



# St Angela's Primary School

## Castle Hill

# SHINE

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Term 1, Week 5

Dear Parents,

### Ash Wednesday Mass

This coming Wednesday is Ash Wednesday which marks the beginning of Lent. During this Liturgical season of the Church, children and adults may sometimes ask the question: "What is Ash Wednesday?" The ashes used are made by burning the remains of the palms blessed on the Palm Sunday of the previous year. Ashes are an ancient symbol of repentance (sackcloth and ashes). They also remind us of our mortality ("remember that you are dust"). Being marked with ashes at the beginning of Lent indicates our recognition of the need for deeper conversion of our lives during this season of renewal. During Lent, the Church asks us to contemplate ongoing conversion. To achieve conversion, the Church proposes the practice of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

It is the focal point of the Church's liturgical year. It occurs forty days before Good Friday. We are reminded to be faithful to the Gospels. Believing in the Gospels helps us to walk with Jesus. We can be guided along this journey by such Gospel values as Love, Hope, Trust, Service, Forgiveness, Peace, Respect, Acceptance, Compassion and Justice.

We hope you can join us for Ash Wednesday Mass at 11:15 am 6th March in the St Maximilian Kolbe Hall.

### Catholic Schools Week

This year we will once again join with more than 620 Catholic schools across NSW and the ACT to celebrate Catholic Schools Week. There is so much faith, fun and learning that takes place at St Angela's that our Catholic Schools Week will be held over a two week period, from 4th March to 15th March.

Additionally, during Catholic Schools Week (Week 7 - 11th to 15th March), we will once again have our termly "**Family Week**". Family Week sees the children have a break from formal home learning (although we ask that every child still reads each night) to spend time with you as a family, or helping you for the family. You may choose an activity that you can do as a family each day with your child. Examples in the past have included playing a board game, sitting and sharing stories, cooking a meal together, feeding the pet, playing cards, helping put away laundry, setting the table, reading mum or dad a book, washing the car, gardening, writing mum and dad a thank you note, spending time in prayer/saying the Rosary, going for a family walk etc. Family Week is aimed at freeing children up to assist and/or spend time with those who love them most, their greatest heroes, you their parents and family.

The theme for Catholic Schools Week in 2019 is 'Growing Young in Christ'. It is a special time which encourages schools to showcase the many learning opportunities available to students, and celebrate our unique Catholic schools.

Catholic Schools Week is about strengthening relationships between all those who have a stake in our schools - students, staff, families, priests, parishioners, and members of the wider community - by showcasing what happens in our classrooms every day.

I would like to extend an invitation to you and your family to join us at St Angela's at the following events to celebrate with our school and parish community Catholic Schools Week 2019:

<b>Fri 8th Mar</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Open Day for Kindergarten 2020 Enrolments - All welcome</b>
	<b>2:15pm</b>	<b>Whole School Assembly presented by Year 3 - All welcome</b>
<b>Mon 11th Mar</b>	<b>2:15pm</b>	<b>Reading Afternoon - All welcome</b>
<b>Fri 15th Mar</b>	<b>8:45am</b>	<b>Whole School Catholic Schools Week assembly, also celebrating St Patrick's Day, followed by morning tea and open classrooms. - All welcome</b>

This is an ideal opportunity to support the community of St Angela's and learn more about the great things that take place in Catholic schools every day.

Our school has a wonderful, supportive community of staff, parents and clergy who work together to focus on giving students the best education possible, encouraging success, promoting discipline, supporting creativity and instilling compassion. Everything we do in our St Angela's Christ centred community is underpinned by our Gospel values. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support of St Angela's and I look forward to celebrating Catholic Schools Week with you.

*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:

#### "Spend Time in Prayer"

*We have all at one time or another, experienced the power of prayer in our lives or in the lives of others.*

*Our theme this week encourages the children to spend time each day in prayer in order to develop their relationship with Christ, particularly during this time of Lent.*

### Sibling Enrolment for Kindergarten 2020

Thank you to those families who have advised (via our google form emailed on 25th February) that they are intending to enrol a sibling/siblings at St Angela's for Kindergarten 2020. Enrolment packs will be sent home via your eldest child. Please complete the enrolment application and submit to the office, together with the required **original** supporting documentation, by **Friday 22nd March**. Please phone or email the office if you have any enquiries. Thank you.



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## Religious Education

Sunday, 3 Mar 2019: Eighth Sunday in Ordinary

Time - Year C

Gospel

Lk 6:39-45

**A person speaks from what is in his heart.**

In our post-modern world, the lesson of the hypocrite seeking to remove the speck from their neighbour's eye before removing the log from their own has at times been taken too far and too literally. We are often confronted with a minimalist notion that nobody can be corrected or criticised because one person's opinion is just as good as the next person's. In this view, there is no room for universal truths; no room for authority; no room for an over-arching view of the world or a meta-narrative – an underlying 'big picture' story for life.

On the surface, the idea that one person's opinion is as valid as any other's seems very democratic and sociable. However, it is fundamentally not true. Someone who has spent a lifetime studying and practising in a particular field of endeavour cannot be lightly dismissed as 'that's just your opinion'. Yet, all too often, such learned knowledge and experience is given the same weight as ill-informed and sometimes mischievous opinion – frequently in the name of 'balanced' discussion.

For some people immersed in the post-modern culture this wash of opinion dressed up as fact is not only confusing but sometimes dangerous. Social norms and even laws can be seen as just another opinion that differs from my own. The opinions of friends and complete strangers on the internet or social networks are held with the same level of legitimacy as established sources of social, moral, legal and religious authority. Whilst it is proper to question established authority and require accountability and justification, the absence of universal truths and meta-narratives lead us back to the proverb that begins today's gospel: the blind leading the blind.

**Q. What lesson/s do you take from this passage?**

**Q. What strategies do you use to 'filter' or evaluate critical comments before you make them?**

### Ash Wednesday Mass

The season of Lent starts with Ash Wednesday. Our Mass will be celebrated by Fr Alejandro in our St Maximilian Kolbe Hall on the 6th of March at 11:15am. All are welcome to attend.

### Parish Based Sacramental Program for First Communion

Let us pray for our students in Year 3 and their families as they begin to prepare for their First Communion.

Mrs Jocelyn Williams

Religious Education Coordinator

## Please keep in your prayers

Our prayers are extended to the Javidi, (Mrs Javidi 3B) and Pace families due to the passing into eternal life of their Grandmother, Great Grandmother to Ruby (KB) and Ivie (2B).

## Star Spot

Congratulations to Ben McNamara (5B) and Jarvis Hemmings (6Y) who were selected in the Parramatta Diocese AFL team. Ben and Jarvis will compete in April at MacKillop trials in Wagga Wagga. Well done!!



### TERM 1

#### Week 5

Fri 1st March

Year 3 Excursion to Brewongle

#### Week 6

Tue 5th March

8:45am Parent Rep Meeting

Year 2 Excursion to Rouse Hill Farm

Wed 6th March

11:15am Ash Wednesday Mass  
All Welcome

4:30 First Holy Communion Preparation  
Session at OLOR Church

Fri 8th March

9:00am Open day and tour for 2020  
Kindergarten Enrolments

2:15 Whole School assembly presented by  
Year 3. All Welcome

## 2019 Parent Representatives

Thank you for your overwhelming support

Your parent class representatives have been nominated and are as follows:

**If you can assist for the classes that need to be advised could you please contact the office.**

Thank You

KB: Emma Raad  
KG: Kristy Zeaiter  
KY: Cherille Paton  
1B: Maria Fernandez  
1G: Di McGaulley  
1Y: Hayley Jokic and Belinda Muscat  
2B: Jessica Glass  
2G: Toni Phelan  
2Y: Marie Catalano, Gloria Milicevic and Louise Khoudair  
3B: To be advised.  
3G: To be advised.  
3Y: Louise Khoudair  
4B: Renee Bercich  
4G: Cherille Paton and Renee Bercich  
4Y: Marie Catalano, Laura Hall and Renee Bercich  
5B: Renee Bercich  
5G: Natalie Moller  
5Y: Belinda Muscat  
6B: Tara Shepherd, Annette Peterson and Louise Khoudair  
6G: To be advised.  
6Y: Marie Catalano

The 2019 Class Parent Representative meeting will be held this Tuesday 5th March at 8:45am in the staffroom. Many thanks to the parents who have volunteered to take on this valuable role.

We hope you can join us.

## KINDERGARTEN 2020 ENROLMENT INFORMATION SESSION AND SCHOOL TOUR

Friday 8th March at 9:00am

St Angela's St Maximilian Kolbe Hall

All welcome

Save  
the  
Date!

Disco: 15th March 2019  
Movie Night: 5th April 2019  
St Angela's Anniversary 20 year  
Celebration: 19th September 2020



Farewell Mrs Powell.  
All the best for your retirement.  
We will miss you

## ***Celebrating Our Gifts***

*(Awards presented on Friday 22/02/19)*

### ***Academic Excellence***

James Rimando KB  
Steven Zeaiter KG  
Noah Young KY  
Piero Colosimo 1B  
Giada Genio 1G  
Adriana Tikellis 1Y  
Mikayla Zlomislis 2B  
Finn Sweeney 2G  
Maddison File 2Y  
Ely Gohil-Bozic 3B  
Bronte Solomon 3G  
Camila Diaz 3Y  
Cruz Bercich 4B  
Ella West 4G  
Savannah Morsillo 4Y  
Vanessa Bell 5B  
Madison Tedros 5G  
Jessica Araneda 5Y  
Blake Cassettari 6B  
Matthew Foley 6G  
Joshua McDermott 6Y

### ***St Angela's Award***

Daniella Khodeir KB  
Oliver Dinsdale KG  
Elissa Zaidan KY  
Sophie Collett 1B  
Holly McGaulley 1G  
Skye Doyle 1Y  
Monte Piotto 2B  
Levi Fisher 2G  
Flynn Wilson 2Y  
Matthew Karam 3B  
Alexander El-Rahi 3G  
Joshua Morin 3Y  
Carissa Lewis 4B  
Lyla Reyes 4G  
Holly Mulheron 4Y  
Ella Manning 5B  
Tristen Gunawardhana 5G  
Matthew Despoges 5Y  
Ella Peterson 6B  
Dylan Crowe 6G  
Gemma Yager 6Y

## ***Artists of the Week***

*Congratulations to our artists for this week:*

*Noah Ochudzawa 1 Blue*  
*Clarissa Lewis 4 Blue*

*Children's artworks are proudly displayed outside the library in the pinboard cabinets.*



***Parent Representative Meeting***  
*For those available,  
this Tuesday 5th March  
at 8:45am in the staffroom.*

## **Medical Bracelets**

An email was sent home recently to all our families whose children suffer from anaphylaxis, allergies, asthma, diabetes and heart conditions regarding the ordering of medical bracelets. In the interests of your child/children's safety, please note the wearing of medical bracelets is advised to assist us in caring for your child at St Angela's.

## **Happy Birthday!**



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

### **FEBRUARY**

**Fri 22nd Feb**  
Mrs Lewis Driver  
Luca Basso  
Dominique Southwood  
Cassidy Southwood

**Sun 24th Feb**  
Issac Cassab  
Melina Catalano  
Oliver Milicevic

**Sat 23rd Feb**  
Mrs North  
Havana Seydler  
Joe Khoudair  
Ivie Javidi  
Sophie McIntyre

**Mon 25th Feb**  
Bronte Woodhead  
Sienna Fernandes

**Tues 26th Feb**  
Nicholas costa  
Jacob Fam

**Thurs 28th Feb**  
Louis Caparros

## **Grade Assemblies**

Whole school assemblies for Term 1 are as follows:

Week 6 - Friday 8th March at 2:15pm led by Year 3

Week 8 - Friday 22nd March at 2:15pm led by Year 2

Week 10 - Friday 5th April at 2:15pm led by Year 4

All parents are most welcome to join us.

## **Diocesan Swimming Wrap Up**

Congratulations to all our swimmers who competed last Friday in the Parramatta Diocesan Swimming Carnival, at Blacktown Indoor Swimming Centre. All our swimmers did a fantastic job in representing St Angela's.

Special mention to Zalia Ritchie who was Junior Girls Runner Up, our Junior Girls relay team of Jasmine Oakey, Mia Khoudair, Angelina Tallaridi, Zalia Ritchie and Ciara Crowley (absent) who finished 1st and our Senior Boys relay team of Aiden Crowley, Brandon Suefong, Noah Wheatley, Aaron Hohn and Ned Cane (absent) who finished 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Congratulations to the following children who made it through to the NSW CPS Swimming Trials, which will be held 27<sup>th</sup> March at Sydney Olympic Park Homebush:

Zalia Ritchie	50m Freestyle
	50m Backstroke
	50 Breaststroke
	50m Butterfly
	200m Individual Medley
Ned Cane	100m Freestyle
	50m Freestyle
	50m Backstroke
	50 Breaststroke
	50m Butterfly
	200m Individual Medley

Finn Wheatley 50m Freestyle

Jessica Hohn 50m Butterfly

Mia Young 50m Breaststroke

Noah Wheatley 200m Individual Medley

Junior Girls Relay and Senior Boys Relay

*Mrs Andra Hemmings*  
*Sports Coordinator*



**Please send in any unwanted uniforms for our Preloved Uniform Sale coming up soon**



## What Happens in a Literacy Block at St Angela's?

Students at St Angela's follow the Parramatta Literacy and Numeracy strategy called Focus 160. This means that every day, children will undertake 100 minutes of Literacy and 60 minutes of Numeracy.

Our Literacy Block consists of:

- ♦ Purposeful Talk
- ♦ Daily Reading Aloud to Students (5-10 mins)
- ♦ Daily Shared Reading (10-20 mins)
- ♦ Small Group Reading - Instructional Practices (15-30 mins at least once a week)
- ♦ Guided Reading
- ♦ Daily Independent Reading of familiar texts (5-15 mins)
- ♦ Daily Modelled Writing or Shared Writing (10-20 mins)
- ♦ Guided Writing (10-20 mins at least once a week)
- ♦ Daily Independent Writing (15-30 mins)

Next week ... What happens in a Numeracy Block?

## JOURNEY TOWARDS EASTER at the Parish of Our Lady of the Rosary (8 Diana Avenue, Kellyville)

**LENT begins on 6 March**

### Ash Wednesday

6:45am Mass at the Shrine  
9:15am Mass at the Parish  
7pm Mass at the Parish

### Fridays during Lent

10.15am Stations of the Cross  
at the Shrine (8 Greyfriar Pl, Kellyville)

7pm Mass at Parish  
followed by Confessions and

**Stations of the Cross of Bl. Pope Paul VI**

### DEANERY COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION:

**FRIDAY, 12 APRIL**

7:30pm at St John XXIII Parish, Stanhope Gardens

**MONDAY 15 APRIL**

7:30 at St Michael's Parish, Baulkham Hills

### EASTER SCHEDULE

#### Sacred Triduum

#### Holy Thursday, 18 April

7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper in Parish Church  
Adoration in the old hall until 10pm

#### Good Friday, 19 April,

10am Stations of the Cross by Youth Group at the Shrine  
(8 Greyfriar Place, Kellyville)

3pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion in Parish Church

#### Holy Saturday, 20 April

No Confessions

Easter Vigil Mass at 8pm

#### Easter Sunday, 21 April


Masses at 7am, 9am, 11am

**Please Note: There will be NO EVENING MASS ON EASTER**

### Sent Home This Week:



**Emailed:** Library Volunteers Google Form, Kindergarten - Morning and Afternoon Arrival and Departure Information, Kindergarten 2020 Sibling Enrolment Google Form, 2019 School Fee Accounts

**Hard Copy:** Kindergarten - 2019 K - 6 Using Technology Contract



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## HELPING YOUR CHILD MANAGE ANXIETY

Learn effective way to deal with child anxiety and positive behavior practices

What can you do?

How is the Catholic Education Department Parramatta (CEDP) helping?

Our guest speaker for the evening is:


### Anoushka Houseman

**Clinical Psychologist**  
Wellbeing Coordinator - Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP)


Register FREE now: [www.prc.catholic.edu.au](http://www.prc.catholic.edu.au)

**Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019**  
**Doors open: 6:30pm for 7:00pm (2 hours)**  
(PRC AGM- will be held prior to guest speaker)  
**St Patrick's Primary School: 51-59 Allawah Street, Blacktown**  
Light supper and refreshments will be provided and  
a lucky door prize will be up for grabs!

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## Oz Fashions Uniform News

### New ordering system being introduced

As of 10th March, 2019 all St Angela's uniform orders can only be placed by using the QKR app by MasterCard.

The QKR app is a safe and convenient way to order and ensures your uniforms are delivered to the school every Tuesday and Friday during the school term.

Please note always read the terms and conditions on the app before ordering.

Please go to your app store to download the "Qkr! with Masterpass" app and set up your account.

### IMPORTANT!!

All winter uniforms are now available for purchase. Please place your orders early before end of term to ensure you receive your uniforms in time for next term.

Any further enquiries please contact Elle

Email [elle@ozfashions.com.au](mailto:elle@ozfashions.com.au)

Phone 0421216414

Thank you

## Living Alongside our Neighbours

Please respect all properties neighbouring the school and ensure that our parking does not adversely affect our local neighbours, and the safety of everyone - in particular, in surrounding streets around our back gate area. Our neighbours have a right to access their driveway and **parents must not park across driveways** or drive in an unsafe manner. A reminder that police and council officers regularly patrol (as has been the case recently) and fine drivers.

**Crossers:** We ask that parents who have children as 'Crossers' in the afternoon do not cross back with their children as we are trying to model safe behaviour.

**Drive Through:** We also ask that all school bags are kept in the car with children at all times. Accessing car boots is extremely unsafe both for morning drop off and afternoon pick up.

We thank you for your support.