

St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill

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Sending Home Information and News about Education

Ministry of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville

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Dear Parents.

Christ's unconditional love for each and every one of us is clearly evident as we recall and reflect on the key events from Palm Sunday to Holy Thursday, to Good Friday to the glorious 'Resurrection' on Easter Sunday. I hope that Easter has been a happy and Holy time for you and your family, full of Christ's blessings and certainly an opportunity for prayer and renewal. The many ceremonies last weekend tell the story of Christ's journey to the cross and of new life. Our rich Catholic culture and tradition is very much evident at this pinnacle point of our liturgical year.

Our own Easter Resurrection celebration yesterday morning with the children was extremely reverent and joyous. Thank you to the parents that joined us in prayer.

With so much that is happening in our world over recent weeks, the Resurrection of Christ and the story of Easter calls us to be people of peace, joy, compassion, respect, forgiveness and prayer.

Children's Workbooks

Over the last few weeks, the children's workbooks have been coming home. Thank you very much to the parents who have passed on their positive comments in regards to having an opportunity to look through books. Your comments are very much appreciated. It is amazing to also see just how much your children appreciate the comments that you, as parents, have been writing in your child's workbooks. Your feedback in regards to your child's learning is very important. There are so many examples of comments that children have been so proud of and keen to share with their teacher.

Here are just a couple:

"Great work! Your writing has really improved this year. We are so proud of the great work you are completing and this book is an excellent reflection of your hard work."

"Love to see you learning more and more about God. May God guide you through every day's learning and give you strength."

The A Team

Our talented and gifted staff team at St Angela's undertake numerous additional responsibilities and studies in order to help provide a high level of learning and an up-to-date curriculum for all children in all Key Learning Areas. Teachers regularly meet to share, develop and discuss teaching and learning strategies and new innovations in learning. Staff meetings for this purpose are held each Wednesday afternoon. We also hold staff prayer and reflection on a Friday morning before school. In all, it is the commitment that the staff give to their role in Catholic Education at St Angela's that helps make the difference.

Easter Egg Raffle

Congratulations to William Taylor (1 Blue) who was the winner of St Angela's Easter Egg Raffle. Many thanks once again to the Colosimo family (Ariella 3 Blue). The raffle raised over \$850.00 towards supporting Mrs Yager and Mrs Lean as they represent St Angela's at Krakow as part of World Youth Day 2016.

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;

"Forgive Others"

How often do adults and children really forgive others or more importantly themselves. Jesus truly teaches us the meaning of forgiveness through His life, death and resurrection. Forgiving others means taking the time to reconcile and rebuild relationships to move forward and not dwell on the past. As a parish school community we should always strive to model forgiveness to those around us.

QUALITY CATHOLIC SCHOOLING PROJECT

Thank you to the parents who were selected randomly by the CEO to complete school surveys. Please note the last day for submission has been extended until 5:00pm on Tuesday 5th April due to the Easter break.

School Holiday Uniform Sale

Our uniform supplier, Oz Fashions, will be selling winter uniforms during the upcoming school holidays on Wednesday 20th April from 11.00am till 2.00pm. Online orders are still being accepted and last delivery day for the term will be Friday 8th April. Deliveries will resume Tuesday 26th April. Any enquiries, please contact Elle on 0421 216 414 or elle@ozfashions.com.au.

entertainment Books

Entertainment Books are now available to purchase. Flyers have been sent home with your child today. To order your book or digital membership, please visit www.entbook.com.au/2144d46. For further information please contact the school office.

Daylight saving ends this weekend. Turn back clocks 1 hour.







Religious Education

Second Sunday of Easter, Apríl 3rd 2015 Year C



John 20:19-31 Thomas believes because he sees Jesus.

This Sunday's reading, from the Gospel of John, is proclaimed on the second Sunday of Easter in each of the three Sunday Lectionary cycles. This should alert us to the significance of the encounters with the resurrected Jesus described in this reading. Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace and the gift of the Holy Spirit. Jesus also commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun. As Jesus was sent by God, so too does Jesus send his disciples. This continuity with Jesus' own mission is an essential element of the Church. Jesus grants the means to accomplish this mission when he gives his disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit binds us together as a community of faith and strengthens us to bear witness to Jesus' Resurrection. Jesus' words to his disciples also highlight the integral connection between the forgiveness of sins and the gift of the Holy Spirit. Forgiveness and reconciliation are gifts to us from Jesus. With the grace of the Holy Spirit, we can share these with others. This is another essential aspect of what it means to be Christ's Church. Sunday Connection Loyola Press

Year 1 Liturgy Thursday 31st March: Year 1 and their parents gathered in St Maximillian Hall on Thursday afternoon to pray and reflect on the Year of Mercy. The Gospel reading focussed the story of 'The Good Samaritan", allowing the children to reflect on these "I Wonder questions:"

I WONDER

Why the robbers bashed up the man If the priest who served in the temple was a good neighbour

If the Levite who served in the temple was a good neighbour

Who was a good neighbour in the story

Why Jesus told this story
Who our neighbours really are

What happens when neighbours are unkind to one another How neighbours can care and show mercy for one another

Mrs Marilyn Turner Religious Education Coordinator



Term 2 begins Tuesday 26th April

Living alongside our neighbours

Please respect all properties neighbouring the school and ensure that our parking does not adversely affect our local neighbours, and the safety of everyone. In particular, in surrounding streets around our back gate area. Our neighbours have a right to access their driveway and **parents must not park across driveways** or drive in an unsafe manner. A reminder that police and council officers regularly patrol (as has been the case recently) and fine drivers.

Major Events Coming Up

Please find outlined below three major upcoming events taking place at the Wrights Road Reserve, now known as Centenary of Anzac Reserve:

- Sunday 17th April at 9:00am Anzac Commemoration Sunday Service
- Monday 25th April at 6.00am Anzac Day Commemoration Service Ceremony for the Shire.
- Saturday/Sunday 21st and 22nd May Hills Relay For Life.

Keep an eye out in Shine for further details.

Quote of the Week

"Minds are like parachutes - they only function when they are open."



Upcoming Dates

<u>Week 10</u> Fri 1st Apr

Year 3 Excursion to Brewongle

Year 5 Excursion to Rouse Hill House and

Farm

Week 11 Tues 5th Apr

St Angela's Cross Country on school

grounds

Wed 6th Apr 2:20pm Prayer Liturgy presented by

Kindergarten - All welcome

Fri 8th Apr

Last day of Term 1

TERM 2 Week 1

Week 1 Mon 25th Apr

ANZAC Day Public Holiday

Tues 26th Apr First

First day of Term 2 for students and staff

Wed 27th Apr

11:00am Anzac Day Assembly Prayer led by

Year 6 - All welcome

Fri 29th Apr

School Photo Day - Winter Uniform

International Competitions and Assessments

for Schools (ICAS) Years 3-6

LAST CALL!

University of NSW Initiative

International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) provide an opportunity for all students to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external assessment situation. This year, children are again invited to participate in the ICAS English and Mathematics competitions. Dates and the cost of each assessment are listed below. Due to a low number of students participating in other exams in previous years, these two papers are the only ones that will be offered in 2016 (as per 2015).

Both these papers will be sat at 7:30am, so as to not impact upon class learning time. Participation is optional. 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.

If you would like your child to enter, please complete the form in Shine (Week 8), which is available on our website under Current Community, Newsletters, Term 1 Week 8 and return it to school in an envelope marked "ICAS" with your child's name and class by <a href="https://example.com/next-type-return-next-typ

Lost Property

We have several items in our lost property basket. Please ensure all items brought to school are marked with your child's name and that it is legible so that property can be returned to students. Also, as items can sometimes get mixed with others during the day, please ensure that your items do belong to your child. Don't forget labels sometimes fall off and ink fades with time. Lost property is located at the stage under the Big Top.

Celebrating our Gifts

Academíc Excellence

St Angela's Award

Simon Marabut KB	А
Lincoln Brown KG	Br
Joshua Morin KY	A
Zachary Brook 1B	7
Jared Suarez 1G	Ale
Romik Gulumian 1Y	
Kathryn Basobas 2B	Br
Ruby Moller 2G	
Finnian Christie 2Y	Var
Jack Tole 3B	Jea
Cairo Piotto 3G	C
Emily Crowley 3Y	
Lily Moller 4B	
Nikolaj Knevitt 4G	Oli
Keira Murphy 4Y	,
Claudia Como 5B	В
Sarah Crowley 5G	Zo
Sebastian Cignarella 5Y	Cha
Vincent Siligato 6B	Ro
ophie Laudams-Gulbis 6G	La
Claire Eisenhuth 6Y	Ov

Alana Younan KB
Bronte Solomon KG
Alina Roberts KY
Zoe Crowley 1B
Alexis Tadiaman 1G
Ava O'Brien 1Y
Brandon D'Silva 2B
Liam Norris 2G
Vanessa Tesoriero 2Y
Jeanette Khoudair 3B
Olivia Sultana 3G
Priya Tulsi 3Y
Dana Adan 4B

Oliver Vujnovich 4G
Ashley Davie 4Y
Bella Shepherd 5B
Zoe Dimitriadis 5G
Chantelle Mendoza 5Y
Robert Piperata 6B
Lachlan Doheny 6G
Owen Azzopardi 6Y

Integrated Unit Workbooks

The children will be bringing home their Integrated Unit workbooks this week. We encourage you to talk to your child about their exciting learnings this term. What new skills have they learnt? What new ideas/information did they find out about? The children are extremely proud of their work and even more so to read a comment from their greatest role models, you their parents.

SPORTS HOUSES

All the children new to St Angela's have joined the other children in our four sports houses. The names of the teams reflect something of the story of St Angela. They are as follows:

Merici: (yellow)

The family name of St Angela.

Garda: (blue)

So

A large beautiful lake in the north of Italy which Angela visited very often.

Salo: (red)

A town on the shores of Lake Garda. Angela lived in this town as a young girl with her aunt and uncle after her parents died.

Brescia: (green)

A big city in the north of Italy. Angela lived and worked here. It was here that her thoughts and ideas were put into writing and she began the order of the Ursuline Sisters in 1535.

The children stay in the same sports house whilst at St Angela's. Siblings are in the same house. In this way we hope the children will develop a loyalty to their special house.

Kappy Branday!

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

APRIL Sun 3rd Wed 6th Caitlin Mu Lara Atchison

Mrs Di Stefano

Thurs 7th
Mon 4th Grace Brewer

Shannon Aneksomphan Sophie Laudams-Gulbis Lexi Pappas

Tues 5th Mrs Rubelj Hannah Kennedy

Hannah Lambert Fri 8th
Kaija Knevitt
Lyla Reyes

Sport News

PSSA Diving Championships

Best wishes to Montana Ritchie (6 Blue) who will be competing in the PSSA Diving Championships at Homebush next week.

Mrs Andra Hemmings Sports Coordinator

Year 1 Grandparent Visit

What was life like when you were a child?

This term, Year 1 has been learning about Indigenous Australian Families in History. In order to complete a compare and contrast activity, Year 1 invited their grandparents to come to St. Angela's, on the 29th March, to talk about what life was like when they were children. We had over a dozen volunteers and learnt many things, for example:

- Toilets were located outside of houses.
- Children would make up their own games and build their own toys.
- The schools were small and there were no school uniforms!
- Teachers were *very* strict!
- They used to swim in water holes and dams; no backyard pools!
- No televisions, (or if they had one it was black and white).

Many grandparents brought photos and other artefacts with them to help tell stories from their past. The Year 1 teachers and students would like to sincerely thank all those involved. Many thanks to Tony Teuma, David Mares, Frank Ursino, Lyndsay Vancuylenberg, Lucia Vancuylenberg, Carol Cope, Marie-Louise Previtera, Mary Baker, Pina Morsillo, Mary Geraghty, Elizabeth Barnwell, David West, Lidoosh Adams, Bruna Muscardo, Ken Powell and Maggie Powell. We hope you enjoyed the afternoon as much as we did!

Year 1 Teachers and Students



Changes to Going Home Arrangements

As previously advised, we ask that any changes to going home arrangements please be emailed to the school office at stangelas@parra.catholic.edu.au on the day the change is taking place. This assists with our process of advising teachers and children. Many thanks.

St Angela's Cross Country 2016

This Tuesday 5th April Held on our School Grounds

On Tuesday 5th April we will be holding our Cross Country Carnival. All Children at St Angela's have been preparing well and training hard at school in preparation for the day. All parents are invited to attend our Cross Country Carnival. We ask that parents park outside the school grounds, eg. Coles or Community Centre car park. The back gate will be open for parents at 8:40am (after morning drop off). The front gate will be closed for the children's safety at 8:45am.

Details of the day are as follows:

8:45am U/12 Boys & Girls 3km U/11 Boys & Girls 3km

Followed by U/10 Boys & Girls 2km U/9 Boys & Girls 2km

 U/9 Boys & Girls
 2km

 U/8 Boys & Girls
 2km

 U/7 Year 2 Boys & Girls
 700m

 Year 1 Boys & Girls
 700m

 Kinder Boys & Girls
 700m



These times are only a guide and may change on the day if need be

SAFETY: It is important that children eat a good breakfast

on the morning of the carnival. All children especially those running 2km and 3km, should

hydrate before running.

UNIFORM: Children are to wear their school sports shorts,

school hat, school sports top or previously purchased colour house polo tops. NO other

coloured tops are permitted.

The 2km (3 laps) and the 3km (4 laps) involves the children running along the inside perimeter of the school grounds with marshals being in view the entire course. For the safety of all our children and to help our carnival run smoothly we require parent helpers to assist on the day. If you would like to assist and have completed the child protection requirements, please contact the school office or simply offer to help on the day. I would like to be able to roster our helpers so you can watch your child finish the Cross Country. Therefore, I would appreciate offers of help from parents from all grades. I would especially like to ask for help at 8:45am from our Kinder to Year 4 parents to act as marshals while our 3km events are running.

Looking forward to a great day.

Mrs Andra Hemmings Sports Coordinator

9/9 - Save the Date
St Angela's Inaugural Golf Day
Lynwood Country Club
9th Sept 2016

MOTHER'S DAY STALL

We will be holding a Mother's Day Stall for the children on Wednesday 4th May 2016.

The children will be able to choose from a variety of beautifully packaged gifts for their mums, grandmothers etc. The children will be given an opportunity to view the gifts in advance. To make the stall more affordable, all gifts will cost \$5. We will not be collecting money in advance. Children are to bring their money on the day in an envelope clearly marked with "Mother's Day Stall", their name and class so it doesn't get lost. The money will be exchanged for a token at the entrance to the stall. Any children who forget their money on the day will still be able to select a gift, which will be put away and can be collected from the school office on Thursday once money is received. If there are gifts left over after all classes have visited the stall, children will be given the opportunity to purchase extra gifts.

Any queries please contact Karen Wilson on 0414 228 348.

Calling all Year 1 Parents and other parent helpers Mothers Day Stall Gift Wrapping Night Mark this Date

This Wednesday 6th April

7.00pm in the school library
Many hands needed!

Please contact Karen Wilson on $0414\,228\,348$ or the school if

you can help.

Please bring scissors with you.

Year 1 Parents Helpers for Mother's Day Stall

Wednesday 4th May 9.00-11.00am

Many hands needed!

If you are available to help out on the stall day, please return the attached slip to school by Tuesday 26th April or contact

Karen Wilson on 0414 228 348.

All help will be greatly appreciated. Thank you from the Year 1 Parent Reps

MOTHER'S DAY STALL VOLUNTEERS

Ι	am	available	to	help	with	the	Mother's	Day	Stall	on
Wednesday 4th May.										

Time Available:	
Parent Name:	
Email Address:	
Child's Name:	
Child's Class	