

St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill

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Ministry of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville

8th August 2019 Term 3, Week 3

Dear Parents.

Feast of Mary McKillop 8th August

Today we celebrated the Feast of Mary McKillop, as featured in last week's newsletter. St Mary of the Cross challenges us each and every day to live out her mantra of - Never see a need without doing something about it.

Feast of St Maximilian Kolbe 14th August

This coming Wednesday 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 pleasure.
- 6. Be genuinely interested in people. You can like everybody if you try.
- 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
- 10.Be alert to give service. What counts most in life is what we do for others.

This coming Thursday 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) next Thursday 15th August at 11:15am 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



FATHERS' DAY CELEBRATIONS FRIDAY 30th AUGUST

We invite all Dads to come to a special DAD morning assembly in their honour starting at 8:45am on Friday, 30th August

which will be followed by morning tea and then a visit to the classrooms.

We hope all dads (or significant males) are able to join us.

All are most welcome.



Tomorrow, Friday 9th August, will be a Pupil Free Staff Development Day. Staff will gather for professional learning in the key learning areas of Literacy and Numeracy.

Quote of the Week

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





Religious Education

Sunday, 11 Aug 2019: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

Gospel

Lk 12:32-48

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke See that you are prepared.

Gospel Reflection

There is a sense of urgency portrayed in today's gospel passage. Jesus tells the disciples to 'Be ready' and 'Keep your lamps burning'. Jesus emphasises the necessity to be ready at all times. The people, in those days, were preparing for, waiting for, anticipating the imminent coming (again) of Christ. The message is: Be ready! If Christ was to come into your house this day what would you say? How ready would you be to welcome him?

The gospel passage portrays the Christian life in terms of servants waiting for and being ready for their master's return from a wedding banquet. Nothing unusual about that until we read on and find in this parable the unexpected twists (a common feature of parables). The image of the master serving the servants is a complete reversal of roles. What is Luke trying to do here? It is the image again of the 'hospitality of God'. For Luke, Jesus himself is the personification of God's hospitality. Jesus tells us to watch out and be ready. This means that we need to constantly think about our relationships with others and how we treat one

another. The simple message for our children is to always try to be friendly and helpful.

Next Wednesday, 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."

Mrs Jocelyn Williams Religious Education Coordinator

Peer Support Term 3

Session 3 Including Others

This session considered the relationships that students develop and how they can change over time. They used role-play to relationships and show how the use of power, trust and honesty can change a relationship.

Grade Assemblies

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

Week 4 - Friday 16th Aug at 2:15pm led by Year 3 Week 7 - Friday 6th Sept at 2:15pm led by Year 2 Week 9 - Friday 20th Sept at 2:15pm led by Year 1 All parents are most welcome to join us.



Upcoming Dates

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Week 3

Fri 9th August Pupil Free/Staff Development Day (Literacy/Numeracy)

Week 4

Wed 14th August St Maximilian Kolbe Feast Day

Guest author Juliet McIver K - Year 2

All welcome.

2:20pm Kindergarten Liturgy

All Welcome

Thurs 15th August 11:15am Feast of the Assumption of

Mary Mass. Holy Day of Obligation

All Welcome

Hills Zone Athletics Carnival Blacktown

Fri 16th August 9.30am Hills Interschool Debating

Competition Away team - St. Madeleine's

2:15pm Assembly Year 3 All Welcome

Sat 17th August 4:30pm Reconciliation Preparation

Sun 18th August 9:30am & 4:30pm Reconciliation

Preparation

(Note: St Angela's students only need to attend one of these reconciliation sessions)

St Angela's Annual Golf Day

Friday 23rd August Only 2 weeks to go!

CALLING ALL THOSE INTERESTED IN GOLF

(All levels welcome - beginners to experienced)

The 2019 Venue will be Stonecutters Ridge Golf Club

Have you registered?

Registration forms have been sent home. (Hardcopy & Emailed)

Please contact the office if you missed getting a registration form.



Celebrating Our Gifts (Awards presented on Friday 2/8/19)

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Academíc Excellence	St Angela's Award
Jack Clarke KB	Eloise Hoon KB
Chloe Barbara KG	Henri Leopardi KG
Joshua Losco KY	Hudson McEnearney KY
James Morr 1B	Lauren Spragg 1B
Saskia Wallace 1G	Sofia Muscardo 1G
Jasmine Hackett 1Y	Lily Cassar 1Y
Oskar Callan-Kerkenezov 2B	Blake D'Silva 2B
Mia Cordi 2G	Elijah Moses 2G
Simone Laird 2Y	Georgia-Rose Scoulou 2Y
Aidan Rambow 3B	Olivia Joukhadar 3B
Moses Estera 3G	Alicia Holt 3G
Zachary Vujnovich 3Y	Chloe Eltakchi 3Y
Tiana Azzopardi 4B	Courtney Azzopardi 4B
Ruby Chapman 4G	Carlo Scida 4G
Shiloh Aguas 4Y	Joshua Hall 4Y
Lucas Seda 5B	Jessica White 5B
Aiden Petersen 5G	Gabriella Way-Moran 5G
Domenic Stornelli 5Y	Gabriel Younan 5Y
Aaron Hohn 6B	Tahlia Mackay 6B
Adam Mendoza 6G	Jessica Hohn 6G
Gemma Yager 6Y	Marcus Goodall 6Y

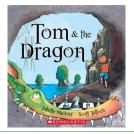
Author Visit – Juliette MacIver

On Wednesday the 14th August, we have a special visit from author Juliette MacIver. Juliette is a talented author who lives in New Zealand. She has written 17 picture books and an early chapter book. Four of her books have won the Storylines Notable Book Award and six books have been short-listed for other awards. Juliette will talk about being an author, the writing and publication process as well as readings from her books.

Juliette will be talking to Kindergarten, Year One and Year Two. Students and teachers are looking forward to a fantastic day!

9:00-10:00am - Year One 11:00-12:00pm - Kindergarten 1:30-2:30pm - Year Two

Parents are welcome to join us at any of the above sessions.









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

<u>August</u> Sun 11th Mrs Kelly Hanna Ngo

Fri 16th Aiden Theoharous

Mon 12th Zara Phelan Chase Panganiban

Thurs 15th Finn Sweeney Sat 17th Dylan Crowe

Paul Kelly Cup State Finals **Monday 5th August**

On Monday 5th August, St Angela's had a group of Stage 3 boys represent them at the Paul Kelly Cup State Finals held at Giants Stadium, Homebush.

The team consisted of Ned Cane, Joel Cartisano, Sean Collins, Marcus Como, Aiden Crowley, Anthony El Rahi, Aimon Fitzsimons, Matthew Foley, Joel Foxe, Keean Holmes, Jeremy James, Kaija Knevitt, Brayden Manio, Logan McDonald and Ben McNamara.

They boys faced some tough competition but came out 1st in their pool, only to be knocked out in the semi finals, finishing up 4th overall in the competition.

Special thanks to Xander Van Vliet (Motiv8) and Jimmy Regan (Motiv8) who stepped up and took over coaching the boys on the day. Their help and guidance was invaluable.

Finally thanks to the boys themselves for they way they played and conducted themselves throughout the day. They did themselves, their cheer squad of parents and grandparents and all of St Angela's proud. Amazing effort boys!

Brooke McDonald Manager for the Day



Hills Zone Athletics Carnival

Best wishes to all of our children competing in the Hills Zone Athletics Carnival at Blacktown next Thursday 15th August.

Change of School for 2020

To estimate enrolments for 2020, 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.

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.

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.

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







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 Wednesday 21st 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.

If you are available please contact Marie Catalano at marie@statewideprinting.com.au or via text on 0402 533 511.

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

Parents are also needed to sell gifts at the stall on <u>Wednesday 28th August</u>. If you are available anytime between 9am and midday to help out on the day, please contact Marie Catalano at marie@statewideprinting.com.au or via text on 0402 533 511 so a roster can be compiled. You will then be notified of your allotted time. All help will be greatly appreciated.

Important Dates to Note this Term

Combined St Angela's & OLOR Mass Feast of the Assumption

Held at St Angela's in the St Maximillian Kolbe Hall

Mass will start at 11:15am

Thursday August 15th

St Angela's Inaugural Golf Day

Stonecutters Ridge Golf Club Friday August 23rd

Father's Day Celebrations
Friday August 30th

General Parent Meeting

8:45am Thursday September 5th

Infants Athletics Carnival
Held here in the grounds of St Angela's
Friday September 20th

<u>Seminar – Understanding Family Law</u>

CatholicCare Solo Parent Services is holding a two session Seminar on "Understanding Family Law". These sessions are presented by an Accredited Family Law Specialist and will be held on Saturday 10th August 2019.

Registration Essential: Contact - Rita - PH: 8843 2575 or email: soloparentservices@ccss.org.au

OAKHILL COLLEGE BASKETBALL CLUB ENROLMENTS

2019/2020 Summer Competition for Year 6 students enrolled at Oakhill for 2020.

For enquiries, please email us at oakhillcollegebasketball@gmail.com or contact us via our website: www.oakhillbasketball.club

Sent Home This Week:

Emailed: Years 3 & 4 Touch Gala Day Trials, Year 5 Powerful Speeches

Hard Copy: Years 3-6 Dance Fever