



# St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill

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Term 2, Week 9

Dear Parents,

## Trivia Night

Congratulations to our amazing Fun(d)raising Committee - Joyce Bautista, Wayne Davie, Di McGaulley, Bec Nati, Antonella Tesoriero and Jenni Rodger for organising such a fantastic, fun and extremely well attended Trivia Night last Friday evening. The 17 tables of eager parents and staff gathered for a challenging and entertaining night of trivia, lead adeptly by our quiz master, Wayne Davie (Ashley 5Y, Yasmin 3B and Zoe 1G). The battle of the trivia minds was won by the 'Amazing Admin' team from our own school office. Congratulations! They have proudly worn their 'St Angela's Know It All' sashes this week. Keep an eye out for our next event, 'St Angela's Annual Golf Day' in Term 3.



## Farewell

It is with sadness but understanding that I inform you that Mrs Hyam has decided to retire and join her husband, Paul, who has already been enjoying retirement for the last two years. Mrs Hyam's last day at St Angela's will be Friday 1st September. She will be accessing long service leave from Monday 4th September (Week 8) of Term 3 until the end of the year. She will then officially retire after an amazing teaching career of over two decades, of which the last 12 years have been at St Angela's. We will officially farewell Mrs Hyam closer to her departure date.

## Parents as Partners - Online interview booking opens this afternoon at 4:30pm

As you meet next week in partnership with your child's teacher, it is important to keep the focus on the child. Our first priority at St Angela's is our children. We aim to develop each child according to their ability. We strive to develop the whole child, that is to develop each child spiritually, emotionally, physically, socially and academically. For our school to do its job effectively, the ongoing interest and support of parents is vital. Teachers and parents working as partners means common goals can be established and developed more effectively and efficiently. It is important that the children see teachers and parents supporting each other. Working together assists

the children's development and learning in so many ways.

A happy, supportive and harmonious link between teachers and parents with realistic common goals creates a unified approach. When a child perceives a breakdown in communication of this vital link, a child experiences conflict and may play one off against the other. We are very fortunate at St Angela's to have supportive and caring parents, not only supportive in developing fantastic community spirit and raising funds, but more importantly loyal and supportive in helping and assisting their children's learning.

**Please note:** We ask that you allow ample time to arrive at school for your interview. Your punctuality is important. As there is limited parking on school grounds, we ask that you park at Wrights Road Community Centre or Coles and allow time to walk to the school. If you are late, you may need to reschedule as timeslots are often full.

**Out of respect for others:**

- ♦ when the bell sounds, please finalise your conversation and leave promptly using the corner glass doors closest to the adventure playground.
- ♦ if your interview is completed before the bell, please feel free to have an 'early mark'.

Sometimes with today's busy and hectic lifestyles it can become easy to leave school to the teachers but when we reflect on the points below it is well worth remembering that the link between teachers and parents is paramount in our children's education.

- A child's performance is strongly influenced by his or her parents' attitude to the school.
- Achievement levels tend to rise when parents are seen to be interested and involved in their child's schooling. Parental involvement can develop a real sense of community within a school.
- Parents have many ideas and skills that can be very useful to their school community.

## Reports

Children will be bringing their Reports home early next week. Please take time to talk with your child about their many successes. Be sure to ask them what they are most proud of up to this stage of the year.

*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:

### "Work, Rest and Play"

*Our children's days (as with adults) alternate between work, rest and play. Unfortunately balancing these three important areas is indeed a challenge. For most the main area that research seems to indicate as suffering is the 'rest' component. Many children tend to avoid sleep or don't get enough of it. Lack of sleep perpetuates itself in a child who lacks concentration, is always tired and doesn't have the energy to do their best. Why not take time to discuss and revise bed times.*

## Grade Assemblies

Our remaining whole school assembly for Term 2 is as follows:  
Week 10 - Friday 30th June at 2:15pm led by Kindergarten.  
All parents are most welcome to join us.

## Student Absence

Information outlining what to do if your child is absent from school was emailed home last Thursday. Recent changes have been included and, for your information, we have included a step by step process for you to follow should your child be absent from school.



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## Religious Education

*Sunday, 25 Jun 2017: Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A*

### Gospel Mt 10:26-33

Those who acknowledge Christ will be known to the Father. 'Do not be afraid' is one of the most commonly repeated sentences in the Bible. In one form or another, the command to 'be not afraid' or 'fear not' appears several hundred times throughout the Old and New Testaments. Sunday's gospel passage is part of the sending out of the Twelve. It follows on from last week's reading in which Jesus called the Twelve and sent them out as Apostles. Jesus teaches the Twelve that the message they bear will not always be well received and there will be those who will seek to silence the Apostles through violent means. But then the teaching comes to the section of today's passage and Jesus commands the Twelve, 'Do not be afraid'.

The message to not be afraid is as much for the original intended audience of the gospel as it was for the apostles. The passage reminds them to have courage and to have the courage of their convictions; to shout from the house-tops their message, not whisper it in darkness. It is a reminder of the abundant love of God who cares for them and sees all their efforts to continue to live out the message and ministry of Jesus.

It is equally a message for us, today. We are called to continue the spread of the gospel message; continuing the work of those early Christian communities, the Twelve and Jesus himself.

Year 6 students will be participating this Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June, at the 11am Mass at Our Lady Of The Rosary Church. We warmly welcome and invite all families of St Angela's to attend this special parish Mass supporting our Year 6 students and sharing in the prayer life of our wider parish family. Year 6 hope to see many of you there.

Mrs Michelle Yager  
Religious Education Coordinator

## Quote of the Week

*"Attitude is a little thing that makes a big difference."*

## Prayers Requested

Our prayers were recently requested through Shine for Alec Austen (3Y) who was undergoing major surgery. The tumour has now been removed and Alec is doing incredibly well. He is still in hospital but is looking forward to returning home soon. Please continue to keep Alec in your prayers, together with his twin brother Troy, Mum Shirley, and Dad Peter.

## Great Day for a Sausage Sizzle!

Our appreciation and thanks to Wayne Davie, Jo Evans, Maylin Gularte, Beata Jonski, Otto Losco, Mona Mu, Diana Norris (coordinator), Angela Papadimatos, Toni Phelan and Jenni Rodger for all their help with our Special Sausage Sizzle Food Day last Friday. Thank you on behalf of the 600 mouths you fed. Your help was very much appreciated.

## Second Hand Uniform Sale

**Thursday 27th July 1:30-2:30pm**

Our second hand uniform sale will be held next term on Thursday 27th July (Week 2) from 1:30-2:30pm outside the canteen. All items will be sold for \$5 or \$10, with profits going towards the school. It is really just a chance to snap up a bargain item that you may need!



## Upcoming Dates

### Week 9

**Fri 23rd June**

Years 3-6 Athletics Carnival at Roxborough Park, Baulkham Hills

### Week 10

**Tues 27th June**

Parent/Teacher Interviews

**Wed 28th June**

Parent/Teacher Interviews

**Thurs 29th June**

Stage 2 Boys and Girls Soccer Gala Day

**Fri 30th June**

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

Last day of Term 2

### TERM 3

#### Week 1

**Mon 17th July**

K-6 Dance Fever in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall

**Thurs 20th July**

7:15pm Sacrament of Confirmation Parent Information Evening at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish

**Fri 21st July**

Interdiocesan Cross Country

**Sat 22nd July**

Sacrament of First Holy Communion Preparation Day at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish followed by Mass at 6:00pm

#### Week 2

**Mon 24th July**

K-6 Dance Fever in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall

Kindergarten Excursion to Calmsley Hill Farm

**Tues 25th July**

St Bernadette's Netball Gala Day

**Sat 29th July**

4:00pm Sacrament of First Holy Communion at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish

**Sun 30th July**

11:00am Sacrament of First Holy Communion at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish

## Parent/Teacher Interviews

Information was emailed home yesterday regarding the booking of parent/teacher interviews online at [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au). Bookings open this afternoon from 4:30pm and the School Event Code is vqc7p. A hard copy has been sent home with your child today.

## Ordering of Specialty Photos

Information regarding the online ordering of specialty photos, ie. Year 6, Band and Choir was sent home earlier this week. Please note orders are due by next Friday 30th June.

## Emailing of Various School Notes

As various school notes are emailed, if you change your email or wish to use a different email address to receive correspondence, please advise the office. We encourage you to check your email (and/or spam) regularly for emails from St Angela's. Please advise the office if you have not received emails.

## 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.

### Sent Home This Week:

**Emailed:** Yr 1 Body Smart Helpers, Ltr to 1 Yellow parents

## Celebrating our Gifts

(Awards presented last Friday)

### Academic Excellence

Mikayla Zlomislic KB  
 Chloe Mowbray KG  
 Massimo Muscardo KY  
 Ashton Yu 1B  
 Owen van Egdom 1G  
 Jacob Crawford 1Y  
 Ryan Turner 2B  
 Stella Powell 2G  
 Ella West 2Y  
 Sean Collins 3B  
 Kaija Knevitt 3G  
 Nitika Nirmalan 3Y  
 Natalie Cerreto 4B  
 Tia Post 4G  
 Cairo Piotto 4Y  
 Bailey Aldag 5B  
 Holly Di Staso 5G  
 Raymond Saade 5Y  
 Kaleb Brett 6B  
 Aoife Collins 6G  
 Patrick Sultana 6Y

### St Angela's Award

Jonah West KB  
 Charlotte Lashlie KG  
 Elijah Moses KY  
 Joshua Morin 1B  
 Kara Piperata 1G  
 Mason Kelly 1Y  
 Connor Paton 2B  
 Adam Hochstetter 2G  
 Aidan Siney 2Y  
 Eimear Kelly 3B  
 Madeline Nasso 3G  
 Ava De Carlo 3Y  
 Gemma Yager 4B  
 Joel Cartisano 4G  
 Emily Crowley 4Y  
 Olivia Rodger 5B  
 Charlie Nelson 5G  
 Finya Begg 5Y  
 Felicity Rankin 6B  
 Jessica O'Meara 6G  
 Cooper Metcalfe 6Y

## Happy Birthday!

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

### JUNE

**Thurs 22nd**

Mrs Petras

**Sun 25th**

Mrs Burke

**Mon 26th**

Mia Jacobs

Adrian Sacco

**Tues 27th**

Rylee Callaghan

**Thurs 29th**

Adam Hochstetter

Miha Knevitt

Noah Sweeney

### JULY

**Sat 1st**

Jonah Singh

Luke Wehrmann

Chloe Halpin

## Star Spot

Congratulations to James Pearson (6 Green) who will compete at the World Championship Dirt Bike Racing in Denmark over the next few weeks. James is one of only two riders who will represent Australia in the Under 17s age group, although he is only 12 years old.

We wish him all the best in this international competition.

We are very proud of you for this incredible achievement.



## Dance Fever at St Angela's

Dance Fever is once again on in Term 3! Every Monday in Term 3, the talented staff from Dance Fever will be at St Angela's to teach K-6 a variety of structured dances. There will also be a whole school Hip Hop routine to learn. At the end of the term, children will have the opportunity to take part in a 'Challenge' dance-off night at Homebush. Although all children will dance throughout the term, taking part in the night at Homebush is purely optional. The cost has already been included in your school fee account.

## Inter School Debating Competition

Congratulations to all the children who participated in the third round of the Inter School Debating Competition. The third round was against St Paul the Apostle, where the children prepared a debate on the topic, *"Beauty is skin deep"*. *The debaters presented challenging arguments and we congratulate the negative team on their win on the day.*

The debating competition will resume after the school holidays, with the fourth round being held in Week 3.

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, Mrs Kelly and Ms Lewis-Driver  
 Debating Coordinators

## Years 3-6 Athletics Carnival 2017 Tomorrow, Friday 23rd June Calling Year 3 Parents

### Carnival Cake Stall - Year 3 Parents

Once again, we will be having a cake stall and a coffee cart available for parents.

We kindly need your help to cater for the cake stall at the Athletics carnival tomorrow, Friday 23rd June. We hope that Year 3 parents (or any parents across the grades) can generously assist with homemade cakes and slices, cut up in individual serves ready to sell, cupcakes, muffins etc. (nut free). This is only a guide. Any specialty or treat that you are able to bring would be most appreciated. Items can be brought with you to Roxborough Park, if you are attending, or they can be sent with your child on the day or even prior. Thank you for your assistance. **Year 3 Parent Reps**

### Helpers Needed for Cake Stall

We are in need of helpers to assist with the cake stall at the carnival. If you are able to help, please contact Donna Collins on 0438 758 848 regarding your preferred time for the roster.

Many thanks.



## Mid-Year Reports

The Mid-year report refers to the first half of the year's teaching and learning and subsequently the End-of-year report refers to the second half of the year (ie. first semester of learning, second semester of learning). Each year introduces different concepts, content units and skills etc. which can increase in difficulty from the year before. It is therefore possible that your child's achievement level in a particular Key Learning Area may change. Comparative data for Years 1-6 is included with your child's report as per Diocesan Policy.






This style of reporting mandated by the Government involves a great deal of processing before arriving at an achievement level for each Key Learning Area. There are many assessments undertaken, work samples examined, observations made and needs discussed. In Week 10, teachers will be having parent interviews to support, discuss and complement these reports, affirm your child's learning and to give direction/ focus for future learning.

Together the school and you form an important partnership. This partnership supports your children in reaching their potential so that home and school are united in their approach.

Many thanks to our dedicated teachers for always making themselves available to you. Our teachers here at St Angela's are a truly gifted team of Educators. They themselves are committed learners who strive to provide quality Catholic Education for our students.

The role of the teacher is never easy, it is a challenge but it is without doubt one of the most rewarding careers. Teachers not only work with the children who are our future, but are part of the Church's mission in passing on our Gospel values. The commitment, passion and care our teachers and staff bring to their vital role is what helps make our school so great.

To help put the A-E reporting system into perspective, it may be useful to look at the analogy below using driving experience in an E-A context:

| A   | B   | C   | D   | E   |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Grand Prix racer  | Advanced driver training with extra skills  | Full drivers licence, like most of us!  | A person on "P" plates drives independently but still learning.                     | A person on "L" plates must always be accompanied by an experienced driver.         |
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## Winter Has Arrived!

The cold weather is here. Thank you for your efforts with having the children in winter uniforms. The children look fantastic. We appreciate the cost involved plus the constant upkeep with washing/ironing and so on. A tidy uniform gives the children a sense of personal worth and a sense of belonging to our wonderful school. It projects a positive image to others when they see our children wearing their uniform correctly, hair neat and tidy, no jewellery, correct school backpack, with clean shoes and wearing our school hat.

## Canteen Helpers 2017

Our school canteen opens each Tuesday and Friday. It does not open on rainy days.

We require some helpers each Tuesday and Friday from 12:25 to 1:25pm to be put on a 6 month roster. **The canteen roster will commence Tuesday 18th July.** If you are able to help, please fill out the canteen helper form below and return by **Monday 26th June** (no babies or toddlers please). Enquiries: Diana Norris on 0408 440 213.

Thank you  
Canteen Committee

*Please return to the school office by Monday 26th June*

I would like to help in the canteen once a month on the following day:

**Tuesday** or **Friday** (please circle)

Name: .....

Phone: (mobile) .....

Email: .....

Child's Name: ..... Class: .....

Any dates not available: .....

## 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

## Children's Workbooks Coming Home

### Science & Technology/HSIE books will be coming home this week

This week the children will be bringing home their Science & Technology/HSIE workbooks. 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? The children are extremely proud of their work and even more so, to read a comment.

**We encourage you to write a comment to your child in their book after their last piece of work. Children really do treasure your comments and it allows us to see that the book did indeed leave the school bag and that you have taken the time to walk through it with your child. Additionally, we ask that the books be returned promptly the next school day so that your child can continue their written work in the appropriate book.**

Please see below for some more examples of thoughtful comments from parents that children just love:

*"Wonderful work. We really enjoyed reading all your sentences. Keep up the good work."*

*"You are so clever. Mummy is very proud of you. I can see you are trying very hard in class with your writing and reading. Excellent job!"*