



# St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill

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Term 4, Week 1

## OLOR Parish Fete here at St Angela's THIS Saturday October 20th 10am to 8pm Join us for a fun filled day and evening!

Dear Parents,

### Welcome back to Term 4

Welcome to our 4th and final term for 2018. The year is certainly passing quickly.

The holidays were a wonderful time to catch up with family and friends, to spoil yourself and others, to forget routine and to just be. To the parents within our community, I encourage you to try and take time out where and when you can during this busy term to spend time with family and friends, most particularly with your children in their early years. No matter what, all the riches in the world can never bring back missed opportunities for special moments with those you love.

I look forward to another term of faith, fun and learning as we let our light shine by working in partnership in our Christ centred community of parents, children, teachers and pastors.



### St Francis Feast Day (4th Oct) and Our Lady of the Rosary Feast Day (7th Oct)



St Francis' Feast Day and Our Lady of the Rosary Feast days were celebrated over the holidays. They are both very special for our Christ Centred St Angela's community. St Angela's is part of the Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville which is pastored by the Franciscan priests - led by Fr Alejandro. The Franciscans are a worldwide Order, of both priests and brothers, who have dedicated themselves to follow the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ in the spirit of St Francis of Assisi. St Francis was a man of God who lived a life of simplicity and humility. Francis discovered God and all about him in nature and the beauty of creation. He encouraged the people of his time to reverence God in one another and to love the earth and all her creatures. St Angela's school environment reflects our care for the earth in the spirit of St Francis and appreciation of nature.

### Best Wishes

On behalf of the St Angela's community, we extend our best wishes to all Year 12 students who begin their final school exams today.

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

Tony Calabria  
Principal



## Upcoming Dates

### TERM 4

#### Week 1

Saturday 20th October

OLOR Parish Fete  
10am - 8pm here at St Angela's

#### Week 2

Tuesday 23rd October

8:45am Parent Rep Meeting

7:00pm Year 5 Personal Development  
Evening for parents and students.

Wednesday 24th October

7:00pm 2019 Kindergarten Information  
Night Maximillian Kolbe Hall

Friday 26th October

8:30 am - 2:50 pm School Hall  
Year 4 Fizzics Incursion/Science Day

#### Week 3

Monday 29th October

Diocesan Basketball Gala Day  
Cambridge Park

Tuesday 30th October

Year 1 Mini Beasts Incursion in  
Maximillian Kolbe Hall

Thursday 1st November

All Saints Day  
Feast of All Saints & All Souls

Friday 2nd November

All Souls Day  
2:15 Kindergarten Assembly  
All Welcome

## Kindergarten 2019 Information Evening For Parents

Our Kindergarten 2019 Parent Information Evening will be held on Wednesday 24th October at 7.00pm in the school hall.

GRANDPARENTS DAY  
Friday November 9, 2018  
Term 4, Week 4



## Religious Education

Sunday, 14 Oct 2018: Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

Gospel Mk 10:17-30

**A man asks Jesus what he has to do to enter the kingdom.**

Jesus reminds us in this gospel that to join him in bringing about the reign of God requires absolute commitment and a willingness to give up that which is most precious to us. The rich man who approached Jesus was genuine in his desire to fulfil all the requirements of the Law to attain eternal life. Jesus quoted to him all the commandments that deal with right relationships with others. The man is able to tick these off and assure Jesus that he has been doing this since childhood – a pretty big claim in the first place! Then Jesus 'looked steadily at him and loved him' – he looked on him with the eyes of love; the eyes that see to the heart of a person, and in that look knew what was most important to the man. Jesus could tell by his dress no doubt that the man was wealthy and so it is this aspect of the man's life that Jesus chooses to challenge him about. This gospel shouldn't necessarily be read as a condemnation of wealth – rather, it is the man's inability to surrender his wealth that Jesus challenges. Jesus sees to the heart of the man and asks if he is willing to give up that which is most important in his life. The man is unable to do what Jesus asks of him and goes away sad. Why sad? He's sad because he knows that he has been tested and failed. He knows that what he genuinely desired was within his reach but he needed to let go of his position, his status, his wealth, to be able to grasp what he desired in both hands.

**Q. Is giving to charitable causes an adequate response to today's gospel?**

**Q. How is Jesus' radical challenge being realised in our world / your community?**

## Education Mass

Next Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> of October, the school captains, Mr Calabria and I will attend the Diocesan Education Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral Parramatta (previously known as the Mission Mass). This is an opportunity for school leaders to celebrate their role in the mission of the church and to show their support for Catholic Mission and the work they carry out in Australia and other countries throughout the world.

A 'Mission Expo' will take place immediately following the Education Mass. The aim of the Mission Expo is to highlight activities that schools have been involved with during the past year and to share this information with other school communities who might wish to do the same. This year St Angela's will participate in the Mission expo. We will highlight the work of the Mission Markets which our current Year 6 Students undertook as a PBL in Term 4 2017.

## Donation to the Bohol Orphanage in the Philippines

The Nuns who work at the Bohol Orphanage in the Philippines have been informed of our recent fundraising 'mufti day' and the donation that they will soon receive. *They were so happy and said thank you a thousand times.*

They have a lot of babies at the moment, 3 newborn babies were just brought in, so there are 9 babies now. We have been told that there is a lack of the daily needs for the babies and that our donation will contribute to the purchasing of the following items:

- Laundry soap
- Baby powder
- Play mat
- Nestogen Powdered Milk
- Diapers
- Ointment for allergies
- Baby wipes
- Rash Free (for baby rashes)
- Hand Sanitizer
- Cerelac (powdered food)
- Milk bottles
- Baby cribs 2x
- Walker 2x
- Biscuit for the little children

## Book Club

Scholastic catalogues were sent home this week. Please see the following details that outline a new process for ordering and for payments:

St Angela's is in the Loop! Your scholastic order will be electronically linked when you order and pay by Loop - [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](https://scholastic.com.au/LOOP) or download the app, register your details and follow the prompts. **When you order and pay by LOOP do not fill in the order form or return anything to school. Payment options include credit card PayPal or credit vouchers. Please note the school does not accept cash and all cash orders will be returned.**

## Term 4 Parent Calendar

The Term 4 Calendar will be emailed soon. Please keep in mind every effort is made to have firm dates and publish these as early as possible but changes are sometimes necessary due to circumstances beyond our control.

## Next Cyber Installment 'Facebook and Social Media'

Following on from our Cyber Safety talk last term with Constable Rob Paterson see coming home via email soon, the next two installments of valuable information sheets (Facebook and Social Media), to assist parents in ensuring safe and responsible use of technology. All information presented can also be viewed on the <https://esafety.gov.au/> website. It is certainly worth a few minutes of your time.

## St Angela's, Castle Hill Celebrates Grandparents' Day Friday 9th November Commencing at 8:45am

St Angela's School Community invites all grandparents to join us for a celebration of joy and thanksgiving to honour the gift of grandparents to our children. We hope that this day will continue to strengthen the bonds grandparents have with their grandchildren and nurture the unique tradition that we share in each family.

Program outline:

- ☉ 8:45am Morning assembly/Prayer of thanksgiving for our grandparents
- ☉ Classroom visits to join in learning activities with the children
- ☉ Morning tea in the St Maximilian school hall

This is a wonderful event and is a highlight of our calendar for all grandparents who enjoy visiting the school.

**As a large number of visitors are anticipated we ask that you bring in a plate to share for morning tea if you have a grandparent attending.** Your contribution can be left in the hall on Thursday afternoon, 8th November or the morning of Friday 9th November. Please see next week's newsletter for further catering arrangements and a suggested list of food categories per grade to give our grandparents variety.

We hope you can join us.

## Change of School for 2019

To estimate enrolments for 2019, 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.

## **Celebrating Our Gifts**

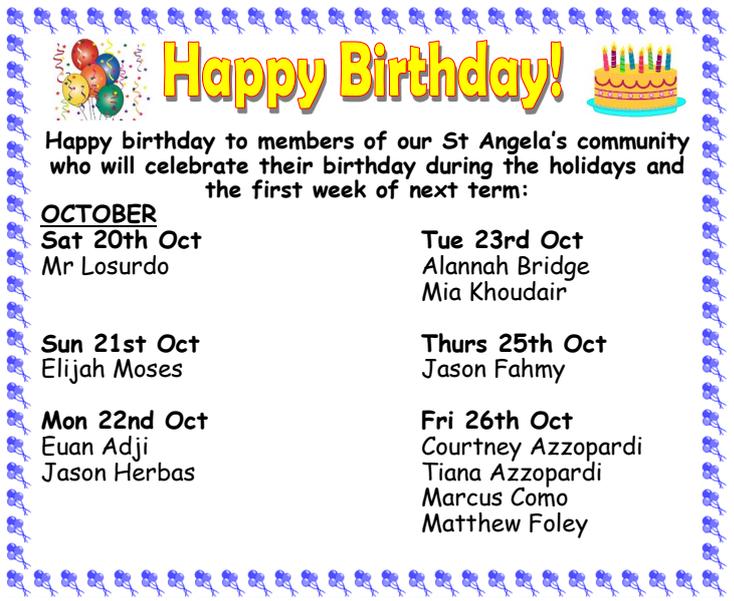
*(Awards presented from the end of Term 3)*

### *Academic Excellence*

Jacob Lee KB  
 Sebastian Brook KG  
 Mia Vassallo KY  
 Henry Phelan 1B  
 Simone Laird 1G  
 Kaeden Hochstetter 1Y  
 Jesselyn Tedja 2B  
 Avindee Jayakody 2G  
 Kara Piperata 2Y  
 Stella Powell 3B  
 Zara Phelan 3G  
 Connor Paton 3Y  
 Evan Hunt 4B  
 Indigo Read 4G  
 Aiden Crowley 5B  
 Alexandra Santos 5G  
 Mischa Vujnovich 5Y  
 Isabella Polic 6B  
 Estavan Alberti 6G  
 Tom Smales 6Y

### *St Angela's Award*

Sophie Collett KB  
 Adriana Tikellis KG  
 Saoirse McGowan KY  
 Sophie Pickles 1B  
 Christian Nasr 1G  
 Lachlan McDermott 1Y  
 Chloe Eltakchi 2B  
 William O'Neill 2G  
 Kiara Krishnan 2Y  
 Chelsea Mowbray 3B  
 Isaac Gunasekera 3G  
 Bronte Woodhead 3Y  
 Zalia Ritchie 4B  
 Jack Hall 4G  
 Sullivan Harris 4Y  
 Zoe Ortlepp 4Y  
 Sinera Janaratne 5B  
 Jeremy James 5G  
 Alexandra Knight 5Y  
 Katarina Costa 6B  
 Matthew Rae 6G  
 Lachlan Pillon 6Y



## **Happy Birthday!**



Happy birthday to members of our St Angela's community who will celebrate their birthday during the holidays and the first week of next term:

### **OCTOBER**

**Sat 20th Oct**  
Mr Losurdo

**Tue 23rd Oct**  
Alannah Bridge  
Mia Khoudair

**Sun 21st Oct**  
Elijah Moses

**Thurs 25th Oct**  
Jason Fahmy

**Mon 22nd Oct**  
Euan Adji  
Jason Herbas

**Fri 26th Oct**  
Courtney Azzopardi  
Tiana Azzopardi  
Marcus Como  
Matthew Foley

## **Summer Uniform Term 4**

Summer uniforms can be ordered through our uniform supplier, Oz Fashions, via the order form on our website under School Information, School Notes, Whole School, School Uniform Order Form and either send it into school or email the form directly to Elle at Oz Fashions at [elle@ozfashions.com.au](mailto:elle@ozfashions.com.au).

## **Theme for the week:**

*“A positive attitude is a little thing that makes a big difference.”*

*The impact of a child's attitude on their life is significant. No matter what other people say, think, or do etc. a positive attitude can make all the difference. The remarkable thing is every person has a choice every day regarding the attitude they embrace for that day. We cannot change an event once it takes place but its effect can sometimes be improved by one's attitude. It has been said life is 10% what happens to a person, and 90% how they react to it.*

*Children are in charge of their attitudes. In speaking to the children, the importance of having a positive attitude to life and towards their peers is emphasised. Modelling a positive attitude is a responsibility we all share.*



## **Welcome**

We would like to welcome all the new families joining us at St Angela's this term:

*The Estera family - Moses (2G) and Isaac (5Y)  
 The Green family - Evangeline (4B) and Erin (6B)  
 The Karam family - Matthew (2Y)  
 The Mulheron family - Holly (3B)*

*We hope that your years here with us at St Angela's will be richly blessed and that you will make good friends and experience learning that is meaningful, exciting and growth promoting.*

**A reminder that the Year 5 Personal Development night for parents and their child is being held this coming Tuesday 23rd October at 7:00pm.**

### ***Please keep in your prayers***

*Our prayers are extended to the Morin family (Thomas KY and Joshua 2G) due to the passing into eternal life of Thomas and Joshua's Grandfather.*

## **Refugees**

Term 4 Year 5 PBL Mission Unit

On Monday, Year 5 welcomed a refugee guest speaker and a representative from the Jesuit Refugee Service who came to launch their Project Based Learning. The mission of the Jesuit Refugee Service is to accompany, serve and advocate for the rights of refugees. As a Catholic organisation and a work of the Society of Jesus (Jesuits), JRS is inspired by the compassion and love of Jesus for the poor and excluded. The students were inspired and empowered after listening to Deena and her plight as a young girl leaving Iraq with her family. They had only the clothes they were wearing as they travelled across the snow covered mountains into Iran and then eventually to Australia. She spoke of the obstacles she had to overcome in a new culture and country where she didn't speak the language. She spoke of compassion, love and hope. The children will work collaboratively to identify practical ways in which they can share with others in Jesus' mission and support the work of the JRS.

## PLEASE BE CONSIDERATE

Please show consideration to our neighbours who live in the vicinity of the school by not parking or waiting across driveways or on nature strips.

Walkers/Crossers: Please remember to set a safe example for our children. If your child is a 'crosser', please **do not** walk back across the busy road with them. The school side of Harrington Avenue is for 'walkers' only. Your co-operation in this area is most appreciated.

## Facebook

Please note we have only one official Facebook page. There are **no** official grade Facebook pages. Please be aware some grades have formed a closed group. These pages are not to have a school crest/logo etc., as they are not endorsed, contributed to or seen by the school. As a result, there can often be inaccurate information regarding uniform changes, questions about reading levels etc. Parents are always encouraged and welcome to direct questions to the school office, teachers, Mrs Fitzalan or Mr Calabria for accurate information. An example of official vs unofficial was illustrated this week where a parent explained they read it on the Facebook page thinking it was endorsed by the school.

## "Keeping Our Children Safe"

At St Angela's, in the last week and the first week of each term, each class takes time to discuss the protective behaviour themes of:

**"We all have the right to feel safe all of the time"**  
**"Nothing is so awful that you can't tell someone about it"**

.... So that children feel comfortable at all times to approach people on their network.

This is an opportune time to talk to your children about being safe in the holidays.

## Term 4 Dates for 2018

15th October to 19th December (last day of school for the children).  
20th and 21st December - Staff Development Days



## Drive Through - Pick Up and Drop Off



- ⊕ Thank you to the parents who regularly arrive on time so their child is not running late and feeling embarrassed as they have missed messages at assembly or interrupt the class once their learning has begun.
- ⊕ Thank you to the parents who do not talk on their mobile whilst in the school grounds. (Don't be offended if we do not allow your child to enter your car if you are holding a phone to your ear).
- ⊕ Thank you to the parents who drive to the next available spot (sometimes not necessarily where their child is standing) so that the maximum number of cars can fit in our drive through and hence save time.
- ⊕ Thank you to the parents who display a sign through their car window with their surname on it to assist teachers in calling the children.

**Please note - If you arrive after 8.30am you must sign your child in through the office.**

### Sent Home This Week

**Emailed:** Cyber Safety Information Sheets, Year 2 - Term 4: Home Learning, Kindergarten - Term 4: 'Sight Words, Year 5 Altar Servers  
**Hard Copy:** OLOR Parish Fete Performers, Year 1 - Travelbugs Mobile Mini - Beasts Incursion

## Bell Times



Bell times are outlined below for your information.

8.27am	Music to move to assembly area
<b>8.30am</b>	<b>Official start of the day</b> <b>Start of first learning session</b> All children are expected to be ready for announcements at assembly and move into classrooms for first learning session
10.30am	Recess
10.57am	Music to move to assembly points
<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Start of second learning session</b>
12.30pm	Lunch Sitting and eating until 12.40pm
1.17pm	Music to move to assembly point
<b>1.20pm</b>	<b>Start of third learning session</b>
<b>2.50pm</b>	<b>Official end of school day. Bell to move and assemble in dismissal zones</b>
2.55pm	Children begin leaving school grounds towards back gate, front gate crossing, cars, buses etc.

## Parent Representative Meeting

The parent representative meeting for Term 4 for those who are available will be held in Week 2, this Tuesday October 23rd, at 8:45am in the staffroom. We will be discussing planned activities for Term 4 and future initiatives.

## Fred Hollows Foundation: Humanity Award

Congratulations to Amelia Piperata who was nominated for the Fred Hollows Humanity Award. Amelia will receive a certificate to recognise her nomination at a ceremony this Monday 22nd October at NSW Parliament House. The certificate will be presented by Gabi Hollows and The Hon. Rob Stokes MP, Minister for Education.



## Canteen Update

Icy poles available at the canteen will now be \$1.30.

## Important Upcoming Dates to Note

### Grandparents' Day

Friday 9th November at 8:45am

### Staff Development/Pupil Free Day

Friday 16th November

## Star Spot

- ★ Congratulations to Joan Bautista (Annie Understudy), Ariella Colosimo and Mia Jacobs who were recently cast in 'Spot On Productions' upcoming musical Annie Jr!
- ★ The girls will be performing at Castle Hill's new Pioneer Theatre from the 8th to 11th November.

