



St Angela's Primary School

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Dear Parents,

With Wednesday 17th December being the last day of the term for our students, this is the final newsletter for the year. I would like to take this opportunity to express my thanks to the whole community for their support for the school in this most challenging year. Despite all the restrictions that COVID imposed on schools throughout the year, this has once again been a very successful year for the children and community of St Angela's. Our children always rise to the challenge and make us very proud "Letting their Light Shine."

Congratulations to our Year 6 students who will celebrate their graduation next Tuesday evening. My best wishes to all of you as you move onto high school and continue your journey in faith and learning. Thank you to our school leaders for their enthusiasm, the mature manner in which they encouraged the younger students throughout this year, and the excellent way they have each carried out their particular role. It has been a pleasure to have their support and I wish them every success in the future.

Farewell and thank you to the families whose children will be completing their education at St Angela's. Thank you for your contribution to our school. Our best wishes go to you and your children.

Abdow, Aberley, Alberti, Austen, Bagus, Basobas, Begg, Bourne, Cameron, Cassettari, Cheng, Collins, Di Stefano, Gerrettson-Cornell, Gomes Petana, Green, Gunawardhana, Harris, Hunt, Jandric, Kelly, Leopardi, Lester, McDonald, McNamara, Metcalfe, Mitchell, Moc, Ortlepp, Petras, Piperata, Ritchie, Rothwell, Schenko, Seda, Sloan, Tedros, Tesoriero, Vengoa Watson, Young, Younis.

Thank you once again to the staff who have worked hard to adapt and adjust to ever changing circumstances throughout the year. They are all absolute champions.

Thank you to our parent group, class representatives and parent helpers in the canteen and library. Though your involvement was restricted this year, you so generously assisted in organising the Parent Welcome BBQ, Fathers Day stall, Teachers Day celebration, Year 6 Dinner Disco, serving in the canteen in Term 1, helping out in the library and assisting at the Competitors Swimming Carnival. We look forward to returning to your full involvement in Term 1, 2021.

Thank you to Father Alejandro and Father Leonidis who have nurtured our faith development throughout the year and been a constant source of support and encouragement to the staff and students.

Warm wishes to all the St Angela's families for a joy filled Christmas.

"In 2020 Together we have achieved so much!"

Leanne Nettleton
PRINCIPAL

Staffing announcements for 2021

As was announced last week, the end of a school year often brings changes for staff. 2021 is no different.

- I would like to congratulate Mrs Natalie Newbury who has been appointed as Coordinator at St Angela's from 2021. Natalie has fulfilled acting positions as a coordinator during her career and has extensive experience as a class teacher.
- Mrs Kristy Smith(1G) will be taking leave for 2021. We wish her every happiness as she takes the opportunity to spend time with her family throughout the year and thank her for all her hard work as 1 Green teacher at St Angela's in 2020. We will miss you.
- We welcome Mrs Jenny Petras (currently teaching part time in Year 2), to fulltime teaching and Mrs Michelle Szady who is also returning to class teaching in 2021.

Class Teachers

Today your children met and spent a short time with their class teacher for 2021.

KB	Mrs Karen Wilson
KG	Miss Gemma McRoberts
KY	Mrs Rosanne Javidi
1B	Ms Suzette Lewis-Driver
1G	Mrs Jennifer Petras
1Y	Mrs Jocelyn Williams/Mrs Julie Grunberg
2B	Mr Anthony Stagnitta
2G	Mrs Louise Lean/ Mrs Janine Kiaian
2Y	Mrs Michelle Szady
3B	Miss Leisa Claxton
3G	Mrs Natalie Newbury
3Y	Ms Amanda Ogilvie
4B	Mrs Simone Di Stefano
4G	Mr Lee Hurst
4Y	Mrs Jasna Rubelj
5B	Mrs Jennifer Chatten
5G	Mrs Catherine Bateman/ Mrs Kelly Hynes
5Y	Miss Jana Fizely
6B	Mr Stephen Lee
6G	Mrs Elizabeth Kelly
6Y	Mrs Tahlee Simpson

COVID-19 symptoms



Fever



Cough



Sore throat



Shortness of breath



Loss of smell



Loss of taste

Stay Safe



Clean your hands thoroughly for at least 20 seconds with soap and water, or an alcohol-based hand sanitiser



Cover your nose and mouth when coughing and sneezing with a tissue or your elbow. Put the tissue in the bin and wash your hands



ST ANGELA'S FEAST DAY CELEBRATION MONDAY 14TH DECEMBER * MUFTI DAY



Students will enjoy a day of excitement including movies and popcorn, fun filled games and activities and a complimentary ice block for each child next Monday 14th December. These treats are all free to say thank you to our children for letting their lights shine throughout a challenging year and to celebrate St Angela's Day. Children can wear Mufti clothes including joggers and a hat on Monday. Please no Christmas accessories.

Religious Education

Sunday, 13 December 2020: Third Sunday of Advent Year B

Gospel

[Jn 1:6-8, 19-28](#)

The priests and Levites question John's identity.



Have you thought? A time to Rejoice!

This Sunday, the third Sunday of Advent is traditionally known as Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete is the Latin word for Rejoice! Advent was originally celebrated as a five week season and with the same fasting and penitential nature as the season of Lent. The third Sunday, Gaudete, was like a break for rejoicing in the midst of the fasting. When Advent was reduced to four weeks and the nature of the season altered, Gaudete Sunday was retained. The colour of this Sunday is rose – a celebratory colour – and it is reflected in the vestments worn by the priest and in the colour of the third candle used in Advent wreaths.

Living the Gospel – A Witness? Me?

It came as something of a surprise to me to think that other people might observe the way I treated others and draw conclusions about my motivation. It was when I started to work with young people that the truth of this was revealed. I realised that my actions could speak so much louder than anything I might say. I hoped that the young people I was working with might stop some time and think to themselves, 'I wonder why he treats us all that way? I wonder how it fits with that religion stuff he talks about?' Well, I can hope can't I?

Source: [GregSunter@LiturgyHelp](#)

Feast of the Immaculate Conception - Thank you to Mrs Wilson and Kindergarten Blue for leading our liturgy in celebrating this feast day as a school community.

Third Sunday of Advent Liturgy - Thank you to Mrs Chatten and 5 Blue for leading us in prayer as we celebrated the third Sunday of Advent. The third candle – the rose or pink candle – celebrates the Joy that is anticipated in the coming of Christ.

St Vincent de Paul Christmas Hamper Appeal for 2020

- A huge thank you to all the families and staff who contributed to the collection for the Christmas hampers this year. We delivered 57 hampers in total as well as gift vouchers. We thank you for your continued support in this worthwhile cause.

OLOR Parish Christmas Celebrations and Mass

Bookings: Here is the [link](#) to the parish website with information regarding Christmas Masses and bookings.

On behalf of all the staff at St Angela's I wish your families a blessed Christmas and a safe New Year! We look forward to sharing another year of faith and learning when we return in 2021.

God Bless

Jocelyn Williams

Religious Education Coordinator

Upcoming Dates



TERM 4

Week 9

Friday 11th December

9:30am Live Streamed
Parish Mass: Kindergarten
& Year 1

Sunday 13th December

3rd Week of Advent

Week 10

Monday 14th December

**St Angela's Day
Celebrations - Mufti
clothes**

End of Year Liturgy (2021
School leaders announced)

Tuesday 15th December

6:30pm Year 6 Graduation
Under the Big Top

Wednesday 16th December

**Last day for students
All students to wear sport
uniform.**

2:40pm Year 6 Hat
Throwing Ceremony

School resumes 2021

**Friday 29th January - Years 1 to 6
Monday 1st February - Kindergarten**

Mathematical Assessment Interview Appointment Bookings for Wed 27th and Thursday 28th January Wed 27th and Thursday 28th January 2021

have been set aside as Staff Development Days so that teachers can administer the Mathematical Assessment Interviews. Not every child will be able to be interviewed on these days as each individual interview takes 30 mins. Families are advised that if they go online and cannot find an available appointment time with their child's teacher not to worry as those children will have their interview once they return to school in the early weeks of Term One.

On Monday 15th December families with 3 and 4 children will receive a booking code to go online to the School Interview booking site to make appointments for their children. This will allow these families to book interviews at the same time slot for their children with their teachers.

On Tuesday 16th December families with 2 children will receive their booking code and

On Wednesday 17th December families with 1 child will receive their booking code.

Competitors Swimming Carnival News

The St Angela's Competitors Only Swimming Carnival was held at Blacktown Aquatic Centre on Monday 7th December and was a great success. A huge thank you to our Parent Volunteers:- Mrs Mearns, Mrs Wheatley, Mr Piotto, Mrs Shepherd, Mrs Rambow, Mr Post, Mrs Siney, Mrs Bercich and Mr Benning.

The carnival could not have taken place without your help. Thank you also to Mrs Chatten and Miss Silcock for the smooth running of the day and the assistance of Mrs Yager, Mr Laird and our teachers Mrs Bateman, Mrs Hynes, Mrs Kelly and Mrs Rubelj. The final results and the students who will be representing St Angela's at the Zone Swimming Carnival next year will be announced next week.

As the year draws to an end please ensure that 2020 school fees are paid up to date.

Pre-Requisite Lists * Coming Home Soon

Celebrating Our Gifts

(Awards presented on Friday 04/12/2020)

Academic Excellence

Brendan Fadeli KB
Xavier Zullo KG
Ayden Martin KY
Patrick Young 1B
Ruby Pace 1G
Ruby Aquilina 1Y
Sienna Reilly 2B
Jasmine Hackett 2Y
Livia Gigliucci 2Y
Mateja Knevič 3B
Abbey Glass 3G
Noah Tyler-Ottolino 3Y
Max Lukjanenko 4B
Jagger Woodham 4G
Isaac Cassab 4Y
Grace Mares 5B
Jasmine Fernandez 5G
Zane Benning 5Y
Eimear Kelly 6B
Dominic Piperata 6G
Ryan Sloan 6Y

St Angela's Award

Sienna Wise KB
Keira Vavasour KG
Tadhg McGowan KY
Jericho Paton 1B
Laila Henderson 1G
Alexander Diaz 1Y
Kira Layoun 2B
Makaela Daniel 2G
Victoria Taouk 2G
Caitlyn Rodriguez 3B
Sebastian Dinsdale 3G
Courtney Lean 3Y
Zachary Vujnovich 4B
Lincoln Brown 4G
Alicia Dib 4Y
Taylor Brett 5B
Angelina Tallaridi 5G
Carlo Scida 5Y
Keeley Rule 6B
Brandon D'Silva 6G
Hailey Cassettari 6Y



Happy birthday to members of our St Angela's community who will celebrate their birthday during December;

December

Monday 14th
Charley Natividad

Wednesday 16th
Grace Baylis
Ruby Aquilina
Oliver Newbury
Rose Baylis
Lincoln Brown

Thursday 17th
Ronan Phung
Miss Claxton

Friday 18th
Amelia Baylis
Tia Lawlor

Saturday 19th
Shiloh Aguas
Freya Begg
Gabriel Kasparian

Sunday 20th
William Lakeman
Hudson Lukas
Beth Kenny
Monte Piotto

Monday 21st
Miranda Soliman
Jai Powell
Mrs Newbury

Wednesday 23rd
Khloe Ibrahim

Thursday 24th
Willow Neeld
Veronica Cheng
Jessica Lester

Friday 25th
Flynn Manning
Samaan Abu Duhou

Saturday 26th
Indigo Read

Sunday 27th
Dayna Mills

Wednesday 30th
Nicholas Gumuljo
Riley Roditis
Eden Gliddon
Caitlyn Rodriguez
Norah Siountris

Thursday 31st
Sr Patty



NEW FAMILIES BBQ CALLING ALL CURRENT KINDER PARENTS AND ANY OTHER PARENTS

Next year, as is tradition at St Angela's, we will welcome all the Kinder 2021 families and any new families from 1-6 to our St Angela's community with a BBQ early in the new school year. We ask that available parents from this year's Kinder and/or any grade who would be willing to assist at the occasion please email the school office at stangelas@parra.catholic.edu.au. We aim to have the event on Friday, 5th February at 5:00pm. Please join in and help extend the same welcome that was extended to you when your child started Kinder this year.

2021 Prescribed Medication Forms

Forms and action plans, which are required to be updated for 2021, will be soon emailed to those families whose children currently have medication stored at school on a permanent basis. Please notify the school via email at stangelas@parra.catholic.edu.au if your child's medical requirements have changed and they no longer require medication to be permanently stored at school. Thank you in advance for your attention to this important matter.

Christmas Treats

In these last days of school, children like to carry out the Christmas spirit by sending and receiving Christmas cards with lovely messages of joy and thanks. This is a lovely gesture. As there are a number of children at St Angela's who have severe allergies we kindly ask that you do not send in any edible treats for the children to give to each other. This includes gingerbread, chocolates, candy canes, marshmallows or any other lolly, biscuit or cake. We ask this so that we can ensure that our school community remains safe for all of our children. Thank you for your co-operation in this important matter.



Readers and Library Books

Please check at home for any overdue books.

Could all Guided Readers, books from class Browser Boxes and all Library books please be returned to school. This will allow teachers and librarians to ensure that all resources are ready for next year. Many thanks for your support.

*The Staff of St Angela's wish you all a Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year*



Sent Home This Week:

Emailed: 3 Blue Letter from Mrs Nettleton, Competitors Only Swimming Carnival, Student Reports Semester 2
Hard Copy: Catholic Outlook