



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 3

Dear Parents,

Mary MacKillop Feast Day
Monday 8th August
Australia's First Saint
Born January 15, 1842
Died August 8, 1909
Beatified by Pope John Paul II in 1995
Canonised in Rome on October 17, 2010

*'Never see a need without doing
something about it'*

*Mary MacKillop encourages us to be of service to others.
Each one of us has the potential to help others if we so choose. Being
able to see a need and know what to do is often the challenge, a
challenge that Mary MacKillop modelled for us in her life. Why not,
along with the children, make the effort this week and always do
something about a need you may be aware of.*

Mary MacKillop is a wonderful role model to us all. She was indeed a woman of faith and devotion. Her attitude of **'never see a need without doing something about it'** inspires us to reach out to others and to truly make a difference.

Mary MacKillop was born in 1842 in Melbourne, Victoria. Her parents were born in Scotland and came to live in Australia. Mary cared about people who had no-one to look after them such as boys and girls who just roamed the streets, children in the country who had no school to go to, people who were old and sick and people who had nowhere to live. Mary wanted more than anything to help these people. Mary went to work as a teacher in a little country town in South Australia called Penola. There she met Father Julian Tension Woods who also wanted to do something for the poor children who could not afford to pay the money needed to go to school. Together, in 1866, they began the first St. Joseph's School in an old stable. On 19th March, 1866 - St Joseph's Day - Mary started to wear a simple black dress and began the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph. Now as a Sister, she dedicated her life to doing God's work. As more and more young women joined Mary as Sisters, they were able to start more schools. All children were welcomed at their schools, even if they couldn't pay. In Adelaide they opened a place for women who

had nowhere to live, an orphanage for children who had no parents to look after them and a house where poor people could come and stay. The Sisters visited people who were in gaol and those who were poor and sick. Mary MacKillop was kind to all people. She died on 8 August, 1909 in North Sydney. Mary MacKillop kept her faith in God and bravely challenged those who did not support her vision for a more caring world. Mary is an important Australian who spent her life helping people, especially children. She is Australia's first Saint.

Once again, a special mention to the Evans family (Ella 5 Green, Lauren 3 Green and Liam 1 Green) who are distant relatives of Mary MacKillop. What an amazing bloodline.

Sacrament of Confirmation

We continue to keep in our prayers our Year 6 students, along with those throughout the parish, who over the next three weeks will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Online Cyber Safety Presentation - 'What You Should Know' and General Parent Meeting Senior Constable Rob Paterson Presenting

We hope that you can join us for our Online Cyber Safety - 'What You Should Know' Presentation on Wednesday 24th August at 8:45am presented by Senior Constable Rob Paterson followed by our Term 3 General Parent Meeting.

Combined Our Lady of the Rosary and St Angela's Communities Open Air Mass here at St Angela's for the Feast of the Assumption Monday 15th August at 9:30am

We look forward to welcoming children and families from Our Lady of the Rosary Primary, as they join us for the first time on this special Feast Day as we celebrate Mary in our lives. We hope you are also able to join us on this Holy Day of Obligation.

*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: "Doing your best"

Our theme this week focuses on always doing your best in everything you do, in academics, behaviour, relationships etc. Expecting the 'best' from our children and encouraging them to always give their best allows their true potential to shine. Children who always do their best are usually content with the effort they have put into a given task or the behaviour they have displayed and are not continually saying 'I could have done better'. Doing your best at your own level is one key to success; it does not always mean coming first.

Jeans for Genes®

Tomorrow, 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.

Sent Home in the Last Week:

Emailed: Year 6 Voice of Youth, Year 1 'Safe Use of Medicine' Activity, Year 4 Religious Literacy Assessment, Golf Day Registration Form
Hard Copy: Holiday Writing Challenge, Walkathon Sponsor Sheet, Year 4 Religious Literacy Assessment, Golf Day Registration Form



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Religious Education

The following is an excerpt from the homily of Pope Francis at the closing Mass of the World Youth Day celebrations in Krakow, Poland.

"...At times in our lives, we aim lower rather than higher. At those times, it is good to realize that God remains faithful, even obstinate, in his love for us. The fact is, he loves us even more than we love ourselves. He believes in us even more than we believe in ourselves. He is always "cheering us on"; he is our biggest fan. He is there for us, waiting with patience and hope, even when we turn in on ourselves and brood over our troubles and past injuries. But such brooding is unworthy of our spiritual stature! It is a kind of virus infecting and blocking everything; it closes doors and prevents us from getting up and starting over. God, on the other hand, is hopelessly hopeful! He believes that we can always get up, and he hates to see us glum and gloomy. Because we are always his beloved sons and daughters. Let us be mindful of this at the dawn of each new day. It will do us good to pray every morning: "Lord, I thank you for loving me; help me to be in love with my own life!" Not with my faults, that need to be corrected, but with life itself, which is a great gift, for it is a time to love and to be loved..."

We eagerly await the return of our pilgrims, Mrs Yager and Mrs Lean, to share their experiences with us. We ask God to keep them safe in the palm of His hand until they are with us again.

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop August 8

Monday August 8 marks the anniversary of the death of Mary of the Cross MacKillop and is the Feast Day of Australia's first Saint. This day is a time to contemplate Mary MacKillop remarkable life, her sense of social justice and her enormous contribution to education and as a champion of the poor, vulnerable and marginalised.

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Monday August 15th

On this Feast of Mary we celebrate a special favour that God gave to Mary, our Mother. The Assumption means that Mary was taken up into the glory of heaven not only with her soul, but also with her body. Jesus, the Son of God was born from Mary's pure womb. So when Mary died, God the Father and Jesus, would not let the body of the Mother of God be spoilt. This was her reward for her love of God and her years of faithful prayers and suffering.

See the front page of this Shine for details of this special Mass.

Confirmation Ceremonies - August 12th, August 19th and August 26th

Confirmation ceremonies will be held at Our Lady of the Rosary Church on 12th, 19th and 26th August at 7:00pm.

Lord, bless our Year 6 children as they make their confirmation.
Kindle a fire in their heart to love and serve you always.
Bless them and guide them in their choices.
Amen

Mrs Kathryn Newman
Acting Religious Education Coordinator

Please keep in your prayers

Our prayers are extended to the Perusich family as Isabella (2 Yellow) recovers from her recent injuries as per the email sent to all families on Tuesday.

Please also keep in your prayers the Holm family as Jacob (5 Blue) was recently injured on his way to soccer training.

Both are recovering well.



Week 3 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 End of Year Gift Pyjama Mufti 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

Week 5 Mon 15th Aug

9:30am Combined Our Lady of the Rosary and St Angela's Outdoor Whole School Mass in St Angela's St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - All welcome

(The Dance Fever session on this day will be rescheduled to Wednesday 31st August due to Mass)

Paul Kelly Cup Final at the SCG

Tues 16th Aug

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

9:00am Year 6 Voice of Youth in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - All welcome

2:20pm Year 1 Liturgy in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - All welcome

Thurs 18th Aug

Hills Zone Athletics

Fri 19th Aug

World Youth Day 'Walking with Christ-athon' (See information sheet and sponsor forms sent home this week)

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

Quote of the Week

"Fill the cup of happiness for others, and there will be enough overflowing to fill yours to the brim."

School Census Day Tomorrow - Friday 5th August

Tomorrow, 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 tomorrow, please email stangelas@parra.catholic.edu.au **by 10:00am** advising the following:

- ♦ reason for absence, eg. Sick
- ♦ date of return to school

Otherwise, simply respond to the text sent from St Angela's tomorrow by 10.00am with the above information.

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.

Celebrating our Gifts

Academic Excellence

Ava Russo KB
Harrison Lee KG
Aaron Zlomislac 1B
Zara Phelan 1G
Max Vallejo 1Y
Tristen Gunawardhana 2B
Yasmin Davie 2G
Mia Young 2Y
Noah Granero 3B
Melina Catalano 3G
Tia Post 3Y
Nathan Adji 4B
Genevieve Brouillard 4G
Enrique Hanza 4Y
Anthony Tedros 5B
Cooper Metcalfe 5G
Nicholas Perusich 5Y
Yianni Paras 6B
Grace Nugent 6Y

St Angela's Award

Evangelos Tikellis KB
Caitlin Bagtas KG
Isabella Khodair 1B
Oliver Milicevic 1G
Leonardo Blefari 1Y
Ariana Sarmiento 2B
Cooper Mills 2G
Bianca Jandrlac 2Y
Ariella Colosimo 3B
Sophie Milas 3G
Joe Khoudair 3Y
Flynn Jamer 4B
Alexander Stavropoulos 4G
Lauren Shin 4Y
Jacob Holm 5B
Joseph McEneaney 5G
Alexander Arends 5Y
Vincent Siligato 6B
Spencer Anderson 6Y

Happy Birthday!

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

AUGUST

Sun 7th

Emily Mitchell
Sanjana Kadam
Alvarez Alberti
Matthew Despoges

Wed 10th

Misha Belle
Orlando Ruiz-Martinez

Thurs 11th

Mrs Kelly

Tues 9th

Mia Russo

Fri 12th

Zara Phelan

Artists of the Week

Congratulations to our artists for this week:

Camila Diaz (K Yellow)
Michael Taouk (6 Yellow)



Children's artworks are proudly displayed in the Library.

Star Spot

Congratulations to Joan Bautista (4 Yellow) who recently competed at the Women's Artistic Gymnastics (WAG) State Championships. Joan competed in the International Level 6 and was awarded a Silver medal in the overall competition.



Kindergarten's Visit to Calmsley Farm

On Friday we had an exciting day at the farm. It was a fine and sunny day. We saw a dairy cow and her name was Custard. We were lucky enough to milk Custard. We watched the whip cracking show and enjoyed it when Mr Crawford and some of the children had a turn. We went on a bumpy tractor ride around the farm and we saw a very talented kelpie named Dot, who rounded up the sheep. It was a fun day full of learning.



Joke of the Week

Q. What do you call cheese that's not yours?
A. Nacho cheese!

Ella Evans 5G

MATHEMATICAL CHALLENGE

Recently, the children in Stage 3 have been focusing on multiplicative thinking during Mathematics in the classroom. In particular, we have been working on tasks designed by Professor Peter Sullivan (Monash University) and also the development of the Mathematics Australian National Curriculum. The tasks are challenging and require concentration and effort over an extended period of time, to allow the children to make connections between topics and then transfer their learning into practical real life situations, contexts and new topics.

Here is a sample of one of the challenging tasks for you to try. Answers can be placed in the Maths Problem box on the stage.

Some people came for a sports day.

When the people were put into groups of 3 there was 1 person left over.

When they were lined up in rows of 4 there were 2 people left over.

How many people might have come to the sports day?
Can you find a pattern for your answers?

Grade Assemblies

Please note, as communicated in our term calendar, whole school assemblies for Term 3 are as follows:

Week 4 - Friday 12th Aug at 2:15pm led by Year 3

Week 6 - Friday 26th August at 2:15pm led by Year 1

Week 9 - Friday 16th Sept at 2:15pm led by Year 4

All parents are most welcome to join us.

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

Be sure to complete your official registration form emailed home last week.

Online Cyber Safety Presentation

- What You Should Know

Presentation by Senior Constable Rob Paterson
Followed by our Term 3 General Parent Meeting

Wednesday 24th August 8:45-9:45am

St Maximilian Kolbe Hall

See email sent to all families last Friday for further information.

RIO OLYMPICS 2016



The Rio Olympics begin tomorrow, Friday 5th August, and conclude on Sunday 21st August. We look forward to the games which showcase our nation's best athletes and our Aussie spirit.

Inter School Debating Competition

After a well-earned break, our debating team are busily preparing their next debate to be held next Friday 12th August at 9:45am against St Michael's, Baulkham Hills. The topic for round 4 is, "It is harder to be the youngest sibling".

Our affirmative team will travel to St Michael's, while our negative team will compete at St Angela's.

Affirmative Team at St Michael's

Emma Vitanza
Connie Costa
Tayla Davie
Grace Nugent

Negative Team at St Angela's

Ben Watson
Kristian Ebejer
Oliver Murphy
Armaan Tulsi

We wish our debating team the best of luck for their next debate, and look forward to hearing their challenging arguments.

Thank you to all parents involved in supporting your child leading to the debate and for your presence on the day.

Mrs Newbury, Mrs Kaelin, Miss Lawrence and Mrs Kelly
Debating Coordinators

DIOCESAN VOICE OF YOUTH



As featured in last week's Shine, 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. 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

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

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

Important Dates to Note this Term

Combined Our Lady of the Rosary and
St Angela's Communities Open Air Mass here at St
Angela's for the Feast of the Assumption

Monday 15th August at 9:30am

Father's Day Celebrations

Friday 2nd September

St Angela's Inaugural Golf Day

Friday 9th September

Outdoor Movie Night

Friday 16th September

From the Library

Book Covering

We have a number of new books for the children that require covering. If any parents are free to cover books in the library this **Tuesday 9th August** from 11:15am onwards that would be gratefully appreciated.

Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to the following children who have also now completed the Premier's Reading Challenge:

Kindergarten – Euan Adji, Charlotte Lockwood
Year One - Amelia Blackwell, Zachary Brook, Angelina Catalano, Brayden Geraghty, Isaac Gunasekera, Tiani Layoun, Lucca Piotto, Carlo Scida, Angelina Tallaridi, Rhys Wilson, Aaron Zlomislac
Year Two - Alec Austen, Troy Austen, Jessica Mitchell, Nitika Nirmalan
Year Three- Melina Catalano, Jessica Woolnough
Year Four - Zoe Byrne, Madlen Gunasekera, Jessica Herbas, Charlotte Hogan, Kiara Lee, Emily Mitchell
Year Five- Abigail Madayag
Year Six- Arianna Mohan-Ram

There are many more students who have nearly completed the challenge. Just a reminder books need to be entered by Friday 19th August.

Mrs Rosanne North
Teacher Librarian

Values Matter at St Angela's

This week we are focussing on the value of:

DOING YOUR BEST - Seek to accomplish something worthy and admirable, try hard, and pursue excellence.

This value includes the following characteristics:

- Having a go! - How do you as parents, encourage this characteristic?
- Being positive about learning
- Learning from your mistakes - Tell them how proud you are of their efforts
- Discovering what you're good at and enjoy doing it
- Doing things to the best of your ability
- Using your talents - Discuss your children's God given talent/s with them and how these gifts should be used to the best of their ability.
- Setting worthwhile goals and making plans to achieve them. Do you have goals?

The overall message:

Attaining personal success in a range of human endeavours, pursuing individual excellence and displaying pride and satisfaction in personal achievement.

Our Holiday Writing Challenge ...

Stage 3

An excerpt from: A Lucky Escape - Robert Kelly

The swirling wind howls as it tries to get past my furry, protective suit. The colds dreaded icy breath freezes all the hope in my heart. CRACK, the ice beneath my feet splits in two. I plummet through the cold, Artic water. I grasp as the ice-cold ocean envelops me.

An excerpt from: Earth 20 – Olivia Tesoriero

Imagine that there is another world that you can plunge right into. The world has no violence, no theft and no debt. The horrors of life don't exist. Poor, homeless and unfed people go there to feast, sleep under roofs and be comforted. Imagine that every human was considerate towards others.

An excerpt from: Alone at Sea – Roisin Kelly

The terrified child grips the life buoy, her knuckles white. A dark shape lurks in the depths below, circling, ready to strike. Her piercing, ice blue eyes search the inky blackness. Her long, silky, hair whips like blazing fire in the shrieking gale. Shivers creep down her spine and the cold seeps into her bones while the heavy rain hammers her relentlessly.

Stage 2

An excerpt from: I Have a Special Heart – Hannah Kennedy

Hi, my name is Hannah,
I have a special heart,
It goes bump, buda, bump, bump,
But it sometimes has a funny start.

It may seem bad,
But it is actually good,
Because it doesn't stop me,
From doing what I should.

An excerpt from: A True Winter Holiday – Jessica Herbas

It's the Winter holidays,
But there's something you should know,
Why call the holiday Winter?
When there is no snow?

Sydney is a buzzing city,
With brilliant oceans and lights,
But that's not a true Winter,
It's just not right.

An excerpt from: Dust – Bernadette Laird

Nobody likes dust.
It's awfully scary.
Not monster or fishy like,
It's more like it's grey and hairy.
Could we invent a masterpiece,
To get rid of dust?
If you can get on with it, you absolutely must.

Stage 1

Holidays Rule – Jessica Araneda

The holidays are awesome,
Inflatable World was cool.
Finding Dory was so funny,
School holidays really rule!

I eat some jelly,
I watch the telly,
I play with mates,
School holidays are great!

Two weeks of fun,
Enjoyed by everyone,
It feels great being me,
Now, time for Term 3!

A Poster For Love – Emma Lang

Love is a very important thing in life.
That is because you will always love someone through your life.
And that person who you love is special to you.
LOVE is that you love your family, friends, pets, toys and your home.
So that is what love is about.

Frustrated - Ruby Moller

Frustrated, stressed and irritated, with my head in my hand and biting my pencil. I'm thinking what to write on this blank, unmarked, milky-white piece of paper. I constantly rub and rub, my paper is worn and almost transparent. That's it! I've got it!

Early Stage 1

My Dog - Lincoln Brown

Alfie Brown is his name,
He is not a Great Dane.
Alfie is the cutest Cavoodle,
Half Cavalier, half Poodle.

Origami Ninja Stars – Jacob Nasso

I went on the computer and I made Origami Ninja Stars. The coolest thing they can do is fly. Making Ninja Stars is fun.

Science – Kem Young

Science is important because it's awesome. Science can help us learn about the stars, space and the planets around us. Telescopes help us study space.

