



# St Angela's Primary School

## Castle Hill

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

Dear Parents,

As we inch towards the end of a term of Remote Learning we know that learning can take place anywhere and everyone is doing their best. But as the days have turned into weeks we are all finding out how much we miss the human connection and especially how much our staff misses seeing the smiling faces of our St Angela's students.

*I miss my students.  
I miss my classroom.  
I miss chatting with my kids about their lives.  
I miss talking about books & poetry with them.  
I miss the smiles and jokes.  
I even miss making copies because that was a time to catch up with colleagues.  
I miss teaching.*



Thank you for all that you are doing to support your child/children at home. It truly is a team effort with the students, teachers and parents working together. As we have said from the very beginning, we understand that students and parents will do what they can at home and will choose to adjust the learning activities to suit the needs of the children on a daily basis.

NAPLAN data is due for release in the coming weeks. NESA has advised that they intend to dispatch printed Independent Student Reports (ISRs) to schools to be disrupted from mid-September. More information to come.

Dancefever On Demand have organised a Zoom Disco which will take place on Monday 13th September- 3:00pm to 3:40pm. There will be a number of schools involved and the disco will be run in a webinar format. This means participant cameras, chat feature and microphones will be set to OFF. The Dancefever team will be the Zoom hosts for the disco. The students will be able to see Milo on screen leading the disco, but Milo won't be able to see the students and the students cannot see each other.

The Zoom link will be shared on Seesaw and Google Classroom. This will be a wonderful opportunity to celebrate a term of dance and fun!

Michelle Yager  
Assistant Principal

## Planning Day

On Monday 13th of September the classroom teachers, support teachers and specialist staff will have a planning day to meet and plan for Term 4 units of work. Lessons will be provided in the learning schedule, however, teachers will not be available for Zooms, feedback or correspondence on this day.

## Week 10 Attendance Register

To assist the school with arrangements for Week 10 please complete this form, [Week 10 Attendance](#) (Monday 6th Sep to Friday 10th Sept) **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 10 Learning Schedules will be shared with families at 4:00pm on Sunday 12th September 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.

## 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 teachers 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

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**TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME YEAR B**

**Gospel**

*Mk 8:27-35*

**Happy birthday Mary!**



[Click here for a short video about the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, celebrated on 8 September.](#)

**A follower of Christ must take up the cross.**

## **Gospel Reflection**

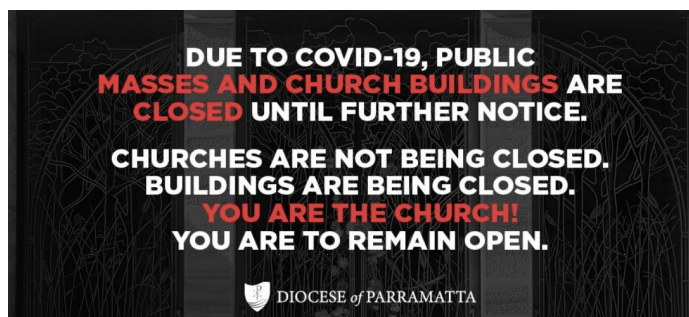
'But you, who do you say I am?' This would have to be one of the most powerful questions of the gospels. It echoes down the centuries and is just as relevant today as it ever was. 'Who do you say I am?' Our answer to that question is perhaps the most revealing statement of our faith. Our answer no doubt changes over time as we grow in understanding and as we experience the ups and downs of life, but nonetheless, just like Peter in the gospel passage, our answer remains a clear statement of our faith. 'Who do you say I am?' Just a good guy who lived 2,000 years ago? A role model? A friend? God made flesh? The Word come down from heaven? Nobody? Everybody? Our saviour? An inspired man of God? The Messiah?

Perhaps you've never tried to actually answer the question yourself. It is a confronting question, 'Who do you say I am?' It's confronting because, as Christian people, we believe that our actions are a reflection of our beliefs and values. It's confronting because whatever we say in answer to that question has implications for the way we live. 'Who do you say I am?' You see, the question is in the present tense, not the past. It doesn't ask 'Who do you say I was?'; it asks, 'Who do you say I AM?' The very question asks us to recognise that Jesus was not just some guy who lived 2,000 years ago but rather someone who continues to be a presence in our lives today. And he stands before each and every one of us today and asks that same, demanding, confronting, purposeful question: 'Who do YOU say I am?'

**Source: GregSunter@LiturgyHelp**



**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.



*God Bless*

*Jocelyn Williams*

*Religious Education Coordinator*

## **Some COVID Reminders**

- Students should not attend school if unwell, even with mild [symptoms of COVID-19](#). Any student with any COVID-19 symptoms will be sent home and should not return until they have received a negative test result and are symptom-free. In circumstances where children have other medical reasons for recurring symptoms, a letter from their GP is sufficient to negate the requirement for a negative test.
- Anyone who is unwell with COVID-19 symptoms is strongly encouraged to get tested immediately and self-isolate until a negative result is received. Locations of testing clinics are available [here](#).
- Please continue to monitor the [NSW government COVID-19 News and updates webpage](#) for locations where there may have been exposure to COVID-19 and adhere to the advice as appropriate.

**Thank you  
for wearing a  
face mask inside.**



**> HELP NSW STAY COVID SAFE**  
For the latest information about COVID-19 and responses



## Week 10 Friday 17th September Staff Development/Pupil Free Day

Please note that Friday 17th September (Week 10), the last day of Term 3, will be a Staff Development/Pupil Free Day. On-site supervision by staff will not be available. Staff will gather remotely for professional learning and a Spirituality day working with Sr Patty Andrew. COSCH will be available for parents requiring care for their children.

### Wellbeing Support

Our School Counsellor Karina Greenfield is sharing wellbeing resources for parents and children.

We encourage you to check out wellbeing resources for parents and children on the St Angela's Wellbeing Google Classroom which is updated weekly. This week in our Wellbeing Classroom there are tips to help keep our children motivated, a story for children on big feelings and coping skills 'I Spy'. [Click Here](#) to access.

If your family or child requires additional wellbeing support please reach out to your child's classroom teacher who can connect you with Karina.

### **Sent Home This Week:**

#### **Emailed:**

Whole School: N/A

#### **Push Notifications through Compass:**

Whole School: Hills Shire Library Service, Happy Feel Good Friday Afternoon, PRC End of Challenge, Child Protection Week and RU OK Day, Pastoral Letter, Staff Development/Pupil Free Day and Dancefever Zoom Disco

## Information from the Catholic Church regarding COVID -19 Vaccines

Given the current debate on COVID-19 vaccines, the Diocese of Parramatta is sharing information from the Catholic Church on this topic.

The diocese has made available in 12 foreign languages the position of the Catholic Church – from the Holy Father to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith – on COVID-19 vaccines. This information has been supplied via social media tiles you can share with your faith communities and for those whom English is a second language. Please share this information with extended family members.

These files can be downloaded here:

[parracatholic.org/covid19/#vaccine](http://parracatholic.org/covid19/#vaccine)



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

### **September**

#### **Mon 13th**

Kaeden Hochstetter

#### **Wed 15th**

Camila Diaz

#### **Thurs 16th**

Flynn Conde  
Chelsea Mowbray

#### **Fri 17th**

Jacob Crawford

#### **Sat 18th**

Daniel Pinzon  
Dylan Putra  
Victoria Taouk

#### **Sun 19th**

Rhys Wilson

### *Please keep in your prayers*



*Our prayers are extended to the Newbury family, Mrs Newbury(3G) and Oliver (2Y), due to the passing into eternal life of their Uncle/ Great Uncle.*

### *Please keep in your prayers*



*Our prayers are extended to the Mohan- Ram and Marquez families, Amalia (6B) and Isaac (KB), due to the passing into eternal life of their Grandmother.*

### **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