

# St Angela's Primary School

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<u>Sending Home Information and News about Education</u> Ministry of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville

2nd July 2020 Term 2, Week 10

Dear Parents,



As we now draw to the close of a very eventful Term 2, I would like to take this opportunity to thank parents for your understanding and calm, positive approach to the many changes that we have experienced throughout this term - you have been absolutely outstanding. The teachers and staff have appreciated your support, recognition and encouragement and I believe that our children have coped so well because as a team - parents and staff, we have worked so well together. It certainly has been a privilege to navigate these unpredictable times with you and truly witness the St Angela's community let its light shine as we faced this challenging term together.

Over the past several months, the staff have gone above and beyond to ensure student wellbeing and learning. Staff have needed to acquire new skills, substitute learning activities and whole school events, rearrange their classroom furniture and introduce new routines to their students. They have done such a marvellous job managing it all.

Thank you to Mrs Yager who has kept in touch with families and ensured that our students felt happy and nurtured throughout this time and to Mrs Williams who has collaborated with Fathers Alejandro and Leonidis and the Parish team to ensure that the staff and students remained connected to our faith community of Our Lady of the Rosary Kellyville.

I would also like to congratulate the students who have taken so many changes in their stride - home learning, new technologies, hand sanitising, social distancing, no excursions or sporting events and changed seating arrangements in the classrooms to name just a few of these. This is certainly a moment of "living history" for them.

It is time for us all now to take a well deserved break, to enjoy family and friends and appreciate the many blessings that God has given to us during a time of upheaval. Take care and stay well over the holiday break. We look forward to everyone joining us for a new term on Monday 20th July.

*"Together we can do so much"* Leanne Nettleton PRINCIPAL Rebooting some of our activities in Term 3

When we return to school in Term 3, all things going well, we anticipate that we can return to our

- brief daily assemblies for prayer, birthday recognitions, announcements and health hustles
- grade incursions

Whole  $\ensuremath{\tilde{S}}\xspace$  chool Activities that we are looking forward to in Term 3 are

- Peer Support
- Dance Fever
- Fathers Day Stall

In Term 3 we will continue to ask parents to limit visits to the school office - where possible communicate by phone or email. We will also continue

 hand sanitising for all students as they enter school at the commencement of the school day

regular and routine hand washing throughout the day

While we appreciate and value having our parents onsite to support the learning programmes and activities in the school, all the health advice to school communities, still recommends that schools limit the involvement of parents and the organisation of parent related activities. You would then understand that this impacts a wide range of usual parent activities and involvement eg sports carnivals, grade assemblies, liturgies, and interschool activities involving parents. We will keep you informed as we receive further advice about this and whether some events do take place, however with considerable changes . As always we thank you for your support even if at the moment it is at a distance.

#### **School Hours and Late Arrivals**

As we have been transitioning back to school throughout this term the morning assemblies have not been taking place but as you have seen in this newsletter they will be recommencing in Term 3. The Assemblies commence once the children have lined up at the 8:30am bell

You may be wondering why the gates are closed punctually at 8:30am each morning.

The school day at St Angela's commences at 8:30am and concludes at 2:50pm. All students should be up under the Big Top ready to meet their teachers when the bell goes at 8:30am. On the very rare occasion you may be running late and pulling into the Kiss and Drop right on the bell, you will notice that the staff member on duty will be about to close the gate - staff who perform this duty need to move off when the bell goes so that they can meet their class and attend the morning assembly. Mrs Yager and Mrs Nettleton both speak at this assembly, so they too need to be moving to the Big Top once the bell goes.

Please be reminded of the following procedure in the mornings should your children arrive at school after the bell and the staff member on duty has closed the gates. Please accompany your child/ren to the office where you will be able to sign them in and provide the relevant information for partial attendance that needs to be recorded as part of our School Attendance Procedures. Thank you for your ongoing support.

# Religious Education

Sunday, 5 July 2020: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary

Gospel Mt 11:25-30



#### Christ will refresh the weary.

#### Living the Gospel – Shoulder my yoke

Jesus invites us to shoulder his yoke and learn from him for he is gentle and humble in heart. The yoke he invites us to shoulder is the deceptively simple teaching: love God and love your neighbour. To love God is to consciously make a place in our lives for God. The busy spin that tends to be characteristic of so many people's lives today does not allow room for God; does not allow room for prayer and quiet; does not allow room for compassionate response to others. To love God and love our neighbour we must first make room for them.

#### Have you thought? Thank God!

Jesus' quite intimate words to the Father in today's passage carry with them an enormous amount of relief and perhaps released frustration. It is almost a cry of 'Thank God!' for his disciples have finally 'got it'. Jesus blesses the Father for revealing the truth to these simple men whom Jesus had chosen to follow him. The men Jesus chose as disciples were not following another rabbi and so had not been the very best students from their village. They had the education of most children but nothing more – otherwise they would have been following someone else!

Thank you everyone for staying connected with the gospel reflections this term, we look forward to sharing them again with you in term 3. We wish all families a safe and restful holiday.

Jocelyn Williams Religious Education Coordinator

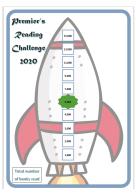
# **Premier's Reading Challenge**

Will it be your class that is the winner of the 2020 PRC PIZZA PARTY??



Week 10 Leading Class: 2B

Congratulations to the following students who are new to complete the challenge.



Vanessa Boumelhem (KY), Gabriel Edouard(KB), Lucas Tassone (KG), Daniella Khodeir (1Y), Lucas Merhi (2B), Mason Stopps (2B), Harrison Gibbons (2Y), Isabella Halfhide (2Y), Joseph Brouillard (4B), Olivia Siligato (4B), Rusty Smith (4Y), Daniella Zeaiter (4Y), Ruby Chapman (5B), Ciara Crowley (5B), Emeline Fitzsimons (5Y), Jessica Lester (6G), Matthew Metcalfe (6Y), Troy Austen (6B), Evan Hunt (6B)

| TERM 2  | Number of students<br>who have completed<br>the challenge | Total Number of<br>books read |
|---------|---|-------------------------------|
| Week 2  | 19  | 1370                          |
| Week 4  | 39  | 2159                          |
| Week 5  | 50  | 2320                          |
| Week 6  | 72  | 2939                          |
| Week 7  | 90  | 3447                          |
| Week 8  | 119   | 4350                          |
| Week 9  | 140   | 5127                          |
| Week 10 | 157   | 5583                          |

#### Holiday e-safety

With the holidays about to commence you may find the following 10 tops tips for protecting children online helpful:

COVID-19 Global Online Safety Advice for Parents and Carers

- 1. Build an open trusting relationship around technology so your child knows they can come to you if something goes wrong or does not feel right online.
- 2. Co-view and co-play with your child online to better understand what they are doing and why they enjoy an app, game or website.
- 3. Build good habits and help your child develop digital intelligence and social and emotional skills.
- 4. Empower your child with strategies to deal with negative online experiences.
- 5. Use devices in open areas of the home so you can be aware of and manage who your child interacts with.
- 6. Set time limits that balance time spent in front of screens with offline activities, a family technology plan can help.
- 7. Know the apps, games and social media sites that your kids are using, making sure they are age appropriate and learn how to limit the messaging and online chat and location sharing functions.
- 8. Check the privacy settings to make sure your child's profile is set to the strictest privacy settings.
- 9. Use available technologies to set up parental controls on devices.
- 10. Be alert to signs of distress and know where to go for more advice and support.

#### CEPD Primary Sport Representative Events Cancelled

ALL Term 3 & 4 events conducted by CSNSW Sport and NSWPSSA have been CANCELLED for 2020. Attached is a full list of cancelled events. We are still waiting for more information in the coming week regarding Zone & Diocesan Athletics Carnivals and Gala Days. We will continue to update families as the information comes through.

#### Minimising Transactions Involving Cash

Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta has recommended that schools move towards minimising the handling of cash in schools wherever it is possible to do so. During Term 3 we will be implementing procedures to do this. We will keep you informed about our progress.

### **Celebrating Our Gifts** (Awards presented on Friday 26/06/2020)

### Academíc Excellence

Oliver Masik KB Luca D'Urso KG Ayden Martin KY

Miranda Soliman 1B William Hall 1G Lachlan Kelly 1Y James Morr 2B Mia Vassallo 2G Roan Phung 2Y Tanyaradzwa Muregerera

Jonah West 3B Ava Mogan 3G Charlotte Lashlie 3Y Zachary Vujnovich 4B Charlotte Rowlandson 4G Hamish Geoghegan 4Y Noah Bercich 5B Lucca Piotto 5G Lilliana Sacco 5Y Evangeline Green 6B Mia Young 6G Matthew Metcalfe 6Y Olivia Ochudzawa 6Y

## St Angela's Award

Gabriel Edouard KB Zara Naidu KG

Emma Houghton Boreham KΥ

Patrick Young 1B Taylor Manio1G Dylan Crawford 1Y Aliana Elizaga 2B Eden Gliddon 2G Gabriela Chehade 2Y Mikayla White 3B

Amelie Sprem 3G Noah Tyler-Ottolino 3Y Olivia Siligato 4B Zara Fernandez 4G Joshua Morin 4Y Isabella Khodeir 5B Macey Holmes 5G Romik Gulumian 5Y Zoe Ortlepp 6B Max Bourne 6G Freya Begg 6Y

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*Congratulations to the Mauceri* family on the arrival of Matteo Mario, a brother for *Elena* (1G)

Welcome to St Angela's School Community 



# School Photo Day

Term 3 Week 1 Wednesday 22nd July and Thursday 23rd July

Children K - 6 to wear full school uniform on both Wednesday 22nd July and Thursday 23rd July

Information was sent home Friday 26th June.

Sent Home This Week: Emailed: Order your Student's Photos Online Now, Year 6 Grade Sport Hard Copy: Photo Envelopes and Information



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

Tue 14th

Wed 15th

Thurs 16th

Ella West

Sun 19th

Wed 22nd

Thurs 23rd

Lachlan Thew

William Schenko

Catalina Fam

Vanessa Tesoriero

Sebastian Edouard

Maddison Eastwood

Jessica Mitchell

Isabella Arrastia

<u>July</u> **Tue 7th** Finnegan Brook

Wed 8th Jack Hawke Zoe Ortlepp

Thurs 9th Georgia Lee

Fri 10th Emmanuel Abu Duhou Angelina Tallaridi Gia Lorelle Anonical Annika Clarke

Sat 11th Aiden Petersen Jasmine Fernandez **Riley** Petersen Mrs Bisson

Sun 12th Mrs Wilson

Mon 13th Chloe Mowbray Oliver Masik

# DANCE FEVER

Luciana Castillo Isabella Cameron Fri 24th Benjamin McNamara Sarah D'Cruz

Dance Fever is once again on in Term 3! Every Monday in Term 3, the talented staff from Dance Fever will be at St Angela's to teach K-6 a variety of structured dances. There will also be a whole school Hip Hop routine to learn. The cost of this program has already been included in your school fee account. The program begins Monday 20th July, the first day of Term 3. Children are to wear their sports uniform on Monday.

#### 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.

**Opening of School Gates** 

Front gate in Harrington Road and back gate in Orleans Way open each morning at 8:05am (see Parent Handbook on the school website).

## **Term Dates for 2020**

Monday 20th July to Thursday 24th Term 3 September

(Friday 25th September - Pupil Free Day - Staff Spiritual Formation Day)

### Staff Development Day - Tomorrow

The last day of Term 2 tomorrow, Friday 3rd July 2020, will be a Staff Development Day. This is a Pupil Free Day. Staff will be engaging in Professional Development based on Inquiry Learning.