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Castle Hill

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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 upcoming key events from Palm Sunday to Holy Thursday, to Good Friday to the glorious 'Resurrection' on Easter Sunday. I hope that Easter will be 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 over Easter that await us 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 visit to the Shrine and Stations of the Cross today with the children was extremely reverent and joyous. Thank you to the parents that joined us in prayer.

Throughout the term we have had many opportunities to gather in prayer as a Christ centred community. Unlike the doubting Thomas, the children's love of their faith is strong and just beautiful to behold. You should be extremely proud of the wonderful work you have begun and continue to do in your children's lives as the primary educators of their faith.

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

We take this opportunity to wish Mrs Yager safe travels as she joins other Religious Education Coordinators across the Diocese and the Bishop on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Rome. We look forward to her sharing her faith filled experiences upon her return at the start of Week 3 in Term 2.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the teachers for their dedication and commitment to Catholic Education over the past term. Together the teachers facilitate learning so that the children work towards reaching academic and human excellence in a faith filled community. Their generosity in terms of time, self and sharing of skills is often outside the normal hours of the day but it is in giving so much that they truly receive.

I would like to extend to all of you wishes of happiness, relaxation and Christ's blessings over the holidays. Make and take time as a family to enjoy each other. The primary years are certainly precious and pass quickly. The time invested now is paid back ten fold in the quality of your child's relationships with you and others. Happy Easter to one and all.

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

Tony Calabria
Principal



Sent Home This Week:

Emailed: Head Lice Information Yrs 2, 3 & 5, Year 1 Term 2 Spelling List and 'Stories of Jesus' Unit

Theme for the Week: "Love and Forgiveness"

One of the greatest gifts Jesus left us is a true model of forgiveness. The moving 'Palm Sunday' gospel this coming weekend tells us about the last moments of Jesus' life. In a world where surprisingly children and adults sometimes find it difficult to forgive others for whatever reason, take a moment to place yourself in the journey that Jesus experienced as part of Holy Week.

He was innocent and condemned to death, but still He managed to find love in his heart to forgive those who spoke ill of Him, persecuted him and sentenced Him. "Father, Forgive them for they know not what they do". Luke 23:34



Upcoming Dates

TERM 1

Week 11

Fri 7th April

Last day of Term 1

TERM 2

Mon 24th April

Staff Development/Pupil Free Day

Tues 25th April

Anzac Day Public Holiday

Wed 26th April

First day of Term 2 for students

Thurs 27th April

11:00am Anzac Day Commemoration Ceremony in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall

Fri 28th April

8:30am Resurrection Celebration Assembly - All welcome

LAST CHANCE TOMORROW! Easter Egg Raffle

Tickets have been selling fast for our Easter Egg Raffle and are available for sale under the Big Top at recess and lunch time. All proceeds will be used to help support those less fortunate than ourselves through Project Compassion during this important time of Lent.

Tickets are only \$1 each and the prize is an amazing basket full of delicious chocolates.

Please send money to school with your child if you wish to participate in this purely optional raffle. The raffle will be drawn next Friday 7th April. The lucky family will be contacted to pick up their prize.

Many thanks to the Colosimo family (Ariella 4 Green) from the Easter Egg Warehouse, Castle Hill, for their generous and kind donation of this prize.



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Religious Education

Sunday, 9 Apr 2017: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - Year A

Gospel Mt 26:14 – 27:66

The Passion

As we prepare to enter the sacred time of Holy Week, we look again at the significance of Christ in our lives. Our saviour was nailed to a cross as a convicted felon, and there endured the sense of abandonment. Our saviour was lifted up and exalted precisely because he emptied himself of his divine privileges. Unlike conquerors who triumph by putting down their opponents, Jesus was raised up because he himself was first willing to be put down. We have a saviour who first offered himself for us and then continues to offer himself to us as an example to follow.

The best way to enter Holy Week with Jesus is in the company of those with whom he has identified himself: the poor and the broken; the humiliated and the marginalised; those who suffer the abuse of others; those who never use rank to force their will. If we are to be saved, we must go where salvation takes place: in our streets and in our homes where violence rages; in the dark corners of life where despair holds sway; wherever the innocent are abused or the needy are neglected; wherever there is misunderstanding or fear or jealousy. We must go wherever Christ empties himself for our sake.

Q. How do you respond to hearing or reading the Passion?

Q. How does the story of Christ's Passion play out in our own lives today?

O Lord,

Risen, alive and full of grace.

You paid such a price that we may live in freedom today.

We worship your holy name and give thanks for your redeeming grace.

Heavenly Father,

May we drink in your tender love so that we can pour this love out to others.

Come reign in our hearts, minds and spirits.

Holy Spirit,

We welcome you to blow through our every word, action and thought.

Come transform us on the inside so that each day we become more like our risen Lord.

Amen.

Year 6 will lead us in a solemn and reverent ANZAC Day celebration on April 27th at 11am in the hall. All are welcome to attend.

We will celebrate the Resurrection of Christ as a school community on Friday the April 28th at morning assembly in the hall. All are welcome to attend.

Mrs Michelle Yager

Religious Education Coordinator

Major Events Coming Up

Please find outlined below details of three major upcoming events. The Anzac Day Ceremonies will be taking place at the Centenary of Anzac Reserve (across from the school), with the Hills Relay for Life at Castle Hill Showground.

1. This Sunday 9th April at 8:30am - Anzac Commemoration Sunday Service
2. Tuesday 25th April at 6.00am - Anzac Day Commemoration Service Ceremony for the Shire.
3. Saturday/Sunday 20th and 21st May - Hills Relay For Life.

We will have representatives from St Angela's at both of the Anzac ceremonies, placing a wreath for those who have passed.

Quote of the Week

"Happiness often sneaks in through a door you didn't know you left open."

Please keep in your prayers

Our prayers are extended to the Madayag family (Abigail 6G) due to the passing into eternal life of Abigail's grandmother.

entertainment™ Books

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

"Keeping Our Children Safe"

At St Angela's, in the last week and the first week of each term, each class takes time to discuss the protective behaviour themes of:

"We all have the right to feel safe all of the time"

"Nothing is so awful that you can't tell someone about it"

This is an opportune time to talk to your children about being safe in the holidays.

Mothers' Day is coming! Friday 12th May

On Friday 12th May we will celebrate Mothers' Day at St Angela's. Our celebrations will begin with a special Mothers' Day Assembly at 8:45am, followed by a Mothers' Day cuppa and then a visit to the classrooms for a learning activity, with those who admire you most. We hope you can join us.

Calling Any Available Men!

For the Mothers' Day celebrations it would be fitting to have all mums able to enjoy a cuppa. We, therefore, are seeking any available and willing men who could assist in setting up and/or serving morning tea on Friday 12th May. Please email the office at stangelas@parra.catholic.edu.au if you are able to share some time for the wonderful mums in our community.

Anzac Day

Our annual St Angela's Anzac Day Commemoration will be held on Thursday 27th April at 11.00am. This ceremony is led by our Year 6 students. We will reflect on the events of the Anzac's in our wars and their fighting spirit and values that they instill in us all. As is tradition at St Angela's the children will receive an Anzac biscuit after the ceremony. All parents and friends are most welcome to attend. Any members of our parent community who are currently serving in our Defense Services and would like to sit with our Year 6 leaders please email the office by Wednesday 26th April so we can reserve you a seat. Children in Scouts and Guides may also wear their club uniforms on this day.



Celebrating our Gifts

(Awards presented last Friday)

Academic Excellence

Valeria Muliadi KB
Levi Fisher KG
Zachary Lane KY
Zara Fernandez 1B
Avindee Jayakody 1G
Jacob Nasso 1Y
Zara Phelan 2B
Jasmine Oakey 2G
Grace Mares 2Y
Eimear Kelly 3B
Veronica Cheng 3G
Gabriel Younan 3Y
Bernadette Laird 4B
Emma Heanes 4G
Mia Russo 4Y
Nathan Adji 5G
Alexander Palmer 5Y
Maks Tole 6B
Marcus Fonseca 6G
Jake Lim 6Y

St Angela's Award

Mikayla Zlomislic KB
Isabella Ciantar KG
Lilly Celano KY
Vaughn Bagus 1B
Lincoln Brown 1G
Ava Chapman 1Y
Courtney Azzopardi 2B
Noah Celano 2G
Sienna Stavropoulos 2Y
Luke Younis 3B
Camryn Lean 3G
Lexi Pappas 3Y
Mia Jacobs 4B
Nikki Chanel 4G
Brayden Sampol 4Y
Jessica Brincat 5G
Lily Moller 5Y
Ronan Lee 6B
Angus Gibbons 6G
Jessica Portelli 6Y

Star Spot

Congratulations to Cora Ledwith (6B) who will be representing the CEDP when she performs with the Captivate Commercial Dance Ensemble at the Royal Easter Show this Friday.

Congratulations to Harry Valenzisi (4Y) and Ned Cane (4G) who have been selected to play in the Hornsby Ku-ring-gai & Hills District Cricket Association Representative Squad.

Congratulations to Kaleb Brett (6B) and Kyle Brett (5G) who competed at the Gymnastics State Championships on the weekend. Kaleb came 1st in Synchro, 4th in DMT and made finals in Trampoline. Kyle came 4th in Synchro, 5th in DMT and 4th on Trampoline. Both boys will represent NSW at National Championships in Melbourne in May.

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.

Happy Birthday!

Happy birthday to members of our St Angela's community who will celebrate their birthday during the holidays and the first week of next term:

APRIL

Tues 11th

Tessa Phelan
Georgia-Rose Scoulou

Sat 22nd

Lilliana Sacco
Stefan Geoghegan
Mrs Javidi

Thurs 13th

Mrs Mirabello

Sun 23rd

Brendan Khoudair

Fri 14th

Aimon Fitzsimons
Ava De Carlo

Mon 24th

Charlie Nelson

Sat 15th

Maks Tole

Tues 25th

Nicholas Murdocca

Sun 16th

Ariella Colosimo
Sean Collins

Wed 26th

Charlize Woodham

Mon 17th

Sophie Milas
Yasemin Vancuylenberg

Thurs 27th

Joshua Murphy
Bodhi Neeld

Tues 18th

Harrison Petras
Philippa Gattini

Fri 28th

Amelia Blackwell
Charlotte Hogan
Riley Hogan
Will Johnston
Oliver Hewlett
Simone Laird

Wed 19th

Joel Cartisano

Thurs 20th

Chloe Eltakchi
Flynn Jamer
Henry Phelan

Sat 29th

Zachary Vujnovich

Fri 21st

Ben Wehrmann
Noah Granero
Maddison File



Winter Uniform

Children may wear their winter uniform any time from Week 1, Term 2 at the discretion of parents. We would expect that all children are then in full winter uniform by Monday 8th May.

Beauty and the Beast

Congratulations to the Fun(d)raising committee who organised an extremely successful ladies movie night at Reading Cinemas to see Beauty and the Best. Close to 90 tickets were sold and the ladies enjoyed a fun evening out with prizes, good company and entertainment.

Sport News

Congratulations to Ava Foxe (6B) and Charlotte Hogan (5Y) who were selected in the Parramatta Diocesan Soccer team which will compete in Canberra in May.

Kindergarten Holiday Playdate

A holiday playdate has been arranged for Kindergarten families on Thursday, 20th April at 10:00am at Bernie Mullane playground located at Marella Avenue, Kellyville. All welcome. Please note this will be cancelled if weather is not suitable. Enquiries: Teresa Sprem 0408 765 301 or Natalie Lashlie 0421 418 287. Hope to see you there!

Book Hunting Over The Holidays!

Do you have any of our readers or library books at home? During the course of each and every term books/readers etc. are sent home with children from the class, the library and from our Special Education Support. Although these are recorded, unfortunately some are never returned. Before contacting the relevant parents directly we would kindly ask that you have a thorough search at home, in toy boxes, on shelves, under the bed etc. so that these books can be returned and are therefore then able to be circulated to other children. All St Angela's books are stamped with our school stamp and/or have library bar codes on them.

Voluntary Grade Contact List

Thank you to your Grade Parent Representatives who will be assisting compiling grade contact lists. 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 note a new contact list is compiled each year, ie. lists do not carry over from year to year. If you wish to be included on the list, please provide the following details in your email:

Surname

Child's Name

Class for 2017

Name of Parents who wish for their mobile number to be included on the list (this will be the mobile contact number that the school has on file) by next Friday 7th April.

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 listed below 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: teresa.sprem@bigpond.com
YEAR ONE: carlene.khoury@gmail.com
YEAR TWO: cherillef@gmail.com
YEAR THREE: jill_metcalf@yahoo.com.au
YEAR FOUR: rex_tarz@hotmail.com
YEAR FIVE: christine.stav@hotmail.com
YEAR SIX: donna@ortlepps.com

Mothers' Day Stall

We will be holding a Mothers' Day Stall for the children on **Wednesday 10th May 2017.**

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. Children are also asked to bring a plastic bag or similar to place their gifts in.** 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.

Year 1 Parents Helpers for Mothers' Day Stall to be held on the afternoon of

Wednesday 10th May

1:00-3:00pm

Many hands needed!

If you are available to help out on the stall day, please contact either Wayne Davie 0404 924 166/
davie.family6@bigpond.com or Carlene Khoury 0414 247 500/
carlene.khoury@gmail.com with your name, email address and time you are available.

All help will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you from the Year 1 Parent Reps

News from Oz Fashions

Our uniform supplier, Oz Fashions, will be selling winter uniforms during the upcoming school holidays on **Wednesday 19th April between 11:00 and 1pm.** Online orders are still being accepted and last delivery day for the term will be Friday 7th April. Deliveries will resume Friday 28th April. Any enquiries, please contact Elle on 0421 216 414 or elle@ozfashions.com.au

Thank You

♦ Sharon Brouillard, Rose Caparros, Marie Catalano, Theresa Ciantar, Wayne Davie, Rita Hansell, Tanya Khodeir, Natalie Lashlie, Heidi Lee, Michelle McEneaney, Angela McKinnon, Kirra McNamara, Farnoush Mekary, Gloria Milicevic, Bec Nati, Emma Neeld, Grace Olivera, Natalie Powell, Greta Read, Jenni Rodger, Kelly Scoulou, Teresa Sprem, Antonella Tesoriero, Natasha Thew, Amanda Thomas, Pina Wehrmann and Sandra Zambrana for giving your time to help with the disco last Friday night. It is very much appreciated. **The children just loved their dance time together.**

♦ To Wayne Davie, Kari Anne Begg and Joyce Bautista for all their help with organizing our second hand uniform sale last Thursday. Your time and efforts in raising funds for St Angela's are very much appreciated.