



St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill

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Ministry of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville

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Term 3, Week 2

Dear Parents,

As a faith community we congratulate and keep in our prayers the Year 6 students who, last weekend, had their preparation day for Confirmation and over the coming weeks will soon receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Church. The Seven gifts of the Holy Spirit - Wonder, Courage, Reverence, Wisdom, Right Judgement, Knowledge and Understanding inspire us to live our lives in the footsteps of Christ. May the Holy Spirit be a very important part of their lives and guide them in all that they do. May God bless our Year 6 students.

In thinking about how respect towards each other is so important, I enjoyed the following reflection that gives 10 simple points to always remember. Why not take the time to share this with your child.

1. Speak to people. There is nothing as nice as a cheerful word of greeting.
2. Smile at people. It takes 72 muscles to frown and only 14 to smile.
3. Call people by name. The sweetest music to anyone's ear is the sound of their own name.
4. Be friendly and helpful. Be a friend to all.
5. Be cordial. Speak and act as if everything you do were a genuine pleasure.
6. Be genuinely interested in people. You can like everybody if you try.
7. Be generous with praise, cautious with criticism.
8. Be considerate of the feelings of others, it will be appreciated.
9. Be thoughtful of the opinions of others, there are always three sides to controversy - yours, the other person's and the right one.
10. Be alert to give service. What counts most in life is what we do for others.

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

Tony Calabria
Principal



St Angela's Inaugural Golf Day
Friday 9th September
Lynwood Country Club
All welcome

See the official registration information form
coming home.



Upcoming Dates

TERM 3

Week 2

Fri 29th July

Kindergarten excursion to Calmsley Farm

Week 3

Tues 2nd Aug

7:20am for 7:30am start - Optional ICAS English Competition (Yrs 3-6) in the library

Fri 5th Aug

Census Day

Jeans for Genes Day - Gold or fold donation

Week 4

Tues 9th Aug

8:45am Parent Representative Meeting in the staffroom

2:20pm Year 2 Liturgy in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - Parents welcome

Wed 10th Aug

Year 5 Excursion to Our Lady of the Rosary Parish

Thurs 11th Aug

Year 6 Pyjama Day

Fri 12th Aug

9:45am Interschool Debating St Angela's vs St Michael's - All welcome

2:15pm Year 3 Grade Assembly in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - All welcome

7:00pm Confirmation Ceremony at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Church

Theme for the week:

"Care & Compassion"

(taken from The Nine Values for Australian Schools from the National Values Education Program)

Some Food for Thought

How do we care for ourselves? Do we keep a healthy body and mind?

How do we really care for others in need?

Do we think of others who are in need?

Are we compassionate towards the needs of others?

How do we show care and compassion in our words and actions?

Change of School for 2017

To estimate enrolments for 2017, 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.

Sent Home in the Last Week:

Emailed: Term 3 Parent Calendar, Grade Overviews, Kindergarten Sight Words, Online Cyber Safety Presentation - What you should know

Hard Copy: Online Cyber Safety Presentation - What you should know



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Religious Education

Sunday July 31st 2016 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time- Year C

Luke 12:13-21 Parable of the rich man with a good harvest

The Gospel reading this week fits in very well with this Year of Mercy in which we find ourselves. The theme this week is the obstacle wealth can be to us entering fully into a relationship with God. The valuing of riches above all else and the constant desire for more is what is problematic, not actually being wealthy. What good is served by one person having more than they need while others do not have enough to meet their needs? Jesus' message in this parable is to share what we have with those in need. Pope Francis has declared this year the Year of Mercy and calls on us to reflect deeply on the wonderful gift of mercy that comes to us from our Heavenly Father. He calls on us to consider those ways in which we are called to be the face of mercy to those we meet each day, just as Jesus did in His telling of the parable of the rich man.

How could we in our local community better strive to live out this gospel message?

First Eucharist

Last week the First Eucharist Parent Information Evening was held at Our Lady of the Rosary. We wish the children every blessing as they begin their journey towards receiving Jesus for the first time.

Catholic Mission Workshops

Tomorrow, Year 5 and 6 will be participating in Mission workshops *Sacrament of Confirmation* (Year 6) and *Haves and have nots* (Year 5). The children will explore relevant global issues and the work of Catholic Mission, understanding that they can be part of the work of mission by taking action.

Religious Literacy Assessment

Over the coming weeks Year 4 and Year 6 will undergo assessment of their Religious Literacy as part of a diocesan wide initiative to investigate their learning in Religious Studies. The students will participate in an online assessment with Year 4 also completing a presentation on their understanding and interpretation of a Gospel story. Parents will receive an outline of their child's results in Term 4. We wish all the students the best of luck as they begin this assessment period.

Mrs Kathryn Newman
Acting Religious Education Coordinator

Please keep in your prayers

Our prayers are extended to the Park family (Chris 6 Green) due to the passing into eternal life of Chris' grandmother.

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Our prayers are extended to the Adji family (Nathan 4 Blue and Euan K Green) due to the passing into eternal life of the children's grandfather.

Please keep in your prayers

Our prayers are extended to the Selfridge family (Morven 5 Green and Mollie 2 Blue) due to the passing into eternal life of the children's great grandmother.

Parent Representative Meeting - Tuesday 9th August 8:45am

The Term 3 class parent representative meeting will be held on Tuesday 9th August at 8:45am in the staffroom for those parents available.

News from the Parish

**SAVE THE DATE OF OUR PARISH FETE:
SATURDAY 15 OCTOBER, 2016**

WOULD YOU LIKE TO RUN (or to help run) A STALL? Your help in one of many ways, will be sincerely appreciated: planning of food, entertainment, good quality items for white elephant stall, second hand books, crafts, fashion, cake baking, plants, fruit and veggies, Contact the parish office 9629-2595 for information or to offer your valuable help.

Quote of the Week

*"It's not what you look at that matters,
it's what you see."*

COMPULSORY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

The Education Act 1990 requires your child to attend school each day that instruction is provided, unless they are sick or there is another good reason for their inability to attend. Parents are required to explain their child's absence within the following seven days. Not doing so means that an unjustified absence will be recorded on the class roll. Teachers are also required to record lateness and part day absences on the class roll. If your child is late, or if you pick your child up during the school day, you are required to come in to the office for your child to be signed in/out.

School Census Day - Friday 5th August

Friday 5th August is School Census Day. All children should attend school on this day and absence should only be if it is absolutely necessary.

If you know your child will be away on Friday 5th August, please email stangelas@parra.catholic.edu.au advising the reason for the absence and when they will return, otherwise, simply respond to the text sent from St Angela's on the day by 10.00am explaining their absence and their date of return to school.

This is of course a requirement that applies to everyday of the school year, however, Census data is directly related to Government funding for our schools and the requirements outlined above are set by the Department of Education.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Jeans for Genes®

On Friday 5th August, St Angela's as part of its social justice outreach program, will be supporting the Jeans for Genes Day appeal. Children are invited to wear their jeans/denim mufti on the day. We ask that each child brings in a donation of gold or fold in support of this worthwhile cause. Thank you.

Important Dates to Note this Term

****Please note change of date to accommodate our presenter, Senior Constable Rob Paterson, with Online Cyber Safety Presentation - What you should know
Presentation and General Parent Meeting
Wednesday 24th August at 8:45am**

Father's Day Celebrations
Friday 2nd September

St Angela's Inaugural Golf Day
Friday 9th September

Outdoor Movie Night
Friday 16th September

Celebrating our Gifts

Academic Excellence

Kara Piperata KB
Holly Brincat KG
Jayden Younis KY
Zachary Brook 1B
Chelsea Mowbray 1G
Lucca Piotto 1Y
Dominic Piperata 2B
Clarissa Gumuljo 2G
Ava De Carlo 2Y
Sanjana Kadam 3B
Joel Cartisano 3G
Rachel Agius 3Y
Alannah Bridge 4B
Dylan Manio 4G
Madlen Gunasekera 4Y
Ronan Lee 5B
Michael Roditis 5G
Alexia Henao 5Y
Julia Ogilvie 6B
Sarah O'Donnell 6G
Kaitlyn Langridge 6Y

St Angela's Award

Riley Dafter KB
Kiara Krishnan KG
Nathaniel Botic KY
Zoe Mizzi 1B
Jared Suarez 1G
Romik Gulumian 1Y
Veronica Cheng 2B
Evan Hunt 2G
Finnian Christie 2Y
Brandon Suefong 3B
Jeremy James 3G
Connor Calleja 3Y
Lily Moller 4B
Finya Begg 4G
Ethan Petersen 4Y
Claudia Como 5B
Charlotte Edwards 5G
Leon Reyes 5Y
Declan Agius 6B
Sophie Laudams-Gulbis 6G
Jack Despoges 6Y

Happy Birthday!

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

JULY

Sun 31st

Jordan May
Sienna Adams-Rodriguez
Ava Bizzanelli

Wed 3rd

Kane Chadwick
Alice Nugent
William O'Neill

AUGUST

Mon 1st

Cassandra Davidson

Thurs 4th

Kristian Ebejer

Tues 2nd

Chantelle Mendoza
Oliver Vujnovich
Ella Peterson

Fri 5th

Yianni Paras

Sat 6th

Laura Nati
Joshua McDermott
Alannah Lane

Joke of the Week

- Q. What do you call an animal you can eat?
A. Chocolate Moose.

Kathryn Dasobas 2 B

Star Spot

Congratulations to Sophie Young (4 Green) who was awarded summer age champion for swimming in the Under 8 Girls Sydney Metro North West.

Holiday Writing Challenge

Congratulations to the following children for their excellent writing in our Holiday Writing Challenge:

Kindergarten

1st: Lincoln Brown
2nd: Jacob Nasso
3rd: Kem Young

Years 1 & 2

1st: Ruby Moller
2nd: Jessica Araneda
3rd: Emma Lang

Years 3 & 4

1st: Hannah Kennedy
2nd: Bernadette Laird
3rd: Jessica Herbas

Years 5 & 6

1st: Roisin Kelly
2nd: Olivia Tesoriero
3rd: Robert Kelly



Keep an eye on next week's Shine for excerpts from some of our wonderful writers.

DIOCESAN VOICE OF YOUTH

This term the students from Year 6 will be competing in the Parramatta Diocese Voice of Youth Contest. Our children are all busy writing and practising their speeches to present to their classes. The students have been given a list of criteria for judging. Some of these include:

- Timing: 3-4 minutes
- Stance: poised, comfortable, confident
- Topic Interest: Audience attention, appropriate level
- Voice: clarity, variety, loudness, pitch
- Speech Cards: keeping pace, correct usage
- Eye contact/gestures
- Involving audience by using individual personality according to topic.

Three winners will be chosen from our school level final to be held on **Tuesday 16th August at 9:00am**. These children will then represent St Angela's at a Cluster Final on **Monday 29th August at 9.30am at St Michael's, Baulkham Hills**. One winner from the cluster will progress to the Semi Final and perhaps the Grand Final following later in the term. This diocesan speech contest is being conducted so that children with a flair for public speaking have an opportunity to use this talent. Good luck to all our Year 6 students. Parents are most welcome to come along and support our students on either of these days as audience involvement is a major part of their speaking process.

Mrs Newbury, Mrs Ogilvie and Mrs Rubelj
Year 6 Teachers

Buses

Please note, we have been advised by Hillsbus that route number 2610 (Purple Bus) will no longer run a service in the afternoon effective Monday 1st August 2016.

With the introduction of the new OPAL card system, we have been asked to remind students to make sure they tap on and off when boarding and departing the bus each day. The data gathered from this is used to determine demand for bus services.

International Competitions and Assessments (ICAS) Years 3 to 6

The ICAS English test will be held on **Tuesday 2nd August** in the library. We ask that children arrive at **7:20am for a 7:30am start**. *This is due to the fact that not all students participate and therefore your child will not miss out on their classroom learning. The test must be done on the designated day at the designated time. Unfortunately, tests not completed during the supervised time cannot be done at an alternative time.* A pencil case containing a pencil, an eraser and a ruler are required.

Sport News

St Bernadette's Netball Gala Day

On Tuesday, 12 Netball teams played in the St Bernadette's Invitational Gala Day at Kellyville Netball Courts. Our teams all played extremely well, displayed awesome sportsmanship and were excellent representatives of St Angela's.

It was very exciting to see both our 12 year old girls and our Year 6 boys team win their divisions for the day. We also had some teams finish a very close 2nd with at least 3 teams being undefeated until the very last game of the day.

Gala Days like today don't just happen. Our appreciation and thanks to:

Our team managers: Tara Shepherd, Bec McDonald, Jaime Mackay, Sonia O'Rourke, Michelle McEneaney, Michelle Rambow, Natasha Vitanza, Stephanie Hefron, Bec Nati, Hayley Cane, Allison Holmes, Deb Hefron and David Hemmings.

To Marian College supplying our umpires: Christina Dell'Aquila, Claire Anderson, Sophie Vitanza, Elyse Grima, Allannah Gattini, Kim Hefron, Lauren Jacobs, Olivia Lamaro, Amy Laudams-Gulbis, Mia Nestorovic and Beth Porter.

To our teachers who helped select, train and organize the teams on the day: Mrs Newman, Mrs Rubelj, Mrs Fieello, Mrs Yager, Mrs Moller, Mrs Newbury, Mrs Kelly, Miss Howe and Mr Laird.

What a fantastic day of netball!

Mrs Andra Hemmings
Sports Coordinator

Many thanks to Mrs Hemmings for co-ordinating this wonderful opportunity for the children.

Sport Days for Term 3

As indicated in the Grade Overviews sent home last week, children are to please wear their sports uniforms as indicated below for Term 3:

Kindergarten	Monday and Thursday
Year 1	Monday and Wednesday
Year 2	Monday and Thursday
Year 3	Monday and Wednesday
Year 4	Monday and Tuesday
Year 5	Monday and Thursday
Year 6	Monday and Wednesday

If you are ever unsure

A sincere thank you to the parents who take the time to make contact to clarify rumours, stories, perceived events, playground experiences etc. that they may hear from their children or misinformed others. Children love to sensationalise events, and as a result their accounts can sometimes be a mixture of truth and many opinions of others.

If you are ever unsure about any school event, activity, procedure, learnings or in particular anything that may have involved your child etc. you are encouraged to please take the time to seek clarification, as your first port of call with the school i.e. with class teachers, the office, Mrs Fitzalan or Mr Calabria to get information first hand as opposed to relying on heresay or other's interpretations or perceptions.

Please also note it is never appropriate to approach other school children for clarification of an issue or event etc. Matters are always best handled by the teachers and school. Additionally, contacting other parents who you do not know well to discuss children's friendships etc is not always beneficial.

Values Matter at St Angela's

During this term, starting this week, information on the "Nine Values for Australian Schooling" will be presented each week in our school newsletter. As you are aware the teaching of "Values Education" has been mandated by the Australian Government. These core values have been identified as including a range of secular and religious world views, and are common to most cultures. They underpin Australian society.

As a Catholic School we teach according to Jesus Christ's gospel values which strongly reflect the values of LOVE, FAITH, HOPE, RECONCILIATION, KINDNESS, SELF CONTROL, GENTLENESS, INTEGRITY, RESPECT and JUSTICE. Below is a summary of the nine values for Australian schooling.

Nine Values for Australian Schooling

1. Care and Compassion - Care for self and others
2. Doing Your Best - Seek to accomplish something worthy and admirable, try hard, pursue excellence
3. Fair Go - Pursue and protect the common good where all people are treated fairly for a just society
4. Freedom - Enjoy all the rights and privileges of Australian citizenship free from unnecessary interference or control, and stand up for the rights of others
5. Honesty and Trustworthiness - Be honest, sincere and seek the truth
6. Integrity - Act in accordance with principles of moral and ethical conduct, ensure consistency between words and deeds
7. Respect - Treat others with consideration and regard, respect another person's point of view
8. Responsibility - Be accountable for one's own actions, resolve differences in constructive, non-violent and peaceful ways, contribute to society and to civic life, take care of the environment
9. Understanding, Tolerance and Inclusion - Be aware of others and their cultures, accept diversity within a democratic society, being included and including others.

A key aspect of this ongoing values education is the importance of students developing responsibility, resilience and social skills through co-curricular as well as curriculum programs.