



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 2, Week 5

Dear Parents,

I would like to congratulate our children who are working hard, each and every day, enjoying their learning and co-operating with others in their school environment. When many gather there is always interaction. There are many personalities that come together under the banner of St Angela's. Each of these personalities is different, some are quiet, some are loud, some are sensitive, some are resilient, some are shy, some are confident, some are creative. The list is endless.

Each individual comes with their own attitude which impacts on their own outlook. Children's attitudes often reflect what they have seen and experienced. That is why our role modelling is so important. The following extract speaks volumes about our attitude. Perhaps take the time to read and consider the attitude your child brings to each situation, whether it be a challenge, a success or a setback.

"The longer I live the more I realise the impact of attitude on life. Attitude, to me, is more important than facts. It is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than failures, than success, than what other people say, think, or do. It is more important than appearance, giftedness, or skill.

Attitude can make or break a home or family. The remarkable thing is, we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we will embrace for that day.

We cannot change our past ... we cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable.

The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have and that is our attitude. I am convinced that life is 10% what happens to me and 90% how I react to it.

And so it is with you. We are in charge of our attitudes".

(Acknowledgement: Attitude by Charles Swindell; Brand New End by Carl Bard.)

Most people are about as happy as they make up their minds to be.

(Abraham Lincoln)

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 kindly RSVP by 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.

Combined St Angela's and Our Lady of the Rosary Our Lady Help of Christians Mass

Yesterday, our beautiful children hosted students from Years 3 to 6 from Our Lady of the Rosary Primary School. Our two parish schools coming together to celebrate Mass on the Feast Day of Our Lady Help of Christians was indeed a very special occasion. Even more so given it was Fr Alejandro's 14 year anniversary of ordination.

Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend. The children loved seeing you being part of this celebration. Thank you also to Mrs Yager for coordinating the Mass, to Mrs Lean for organising our sound equipment and to the beautiful choir and children who took part in the Liturgical movement honouring Mary. As the words of our special hymn stated "Mary our Mother, you answered God's call. We come to praise you today."

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

Tony Calabria
Principal

Grade Assemblies

Our whole school assemblies for Term 2 will be as follows.

Please note new dates for Year 5 and Kindergarten assemblies:

Tomorrow, 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.

Theme for the Week:

"Looking for the Good in Everything"

Our theme this week encourages the children and ourselves to look for and appreciate the good in others. This is often related to our outlook on life. The media often portrays the negative aspects of so many people and events. Looking for the good in everything helps us to appreciate how God has blessed us with His abundance of gifts. Good is always present, the challenge sometimes, is to bring it into the spotlight.



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Religious Education

Sunday, 28 May 2017: Ascension of the Lord - Year A

Gospel: Mt 28:16-20

The short gospel passage for today is taken from the final words of the gospel of Matthew. It is known as 'The Great Commission' as Jesus is portrayed commissioning his disciples to go out to the world and spread the good news. They are charged to 'Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations.' This is the basis of much of the missionary work of the Church that has gone on ever since then.

There will be a First Communion Parent Information Meeting on Thursday May 25th at 7.15pm in OLOR Hall. This is a compulsory meeting for the parents of children eligible to receive this sacrament from Grades 3-6.

Yesterday, the 24th of May was the Feast Day of Our Lady Help of Christians. We were blessed with a glorious day as we celebrated mass with Fr Alejandro, Fr Gerard, staff and students from Our Lady Of the Rosary. It was a wonderful opportunity to offer our prayers to Mary, Jesus' mother and our mother too and pray together as members of a parish family.

Mrs Michelle Yager
Religious Education Coordinator



Quote of the Week

"Beauty is not in the face; beauty is a light in the heart."

Reflection

From the teachings of St Angela

"Consider the respect you owe them. For the more you respect them the more you will love them and the more you love them the greater care you will have of them.

Then it will be impossible for you not to have them graven in your hearts, each one individually, for this is how true love acts."

St Angela Merici

Please keep in your prayers

Our prayers are extended to the Petkovich family (Natalie 3 Green) due to the passing into eternal life of Natalie's grandfather.

Prayers Requested

We keep in our prayers, Alec Austen of 3 Yellow, who will have surgery on Tuesday 30th May to remove a lump from his mouth.

After surgery and recovery time, we will look forward to seeing Alec back at St Angela's in Term 3.

Sent Home This Week: Emailed - Ltr from Catholic Education Office, Year 4 Incursion. **Hard Copy** - Special Food Day Order Form



Upcoming Dates

Week 5

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 welcome

Week 6

Mon 29th May

7:00pm Diocesan Parent Representative Council Meeting 'Raising Resilient Children' at St Mark's College, Stanhope Gardens (see further information in this Shine)

Wed 31st May

8:45am Parent Mathematics EMU Workshop (Extending Mathematical Understanding) and General Parent Meeting

Thurs 1st June

Year 4 Incursion in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall

Fri 2nd June

9:45am Interschool Debating Competition St Angela's vs St Michael's

Week 7

Wed 7th June

Paul Kelly Cup Girls Regional Finals

Thurs 8th June

Year 5 Bathurst Excursion

Fri 9th June

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2:15pm Whole School Assembly presented by Year 2 in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - All welcome

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

Change of School for 2018

To estimate enrolments for 2018, it would be appreciated if the school could be notified in writing of any children who may be leaving St Angela's at the end of the year from grades other than Year 6. Thank you.

Second Hand Uniforms

If there are any families who would like to donate uniforms, could you please send them to the office by **Monday, 5th June**. Many thanks.

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LAST CHANCE TO PURCHASE!

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.

Celebrating our Gifts

(Awards presented last Friday)

Academic Excellence

Simone Laird KB
Mary Michelle Younes KG
Marcus Khoudair KY
Marcus Ma 1B
Jacob David 1G
Riley Dafter 1Y
Sophie Raad 2B
Ava O'Brien 2G
Luca Bercich 2Y
Keeley Rule 3B
Brayden Manio 3G
Sean Salib 3Y
Charlize McDonald 4B
Joshua McDermott 4G
Dominic Darmudi 4Y
Isabella Siligato 5B
Isabella Hall 5G
Dylan Gularte 5Y
Cora Ledwith 6B
Abigail Madayag 6G



St Angela's Award

Ivie Javidi KB
Jai Powell KG
Madeline Pace KY
Elly Gohil-Bozic 1B
Alana Younan 1G
Aidan Rambow 1Y
Kai Hall 2B
Riley Roditis 2G
Noah Sweeney 2Y
Zoe Ortlepp 3B
Ariana Sarmiento 3G
Bianca Jandrlic 3Y
Kingsley Barnett 4B
Sienna Van Jour 4G
Jack Tole 4Y
Jessica Tallaridi 5B
Rylee Callaghan 5G
Cassandra Davidson 5Y
Emily Ortlepp 6B
Sophie Rodger 6G
Hazel Olivera 6Y
Leon Reyes 6Y

Sport News

Congratulations to Ava Foxe (6B) who was selected in the MacKillop Girls Touch Football. Ava will now compete in Wagga Wagga at the NSWPSA Touch Trials. This is the second MacKillop team Ava has been selected in this year. Fantastic achievement!

IF YOUR CHILD IS UNWELL

A challenge for all parents is ascertaining whether a child is fit for school if they are not feeling well. A child who is feeling ill at school finds it difficult to learn but most importantly can put other children at risk, including the teacher. Our sick bay of late has had plenty of action with children genuinely feeling and being ill. Thank you.



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

Happy Birthday!

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

MAY

Wed 31st
Mikey Roditis

Sat 3rd

Alexander El-Rahi
Cruz Bercich
Luca Bercich
Noah Bercich
Emily O'Rourke
Jesselyn Tedja
Kyle Brett
Blake D'Silva

JUNE

Thurs 1st
Isabella Perusich

Fri 2nd

Grace Mares
Luke Younis
Oscar Rule

Star Spot

Congratulations to Sullivan Harris (3 Green) who participated in the Relay for Life last weekend as part of Cubs/Scouts. Sullivan walked 45 laps and raised \$1365.00.

Book Club

Scholastic catalogues were sent home earlier this week. Please note orders are due back at school by **next Friday 2nd June** - LATE ORDERS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED. Envelopes should be clearly marked: BOOKCLUB, NAME, CLASS AND AMOUNT. **Payments are accepted by cheque (made payable to Scholastic) and credit card, cash IS NOT ACCEPTED.** Credit card payments are made as per instructions on the Book Club brochures. Credit card information is not to be written on the order forms. If you wish to pay by credit card YOU must ring scholastic on the 1800 number on the order form or online payment at www.scholastic.com.au/payment. The receipt number is then to be recorded on the order form then forwarded with your order. There must be a receipt number with your order or I cannot process the order.

Thank you.

Athena Woolnough (0432 682 508)

Book Club Coordinator

Years 3-6 Athletics Carnival

Friday 23rd June

Roxborough Park, Baulkham Hills



Canteen News



The canteen is now selling Paddle

Pops in Chocolate and Rainbow flavours at a cost of \$1.50 each.

Cyber Safety "What you should know"

On Friday 19th May, Senior Constable Rob Paterson visited St Angela's to work with parents and our Year 4, 5 and 6 children. As the Youth Liaison Officer in the Hills District, he has great insight into what's happening in local schools and the community.

In our current 'technological world', there is a great need to be informed about children and their screen time.

Over coming weeks, we will be including valuable handouts shared with the parents. Please see this week's tip below:

"8 tips to keep on top of your child's screen time."

Resources: thinkuknow.org.au
esafety.gov.au/iparent

Mrs Monica Fitzalan
 Assistant Principal



SEASONS FOR GROWTH

INVITATION TO PARENTS

Change and loss are issues that affect all of us at some stage in our lives. At St Angela's we recognise that when changes occur in families through death, separation, divorce or related circumstances, children may benefit from learning how to manage these changes effectively. We are therefore offering a very successful education program called Seasons for Growth. This program is facilitated in small groups and is based on research that highlights the importance of social support and the need to practise new skills to cope effectively with change and loss. The program focuses on issues such as self esteem, managing feelings, problem-solving, decision-making, effective communication and support networks.

Seasons for Growth runs for eight weeks and each weekly session is 30-40 minutes. The program concludes with a 'Celebration' session. Later in the year each group will have the opportunity to meet for two further sessions to build on their earlier learning.

Seasons for Growth will commence in Term 3 and will be facilitated by teachers/staff who have received special training in the use of this program.

If your son or daughter has experienced grief through death, separation, divorce or related circumstances and would benefit from Seasons for Growth, we would encourage you to talk to him/her about this. Should he/she decide to participate, please email the school office at stangelas@parra.catholic.edu.au by **Friday 9th June**.

St Angela's is pleased to be able to offer this important program and we are confident that it will be a valuable learning experience for those who request to be involved.

DR JUSTIN COULSON RAISING RESILIENT CHILDREN



WHEN: Monday, 29 May 2017 (Doors open 6.30pm for 7:00pm start)

WHERE: Catholic Learning Communities of St John XXIII – St Mark's College
 Meeting will be held in the staff room – entry via main school foyer
 160 Perfection Ave, Stanhope Gardens (parking available)

The PRC General Meeting will be held prior to our seminar

What others have to say:

"...an engaging and dynamic presenter..."

"...are we getting him back next year? He's fantastic!..."

FREE PARENT/CARER SEMINAR!

Registrations are open – visit:

www.prc.catholic.edu.au/news-events



One of the most frequent questions Kidspot parenting expert Dr Justin Coulson is asked is 'How can I help my child become resilient?' Friendship problems, bullying, physical changes and parenting styles are just some of the issues that can affect our children's ability to bounce back from difficulty and adapt to challenging situations.

Helping our children develop resilience can have lifelong effects

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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.

Oakhill College Gala Day

Saturday 3rd June

Oakhill College, Old Northern Road, Castle Hill

9.00am – 4.00pm

Rugby, Soccer, Tennis

Hats, Scarves, Candles,

Jewellery, Food stalls & More

Jumping Castle, Obstacles, Movies, Bucking Bull, Chocolate

Wheel & Raffles

All welcome!

<http://www.galaday.oakhill.nsw.edu.au/>