



St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill

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Ministry of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville

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Term 3, Week 4

We acknowledge the Darug people, the traditional custodians on whose land we educate our students.

Dear Parents,

"God will carry you safely through every struggle." Mary MacKillop 1870

This Sunday August 8, we celebrate the feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, Australia's first saint.

Mary MacKillop lived a life where she always put the needs of others before her own. She was born in poverty and then spent her life reaching out to the poor and sick providing them with education. In her time she was known as a radical who challenged the authorities of the day. Her commitment to the schooling of children from poor and rural communities established a model of Catholic education that continues to today.

Mary MacKillop's love for Christ was so strong that she sought Him out in the poor, sick and suffering and also in the hardships of life. During the current COVID pandemic we can draw strength from her words and her conviction to live her life with an unwavering sense of gratitude and confidence that God would always provide. In her own writings and reflections Mary MacKillop spoke over and over of 'our good God' and she lived with a grateful willingness to receive God's love. At this time when we are searching for answers and solutions we can look to Mary MacKillop's life and her relationship with God to give us courage and strength.

*Ever generous God,
You inspired Saint Mary MacKillop
To live her life faithful to the Gospel of Jesus Christ,
and constant in bringing hope and encouragement
to those who were disheartened, lonely or needy.
With confidence in your generous providence
and through the intercession of Saint Mary MacKillop,
We ask that you grant our request to protect and guide our
children.
We ask that our faith and hope be fired afresh by the Holy
Spirit so that we too,
like Mary MacKillop, may live with courage, trust and
openness.*

*Ever generous God, hear our prayer.
We ask this through Jesus Christ.*

Amen.



"Together we can achieve so much!"

Leanne Nettleton
PRINCIPAL
St Angela's Primary
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Week 5 Attendance Register

To assist the school with arrangements for Week 5 please complete this form, [Week 5 Attendance](#) (Monday 9th Aug to Friday 13th Aug) **ONLY** if you need your child to be at school. The form **closes at 5:00pm Friday** - please ensure that you have completed it by then.

Learning Schedules

The staff is truly appreciative of the positive feedback received from parents and students about the Learning Schedules. Week 5 Learning Schedules will be shared with families at 4:00pm on Sunday 25th July on Seesaw (K-2) or Google classroom (Years 3- 6). Throughout the week if a teacher needs to be offline and unable to provide feedback they will communicate a message to parents via the Google Classroom or Seesaw platforms. These occasions will not interrupt the students ability to continue working on their schedules, they will just mean that for a short period of time the teacher will not be available to provide feedback. Please do not hesitate to contact the school via email if you need support.

Feel Good Friday

From next week, each Friday afternoon we are asking students to go offline at 12:30pm, have their lunch and then engage in some activities that do not require screen time. At this time staff will also be offline. The students at school will do the same. We have introduced this into the programme to allow students, staff and families to invest in their own wellbeing. Throughout this week we have been providing families with resources that make suggestions of activities that you and your children can be involved in away from devices. We urge you to take up this opportunity at the end of each week in recognition of all the hard work that you, your children and the teachers have been doing throughout the week.

Contact from Class teachers

To ensure that you remain connected to your child's teacher and your child's participation in remote learning, class teachers will be calling parents. If you see a call displaying "No Caller Id" this could be your child's teacher and we would appreciate you taking the call.

Attendance

It is a mandatory requirement that teachers record daily attendance of students. During Remote Learning, teachers are monitoring the students engagement with their Learning Schedules and their work submission on Seesaw and Google Classroom so that they can validate students' attendance. If your child is sick or unable to complete class work on a particular day, please inform the class teacher so that their attendance can be correctly recorded as an absence. If the teacher's notice that your child has not engaged in the learning they will be in touch to inquire as to the reason for this and to offer support if needed. Please do not hesitate to contact me.



Religious Education



SUNDAY 8 AUG 2021

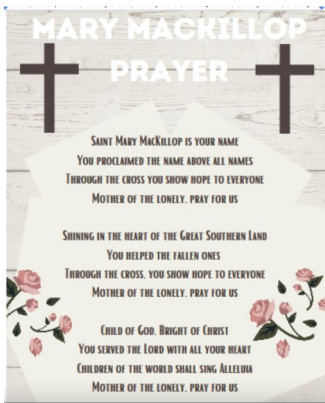
SAINT MARY OF THE CROSS (MARY MACKILLOP)

Historical Context – Mary MacKillop

Mary MacKillop is not only the first Australian to be recognised by the Church as a Saint, she is truly a very Australian saint. She characterises the spirit of the Australian mythology. She was a prodigious hard worker who put the needs of others before herself. She exhibited something of the larrikin spirit: constantly in dispute with authority but pressing on, regardless. She used the strengths of others but also didn't tolerate those who were not genuine. Her commitment to the schooling of children from poor and rural communities established a model of Catholic education that continues to today. A Saint for and of Australia!

Source: GregSunter@LiturgyHelp

This week in Religion we are all learning more about the life and works of St Mary MacKillop. Thank you for working hard during these Religion lessons with your grades. We are seeing a lot of your wonderful reflections and look forward to sharing some of them at our liturgy on **Monday - 9th August at 8:45am**.



OLOR Live Stream Sunday Mass

Fr Alejandro invites everyone to attend **this mass** at 11 am via [OLOR Facebook page](#). Here is the link to the [Parish Bulletin](#) to keep up to date with the latest news from the parish.

Fr Alejandro also shares this link on [#Australia](#) [#MaryMacKillop](#) [#catholicsaints](#) [Know Your Saints - Mary of the Cross](#).

God Bless
Jocelyn Williams
Religious Education Coordinator

ANNOUNCING... THE 2021 ST ANGLEA'S WRITERS FESTIVAL!

Launching on
Friday 13th August (Week 6)

A fun and exciting Writing
Festival for students K-6

Term 3 School Fee Accounts

Term 3 School Fee accounts have now been posted and are dated 19 July 2021.

No change has been made to the due date of 18 August 2021. If you did not receive your account please contact Liz Burke at lburke2@parra.catholic.edu.au.

We are committed to supporting our families in whatever ways are possible during this difficult time of COVID restrictions. Please do not hesitate to contact Liz Burke if you wish to discuss any issues regarding your account or any other school fee matters.

An Update From Oz Fashions.....

There will be no deliveries to the school during this lockdown or until further notice.

If you are an essential worker and your child is attending school, we have added a home delivery option (\$15) to the QKR app.

Please choose carefully as there are no refunds, however, Oz Fashions will provide an exchange.

For all concerns please email elle@ozfashions.com.au

Stay safe.

Please keep in your prayers

Our prayers are extended to the Phung family,
Ronan (3Y) and Sean (6Y),
due to the passing into eternal life of their Grandfather.

Sent Home This Week:

Emailed:

Whole School: Important Health Information During 'Stay at Home' Times, Free webinars and advice for parents and carers of young people aged 8-13 that looks at popular apps like TikTok, Instagram, Snapchat and YouTube

Push Notifications through Compass:

Whole School: Balancing Online Schooling and Working from Home, Ideas for How to Help your Child stay Connected to their Friends, Oz Fashions During Lockdown
Years 3, 4, 5, 6: CEDP Sport Cancellations

Supporting Young People Impacted by COVID-19

In response to the current lockdowns, *HeadSpace* is running additional parent/carer mental health education sessions, over the next 6 weeks. The sessions are titled Supporting young people impacted by COVID-19, and provide parents/carers with information and strategies to support their young people during these uncertain times.

The following sessions are available via zoom and scheduled over the next few weeks.

- 4 August 2021, 6:30pm – 7:45pm, South Western Sydney
- 5 August 2021, 6:30pm – 7:45pm, Cumberland
- 9 August 2021, 6:30pm – 7:45pm, Northern Sydney
- 10 August 2021, 6:30pm – 7:45pm, Georges River
- 11 August 2021, 6:30pm – 7:45pm, South Eastern Sydney
- 17 August 2021, 6:30 – 7:45pm, Western Sydney
- 19 August 2021, 6:30pm – 7:45pm, Randwick

Here is the [link](#) to register for these sessions.

Library Borrowing



We have had requests for students to be given access to library borrowing. At this stage this is not possible as it does not fit within the

COVID Safety guidelines for schools. Parents are encouraged meanwhile to gain access to the [eLibrary](#) where the children are able to borrow from the eLibrary collection.



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

August

Mon 9th

Jaxon Hogan
Grace Lim
Ryan Shepherd

Thurs 12th

Chase Panganiban
Zara Phelan

Fri 13th

Ryder Aguilar

Tues 10th

Misha Belle
Orlando Ruiz-Martinez

Sat 14th

Calissa Layoun

Wed 11th

Ethan Khairy
Clarthea Kinsong
Mrs Kelly

Sun 15th

Finn Sweeney

From the School Counsellor.....

Parents, please find some helpful information from our school counsellor to assist you at home in supporting your child to stay connected with their friends while in Remote Learning.

[Staying Connected](#)



2021 NSW PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Congratulations to this week's 7 winners. Quickly finish the challenge to get your name in the barrel for next week's draw! There will be seven winners drawn again. One from each grade. On Friday seven students who have completed the challenge will win. Winners will be published in next week's newsletter.

Good luck!

Congratulations to this week's PRC Winners!!!

William Iannetta K Green
Sebastian Burns 1 Yellow
Ivy Kastoun 2 Green
Emmanuel Dib 3 Yellow
Phoebe Scida 4 Yellow
Moses Estera 5 Yellow
Domenic Laird 6 Yellow

	Term 3 Week 3 2020	Term 3 Week 3 2021	Term 3 Week 4 2020	Term 3 Week 4 2021
Number of students who have completed challenge	204	256	257	268
Total Number of books read	6577	7756	7509	7984

Congratulations to the following students who are new to complete the Premier's Reading Challenge:

Maddison Cooray KG, Catalina Halfhide KB, Flynn Conde 1Y, Harriet Kenny 1G, Alexander Mearns 1G, Thomas Taylor 1B, Shuya Wang 1G, Madeline Dafter 2G, Beth Kenny 2B, Annelise Araneda 3B, Max Lukjanenko 5G

Which grade will win the movie and popcorn party?

Grade	Percentage of students who have complete the challenge
K	45%
1	54%
2	43%
3	53%
4	63%
5	27%
6	26%



Remember we have a goal of 100% participation in the PRC! Keep reading everyone.