

## St Angela's Primary School

**Castle Hill** 

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Ministry of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville

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Dear Parents,

### Feast of St Maximilian Kolbe

This coming Tuesday is the Feast Day of St Maximilian Kolbe, the Saint that our Hall is named after. At our morning assembly we will have a prayerful remembrance and celebration of the life of St Maximilian Kolbe. He was a wonderful example to us all of the selfless love that reflects the words of Jesus 'love one another as I have loved you'. Please



see our Religious Education section in this Shine to learn a little more about St Maximilian Kolbe.

Respect towards each other is an important, and admirable characteristic. The following reflection gives 10 simple points to always remember. Why not take the time to share this with your child.

- 1. Speak to people. There is nothing as nice as a cheerful word of greeting.
- 2. Smile at people. It takes 72 muscles to frown and only 14 to smile.
- 3. Call people by name. The sweetest music to anyone's ear is the sound of their own name.
- 4. Be friendly and helpful. Be a friend to all.
- 5. Be cordial. Speak and act as if everything you do were a genuine
- 6. Be genuinely interested in people. You can like everybody if you
- 7. Be generous with praise, cautious with criticism.
- 8. Be considerate of the feelings of others, it will be appreciated.
- 9. Be thoughtful of the opinions of others, there are always three sides to controversy - yours, the other person's and the right one.
- 10.Be alert to give service. What counts most in life is what we do for others.

### This Wednesday 15th August

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) this Wednesday 15th August at 11:00am

Years K to 6 All welcome

We look forward to Our Lady of the Rosary Primary School 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.

Father in heaven, All creation rightly gives you praise, For all life and all holiness come from you. In the plan of your wisdom She who bore the Christ in her womb Was raised body and soul in glory to be with him in heaven. May we follow her example in reflecting your holiness And join in her hymn of endless love and praise. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

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



Tony Calabria Principal

Thank you for your generous donations towards supporting our farmers as we live out the message of Mary MacKillop of "Never seeing a need without doing something about it'. Our community so far this week, has raised just on \$2300 to support those who are doing it tough. This is just amazing! If you still wish to contribute you can send your 'gold or fold' in with your child tomorrow, as we hope to forward on these funds as soon as possible so they can be utilized.

### **Parent Representative Meeting Tuesday 14th August**

The Term 3 class parent representative meeting will be held this Tuesday 14th August at 8:45am in the staffroom for those parents available.

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, AS PART OF OUR GENERAL PARENT MEETING







## **Religious Education**

Sunday, 12 Aug 2018: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B Gospel Jn 6:41-51

Jesus is the living bread.

This Gospel passage continues the extended discourse on the Bread of Life. The passage shows the crowd bristling at Jesus describing himself as the 'bread that came down from heaven'. They dismiss his claim because they know his earthly parents, Mary and Joseph. How could he have come down from heaven if they are aware of his parents on earth? For the Jews of Jesus time, the very idea of Jesus being the Son of God was completely blasphemous.

Jesus replies to the complaints of the crowd through an extended image. He depicts the intimate relationship that exists between himself and the Father. Later, this discourse will be drawn on in the argument about the divinity of Jesus and that he is 'one in being with the Father'. Those who are drawn to Jesus and his message are – perhaps unknowingly – drawn by the Father and by listening to the teaching of Jesus they are in fact drawing closer to the Father. It is a somewhat complicated image that Jesus paints but at its heart he emphasises the intertwined nature between Father and Son. Refuting the concern of the crowd, Jesus again describes himself as the living bread that has come down from heaven. Unlike the manna the people ate in the desert that sustained them physically for a short period of time, the living bread of Jesus will sustain those who believe for all time.

Q. In what ways was Jesus challenging the Jewish beliefs of the day?

Q. How does the 'living bread' of Jesus continue to sustain us even today?

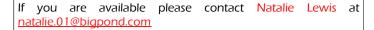
Next Tuesday, August 14th is the Feast Day of St Maximilian Kolbe. Saint Maximilian Kolbe was a Polish Franciscan Friar who was sent to Auschwitz for hiding Jews during the Second World War. When the Nazi guards selected 10 people to be starved to death in punishment, Kolbe volunteered to die in place of a stranger. He was later canonised as a martyr by Pope John Paul II (who himself lived through the German occupation of Poland) in 1981. At his canonisation, Pope John Paul II said: "Maximilian did not die but gave his life ... for his brother.

Next Wednesday, 15th August at 11am, the students from St Angela's along with Grades 3 - 6 from Our Lady of the Rosary Primary will gather under our big top to celebrate mass for The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We will gather on this Holy Day Of Obligation to celebrate the feast of Mary's Assumption into heaven where she shares in God's glory. Mary shows us that believing in God is a matter of complete faith and complete trust in God. We too are called to be faithful and trusting like Mary. students will share lunch and play together after mass. This will be a wonderful opportunity to pray together as members of a parish as well as God's family. All are welcome to attend.

## **FATHER'S DAY HELPERS NEEDED**

YEAR 2 HELPERS (AND ANY OTHER PARENTS) **NEEDED TO WRAP FATHER'S DAY GIFTS** 

Parent helpers are needed from the Year Two community (and anyone else available to help) to wrap over 600 gifts for the Dads of our community. The gifts will be wrapped on Tuesday 22nd August at 7.00pm in the school library. It's a great chance to come ! and mingle over ribbon and paper. Enjoy a cuppa and a yummy snack for supper. BYO



scissors.

### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* YEAR 2 HELPERS FOR THE FATHER'S DAY STALL (AND ANY OTHER PARENTS)

Parents are also needed to sell gifts at the stall on Wednesday 29th August. If you are available anytime between 9am and midday to help out on the day, please contact Natalie Lewis at <u>natalie.01@bigpond.com</u> so a roster can be compiled. You will then be notified of your allotted time. All help will be greatly appreciated.



### TERM 3

## **Upcoming Dates**

### Week 3

Saturday 11th Aug Reconciliation Preparation Day (Option 1)

Sunday 12th Aug Reconciliation Preparation Day (Option 2)

Week 4

Monday 13th Aug Dance Fever

Tuesday 14th Aug 7:30am ICAS Maths - Library

8:45am Parent Rep Meeting for those

St Maximillian Kolbe Prayer Assembly 5G

Wednesday 15th Aug 11am Feast of the Assumption of Mary

Holy Day of Obligation Combined School

Mass with OLOR - All Welcome

Hills Zone Athletics Carnival - Blacktown Thursday 16th Aug

Friday 17th Aug Year 3 Excursion to RemaPak

9:30am Debating St Angela's vs St Madeline's in hall - All Welcome 2:15pm Assembly Year 4 - All Welcome

### HILLS AND KELLYVILLE ROTARY CLUB WRITING COMPETITION

Last Term, Year 6 students took part in a writing competition held by the Hills and Kellyville Rotary Club which saw ten local schools participate. The students had to produce a creative piece of writing consisting of no more than 500 words. The topic was "What if ...". Our three finalists from St Angela's who attended the Rotary Presentation night, along with their families were Jessica Herbas, Keira Murphy and Emily O'Rourke. Congratulations to all three students on their impressive writing pieces.



## Jeans for Genes

Last Friday we supported the Jeans for Genes Day appeal. Together we raised in excess of \$1100 Thank you to our families who donated so generously to support this worthwhile cause. This is just another example of the social justice outreach that the community of St Angela's undertakes.

Thank you



## Star Spot

Congratulations to Zara Phelan who recently competed in the NSW State Challenge for National Level 5 Gymnastics. This was her second ever competition and she received red ribbons for all 4 apparatuses and an overall Gold medal. An amazing result.

Well done!



## Quote of the Week

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"Lift up your hearts. Each new hour holds new changes for new beginnings."

## **Celebrating Our Gifts**

## Academíc

Excellence Award

Chiara Jensen-Luppino KB Havana Seydler KG Lilah Tokoly KY

Sienna Azar 1B Harper Eastwood 1G

Annelise Guirreri 1Y Alice Nugent 2B

Samuel Jesuorobo 2G Lincoln Brown 2Y

Shiloh Aguas 3B

Tiani Layoun 3G Masen De Carlo 3Y

Mia Young 4B

Tyra Moc 4G Kathryn Basobas 4Y

Natalie Cerreto 5B

Tia Post 5B

James O'Donnell 5G

Emma Heanes 5Y

**Brinley Lewis 6B** 

Jessica Herbas 6G

Sarah Tesoriero 6Y

St Angela's

James Lang KB

Giada Genio KG

Ronan Phung KY

Joshua Vassallo 1B

Izaak Botic 1G

Elijah Moes 1Y

Misha Belle 2B

**Rusty Smith 2G** 

Jacob Nasso 2Y

Brayden Geraghty 3B

Max Vallejo 3G

Liam Evans 3Y

Finnian Christie 4B

Tristen Gunawardhana 4G

Harrison Petras 4Y

Lauren Evans 5G

Jason Herbas 5Y

Emily O'Rourke 6B

Lauren Shin 6G

Raymond Saade 6Y



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

**AUGUST** Sun 12th Zara Phelan

Wed 15th Finn Sweeney Fri 17th Dylan Crowe

Sat 18th Ethan Petersen

# Sport News

Congratulations and best wishes to all of the 41 children who will represent St Angela's at the Hills Zone Athletics Carnival next Thursday August 16th at Blacktown.

Mrs Andra Hemmings Sport Coordinator

### **Peer Support**

This coming week in Peer Support children will discuss skills and how to communicate their feelings and needs to others. The children will discuss skills they use when participating in a variety of activities. When children understand they already have many of the skills needed to succeed, they can feel more confident when trying something new. The children are asked to identify events which trigger different feelings. Parents are encouraged to asked their child to remember the skills they have used in one activity when trying something new and to communicate their feelings and needs.

## St Bernadette's Netball Gala Day Wrap Up

Last week, on Wednesday 1st August, 11 teams played in the St Bernadette's netball Gala Day at Kellyville Netball courts. We were indeed blessed with beautiful weather. Our teams all played extremely well, and their behaviour off the court was just as good. What excellent representatives of St Angela's.

It was very exciting to see our 2 junior boy teams, 2 senior boys teams, 12 year girls (team 2) and our under 9 girls all winning their age divisions. We also had some teams finish a very close 2<sup>nd</sup> and at the same time we had some teams who just had an awesome day playing with their friends being competitive and respectful to the opposition and enjoying themselves.

Our thanks and appreciation to all our Team Managers who helped us on the day: Sonia O'Rourke, Jenni Rodger, Linda Young, Kylie Jamer, Hayley Cane, Tara Shepherd, Mick Post, Wayne Davie, Ray Manio, Kathy Mendoza and Kerry Wallace. It was lovely to see ex St Angela's students that are now at Marian who took time from school to help us with umpiring; Aisling Collins, Mackenzie Gulliver, Chantelle Mendoza, Hannah Smith, Jacinta Carabetta, Emma Vitanza, Olivia Tesoriero, Christina Dell Aquilla, Sophie Vitanza, Allanah Gattini, Bella Shepherd and Hayley Johnston.

Special thanks to Mrs Yager and Miss Claxton helping to select and train the teams in their recess or lunch times and organize and support the teams on the day and to Mrs Lean, Mrs Petras, Mrs McDonald who also helped support and oragnise the teams on the

Finally thank you to Mr Calabria and Mrs Fitzalan for coming out and watching the children for a few games during the day and for allowing so many children the opportunity to participate in the Netball Gala Day.

Mrs Andra Hemmings Sports Coordinator













## **Values Matter at St Angela's**

This week we are focussing on the value of:

DOING YOUR BEST - Seek to accomplish something worthy and admirable, try hard, and pursue excellence.

This value includes the following characteristics:

- Having a go! How do you as parents, encourage this characteristic?
- Being positive about learning
- Learning from your mistakes Tell them how proud you are of their efforts
- Discovering what you're good at and enjoy doing it
- Doing things to the best of your ability
- Using your talents Discuss your children's God given talent/s with them and how these gifts should be used to the best of their ability.
- Setting worthwhile goals and making plans to achieve them.
   Do you have goals?

### The overall message:

Attaining personal success in a range of human endeavours, pursuing individual excellence and displaying pride and satisfaction in personal achievement.

## **Important Dates to Note this Term**

**Father's Day Celebrations** 

Friday August 31st

**General Parent Meeting 7:00PM** 

Monday September 3rd

**Infants Athletics Carnival** 

Tuesday September 11th

St Angela's Inaugural Golf Day

Monday September 17th

## **International Competitions and Assessments (ICAS) Years 3 to 6**

The ICAS Mathematics test will be held this Tuesday 14th August in the library. We ask that children arrive at 7:20am for a 7:30am start. This is due to the fact that not all students participate and therefore your child will not miss out on their classroom learning. The test must be done on the designated day at the designated time. Unfortunately, tests not completed during the supervised time cannot be done at an alternative time. Children need to bring a pencil case containing a pencil, an eraser and a ruler.

### WORLD YOUTH DAY RAFFLE TICKETS

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

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.

### **Grade Assemblies**

Please note, as communicated in our term calendar, whole school assemblies for Term 3 are as follows:

Week 4 - Friday 17th Aug at 2:15pm led by Year 4

Week 7 - Friday 7th Sept at 2:15pm led by Year 2 Week 8 - Friday 14th Sept at 2:15pm led by Year 1

All parents are most welcome to join us.

### **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:

### "Doing your best"

Our theme this week focuses on always doing your best in everything you do, in academics, behaviour, relationships etc. Expecting the 'best' from our children and encouraging them to always give their best allows their true potential to shine. Children who always do their best are usually content with the effort they have put into a given task or the behaviour they have displayed and are not continually saying 'I could have done better'. Doing your best at your own level is one key to success; it does not always mean coming first.

## 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



### **Sent Home This Week:**

**Emailed:** Parent Calendar, Farmer's Appeal, Yr 6 Pyjama Mufti Day, ACARA Privacy Notice

**Hard Copy:** Parent Calendar, Year 3 Excursion—RemaPak, Year 6 Pyjama Mufti Day, Farmer's Appeal, Year 1 Excursion-Showground Project Office