker's Delight for supporting our Food Day. Baker's Delight also run a Dough Raiser Program which helps raise money for schools and clubs. If purchasing from Baker's Delight Kellyville, please mention St Angela's and a percentage of your purchase will be donated back to the school.

Voluntary Grade Contact List

On your behalf my thanks to your Grade Parent Representatives who will soon be assisting with grade contact lists. As introduced last year, your contact number will be circulated to others in the grade only after you authorise permission for this purpose. The list is useful for communicating with other families within the school to organise playdates, birthday parties etc. If you wish your contact number (ie. **The main mobile contact number that the school has on file**) to be added to the list please email the relevant information outlined below to your **grade contact parent**. Please provide the following details in your email:

Surname

Child's Name

Class for 2016

Parent's names

And the word 'Yes' (referring to the main mobile contact number that the school has on file) **by Monday 21st March**.

We only publish a contact phone number as this seems to be of the most value to parents. It is envisaged that if you require more information, eg. Email addresses etc., you can contact the parent directly. The information will be generated from our school administration system. It is important to take note of a few mandatory guidelines for using these numbers:

Confidentiality is paramount. Parents who have volunteered their number have done so for other parents of the grade. It is kindly asked that you do not pass on any numbers to other parents due to privacy. Phone numbers should not be left on display on fridges etc. where they can be accessed by others or passed onto others without permission. Phone numbers should only be used appropriately to support each other, foster networks and build community.

Only parents who have emailed details to this grade parent representative will be included. Only parents who are on the list will receive a hard copy of the list. The list will only be published once per year.

Email addresses of contact list co-ordinators for each grade are as follows:

Grade Representatives

KINDERGARTEN: kristyzeaiter@hotmail.com
YEAR ONE: mick_lau@bigpond.com
YEAR TWO: frothwell@bigpond.com
YEAR THREE: michelle.jacobs@bigpond.com
YEAR FOUR: mick_lau@bigpond.com
YEAR FIVE: rex_tarz@hotmail.com
YEAR SIX: solar4u@internode.on.net

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 started being sent home today.

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: _____

Medical Bracelets

A reminder that orders for medical bracelets for students with anaphylaxis, allergies, asthma, diabetes and heart conditions are due back at school **tomorrow, Friday 11th March**.

Children's Work Books Coming Home

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

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 particularly in this important time of Lent.

Also coming home will be your child's **Mathematics** books. 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.

Quality Catholic Schooling (QCS) Survey

All Catholic schools in the Diocese of Parramatta will be once again participating in the Quality Catholic Schooling (QCS) survey.

The QCS survey provides information from students, staff and parents about our school's cultural behaviour, relationships and learning community, and assists us in our focus on continuous improvement.

Between 21 March and 1 April 2016 all staff, all Year 5 and 6 students and 60 randomly-selected parents will be asked to complete an online survey. Staff and students will complete the survey online at school. Parents will be sent home a paper survey but will also be able to complete the survey online if preferred. The survey will take about 20-30 minutes to complete.

This year we will again be able to gain even more information about the link between student wellbeing and learning outcomes. To do this we will need to include a student identifier in the student survey. The survey will still remain confidential and individual survey responses will not be accessible by the school or the Catholic Education Office.

An independent survey consultant (Insight SRC) who manages the data collection will ensure the survey data is kept strictly confidential. Each school will receive a de-identified information report at the end of May to help them to develop strategies for further improvement. This will definitely assist the school in working with all students to further improve their learning.

As a parent if you are randomly-selected to complete the survey, you are encouraged to participate as this will help our school to identify our strengths and areas in which we can focus our improvement.

If you have any questions please free to contact the school office, Mr Calabria or Mrs Fitzalan.