



St Angela's Primary School Castle Hill

SHINE

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Ministry of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville

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Term 1, Week 7

Dear Parents,

2018 Catholic Schools "Fortnight" 'Every learner, every day: Transforming Learning'.

Tomorrow we celebrate our remaining Catholic Schools 'Fortnight' of celebrations. We hope you can join us.

Tomorrow
Fri 16th Mar 8:45am

Whole School Catholic Schools Week Assembly, celebrating St Patrick's Day, followed by a community morning tea and open classrooms. Children may wear green mufti - gold or fold donation.

The children are looking forward to welcoming their parents into their classrooms to share a learning activity with them. All parents are most welcome and encouraged to attend. **Children are invited to wear green mufti.** We ask each child to bring in a 'gold or fold' donation to support our social justice outreach through Caritas Project Compassion, in order to help make a difference to those in need. We kindly ask that any donations brought in by our younger children, please be in a sealed envelope or snap lock bag.

*May the road rise to meet you
May the wind be always at your back
May the sun shine warm upon your face
The rains fall soft upon your fields
And, until we meet again
May God hold you in the palm of His Hand.*
A Gaelic Blessing

Family Week

Our Family Week, as part of our Catholic Schools Fortnight, has once again been a huge success. Parents have expressed appreciation at having a little time freed up to spend as a family during these 'precious' years while the children are young. Children have been sharing their 'Family Week' experiences, which this week have included go karting, dinner out as a family, family movie, shopping, doing art, cooking, ten pin bowling, visiting cousins, playing battleship and motorbike riding, just to mention a few.

Easter Egg Raffle

Once again, this year we are holding an Easter Egg Raffle. Tickets will be on sale under the Big Top at recess and lunch time. All proceeds will be used to help support those less fortunate than ourselves through Project Compassion during this important time of Lent.

Tickets are only \$1 each and the prize is an extremely large (in fact 5kg) Easter Egg.

Please send money to school with your child if you wish to participate in this purely optional raffle. The raffle will be drawn on Thursday 29th March. The lucky family will be contacted to pick up their prize.

Many thanks to the Colosimo family (Ariella 5G and Piero KG) from the Easter Egg Warehouse, Castle Hill, for their generous and kind donation of this prize.

Student Attendance

Australia has one of the very best education systems anywhere in the world. Each day, our young people are provided with opportunities to learn more about the world they live in through their experiences in and out of the classroom. Schools teach children about themselves, their relationships with others and about life beyond school. This includes preparing them for the workforce.

Regular attendance at school is critical to ensuring that every student has the kind of opportunities in life that he or she deserves. When students are not at school, they are missing out on so much. Without the knowledge, the skills or the support that schools are so good at providing, young people can get left behind and find themselves underprepared for a fast-paced and often very challenging world.

I appreciate that this is not a matter that may impact on a large number of our St Angela's families, however, if an awareness campaign can assist even just a few students to be at school more regularly and on time, then it is a terrific outcome.

Thank you for your continued support. It is in partnership that we can achieve great things for our children.

Tony Calabria
Principal



Our journey towards Easter continues. It is indeed a special time as we gather as a faith community. Please see a timetable of parish events in this Shine.



Grade Assemblies

Please note, as communicated in our term calendar, the remaining whole school assemblies for Term 1 are as follows:

- Week 8 - Friday 23rd March at 2:15pm led by Year 5
- Week 10 - Friday 6th April at 2:15pm led by Year 2

All parents are most welcome to join us.

Sent Home This Week:

Emailed: Yr 1 Design and Make Morning, Ltr to 1G parents, OLOP Parish Movie Night, Yrs 3 and 5 NAPLAN, Easter Egg Raffle, Yr 6 End of Year Celebrations

Hard Copy: Kindy, Yr 1 and new families - Using Technology Contract



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Religious Education

*Sunday, 18 Mar 2018: Fifth Sunday of Lent
- Year B*

Gospel Jn 12:20-33

Jesus foretells of his death and resurrection.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus declares that, 'unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest.' He is speaking about his own life, but he is speaking also to those around him and those of us who read the words today. Unless we are prepared to let go of our ego, our status, our 'reputation', for the sake of others and respond to them from the heart then we can never experience the breadth and depth of what it means to belong to a community. When we are prepared to let go of our hang-ups and reservations to make a difference in the lives of others then the 'harvest' that will be gathered from those actions will be great indeed!

Q. What experiences in your own life prove the truth of the image of the grain of wheat that must die?

Q. What do you need to 'let go of' in your life to really flourish and 'produce a harvest'?

God, heavenly Father,
look upon me and hear my prayer
during this holy Season of Lent.
By the good works You inspire,
help me to discipline my body
and to be renewed in spirit.

Without You I can do nothing.
By Your Spirit help me to know what is right
and to be eager in doing Your will.
Teach me to find new life through penance.

Keep me from sin, and help me live
by Your commandment of love.
God of love, bring me back to You.
Send Your Spirit to make me strong
in faith and active in good works.

May my acts of penance bring me Your forgiveness,
open my heart to Your love,
and prepare me for the coming feast
of the Resurrection of Jesus.

Lord, during this Lenten Season,
nourish me with Your Word of life
and make me one
with You in love and prayer.

Fill my heart with Your love
and keep me faithful to the Gospel of Christ.
Give me the grace to rise above my human weakness.
Give me new life by Your Sacraments, especially the Mass.

Amen.

Communion preparation day will be this Saturday, March 17th at 3.45pm at OLOR followed by the 6pm mass with families. All children receiving the Sacrament of First Eucharist this year are required to attend.

Mrs Michelle Yager
Religious Education Coordinator

Theme for the Week:

"Smile and be Happy"

Congratulations on the beautiful smiles that were everywhere for photo day. Our theme this week is aimed at helping the children to be content with the many blessings that Christ has bestowed on them. Unfortunately, our children's lives can sometimes be so busy and stressful that we need to stop and reflect on just how fortunate we are to have our health, our faith and our wonderful families. A smile says so much and can bring so much happiness to others. It is a beautiful life we live, strive to smile and be happy.

***'Baker's Delight' Special Food Day
This Tuesday 20th March***



TERM 1

Week 7

Fri 16th March

8:45am St Patrick's Day Liturgy followed by open classrooms and morning tea - All welcome. Green mufti and gold or fold donation.

Sat 17th March

St Patrick's Day

3:45pm First Holy Communion Year 3 Preparation day at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish

Week 8

Mon 19th March

12:30pm Kindergarten Teddy Bears Picnic

Tues 20th March

Baker's Delight Special Food Day

Wed 21st March

NSWCPS Swimming Championships

Fri 23rd March

2:15pm Whole School Assembly presented by Year 5 in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - All welcome

Week 9

Tues 27th March

St Angela's Cross Country on school grounds - All welcome. See further information in this Shine.

Thurs 29th March

Holy Thursday

Fri 30th March

Good Friday

Sun 1st April

Easter Sunday

Daylight Savings Ends - Turn clocks back one hour

Quote of the Week

"Our family is a circle of strength. Founded on faith, joined in love, kept by God, together forever."



Baby Boy

Congratulations to the Di Stefano family on the arrival of Charlie Andreas, a grandson for Mrs Di Stefano (Staff) and nephew for Luke (4Y)

Welcome to St Angela's School Community

NEWS FROM THE PARISH

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH MOVIE NIGHT

THURSDAY 5TH APRIL AT 6:30PM

CASTLE TOWERS, EVENT CINEMAS

Come join Fr Alejandro, the friars and Our Lady of the Rosary Parish for an Easter Movie night on Thursday, 5th April at 6:30 pm for the new film *Peter Rabbit* at Castle Towers Event Cinemas. We rent out a whole theatre just for us and profits go to helping with our church renovation. Seats are going fast at \$20 a ticket! Don't miss out on the fun for you and your family. Contact the parish office at 9629 2595 and book your tickets today!



Sibling Enrolment for Kindergarten 2019

Enrolment packs have been sent home to those families who have advised (via our google form emailed on 14th February) that they are intending to enrol a sibling/siblings at St Angela's for Kindergarten 2019. Please complete the enrolment application and submit to the office, together with the required **original** supporting documentation, by **Friday 23rd March**. Please phone or email the office if you have any enquiries. Thank you.

Celebrating Our Gifts

(Awards presented last Friday)

Academic Excellence

Dayna Mills KB
Sebastian Brook KG
Sebastian Miletic KY
Mateja Knevitt 1B
Finn Wheatley 1G
Valeria Muliadi 1Y
Evangelos Tikellis 2B
Gia Anonical 2G
Kem Young 2Y
Jasmine Oakey 3B
Joshua Norman 3G
Yasemin Vancuylenberg 3Y
Zalia Ritchie 4B
Madison Tedros 4G
Lucas Seda 4Y
Bernadette Laird 5B
Joshua Holt 5G
Brandon Suefong 5Y
Cassandra Davidson 6B
Dylan Manio 6G
Laura Nati 6Y

St Angela's Award

Sophie Collett KB
Tanya Muregerera KG
Sofia Muscardo KY
Levi Fisher 1B
Serenna Urizar 1G
Abbey Glass 1Y
Jude Moller 2B
Stirling Post 2G
Matilda Scothern 2Y
Isabella Sultana 3B
Tiani Layoun 3G
Luciana Castillo 3Y
Finnian Christie 4B
Freya Begg 4G
Kathryn Basobas 4Y
Adam Mendoza 5B
Arielle Henwood 5G
Emily Lambert 5Y
Alexander Stavropoulos 6B
Matthew Rae 6G
Olivia Rodger 6Y

Happy Birthday!



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

MARCH

Sun 18th
Aaron Hohn
Jessica Hohn

Thurs 22nd
Alfonso Costa
Ethan Stewart

Mon 19th
Myah Ciccio
Emma Heanes

Fri 23rd
Lily Cassar
Anthony Mittiga
Kara Piperata
Kem Young

Tues 20th
Bernadette Laird
Jorja McKnight
Jamie Morr

Sat 24th
Carlo Scida
Mitchell Smith

Wed 21st
Sr Venera Nicolosi
(St Angela's Foundation Principal)



Children's Work Books Coming Home

This coming week the children will be bringing home their books, work folders etc. in the Key Learning Areas of **Religious Education** and **Mathematics**.

In your child's **Religious Education** books, please take the time to look through, discuss and enjoy the work and responses your child has completed, that relate to the Units of Work set out in Diocesan Syllabus, Sharing Our Story. Please remember that not all work undertaken in this Key Learning Area is recorded in workbooks. Prayer, role plays, research reading, listening to God's word etc. also play an important part in the children's learning. You may like to discuss your child's everyday faith experiences particularly in this important time of Lent.

Also coming home will be your child's **Mathematics** books. Please note that not all mathematical thinking is recorded in workbooks. Children undertake a great deal of mental computation, reasoning and problem solving. They are also often required to articulate their thinking in a group.

We encourage you to write a comment to your child in their book after their last piece of work. Children really do treasure your comments and it allows us to see that the book did indeed leave the school bag and that you have taken the time to walk through it with your child. Additionally, we ask that the books be returned promptly the next school day so that your child can continue their written work in the appropriate book.

entertainment™ Books

Entertainment Books are now available to purchase. Flyers were recently sent home with your child. To order your book or digital membership, please visit www.entbook.com.au/2144d46.

For further information please contact the school office.

School Photos

Online Payment System Back Online

As emailed last week, the photography company had software issues with their online payment system. We have been advised that this has now been rectified. If there are any families who are yet to pay, the online payment facility will be open for payment.

Sport News

Congratulations to Jarvis Hemmings (5G) who has been selected in the Parramatta Diocesan AFL team. Jarvis will compete in Wagga at the MacKillop AFL trials next month.

Mrs Andra Hemmings
Sport Coordinator

Easter Eggs at School

As the Easter season and the common sharing of chocolate eggs is approaching, it is important to remember that there are a high number of children at St Angela's who are severely allergic to nuts, eggs and/or dairy etc. Parents are asked to support us by ensuring that Lollies/Chocolates/Easter eggs are not brought to school by the children, either for themselves or to share with others. Thank you for your continued cooperation in making St Angela's a safe environment for all our children.

Save the Date

Friday 6th April

**St Angela's Outdoor Movie Night
Top Oval**

St Angela's Cross Country 2018 Kindergarten to Year 6 Held on our School Grounds

On Tuesday 27th March we will be holding our Cross Country Carnival. Although it has been a bit wet underfoot, the children at St Angela's have been preparing well and training hard at school in preparation for the day. All parents are invited to attend our Cross Country Carnival. We ask that parents park outside the school grounds, eg. Coles or Community Centre car park. The back gate will be open for parents at 8:40am (after morning drop off). Due to the cross country taking place within the school grounds, the front gate will be closed at 8:45am.

Details of the day are as follows:

8:45am	U/12 Boys & Girls	3km
	U/11 Boys & Girls	3km
Followed by	U/10 Boys & Girls	2km
	U/9 Boys & Girls	2km
	U/8 Boys & Girls	2km
	U/7 Year 2 Boys & Girls	700m
	Year 1 Boys & Girls	700m
	Kinder Boys & Girls	700m

Please note these times are only a guide and may change on the day if need be

SAFETY: It is important that children eat a good breakfast on the morning of the carnival. All children especially those running 2km and 3km, should hydrate before running.

UNIFORM: Children are to wear their school sports shorts, school hat, school sports top or school colour house polo tops. NO other coloured tops are permitted.

The 2km (3 laps) and the 3km (4 laps) involves the children running along the inside perimeter of the school grounds with marshals being in view the entire course. For the safety of all our children and to help our carnival run smoothly we require parent helpers to assist on the day. If you would like to assist and have completed the child protection requirements, please complete the slip below and return to school by **Wednesday 21st March**. I would like to be able to roster our helpers so you can watch your child finish the Cross Country. Therefore, I would appreciate offers of help from parents from all grades. I would especially like to ask for help at 8:45am from our Kinder to Year 4 parents to act as marshals while our 3km events are running.

Looking forward to a great day.

Mrs Andra Hemmings
Sports Co-ordinator

Please return by this Wednesday 21st March

CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL HELPER

- I am available to assist as a Parent Helper on Tuesday 27th March at the Cross Country Carnival.
- I have completed the Volunteer Child Protection requirements at <http://childprotection.parra.catholic.edu.au/volunteers>

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME: _____

CHILD'S CLASS: _____

Times available: _____ to _____

From Oz Fashions ...

All winter uniforms are now available for purchase. Please place your orders early, before next term, to ensure you receive them on time. Orders can be placed via email to elle@ozfashions.com.au (order forms found on your school website) under School Information, School Notes, Whole School or you can order via the QKR APP. Samples are at the school office to assist with sizing. Please note that uniforms cannot be purchased from OZ FASHIONS warehouse in Granville. Please contact Elle on 0421 216 414 if you have any enquiries.

Colour House Polo Shirts

A reminder that colour house polo shirts are available for purchase through Oz Fashions at a cost of \$22.00. Please note the purchasing of these polo shirts is **purely optional**. They can be worn for major sporting events such as Cross Country, Athletics and Swimming to build team spirit and give each colour house their own identity.

JOURNEY TOWARDS EASTER at the Parish of Our Lady of the Rosary (8 Diana Avenue, Kellyville)

Fridays during Lent

9.15am Mass in Parish Church followed by

10.15am **Stations of the Cross**

at the Shrine (8 Greyfriar Pl, Kellyville)

7pm Mass in Parish Church

followed by Confessions and

Stations of the Cross

DEANERY COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION:

MONDAY, 26 MARCH

7pm at St Paul the Apostle, Winston Hills

TUESDAY, 27 MARCH

7pm at OLOR, Kellyville followed by a special

8pm Mass of Thanksgiving.

EASTER SCHEDULE

Sacred Triduum

Holy Thursday, 29 March,

7pm **Mass of the Lord's Supper** in Parish Church

Adoration in the old hall until 10pm

Good Friday, 30 March,

10am **Stations of the Cross** by Youth Group at the Shrine (8 Greyfriar Place, Kellyville)

3pm **Liturgy of the Lord's Passion** in Parish Church

Holy Saturday, 31 March,

No Confessions

Easter Vigil Mass, 31 March at 8pm

Easter Sunday, 1 April

Masses at 7am, 9am, 11am

Please Note: There will be NO 6PM MASS ON EASTER SUNDAY

Save the Date - Friday 22nd June

St Angela's Trivia Night

St Maximilian Kolbe Hall

Oakhill College Art and Craft Show

Saturday 24th & Sunday 25th March



Everyone's welcome at ART IN THE HILLS at Oakhill College! The show features 450 artworks from top Australian artists, along with a terrific range of craft including ceramics, homewares, clothing and jewellery. There will also be a café and live music to enjoy!

Dates/Times: Saturday 24th & Sunday 25th March, 10am-4pm

Address: Oakhill College, 423-513 Old Northern Rd, Castle Hill

Website: www.artoakhill.com.au