

St Angela's Primary School Castle Hill

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11th May 2017 Term 2, Week 3

Dear Parents.

Mothers' Day Assembly Tomorrow Friday 12th May at 8:45am

We welcome all parents, especially mothers, to our special Mothers' Day assembly tomorrow morning at 8:45am, followed by a community morning tea in the St Maximilian Hall and a visit to our classrooms to undertake a learning activity with your daughter or son. Given Mothers' Day falls very early in the term you will notice the classrooms are still building their displays etc., as their units of work are progressively taught.

Thank you to the wonderful parents from Year One who coordinated the Mothers' Day Stall so that your child has something special chosen by them to give you on Sunday. Keep an eye on next week's Shine for acknowledgements and a full wrap up of our Mothers' Day Celebrations.

On behalf of the children and staff I would like to wish all mothers in our parish school community a happy and heartfelt Mothers' Day for this Sunday. The special love that only a mother can give is always appreciated but not always acknowledged. Every day should be Mothers' Day, so why not rest and relax on Sunday and allow your family to show their love and thanks to you for the invaluable role you play in their lives.

First Reconciliation

We keep in our prayers the Year 3 children who, this coming week, will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. They will be celebrating this special Sacrament for the first time on Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th May at 7:30pm at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Church. God's unconditional love through reconciliation is a true gift He gives to all. The message that God will forgive us always because he loves each one of us unconditionally will be truly present. Thank you to the many parents who will also participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation with their children on the evening. What a powerful role model you are to your children.

Welcome Back!

We warmly welcome back Mrs Yager (Religious Education Coordinator) who, for the first two weeks of this term, has been on a pilgrimage with the Bishop, members of the Catholic Education Office and fellow Religious Education Coordinators.

Her spiritual journey was indeed a once in a lifetime experience. We look forward to Mrs Yager sharing her learnings, insights and experiences with our St Angela's community.

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

Tony Calabria Principal



Our theme this week is an acknowledgement that our Mothers, in so many ways, are one of the most precious gifts that God has given to all of us. We learn so much from the role modelling and care our Mothers give us. The unique qualities of our own mothers, whether by God's side or with us, are indeed special and we give thanks to Our Lord for their committed care and love in our lives.

YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR PARENT MATHEMATICS EMU WORKSHOP (EXTENDING MATHEMATICAL UNDERSTANDING) AND COMBINED GENERAL PARENT MEETING 8:45AM WEDNESDAY 31ST MAY

The goal of the EMU program is for children to develop the ability to use Mathematics effectively to solve problems. A parent's role in achieving this goal can never be underestimated! The workshop is a fantastic opportunity for parents to gain an insight into children's experiences of Mathematics at school. All those attending will participate in fun warm-up games focusing on mental maths that can be easily played at home and modified for a range of abilities. Those attending will also receive a showbag kit containing instructions and equipment. We ask that you RSVP kindly bv emailing the school at stangelas@parra.catholic.edu.au if you wish to attend. This workshop is particularly beneficial for all parents but, particularly, our new families.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Last call for 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 tomorrow morning, Friday 12th May. If available, we would love to see you in the morning anytime from approximately 8:20am for the wonderful mums in our community.

Thank you.

Winter Uniform

Our colder weather has finally arrived. Official change over to winter uniforms will be this coming Monday, 15th May.

Sent Home This Week: Emailed: Grade Contact Lists, Term 2 Calendar, CEO letter re Proposed New Education Funding Model, Year 2 Artefact Box





Religious Education

Sunday, 14 May 2017: Fifth Sunday of Easter - Year A

Gospel

Jn 14:1-12 Jesus the way, truth, and life.

The gospel readings for this week and next week shift the focus away from the resurrection and begin to set us up for the departure of Jesus from the earth - the Ascension - and the sending of the Holy Spirit - the Pentecost event.

When Thomas asks, 'we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' Jesus answers by saying, 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.' The reader of the gospel has known this truth all along from the opening line of the gospel, 'In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.' Our aim, as Christian people, is to be one with God, not only by sharing in the resurrection but also in the way we live. Jesus makes clear that the way to be with God is by following his example.

Mothers Day Assembly

Please join us for our Mother's Day prayer and assembly tomorrow morning at 8.45am under the big top as we honour our Mothers and all that they mean to us.

Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church. Bless these women, that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honour them always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Reconciliation Ceremonies

Students in Year 3 at St Angela's and Our Lady of the Rosary will make the sacrament of Reconciliation on May 17th and 18th for the first time at Our Lady of the Rosary Church.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is the process or steps we take in order to reunite ourselves with God. In essence it is:

"The invitation to the door of forgiveness, freedom of sin and of guilt and with that: Peace".

Before we open the door we prepare ourselves by reflection or examining our conscience and think about what we are going to do to stop doing the wrong doings. When we are ready, we open the door to face and talk to God through his disciple (the priest). We confess (in all honesty) our sins and tell him what we will do to make amends and how truly sorry we are by saying the act of contrition. When we are done we are given absolution (forgiveness) through the power of the Holy Spirit and are reunited with God.

We remember those children in our prayers who will receive Reconciliation and ask for God's blessing on them as they and walk through the door of forgiveness.

Mrs Michelle Yager Religious Education Coordinator

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

Our prayers are extended to Mrs Szady, 2 Green teacher, her husband Matt and the family, due to the passing into eternal life of Mrs Szady's mother-in-law.

Mothers' Day Cancer Council Fundraising

Many of our families have been touched by this terrible disease. Once again, this year we will be participating in fundraising for the Cancer Council during our Mothers' Day morning tea tomorrow, Friday 12th May. Should you wish to make a donation, collection boxes will be placed on tables for morning tea in the school hall.



Upcoming Dates

<u>Week 3</u> Fri 12th May	8:45am Mathers' Day Assembly followed by
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	NAPLAN Catch Up Day
<u>Week 4</u> Tues 16th May	8:45am Parent Representative Meeting in the staffroom
Wed 17th May	7:30pm First Reconciliation Ceremony at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Church
Thurs 18th May	7:30pm First Reconciliation Ceremony at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Church
Fri 19th May	8:45am Presentation to parents by Senior Constable Rob Paterson on Online Cyber Safety - 'What You Should Know as a Parent."
<u>Week 5</u> Mon 22nd May	Year 5 Excursion to Museum Discovery Centre
Wed 24th May	**PLEASE NOTE NEW TIME** 9:30am Our Lady Help of Christians Mass Combined Mass with Our Lady of the Rosary and St Angela's Mass in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - All welcome
	Rugby League Gala Day
Thurs 25th May	Year 6 Canberra Excursion
	Stage 3 Girls Soccer Gala Day
	7:15pm First Communion Parent Information Night in Our Lady of the Rosary Hall
Fri 26th May	Year 6 Canberra Excursion
	2:15pm Whole School Assembly presented by Year 3 in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - All

Quote of the Week

welcome

"Nothing is a waste of time if you use the experience wisely.'

Grade Assemblies

Our whole school assemblies for Term 2 will be as follows. Please note new dates for Year 5 and Kindergarten assemblies:

Week 5 - Friday 26th May at 2:15pm led by Year 3 Week 7 - Friday 9th June at 2:15pm led by Year 2 Week 8 - Friday 16th June at 2:15pm led by Year 5 Week 10 - Friday 30th June at 2:15pm led by Kindergarten All parents are most welcome to join us.

Our Lady Help of Christians Mass Combined Mass with Our Lady of the Rosary and St Angela's ****PLEASE NOTE NEW TIME****

Wednesday 24th May at 9:30am St Angela's St Maximilian Kolbe Hall .All welcome

Sibling Enrolments for Kindergarten 2018

Thank you to our families who have returned their sibling enrolment application for Kindergarten 2018. If there are any families yet to submit their application, we ask that they be returned by this Monday 15th May. We are now in the process of contacting families with regard to interview times. Thank you.

Celebrating our Gifts

(Awards presented last Friday)

Academíc Excellence

Mia Cordi KB Ava Vengoa KG Alfonso Costa KY Sebastian Khoury 1B Josh Brewer 1G Ben Wehrmann 1Y Aaron Zlomislic 2B Oliver Milicevic 2G Liam Evans 2Y Tyra Moc 3B Noah Jenkins 3G Jessica Araneda 3Y Clarissa Burgess 4B Jason Fahmy 4G Jake Burgess 4Y James Hakme-Bader 5B Tyler Olan 5G Sarah Tesoriero 5Y Sarah Perez Magnaye 6B Natasha Egiziano 6G Cooper Andrew 6Y

Award Louis Caparros KB Ashton Young KG Amelia Rose Lane KY Leah Benedict 1B Kiara Krishnan 1G Cayleigh Mantua 1Y Ryan Turner 2B Zoe Mizzi 2G Sienna Stavropoulos 2Y Sean Collins 3B Joria McKnight 3G Alec Austen 3Y Ella Peterson 4B Jeremy James 4G Jessica Woolnough 4Y Lachlan Pillon 5B Anjali Hunt 5G Keira Murphy 5Y Ethan Gunawardhana 6B Claudia Como 6G Sofia Losco 6Y

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Sport News

Congratulations to Ava Foxe (6B) and Chantelle Mendoza (6Y) who were selected in the MacKillop Soccer and Netball teams. Ava will compete in Miranda and Chantelle in Tamworth in the NSWPSSA Championships both to be held in August. Fantastic achievement for both girls!

On behalf of the St Angela's community, a special thank you to the Arrastia family (Isabella KB) for the very generous donation of 30 new FIFA soccer balls to be enjoyed by the whole school.

Mrs Andra Hemmings Sport Coordinator

SPREAD THE WORD! BOOK IN THE DATE FRIDAY EVENING, 16TH JUNE

TRIVIA NIGHT AT ST ANGELA'S

Begin organising tables of 8 (or less and we will place you) Adults only Great prizes, great fun, great company

Happy Birthday!

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

<u>MAY</u> Sun 14+h

Sun 14th Marco Catalano

Mon 15th Jessica Herbas

Tues 16th Brandon D'Silva



Wed 17th Brandon Suefong Domenic Laird Oliver Simunic Sean Phung Mrs Williams

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Thurs 18th Alexander Stavropoulos Jeremy James

Sat 20th Carissa Lewis Madeline Nasso Claire Alcock

Star Spot

Congratulations to Cora Ledwith (6B) who will be performing in the Hills Musical Theatre production 'Bugsy Malone' at the end of May, beginning of June. The show will be held in the Model Farms High School auditorium. Further details can be found at http://www.hillsmtc.com/upcoming-events.html

Interschool Debating Competition 2017

Congratulations to all the children who participated in the first round of the Inter School Debating Competition against St Madeleine's, Kenthurst. The children prepared a debate on the topic, "Devices have ruined the playground". The debaters presented challenging

arguments and our Affirmative and Negative teams both experienced success on the day!

The next debate will take place in week 6 against St Michael's, Baulkham Hills. We wish them all the best for this upcoming round.

The affirmative team will travel to St Paul the Apostle with the negative team debating here at St Angela's.

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, Ms Driver and Mrs Kelly Debating Coordinators



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



Parent Representative Meeting - This Tuesday 16th May 8:45am

The Term 2 class parent representative meeting will be held on Tuesday 16th May at 8:45am in the staffroom for those parents available.

News from the Parish ...

BINGO NIGHT FRIDAY 19TH MAY OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY SCHOOL HALL

Doors open 6:00pm Games begin 7:30pm

Book your seats today at https://olorevents.wixsite.com/

<u>home</u>

CASH PRIZES TO BE WON! Call the Parish office on 9629 2595 for more details.

From the Library ...

May is National Family Reading Month. Now in its 21st year, it is designed to get more kids reading with their families. We are encouraging children to read for at least 10 minutes each night with, and as a family, during this month.

Once again, by popular demand and for a little fun, we would like you to take a photo of your child/ or family reading in the month of May. If you wish, please print off a copy of the photo and send it to the office addressed to Mrs North (library), as we would love to display them around the school. Please write child's name and class clearly on the back. Keep in mind the books they read in May can also help towards the Premier's Reading Challenge. Just a reminder to record all books read on the PRC Log In Sheet which can be found on the website.

Reading role models and shared reading time are extremely important to a child's learning and literacy development. Family reading time is a fabulous way to develop a child's love of books.

Kids who read succeed!

Mrs Rosanne North Teacher Librarian

Grade Contact Lists

The voluntary grade contact lists advertised in Shine were emailed home on Tuesday 9th May. Thank you again to our Grade Parent Reps for their assistance with compiling the lists.

8th September - Save the Date IT'S ON AGAIN! CALLING THOSE INTERESTED IN GOLF (ALL LEVELS WELCOME - BEGINNERS TO EXPERIENCED)

St Angela's Annual Golf Day Lynwood Country Club

Keep an eye on Shine for further details

SAVE THE DATE Year 6 Student Dinner Dance at Castle Hill RSL Sunday 3rd December

DON'T MISS IT! CYBER SAFETY PRESENTATION FOR <u>PARENTS</u> - 'What You Should Know' By Senior Constable Rob Paterson Friday 19th May at 8:45am St Maximilian Kolbe Hall

'Digital Security' is a Police presentation covering privacy/ reputation management and cyber bullying. Cyber safety is the primary non-academic problem that schools and young people experience today. Online behaviour often affects students' self-esteem, learning and relationships. Children are now exposed to images, words and behaviours that are often inappropriate for their age, and this can be accessed through the internet, social networking and online gaming. Parents and carers must know how to use technology and should know what to avoid, where to seek help and what their children are

Some topics covered:

- The latest social networking sites
- Online gaming
- Cyber bullying
- -'Sexting and sextortion'
- Cyber luring
- Facebook/ Instagram /Snapchat
- Relevant laws and police action.

Presented by Senior Constable Rob Paterson, Youth Liaison Officer at The Hills Local Area Command. As YLO, Rob works with Young Offenders, at-risk children and delivers educational programs and safety information to 65 schools in The Hills LAC. Rob has a BA (Education) and Associate Degree in Policing Practice, along with a number of police qualifications, specialising in Cyber Safety.

Years 4, 5 and 6 will also have a session with Senior Constable Rob Paterson on the same day.



Two Wolves Reflection

One evening an old Cherokee told his grandson about a battle that goes on inside people. He said, "My son, the battle is between two "wolves" inside us all. One is not so good. It is anger, envy, jealousy, sorrow, regret, greed, arrogance, self-pity, guilt, resentment, inferiority, lies, false pride, superiority and ego. The other is good. It is joy, peace, love, hope, serenity, humility, kindness, benevolence, empathy, generosity, truth, compassion and faith."

The grandson thought about it for a minute and then asked his grandfather, "Which wolf wins?" The old Cherokee simply replied, "The one you feed."

Are you a considerate driver?

Always obey road rules and observe our 40km zone around school for the safety of our children. We have 'no stopping' signs at the front and back of the school. These signs are there for the safety of our children and community.

Thank you for your support in this area.

