

### St Angela's Primary School

**Castle Hill** 

## SHINE

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Dear Parents,

#### "Together we can make a Difference"

2020 has been a year like no other - we have experienced drought, fire, flood and coronavirus. What has helped us to face these challenges has been a spirit of cooperation and collaboration. When people co-operate and work together valuing each other with mutual respect, greatness can be achieved. Supporting each other in an environment underpinned by gospel values assists us all in being able to make a difference in our lives, the lives of others and our society.

I would like to congratulate our children for working hard, each and every day, enjoying their learning and co-operating with other in their school environment. Our school community is made up of many unique and diverse personalities. Just as is the case in society. Each of these personalities is different, some quiet, some loud, some sensitive, some gregarious, some shy, some boisterous, and some creative. What a boring school we would be if we all looked the same, enjoyed the same games, learnt the same way or had exactly the same talents? God in his wisdom knew that a community flourishes with difference.

We are blessed that St Angela's is made up of many cultures each culture enhancing the richness of our school community.

#### O God,

you created all people in your image.
We thank you for the astonishing variety
of races and cultures in this world.
Enrich our lives by ever-widening circles of friendship,
and show us your presence
in those who differ most from us,
until our knowledge of your love is made perfect
in our love for all your children;
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

"Together we can do so much" Leanne Nettleton PRINCIPAL



#### **Family Week**

This coming week is once again St Angela's 'Family Week'. Family Week will see the children have a break from formal homework (although we ask that every child still reads each night). During Week 7 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.

# Individually we are each one colour, together we make a rainhow

Next Friday, 12th June, as a school community we will celebrate the unique gifts, talents and traits that God has given each one of us. The children are invited to dress in mufti according to the colour their grade has been allocated:

Kindergarten	Pink/Red
Year 1	Yellow/Orange
Year 2	Green
Year 3	Dark/Navy Blue
Year 4	Purple
Year 5	Red
Year 6	Light Blue/Aqua



Just like the lyrics in the song "True colours" - 'True colours are beautiful, like a rainbow' we will celebrate the many beautiful colours of our community and the wider world. Each grade will wear their colour and together we will make a rainbow. No gold or fold required.

#### Parent Feedback Forms Returned

On Monday, parents from years 2 - 6 received an evaluation sheet to complete with observations on their child's online and 'at home' learning behaviours. Thank you to those who have returned the form. We value the input of parents and we would ask that you take the time to complete the parent form and return it to school by tomorrow (Friday). These forms, along with a student self evaluation, will be included in the Semester One report.

#### Family Habits during COVID-19

The Healthy Children's team in your Local Health District (NSW Health) would like information about the health habits of Western Sydney families with children aged 0-12 years during COVID-19. This will help us plan to better support Western Sydney families in the future. Click here to take the Survey! Complete the survey before 22nd June to enter the draw to earn one of ten sport, kitchen or garden prize packs.

#### Staff Development Day

The last day of Term 2, Friday 3rd July 2020, will be a Staff Development Day. This is a Pupil Free Day.

#### Sent Home This Week:

**Emailed**: Year 6 Personal Development Health Unit **Hard Copy**: Parent and Student Report Comments





#### Religious Education

Sunday, 7 June 2020: Feast of the Holy Trinity - Year A Gospel

Jn 3:16-18

Jesus tells Nicodemus of the Father's love.

#### Gospel Reflection

The readings selected for Trinity Sunday provide an opportunity to reflect on the nature of God. Over recent weeks, we have celebrated the Ascension and Pentecost - both of which reveal something about the nature of God through Jesus and the Spirit. Trinity Sunday is an opportunity to celebrate the unity of God whom we acknowledge as Father, Son and Spirit. Today's gospel reminds us that there is a seamless continuity between the different experiences of God. Although we sometimes regard the God of the Old Testament as judging and vengeful, today reminds us that God is, was, and always will be a God of love. The gospel reminds us that 'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son.' Love is the characteristic of God that is experienced as Father, Son and Spirit. God loved the world into being and loved the people so much that God made a covenant relationship with them and repeatedly drew them back into that relationship when they strayed. God loved the world and the people so much that God became physically present through Jesus as yet another attempt to draw all people into an awareness of the loving relationship God desired for them. When Jesus could no longer remain a physical presence in the world, God's Spirit became more evident to continue the work of drawing people into that loving relationship with God.

Rather than focusing on the mystery of the Trinitarian God, today is an opportunity to marvel at the single-mindedness of God who is so determined to reveal the length and breadth of God's love to us. That revelation has been made manifest in different ways throughout time but remains constant and unchanging.

#### Historical Context - We believe...

The teaching on the Trinity was not formally constructed until the 4th Century and was documented in the creed that emerged from the Council of Nicaea. The Creed that is said today in the Sunday liturgy is a version of that original Nicene Creed. The Nicene Creed spells out Christian beliefs about the nature of God, Jesus and the Spirit and was worded very carefully to negate a variety of heretical views that were held at the time. It is as much a statement about what we do not believe as it is a statement about what we do believe!

**Scriptural context – Trinity**At no point in the New Testament is the term 'Trinity' used. That understanding of the nature of God came much later. However, there are a number of scriptural references that led to this theological understanding. The Annunciation, the baptism of Jesus and the great commissioning of the disciples to baptise in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are all examples of the three persons of God being recognised or active in the gospels. Today's second reading shows St Paul using the three experiences of God as a blessing of the people of Corinth.

#### Living the Gospel - Sign of the Cross

Every time we bless ourselves or begin prayer with the sign of the cross, we reaffirm our belief in the Trinity. That seemingly simple prayer, 'In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit,' is, in fact, a confirmation of our belief in a triune God three in one. The earliest use of the sign of the cross only involved tracing a small cross with the thumb or finger on the forehead as it is still done in baptisms or blessings today. Later, describing the shape of the cross on forehead, abdomen and shoulders became the common practice.

#### PRAYER TO THE HOLY TRINITY

Glory be to the Father, Who by His almighty power and love created me, making me in the image and likeness of God.

Glory be to the Son, Who by His Precious Blood delivered me from hell, and opened for me the gates of heaven.

Glory be to the Holy Spirit, Who has sanctified me in the sacrament of Baptism, and continues to sanctify me by the graces I receive daily from His bounty.

Glory be to the Three adorable Persons of the Holy Trinity, now and forever.

Jocelyn Williams Religious Education Coordinator



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

<u>June</u> Mon 8th Joshua Vassallo Ava Mogan Tahlia Mearns

Wed 10th Mateja Knevitt Seamus Burden

Thurs 11th Borui Zhang Joshua Halpin Fri 12th Jessica White Avindee Jayakody Rvan Salib

Sat 13th Annelise Araneda

Sun 14th Kyla Hogan Mr Lee

## **Premier's Reading Challenge**

Congratulations to those students who have already completed the Premier's Reading Challenge. To make the PRC even more interesting at St Angela's we have decided to reward the first class to have every student in their class to complete the PRC with a PIZZA PARTY. Come on St Angela's lets demonstrate our team spirit and see which class it will be to have completed the challenge. Mrs North has made a Rocket display to track class participation in the PRC. Will it be your class that is the winner of the 2020 PRC PIZZA PARTY???

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

Lachlan Lashlie (KB), Oliver Masik (KB), Lorenzo Sarmiento (KY), Xavier Zullo García-Loyola (KG), Eva ,Sofia Garcia-Loyola Joshua Raad (1Y), Sebastian Raad (1G), Sienna Glass (1Y), Mary Raad Mia Vassalo (2G), Yammine(2B), Abbey Glass (3G), Charlotte Lashlie (3Y), Monte Piotto (3G), Gia Lorelle Anonical (4B), David Gigliucci (4G), Stirling Post (4G), Ava Russo (4Y), Kem Young (4G), Keeran Mzuvancheri-Perera (5Y), Lucca Piotto (5G), Ariana Miea Sarmiento



Wk 6 Leading Classes: 2G

#### **National Simultaneous Storytime**

National Simultaneous Storytime is a special event held every year by the Australian Library and information Association. Each year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously in libraries, schools & pre-schools around the country. Now in its 20th year, it is a fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy. Highlights from some of our future illustrators during library.

Title: Whitney & Britney Chicken Divas Author: Lucinda Gifford

K-2 Premier's Reading Challenge ID: 660376







