

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

2nd August, 2018 Term 3, Week 2

Dear Parents,

Mary MacKillop Feast Day
Wednesday 8th August
Australia's First Saint
Born January 15, 1842
Died August 8, 1909

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Beatified by Pope John Paul II in 1995
Canonised in Rome on October 17, 2010

'Never see a need without doing something about it'

Mary MacKillop encourages us to be of service to others.

Each one of us has the potential to help others if we so choose. Being able to see a need and know what to do is often the challenge, a challenge that Mary MacKillop modelled for us in her life. Why not, along with the children, make the effort this week and always do something about a need you may be aware of.

Mary MacKillop is a wonderful role model to us all. She was indeed a woman of faith and devotion. Her attitude of 'never see a need without doing something about it' inspires us to reach out to others and to truly make a difference.

Mary MacKillop was born in 1842 in Melbourne, Victoria. Her parents were born in Scotland and came to live in Australia. Mary cared about people who had no-one to look after them such as boys and girls who just roamed the streets, children in the country who had no school to go to, people who were old and sick and people who had nowhere to live. Mary wanted more than anything to help these people. Mary went to work as a teacher in a little country town in South Australia called Penola. There she met Father Julian Tension Woods who also wanted to do something for the poor children who could not afford to pay the money needed to go to school. Together, in 1866, they began the first St. Joseph's School in an old stable. On 19th March, 1866 - St Joseph's Day - Mary started to wear a simple black dress and began the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph. Now as a Sister, she dedicated her life to doing God's work. As more

and more young women joined Mary as Sisters, they were able to start more schools. All children were welcomed at their schools, even if they couldn't pay. In Adelaide they opened a place for women who had nowhere to live, an orphanage for children who had no parents to look after them and a house where poor people could come and stay. The Sisters visited people who were in gaol and those who were poor and sick. Mary MacKillop was kind to all people. She died on 8 August, 1909 in North Sydney. Mary MacKillop kept her faith in God and bravely challenged those who did not support her vision for a more caring world. Mary is an important Australian who spent her life helping people, especially children. She is Australia's first Saint.

St Angela's has its own distant relatives of Mary MacKillop. The Evans family tree is indeed blessed with a link back to Mary MacKillop. What an amazing bloodline Lauren (5G) and Liam (3Y)

We extend our congratulations and well wishes to Sr Venera

Nicolosi (Foundation Principal of St Angela's 2000–2009) who, this week, celebrates her 51 years as an Ursuline Sister. Throughout her vocation Sr Venera has been a lady of faith, compassion and strength to so many. Students, staff, parents and the wider community, in the many schools she has led and the many roles she has undertaken for the church, have certainly benefitted from her love and devotion.



51 years is an amazing milestone and achievement. Congratulations and thank you for all that you have done and continue to do for St Angela's, for Catholic Education and our faith.

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

Tony Calabria Principal



Jeans for Genes

Denim Mufti

Tomorrow, Friday 3rd August, St Angela's as part of its social justice outreach program, will be supporting the Jeans for Genes Day appeal. Children are invited to wear their jeans/denim mufti on the day. We ask that each child brings in a donation of gold or fold in support of this worthwhile cause. Thank you.

Combined Our Lady of the Rosary and St Angela's Communities Mass held at St Angela's for the Feast of the Assumption (Holy Day of Obligation) Wednesday 15th August at 11:00am

Years K to 6 All welcome

We look forward to Our Lady of the Rosary Primary students joining us on this special Feast Day to celebrate Mary in our lives. We hope you are also able to join us on this Holy Day of Obligation.

A warm St Angela's welcome to Mrs Linda McKinnon who joins our administration team in the office this week.







Religious Education

Sunday, 5 Aug 2018: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B Gospel Jn 6: 24-35

Jesus is the bread of life.

This Sunday's gospel reading continues the exploration of John Ch 6 that began last week and will continue for another few weeks. Today's passage begins the extended discourse on the 'Bread of Life' image that runs throughout this chapter. Last week's reading finished with Jesus virtually fleeing the scene when the crowd wanted to make him king. At the start of today's reading, the crowd has caught up with him again and appears to be looking for a repeat performance of the miraculous feeding. Jesus accuses them of simply wanting more food and not being alert to the truth of the sign they had witnessed. The crowd asks what they must do to accomplish the works of God and Jesus answers fairly bluntly, Believe in me!

In response, the people demand a sign from Jesus: produce manna from heaven as Moses did during the Exodus. In fact, manna from heaven is one of the signs of the coming of the Messiah that is foretold by the prophets. So, in their own way, the people are asking Jesus to demonstrate to them that he is the Messiah. Jesus, however, explains that it was not Moses who produced the manna, but God. In Jesus, God has already produced the sign – the Bread sent down from heaven. There is no need for Jesus to produce such a sign; the sign has already been produced by God. It is up to the people – and us – to recognise God's gift of life-sustaining nourishment that is Jesus.

In the Eucharist, we continue to celebrate Jesus as the Bread of Life – the sustaining gift of God that 'gives life to the world'.

Q. In what ways does the Eucharist provide us with nourishment or food for our lives?

Q. How are you / can you be 'bread' for others?

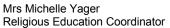
Last term Year 5 students worked extremely hard on their Religion, Project Based Learning Task. They were given the following driving question: How can we as evangelists continue the work of the disciples, Peter and Paul, by creating a prayer experience that empowers believers to live as Jesus taught and to become more like him? The students created powerful liturgies which they celebrated with their 'buddy' classes on the last day of term.

"I loved teaching the younger grades about God and Jesus" Oliver Simunic 5Y

"The Religion PBL was great! It helped students to learn about the Gospels and to participate in activities." Victoria Pinna 5Y

"I liked doing the Religion PBL because I felt like I was a teacher. I also learnt that writing prayers of the faithful isn't easy." Melina Catalano 5Y









Kindergarten News—The Henny Penny Chicks have arrived!!

Annual School Report for 2017

St Angela's Primary School is registered by the board of Studies as a member of the Catholic system of schools in the Diocese of Parramatta. At this time each year every school is required by legislation to provide an Annual School Report to parents and the wider community with fair, accurate and objective information about various aspects of St Angela's performance and development. The report describes the achievement of school developed priorities in 2017 and gives information about 2018 priorities. A copy of the Annual School Report is available on our website www.stangelaschill.catholic.edu.au or from the office.

Quote of the Week

"It's not what you look at that matters, it's what you see"

Sports News

Keep an eye out next week for our Netball Gala Day results!



Upcoming Dates

TERM 3

Week 2

Friday 3rd Aug CENSUS DAY

Jeans for Genes Day - Gold or Fold donation - Mufti Day - students to wear denim mufti

clothes.

Week 3

Monday 6th Aug Dance Fever

Wednesday 8th Aug Feast of Mary of the Cross Mackillop

Friday 10th Aug Yr. 6 Pyjama Mufti

Saturday 11th Aug Reconciliation Preparation Day (Option 1)

Sunday 12th Aug Reconciliation Preparation Day (Option 2)

Celebrating Our Gifts

(Awards presented on Friday 6/7/18)

Academíc
Excellence

St Angela's Award

Ray Zhang KB Samaan AbuDuhou KG Sofia Muscardo KY

Rita Dabit KG

Davna Mills KB

Levi Fisher 1B

Angelique Bonasin KY

Mia Cordi 1G

Blake D'Silva 1B Jai Powell 1G

Lilly Celano 1Y Lachlan Murphy 2B Charlize Woodham 1Y

Owen van Egdom 2G

Jacob Crawford 2B Joseph Brouillard 2G

David Gigliucci 2Y Tiana Azzopardi 3B Ashton Yu 2Y

Angelina Catalano 3G

Courtney Azzopardi 3B Joshua Norman 3G

Gabriella Fernandes 3Y Riley Petersen 4B

Rhys Wilson 3Y

Alvarez Alberti 4G

Zalia Ritchie 4B

Chanel Nasr 4Y

Jack O'Neill 4G

Ava De Carlo 4Y

Molly Nati 5B

Mia Jacobs 5B

Joe Khoudair 5G

Ethan Divino 5G

Matthew Foley 5Y

Sophie Milas 5Y

Justin Younis 6B

Sophie Watson 6B

Genevieve Brouillard 6G

Dylan Manio 6G

Emerson McDonald 6Y

Mikaela Southwood 6Y

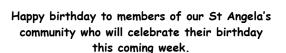
"100 Days of Kindy"

On Tuesday 24th July, Kindergarten reached a milestone. They celebrated their 100th Day of Kindergarten. All of the students participated in activities that revolved around the number 100. Time flies when you are having fun!









AUGUST

Mon 6th

Patrick Abdow Esosa Jesuorobo

Alannah Lane

Joshua McDermott Laura Nati

Tues 7th

Alvarez Alberti Matthew Despoges David Gigliucci

Sanjana Kadam **Emily Mitchell**

Amelie Sprem

Thurs 9th

Mia Russo Ryan Shepherd

Fri 10th

Misha Belle

Orlando Ruiz-Martinez

Sat 11th

Hanna Ngo

Mrs Kelly



Year 6 Sydney Observatory Excursion

Our trip to the Sydney Observatory was a blast!

"At the spectacular observatory we viewed the sun through an amazing telescope, explored planets on an ipad and and watched the moon, sun, planets and constellations in the Planetarium". Genevieve Brouillard - 6 Yellow

"We went for a walk and saw the beautiful Opera house, which we sketched. As we were walking to the Opera house, we learnt that the convicts actually had to get off and on boats at the dock." Katarina Costa - 6 Blue

"The Rocks was my favourite part because I learnt that it was a part of Australia's history. The buildings that the convicts constructed were built in the 1800's. Year 6 all learned a lot about space and Australia's history! Kyle Brett - 6 Green

Peer Support

This coming week in Peer Support children will have an opportunity to discuss their personal qualities and strengths. The children will identify their qualities and acknowledge how they contribute to their achievements. Through activities children recognise they used their strengths to achieve success and can be encouraged to approach future activities optimistically. Parents are encouraged to ask your child to describe their own qualities and strengths so you can recognise and acknowledge these.

World Youth Day Raffle Tickets

Thank you to the families who have returned their WYD Raffle tickets and

A reminder to parents, if you have yet to return your tickets, please return all money, as well as the sold and unsold tickets ASAP. Thank you for your continued support.

School Census Day Tomorrow, Friday 3rd August

Tomorrow, Friday 3rd August is School Census Day. All children should attend school on this day and absence should only be if it is absolutely necessary.

If you know your child will be away tomorrow, please email stangelas@parra.catholic.edu.au advising the reason for the absence and when they will return, otherwise, simply respond to the text sent from St Angela's on the day by 10.00am explaining their absence and their date of return to school.

This is of course a requirement that applies to everyday of the school year, however, Census data is directly related to Government funding for our schools and the requirements outlined above are set by the

Important Dates to Note this Term

General Parent Meeting
Monday September 3rd

Father's Day Celebrations
Friday August 31st

St Angela's Inaugural Golf Day Monday September 17th Infants Athletics Carnival

Tuesday September 11th

St Angela's Annual Golf Day

Monday 17th September IT'S ON!

(All levels welcome - beginners to experienced)
The 2018 Venue will be Stonecutters Ridge Golf Club
Keep an eye on Shine for further details.

See official registration form coming home soon!

For sponsorship opportunities please contact Wayne Davie on 0404 924 166.

Senior Constable Rob Paterson is back. He will be visiting St Angela's on Monday 3rd September.

He will present information on 'Online Cyber Safety' to Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 during the day.

THEN THERE WILL BE A PRESENTATION TO PARENTS AT 7:00PM ON CYBER BULLYING AND ONLINE ISSUES.

DON'T MISS IT!

Sent Home This Week:

Emailed: Year 6 Voice of Youth Competition, Religious Education Curriculum, Year 2 Reconciliation, K - 6 Term 3 Grade Overviews

Hard Copy: Year 6 Voice of Youth Competition, Term 3 Parent Calendar

Change of School for 2019

To estimate enrolments for 201 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.

Theme for the week;

"Care & Compassion"

(taken from The Nine Values for Australian Schools from the National Values Education Program)

Some Food for Thought
How do we care for ourselves?
Do we keep a healthy body and mind?
How do we really care for others in need?
Do we think of others who are in need?
Are we compassionate towards the needs of others?

How do we show care and compassion in our words and actions?

Values Matter at St Angela's

During this term, starting this week, information on the "Nine Values for Australian Schooling" will be presented each week in our school newsletter. As you are aware the teaching of "Values Education" has been mandated by the Australian Government. These core values have been identified as including a range of secular and religious world views, and are common to most cultures. They underpin Australian society. As a Catholic School we teach according to Jesus Christ's gospel values which strongly reflect the values of LOVE, FAITH, HOPE,

which strongly reflect the values of LOVE, FAITH, HOPE, RECONCILIATION, KINDNESS, SELF CONTROL, GENTLENESS, INTEGRITY, RESPECT and JUSTICE. Below is a summary of the nine values for Australian schooling.

Nine Values for Australian Schooling

- 1. <u>Care and Compassion</u> Care for self and others
- 2. <u>Doing Your Best</u> Seek to accomplish something worthy and admirable, try hard, pursue excellence
- 3. <u>Fair Go</u> Pursue and protect the common good where all people are treated fairly for a just society
- 4. <u>Freedom</u> Enjoy all the rights and privileges of Australian citizenship free from unnecessary interference or control, and stand up for the rights of others
- 5. <u>Honesty and Trustworthiness</u> Be honest, sincere and seek the truth
- 6. <u>Integrity</u> Act in accordance with principles of moral and ethical conduct, ensure consistency between words and deeds
- 7. Respect Treat others with consideration and regard, respect another person's point of view
- 8. <u>Responsibility</u> Be accountable for one's own actions, resolve differences in constructive, non-violent and peaceful ways, contribute to society and to civic life, take care of the environment
- 9. <u>Understanding, Tolerance and Inclusion</u> Be aware of others and their cultures, accept diversity within a democratic society, being included and including others.
- A key aspect of this ongoing values education is the importance of students developing responsibility, resilience and social skills through co-curricular as well as curriculum programs.

Artists of the Week

Congratulations to our artists for this week:

Rachael Rodrígues 6B Grace Despoges KG



Children's artworks are proudly displayed in the Library.