

St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill



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Dear Parents.

It is a Privilege
As educators and parents, we have the wonderful privilege of watching the children change and grow in their formative years of development. Each child is a unique gift nurtured in our care so that they may become independent, hope-filled adults who can make a positive difference to the lives of others. This reflection is for all who nurture our most precious gift, our children.

The Beatitudes of the Child

Blessed is the child who is believed and challenged. Blessed is the child who can share problems - unafraid. Blessed is the child whose school is a haven of happiness. Blessed is the child to whom life is a book of knowledge. Blessed is the child who is allowed to pursue curiosity into every worthwhile field of information.

Blessed is the child who has someone who understands that childhood griefs are real and call for understanding and sympathy. Blessed is the child who is led gently by the hand along the pathway of life by someone who is guide, companion and inspiration. Blessed is the child whose efforts to achieve have found encouragement.

Blessed is the child who has learned freedom from selfishness through responsibility and cooperation.

Blessed is the school, which sees in the child the hope of the future and dedicates itself to the realisation of that hope.

Mercy Changes the World

'I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full' John 10:10

Last Sunday, we celebrated Mission Sunday. It is a time when we think about those less fortunate than ourselves, particularly overseas and how we can make a difference in their lives. Keep an eye on Shine for a 'Mission' initiative for the whole school facilitated by Year 5 as part of their project based learning unit that will aim to raise funds for those less fortunate.

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

Tony Calabria Principal

St Angela's Castle Hill Celebrates



Friday 1st 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 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
- 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, 31st October or the morning of Friday 1st November.

Morning tea/catering arrangements: The morning tea will be in the hall and we kindly ask families to assist with the catering. It would be appreciated if goodies are provided on disposable plates and ready to serve (nut free please). To ensure a balance of food items -

- all yellow classes (K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6) are kindly asked to bring cakes, scones or pikelets, slices
- all blue classes (K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6) are kindly asked to bring sandwiches and wraps
- all green classes (K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6) are kindly asked to bring savouries, dips or cheese & biscuits.

Families with more than one child at school are only required to provide one plate of whichever category they would like to choose. Although we have lots of seating, any additional fold up chairs etc. would be beneficial as we are certainly expecting a large number of visitors. If you are able to assist in setting up, serving or packing up, please contact the office or volunteer on the day.

Parking

To assist with our elderly visitors, the Kiss and Drop may also be used for grandparents to be dropped off. Additionally all car parking at the front of the school and around the hall will be made available for elderly who have restricted mobility etc. (ie. disabled parking).

St Angela's Movie Night Friday November 1, 2019 Week 3

Gates open 6:30pm Movie starts 7:30pm BYO picnic rug, bean bags, chairs Pizza truck & Mini Melts ice cream van on site.

> All Welcome Gold Coin entry





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Religious Education Sunday, 27 October 2019: Thirtieth Sunday in **Ordinary Time - Year C** Gospel

Lk 18:9-14

Those who humble themselves will be exalted.

Some people like just salt on their food and other people only like pepper. Like black and white, salt and pepper seem to be opposites. But some people like them both and use them together, as complements to each other's flavour. The proud Pharisee and the humble sinner seem to be opposites, but they can also be seen as complements as well.

The proud Pharisee was able to understand the good things about himself. This gave him confidence to pray in thanksgiving for his blessings.

It's good to be thankful for blessings, but Jesus would probably say the proud Pharisee took it a bit too far.

The humble sinner was able to understand the flaws in himself. But still he had the confidence to pray for forgiveness and mercy. It's good to be aware of all your flaws, but a person could take this a bit too far as well.

Do you think Jesus wants us to focus only on our sinfulness, and to be obsessed with being unworthy of his love? Why or why not?

Is it possible to have a healthy pride in your talents, as well as a healthy humility in your place on earth as a servant of God? What would that look like? How would you know when you have achieved such a balance?

In St Luke's gospel, Jesus shares a parable with the message that challenges each and everyone of us to find humility in both our successes and failures.

Prayer For Humility, Be - Like Christ

Father, how we thank You for the wonderful example of true humility that is seen in the life and ministry of Jesus, Who despite being God incarnate, lived His life in humble submission to You, learning to be both submissive and obedient by the things that He suffered.

Thank You Lord that in union with Jesus we have the mind of Christ, as we also submit to the leading and guiding of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

Help us to develop the beautiful spiritual fruit of humility that is so important in the lives of all Your children, if we are to grow in grace and to mature into a deeper knowledge of our Lord and Saviour, Lord Jesus.

Help us not to do anything out of selfish ambition or foolish vanity, but rather may we develop the godly grace to regard the needs of others as being more important than our own. Teach us to pray, to live as Christ lived - in the power of the Spirit and to Your praise and glory, in Jesus name we pray, Amen.

Mrs Jocelyn Williams Religious Education Coordinator

Grandparents' Day Fríday 1st November, 2019

Book Fair in the Library!

All grandparents of St Angela's are warmly invited to purchase a book for their grandchildren to enjoy at home or at school, perhaps as a Christmas gift or for some summer reading.

We invite grandparents to visit the Library between 8am-8:30am or 9:30-11:30am with their grandchildren, to view the selection of books available.

Writer's Festival 2019

On Thursday 31st October, all students will be participating in our Annual Writer's Festival. The festival allows the children to demonstrate their creative writing skills. We look forward to sharing their work with you in the coming weeks.



Upcoming Dates

TERM 4

Week 2

Friday 25th October 2:15pm Assembly Kindergarten.

All Welcome

Saturday 26th October Band Camp at Vision Valley

Sunday 27th October Band Camp at Vision Valley

Week 3

Wednesday 30th October 7:00pm 2020 Kindergarten

Information Night in the Hall

Thursday 31st October Writer's Festival

Friday 1st November All Saints Day Feast of All Saints and All Souls

> **Grandparents Day** 8:45am Morning assembly/Prayer Classroom Visits Morning Tea

Movie Night - "Dumbo" All welcome 6:30pm Gates open 7:30pm Movie Starts



Saturday 2nd November All Souls Day

Week 4

Monday 4th November Diocesan Basketball Gala Day

Penrith

Tuesday 5th November Deborah Abela Author Visit for

Years 3-6

Cricket - St Angela's v St. Monica's

at Richmond

Wednesday 6th November 7:00pm General Parent Meeting

Friday 8th November 2:15pm Whole school Assembly

presented by Year 6. All welcome

2019 Swimming Program

Please find outlined below details for this year's swimming program. Permission notes and grading forms have been sent home this week.

Kindergarten to Year 2

Swimming lessons will take place in Week 6, Monday 18th November to Friday 22nd November. Lessons will be 50 minutes in duration.

Years 3 and 4

Will be visited by Surf Lifesaving Australia on Friday 22nd November to undergo lessons at school in the areas of Surf and Sun Safety, First Aid and Resuscitation.

Years 5 and 6
Visited Newport beach in Term 1 for a hands on day at the surf which covered First Aid, CPR and Resuscitation, Body Boards, Board Paddling, Tube rescues and body surfing.

Years 2 to 5 will hold their annual swimming carnival at Blacktown Aquatic Centre on Friday 13th December.

Celebrating Our Gifts

(Awards presented on Friday 18/10/19)

Academíc	
Excellence	
Jett Read KB	

St Angela's Award

Steven Zeaiter KG

Ruby Pace KB Henri Leopardi KG

Nicholas Costa KY Sophie Collett 1B Chase Panganiban KY

Lucas Merhi 1G

Dayna Mills 1B Saskia Wallace 1G

Isabella Logarto-Scott 1Y Zarah Ciccia 2B Daniel Bell 1Y

Eloise Hansell 2G

Sienna Azar 2B

Bastien Milicevic 2Y

Levi Lawlor 2G Oliver Como 2Y

Elly Gohil-Bozic 3B

Alice Nugent 3B

Kara Piperata 3G

Annabelle Reisin 3G

Caitlin Bagtas 3Y

Daniella Zeaiter 3Y

Rhys Wilson 4B

Amalia Mohan-Ram 4B

Ella West 4G

Yasemin Vancuylenberg 4G

Ciara Crowley 4Y

Alex Milas 4Y

Jemima Scothern 5B

Logan McDonald 5B

Eimear Kelly 5G Jorja McKnight 5Y Brayden Manio 5G Arianna Sarmiento 5Y

Joel Cartisano 6B

Jeanette Khoudair 6B

Joel Foxe 6G Madison Nasr 6Y Jessica Hohn 6G Marcus Como 6Y

Grade Assemblies

Please note whole school assemblies for Term 4 are as follows:

Week 2 - Tomorrow Friday 25th October at 2:15pm led by Kindergarten

Week 4 - Friday 8th Nov at 2.15pm led by Year 6

Week 5 - Thursday 14th Nov at 2.15pm led by Year 5

Week 7 – Friday 29th Nov at 2.15pm led by Year 4

All parents are most welcome to join us.

Important Upcoming Dates to Note

Grandparents' Day

Friday 1st November at 8:45am

St Angela's Movie Night

Friday 1st November Gates open 6:30pm Movie starts at 7:30pm

Staff Development/Pupil Free Day

Friday 15th November (Week 5)

Class Parent Representatives

Thank you to the parents who were able to attend Tuesday's meeting as we prepare for the many happenings in Term 4, including Grandparent's Day and International Teacher's Day. Your support is very much appreciated.





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

October Mon 28th

Mon 28th Jordan Pupo

Mary Raad Fynn Vander Stok November

Thus 31st

Tue 29th
Sienna Reilly
Ava Russo
Sophie Wallace
Yasmin Davie

Fri 1st Logan McDonald

Wed 30th Tabitha Lee **Sat 2nd** Lucas Trimboli Mila Abeyaratne

Infants Athletics Carnival

On Friday 18th October, K - 2 enjoyed their Infants Athletics Carnival. Lots of fun was had by all, with the children showing excellent participation and sportsmanship. We would like to thank all our parent helpers, Mrs Glass, Mrs Seydler, Mrs Worsman, Mrs Scida, Mr Miletic, Mr Orefice, Mr Morr, Mrs Lee, Mr Cassar, Mrs Fernandes, Mrs Catalano, Mrs Norris, Mr Crowley, Mrs Reilly and Mrs Hoon and those who came to cheer on our little athletes.

Kindergarten Boys 1st William Hall 2nd Jack Clarke 3rd Lachlan Kelly

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Year 1 Boys
1st Mason Stopps

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Year 2 Boys 1st Kaeden Hochstetter 2nd Finn Sweeney 3rd Finnegan Brooke

2nd Anthony Mittiga

3rd Rafferty Castillo

Kindergarten Girls
1st Maisie Brown
2nd Harper Pickles
3rd Amelie Cordi

2nd Alexis Foxe 3rd Mia Vassallo Year 2 Girls

1st Ava Vengoa
2nd Mateja Knevitt
3rd Chloe Mowbray









Nursing Home Visit

This coming Thursday 31st October, six of our Year 6 students will be presenting their Voice of Youth Speech at the Anglicare Donald Coburn Centre Nursing home. They will entertain the elderly with their powerful speeches and then join them for afternoon tea.

Important Allergy Information

At St Angela's we have a number of children who have severe allergies to nuts. While allergic reactions are common and most are not serious, for some people the reaction can be life-threatening. This is called anaphylaxis and can occur in minutes of an exposure to a trigger, in these children's case, nuts.

We see prevention as a major part of providing a safe environment for these children. So as to support our community's effort in this regard, parents are requested not to send nuts or foods containing nuts to school with their children.

The following list gives examples of such foods.

- Peanuts, hazelnuts, almonds, cashews, macadamia nuts
- Peanut butter
- Nutella
- Biscuits and cakes containing nuts
- Snack packs containing nuts
- Chocolate bars containing nuts eg Picnics, Mars Bars (almond), Nut Breaks and Fruit and Nut chocolates
- Marzipan and nougat
- Breakfast cereals containing nuts eg Crunchy Nut/Honey Nut Cornflakes, Muesli, Nutrigrain
- Muesli Bars and snack bars containing nuts
- Yoghurt and nut mixer packs
- Confectionery items such as Lolly Gobble Bliss Bombs and Rocky Road
- Uncle Toby's yoghurt muesli bars

We realise that there may be trace elements of nuts in a variety of other foods. However, if you use the above list as a guide you will be doing your part. Parents can also reinforce with their children that sharing food is not allowed at St Angela's.

If you have any concerns or questions please contact the school. Thank you for your support and understanding in helping us cater to the health needs of all of our children.

Birthday Treats

Celebrating a birthday is something all children look forward to! If your child wishes to bring a treat to school to share with their friends (purely optional), we kindly ask that you send in cupcakes or donuts. Cupcakes or donuts are preferred as they are easy to hand out and are a treat that all children enjoy. Due to a multitude of allergies present, we ask that you do not send lollies, chocolates or other treats in. Similarly at Easter or Christmas, we ask that you do not send in lollies, chocolates or candy canes. Please note, although a lovely idea, ice blocks are not practical as we have limited freezer space.

If your child has allergies, you are welcome to send some cakes in for your child, which we will be kept in the freezer in the staffroom and given out as necessary.

Thank you for supporting us as we endeavour to keep all children safe and happy!

Term 4 Parent Calendar

The Term 4 Calendar has been sent home, (hardcopy and emailed). 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.

The Angelus

At 12 noon each day, all classes, teachers, office staff and children stop to pray together. Please be patient if your phone call is not answered at this time.

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.

Thank you.

Kindergarten 2020 Information Evening For Parents

Our Kindergarten 2020 Parent Information Evening will be held this coming Wednesday 30th October at 7.00pm in the school hall.

School Hats

St Angela's has a "No hat, no play" policy.

Please ensure your child has their school hat with them each day to assist in promoting sun safety and awareness in your child/ren. School hats are available for purchase from the school office for a cost \$18. Any child not wearing a school hat at play times will need to play under the sheltered areas.

Thánk you for your support, assistance and co operation in helping keep our students sun smart.



Term 4 Dates for 2019

Monday 14th October to Wednesday 18th December (last day of school for the children).

19th and 20th December - Staff Development Days

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 <u>do not</u> 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.

Sent Home This Week:

Emailed: Term 4 Parent Calendar, Announcement from Greg Whitby **Hard Copy**: Term 4 Parent Calendar, K - 2 Swimming Program