

St Angela's Primary School Castle Hill



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Sending Home Information and News about Education

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Ministry of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville

Dear Parents.

Feast of St Maximilian Kolbe

This Saturday is the Feast Day of St Maximilian Kolbe, the Saint that our Hall is named after. At our morning assembly we will have a prayerful remembrance and celebration of the life of St Maximilian Kolbe. He was a wonderful example to us all of the selfless love that reflects the words of Jesus 'love one another as I have loved you'. Please see our Religious Education section in this Shine to learn more about St Maximilian Kolbe.

Feast of the Assumption

The Feast of the Assumption will be celebrated this Monday 15th August. This is a holy day of obligation. We hope you can join us here at St Angela's for our first ever combined Our Lady of the Rosary and St Angela's school outdoor Mass at 9:30am for this special feast day as we honour Mary in our lives.

Father in heaven,

All creation rightly gives you praise, For all life and all holiness come from you. In the plan of your wisdom She who bore the Christ in her womb Was raised body and soul in glory to be with him in heaven. May we follow her example in reflecting your holiness And join in her hymn of endless love and praise.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

St Angela's "Walking with Christ"- athon

Next Friday 19th August we will hold our "Walking with Christ"athon. All information was sent home earlier this term.

This is a reflective, fun, whole school event. Children will walk along a designated path within the school grounds completing seven laps. After each lap the children will stop at a station to take part in a reflective religious activity. As children complete each station activity, teachers will stamp their pilgrimage passport. Congratulations to Lara Atchison (5 Blue) for winning our sponsor cover sheet competition.

We kindly ask that children either seek sponsors for an amount per lap or a donation. Please ask your family, friends, neighbours and local businesses to support you in our St Angela's "Walking with Christ"-athon.

All money raised will go towards assuring our children have the latest in technology available to them. We will be purchasing large screen presentation TVs, Apple TV devices, iPads and ipevos to enhance the children's learning.

Parents are most welcome to join the children from 9:30am onwards. A timetable of the activities/events will be sent home shortly.

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

Tony Calabria Principal

ARE YOU JOINING US? St Angela's Inaugural Golf Day Friday 9th September Lynwood Country Club All welcome

Be sure to complete your official registration form recently emailed home.

Monday 15th August at 9:30am 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

Wednesday 24th August at 8:45am Online Cyber Safety Presentation - What You Should Know' followed by a General Parent Meeting Senior Constable Rob Paterson Presenting

All welcome to attend







Religious Education

Sunday August 14th 2016 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time- Year C

Luke 12:49-53 I have come not to give peace, but discord.

In this Sunday's gospel Jesus states, "Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." This statement reminds us that the message of Christianity is not always a popular one; rather it is one that often threatens our culture and the social practices that are accepted. Sometimes, as Catholics, we are called upon to speak a hard and confronting message even at the risk of unpopularity or threat. Jesus reminds us that if we take on his message of compassion and hospitality then it can set us apart from those who have not accepted the message – even family members. Adapted from a reflection by Greg Sunter (Parramatta CEO website)

Some questions to reflect upon:

- When have you ever held back from doing or saying the Christian thing for fear of rejection?
- What area of your life is calling you to a more active Christian response?

Year 2 Forgiveness Liturgy Tuesday 9th August



This week Year 2 celebrated a beautiful liturgy based on the theme of Forgiveness. Using the Gospel story of Zacchaeus the children reflected on their lives and asked for God's guidance to help them to love and forgive each other.

Thankyou God for all the forgiveness you have given us. Sometimes we find it hard to forgive others but you are always there to help us. Amen.

Feast of St Maximilian Kolbe 14th August

St Maximilian Kolbe was born in Poland and was a Franciscan friar. He founded the Immaculata Movement devoted to Our Lady. While imprisoned by the Nazis in the German death camp of Auschwitz located in Germanoccupied Poland during World War 11, ten men were chosen to die in reprisal for a prisoner escape. St Maximilian offered himself in the place of a young husband and father. He was the last of the ten to die after



enduring two weeks of starvation, thirst and neglect. It is said during the last days of his life Kolbe led prayers to Our Lady with the prisoners and remained calm. Kolbe was canonised on 10th October 1982 by Pope John Paul 11 and declared a martyr of charity. Our school hall is named after St Maximilian Kolbe in recognition of the Franciscan order that run our parish, Our Lady of the Rosary. **5 Green will lead the school in prayer tomorrow in our St Maximilian Kolbe Hall.**

Mrs Kathryn Newman Acting Religious Education Coordinator

Welcome Back From World Youth Day

Welcome back to Mrs Lean who has returned from her World Youth Day experiences. We look forward to hearing and learning about her travels. Mrs Yager will return later this term, as she takes the opportunity of being overseas to travel a little further.

<u>Please keep in your prayers</u>

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Our prayers are extended to the Milas family (Sophie 3 Green and Alex 1 Green) due to the passing into eternal life of the children's great grandmother.

Sent Home in the Last Week: Emailed: ACARA Student Background Data, Year 4 re Week 5 Routine, Allergy Families re Special Food Day Hard Copy: Year 4 re Week 5 Routine, Special Food Day Order Form

Theme for the week;

"Faír Go"

Our theme this week is another of the 9 values for Australian Schooling. It focuses on treating others fairly and allowing others to participate; promoting justice, acceptance and tolerance. This value helps our society live in harmony and to foster relationships.

Grade Assemblies

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

Week 4 - Tomorrow, 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.



"If you don't like the road you're walking, start paving another one."

Important Upcoming Dates

Father's Day Celebrations Friday 2nd September

St Angela's Inaugural Golf Day Friday 9th September

> **Outdoor Movie Night** *Friday 16th September*

<u>TERM 4</u> Grandparents' Day Friday 28th October

Thank You

Appreciation and thanks to our parent representatives who met on Tuesday to plan for upcoming events. In particular this term for our Father's Day Stall on Wednesday 31st August (Year 2) and our Father's Day Special Assembly breakfast on Friday 2nd September (Year 4).

Jeans for Genes

Last Friday we supported the Jeans for Genes Day appeal. Together we raised in excess of \$1100.00. Thank you to our families who donated so generously to support this worthwhile cause. This is just another example of the social justice outreach that the community of St Angela's undertakes.

Thank you.

Uniforms for the Coming Week

Monday 15th August

Combined OLOR and St Angela's Mass All children to wear school uniform.

Friday 19th August

"Walking with Christ"-athon All children to wear sports uniform.

Celebrating our Gifts Academic St Angela's Excellence Award

Sebastian Khoury KB Aiden Cabezas KG Josh Brewer KY **Connor Paton 1B** Rhys Wilson 1G Lyla Reyes 1Y Jack O'Neill 2B Sean Collins 2G Vanessa Tesoriero 2Y Dominic Darmudi 3B Jake Burgess 3G Joshua McDermott 3Y Thomas Norris 4B Mitchell Smith 4G Joan Bautista 4Y Jayden Carr 5B Aoife Collins 5G Chantelle Mendoza 5Y Raphael Saul 6B William Love 6G Lily Boucher 6Y

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Ava Chapman KB Joseph Brouillard KG Theodorus Kinsong KY Isaac Gunasekera 1B Cruz Bercich 1G Deagan Hopkins 1Y Tyra Moc 2B Ruby Moller 2G Logan McDonald 2Y Alexander Mizzi 3B Marcus Goodall 3G Adam Mendoza 3Y Mikaela Southwood 4B Nikolaj Knevitt 4G Charlie Nelson 4Y Sofia Losco 5B Patrick Sultana 5G Emily Nasso 5Y Seth Panganiban 6B Josh Bautista 6G Joshua Israel 6Y

Merit Cards

Merit cards are awarded weekly on Fridays at a morning assembly in the Hall. Alternatively, they are handed out at Grade assemblies when timetabled on Friday afternoons on the calendar. There are two merit cards per week per class given:

- Learning Excellence for outstanding academic achievement
- St Angela's for demonstrating Catholic values and appropriate social behaviour.

Congratulations to Emily Nasso (5 Yellow) who was awarded 4th place in the Classical Ballet Solo at the Dance Classique Eisteddfod last weekend.

Q. What do you get from a pampered cow? A. Spoiled milk

Sophie Rodger 5B

Sport News

Best wishes to our St Angela's athletic representatives competing at Zone next Thursday.

Best wishes also to our Paul Kelly Cup team playing this Monday. Keep an eye out in next week's Shine for the wrap up. Happy birthday to members of our St Angela's community who will celebrate their birthday this coming week:

<u>AUGUST</u> Mon 15th Marcus Fonseca Alexia Henao Samuel Langridge

Wed 17th Ajang Dau Dylan Crowe

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Thurs 18th Ethan Petersen

Fri 19th Sebastian Cignarella

Sat 20th Jemima Scothern

International Competitions and Assessments (ICAS) Years 3 to 6

The ICAS Mathematics test will be held this **Tuesday 16th August** in the library. We ask that children arrive at <u>7:20am for a 7:30am start</u>. 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.

MATHEMATICAL CHALLENGE

As noted in last week's newsletter, the children in Stage 3 have recently been focusing on multiplicative thinking during Mathematics in the classroom.

Please find below our second challenging task. Answers can be placed in the Maths problem box on the stage.

By putting in just one pair of brackets, make as many different answers to this as you can. $3 + 4 \times 8 - 6 \div 2$. Write each answer as an equation.

HILLS AND KELLYVILLE ROTARY CLUB WRITING COMPETITION

Last Term, Year 6 students took part in a writing competition held by the Hills and Kellyville Rotary Club. The students had to produce a creative piece of writing consisting of no more than 500 words. The topic was 'There's this house on my way to school'. On Monday 8th August, the three finalists from St Angela's attended the Rotary Presentation night, along with their families. Our three finalists were Curtis Rothwell, Claire Eisenhuth and Roisin Kelly. Congratulations to Roisin Kelly who came second overall. St Angela's also received a school award for Roisin's second place achievement. Well done indeed!





DIOCESAN VOICE OF YOUTH

As communicated 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 or potentially 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

FATHER'S DAY HELPERS NEEDED

YEAR 2 HELPERS (AND ANY OTHER PARENTS) NEEDED TO WRAP FATHER'S DAY GIFTS

Parent helpers are needed from the Year Two community (and anyone else available to help) to wrap over 600 gifts for the

Dads of our community. The gifts will be wrapped on Tuesday 23rd August at 7.00pm in the school library. It's a great chance to come and mingle over ribbon and paper. Enjoy a cuppa and a yummy snack for supper. BYO scissors.



If you are available please contact Donna Collins on 0438 758 848. All help will be greatly appreciated.

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YEAR 2 HELPERS FOR THE FATHER'S DAY STALL (AND ANY OTHER PARENTS)

Parents are also needed to sell gifts at the stall on Wednesday 31st August. If you are available anytime between 9am and midday to help out on the day, please contact Donna Collins on 0438 758 848 so a roster can be compiled. You will then be notified of your allotted time. All help will be greatly appreciated.







Bell times are outlined below for your information.

8.27am	Music to move to assembly area 🛛 🛛 🤜
<u>8.30am</u>	Official start of the day Start of first learning session All children are expected to be ready for announcements at assembly and move into classrooms for first learning session
10.30am	Recess
10.57am	Music to move to assembly points
<u>11.00am</u>	Start of second learning session
12.30pm	Lunch Sitting and eating until 12.40pm
1.17pm	Music to move to assembly point
<u>1.20pm</u>	Start of third learning session
<u>2.50pm</u>	Official end of school day. Bell to move and assemble in dismissal zones
2.55pm	Children begin leaving school grounds towards back gate, front gate crossing, cars, buses etc.

Inter School Debating Competition

Our debating team are busily preparing for their debate tomorrow, 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		
ayla 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 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**

Coughs and Colds

Just a reminder that if your child has flu symptoms it is important that they stay home in order to recuperate fully. When a child has a

persistent cough, a check up with your doctor is recommended, to rule out whooping cough. Information on whooping cough can be found on the NSW Health information site.www.health.nsw.gov.au. We have had a number of children ill recently including Influenza A, fever, slap



cheek, vomiting etc. Please reinforce healthy hygiene habits of washing hands and coughing into the inside of your elbows etc.



What are values? Ideals that guide our behaviour. They are ideals and beliefs we hold as special. Caring for others, for example, is a value; so is the freedom to express our opinions. Values are what people think is right and wrong, good and bad, desirable and undesirable.

This week we are focussing on the value of: Fair Go - Pursue and protect the common good where all people are treated fairly - for a just society.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled." Mt 5:6

In this beatitude Jesus invites us to be passionate about the promotion of justice, not just thinking that the concept of justice is a good idea. Justice people are action people.

This value includes the following characteristics:

- Respecting authority Do you teach by example?

- Being involved in your community. What do you do as a family/ individuals to show you "care?"

* Does your child belong to a community group that is involved in helping others?

* As a family, do you provide for people less fortunate than yourselves? eg. St Vincent De Paul

- Accepting other people and their backgrounds and
- Being tolerant and understanding of difference which includes 0 religious, physical, family or personality differences

The overall message:

Being committed to the principles of social justice, opposing prejudice, dishonesty and injustice.