



St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill

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Term 2, Week 8

Dear Parents,

A-E Mid Year Reports

Very soon, your child will be bringing home their Semester One Learning Report. These Reports highlight particular strengths, as well as areas of development for your child.

The A-E style of reporting is mandated by the Government for all grades except Kindergarten (who have a different Reporting scale).

*There are no predetermined number of A, B, C, D, E achievement levels to be allocated

*Each Key Learning Area must have an overall achievement level indicated

*It is important to note that this reporting process is not based on a bell curve.

*The overall achievement level is for the whole Key Learning Area (KLA) which may contain many strands. Although some KLA's have been broken into strands, it is important to note that some strands have more weight than others. The overall achievement is not just a straight averaging of strands.

*Comparative data for the grade is included in the reports for Years 1-6.

*The achievement levels / common grade scale are provided by the Board of Studies and included in your report for you to reference.

*Parent/Teacher interviews will be held in Week 10 to supplement and further explain reports.

Each year introduces different concepts, content units and skills etc. which can increase in difficulty from the year before. It is therefore possible that your child's achievement level in a particular Key Learning Area may change.

The achievement level of 'C' is awarded to children who have achieved sound knowledge and understanding of work covered in that particular grade at this particular time. It means your child is working and achieving appropriately for their grade. This may be different from the traditional 'C' from our own school days. Our parent/teacher interviews seek to explain, elaborate on and support the Reports. The following website <http://arc.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/go/k-6/> provides work samples that illustrate A-E Achievement levels. It is well worth a look.

Perspective

The following is from an interesting article regarding 'Perspective' that I thought I would share with you.

There will be occasions when children go through difficult times in their development and it is in these times that they rely on their parents not to give up on them but to be there for them.

"We, as parents need always to keep things in perspective, love our children at each stage of their lives and be open-minded to what might lie ahead. It could be said that, 'A difficulty can be likened to a pebble. Hold it too close to your eye and it fills the whole world and puts everything out of focus. Hold it at a proper distance and it can be properly examined. Throw it at your feet and it can be seen in its true setting, just one more bump in the pathway of life.'"

"When we examine a difficulty in its proper perspective, we might firstly ask if it is really a problem at all? Most of our children's difficulties, once they have a calm mind applied to them, tend to offer their own solutions and turn out to be less severe than they first seemed to be."

"Being empathetic to our children will show them that our concern for their situation is genuine. Empathy involves seeing things from our children's perspective so we can understand their emotions. When we show empathy for our children's feelings, we teach them that we value their thoughts."

"Our perspective on how our own life's events can be will surely influence the perspectives our children have about their lives. 'If our children are mostly happy and sometimes talkative, then, we're doing all right as parents.'"

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

Tony Calabria
Principal



St Angela's Trivia Night - Tomorrow Night, Friday 22nd June

7:00pm for a 7:30pm start

If you are thinking of attending, we still have spots where we can place you or free tables if you have a few people - please call the office - 9407 6400



We are looking forward to a fun night of trivia! Below is some information with regards to the evening:

- ◆ Arrival is 7:00pm sharp for a 7:30pm start
- ◆ There will be additional parking available on site. The back gate will also be open to enable parking on the netball courts.
- ◆ BYO drinks and nibbles
- ◆ Please bring along gold coins for games etc.
- ◆ Please note all school grounds are non smoking sites.

Grade Assemblies

Our remaining whole school assembly for Term 2 is as follows:
Week 10 - Friday 6th July at 2:15pm led by Kindergarten
All parents are most welcome to join us.

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Information will be sent home soon regarding the online booking of parent/teacher interviews which will be held on Tuesday 3rd July and Wednesday 4th July.



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Religious Education

Sunday, 24 Jun 2018: The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist - Mass during the day

Gospel Lk1:57-66. 80

Elizabeth gives birth to John.

Some scholars today suggest that before his own public ministry Jesus was a follower of John the Baptist and that it was John who nurtured the call to ministry within Jesus and encouraged him to respond to that call. Regardless of whether or not this was the case, John and Jesus were cousins and the image that we have from the infancy narratives of Luke is that their mothers – Mary and Elizabeth – were very close and we can assume that Jesus and John were equally close and spent a lot of time together growing up. John's decision to go out into the wilderness to live an ascetic lifestyle must have made a big impact on his cousin.

John's ministry was a ministry to the Jewish people only. It was a call to them to repent and return to God's ways. The baptism that he encouraged people to undertake was a baptism of repentance – different from our Christian understanding of Baptism. For John and his followers, the call to baptism was a call to acknowledge one's wrongdoing and, through the baptism in the river Jordan, to be cleansed ready to recommit to living in right relationship with God. When John announced Jesus as the one coming after him, he recognised that Jesus would take John's own ministry to a new level. Whereas John's message was for the Jews alone, the message of Jesus was for all people – Jew and Gentile alike. Rather than John's call to prepare the way of the Lord, Jesus called all people to *live* the way of the Lord.

Q. Who are the people in your life whose 'voice' you really listen to?

Q. In what ways are you a 'voice' for the message of Jesus?

Year 1 will celebrate a Grade liturgy in the hall next Wednesday 27th of June at 2.20pm. All are welcome.

We are truly blessed at St Angela's to have the spiritual guidance of both Fr Alejandro and Fr Gerard. They oversee the spiritual life of our school community, administering the sacraments and ensuring the opportunity for students to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation. They visit classrooms weekly and the students benefit from their presence and accessibility helping to build the Kingdom of God in our community.



Year 3 have created beautiful 'Eucharist Banners' which highlight the precious gift of the Body and Blood of Christ.

Mrs Michelle Yager
Religious Education Coordinator

Sacrament of Reconciliation Parent Information Sessions

Thursday 21st June 7:15pm Parent Information Evening for Reconciliation (Year 2) at Our Lady of the Rosary Church.

Fri 22nd June Repeat Session - 10:00am Parent Information Session for Reconciliation (Year 2) at Our Lady of the Rosary Church

Please keep in your prayers

Our prayers are extended to the Woodhead family (Bronte 3Y) as Bronte's grandfather undergoes a pacemaker operation this week.



Upcoming Dates

Term 2

Week 8

Thurs 21st June

7:15pm Parent Information Evening for Reconciliation (Year 2) at Our Lady of the Rosary Church

Fri 22nd June

Repeat session - 10:00am Parent Information Session for Reconciliation (Year 2) at Our Lady of the Rosary Church

7:00pm for a 7:30pm start
St Angela's Trivia Night in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - All welcome.

Week 9

Tues 26th June

Stage 2 Boys and Girls Soccer Gala Day
Jamison Park

Wed 27th June

2:20pm Year 1 Liturgy in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - All welcome

Fri 29th June

Year 2 Excursion to the Power House Museum

Week 10

Mon 2nd July

8:45am Farewell Assembly for Mrs Hall (Admin) - All welcome

Tues 3rd July

Parent/Teacher Interviews in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall

11:00am Yrs 5 and 6 Author Visit (Tristen Banks) in the Library

Wed 4th July

Parent/Teacher Interviews in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall (Main Evening)

Thurs 5th July

1:30pm Year 5 Term 2 Project Based Learning presentation in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - All welcome

Fri 6th July

9.30am Interschool Debating Competition St Angela's vs St Michael's

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

Last day of Term 2

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2019

World Youth Day Sydney is 2008, Madrid in 2011, Rio de Janeiro 2013 and Krakow 2016 were significant events for the communities in each of these cities and in the faith lives of the young people who attended.

The next World Youth Day is in Panama City, Panama, in January, 2019 and the Diocese of Parramatta is planning to support as many young women and men as possible who wish to go. Our own Religious Education Co-ordinator Michelle Yager will be attending as a group leader.

To support the pilgrims attending, the Diocese, parishes and schools are carrying out several fundraising events. The main fundraiser is a raffle with the 1st prize being a Mazda 2 followed by a long list of impressive prizes.

Our Bishop, Most Reverend Vincent Long ofm, has asked that families attending a Catholic school receive a book of raffle tickets or have the opportunity to access tickets on line to support this World Youth Day initiative. Raffle ticket books will be sent home this week for families in Kindergarten to Year 4. Year 5 and 6 families are asked to access tickets online. Tickets are \$2.00 each.

Tickets purchased online can be found at www.rafflelink.com.au/wyd2019. We kindly ask that all tickets (sold and unsold) and money be returned by Friday 14th September.

Thank you for your support of the Catholic Pilgrims attending WYD Panama in January 2019.

Celebrating Our Gifts

(Awards presented last Friday)

Academic Excellence

Amelia Baylis KB
Piero Colosimo KG
Mia Vassallo KY
Charlotte Lashlie 1B
Mikayla Martin 1G
Amelie Sprem 1Y
Dominique Southwood 2B
Myah Ciccio 2G
Alexander El-Rahi 2Y
Macey Holmes 3B
Keeran Mazuvancheri-Perera 3G
Taylor Brett 3Y
Logan McDonald 4B
Nitika Nirmalan 4G
Luke Watson 4Y
Caitlin McNamara 6B
Finya Begg 6G
Ethan Petersen 6Y

St Angela's Award

Noah Ochudzawa KB
Makaela Daniel KG
Penelope Jokic KY
Adrian Sacco 1B
Massimo Muscardo 1G
Lachlan McDermott 1Y
Euan Adjii 2B
Avindee Jayakody 2G
Kara Piperata 2Y
Lilliana Sacco 3B
Zoe Crowley 3G
Yasemin Vancuylenberg 3Y
Lara Gomes Pestana 4B
Aiden Petersen 4G
Maddison Eastwood 4Y
Giselle Mendiola 6B
Cameron McCranor 6G
Michael Alibrandi 6Y

Year 5's Trip to Bathurst

Last Thursday and Friday, Year 5 travelled to Bathurst as part of our unit on Australian Colonisation. Our camp at Bathurst was really fun and a good experience learning about the gold rush for our PBL. This was quite helpful because we got to learn a lot of facts about gold that we didn't even know. A highlight was the cave tour at Abercrombie Caves. It was amazing getting to see the rock formations, learn about some of Australia's history and how the caves were formed. We stayed at the Goldfields on Mount Panorama and had a wonderful time gold panning. The food was delicious too!

Overall, I think our trip to Bathurst was a really good experience and I would like to go back there again. Special thanks to Mrs Lowden, Miss Joice, Mrs Yager, Mrs Aberley and Mr Calabria for giving their time so generously to take us on an amazing adventure.

Arielle Henwood (5G)



Great Day for a Sausage Sizzle!

Our appreciation and thanks to Donna Collins, Monica Crowley, Wayne Davie, Joanne Evans, Belinda Muscat, Diana Norris (coordinator), Sonia O'Rourke, Michelle Rambow and Estela Singh for all their help with our Special 'Sausage Sizzle' Food Day last Tuesday. Thank you on behalf of the 600+ mouths you fed. Your help was very much appreciated.

Happy Birthday!



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

JUNE

Sun 24th

Marcus Khoudair
Charlotte Lashlie
Liam Nicholls

Wed 27th

Rylee Callaghan

Fri 29th

Adam Hochstetter
Miha Knevič
Noah Sweeney
Anika Vujnovich

Mon 25th

Mrs Burke

Tues 26th

Mia Jacobs
Adrian Sacco



Peer Support Initiative

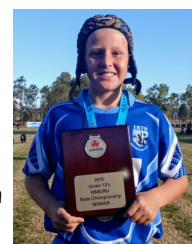
Session 7 - Good Winners

In Peer Support this coming week, children will be focusing on the skills of winning in a friendly way and coping with losing. The children will participate in various activities and discuss how to accept the outcome of a game, no matter what it is, in a friendly way in order to maintain those friendships.

During the week, encourage your child to practise these skills in all aspects of life - whether it be weekend sport or choosing what to watch.

Star Spot

Congratulations to Nikolaj Knevič (6Y) who recently competed in the U12 Rugby Union State Championships. It was a three day competition and Nikolaj's team won the State Title.



Sport News

NSWCPS Cross Country Championships

Congratulations to the following students who competed at the NSWCPS Cross Country Championships last Friday:

Ciara Crowley (17th), Tahlia Mearns (27th), Nicholas Heanes (57th), Ryan Sloan (13th), Keira Murphy (5th), Charlotte Hogan (8th), Tiarne Fox (45th) and Dylan Gulate (28th). You should all be so proud of such a fantastic achievement.

Special mention to Keira Murphy finishing 5th means she will now compete at the NSWPSA Championships in July.

Mrs Andra Hemmings
Sport Coordinator

Years 3-6 Athletics Carnival
Wednesday 25th July
Roxborough Park, Baulkham Hills

Interschool Debating Competition

Congratulations to all involved in the 2nd round of the Inter School Debating Competition.

St Angela's debated against Christ the King on the topic, "Spectators are beneficial to sporting events". Christ the King presented some challenging arguments but St Angela's were winners on the day, with both the affirmative and negative teams winning!

Thank you to all the parents involved for supporting your child in the lead up to the debate and for your presence on the day. A special thank you to Mrs Nati for providing transportation.

Mrs Kelly, Ms Lewis Driver and Mrs Ogilvie
Debating Co-ordinators

Dance Fever at St Angela's

Dance Fever is once again on in Term 3! Every Monday in Term 3, the talented staff from Dance Fever will be at St Angela's to teach K-6 a variety of structured dances. There will also be a whole school Hip Hop routine to learn. At the end of the term, children will have the opportunity to take part in a 'Challenge' dance-off night at Homebush. Although all children will dance throughout the term, taking part in the night at Homebush is purely optional.

Keep an eye on Shine for further details.

Winter Has Arrived!

The cold weather is here. Thank you for your efforts with having the children in winter uniforms. The children look fantastic. We appreciate the cost involved plus the constant upkeep with washing/ironing and so on. A tidy uniform gives the children a sense of personal worth and a sense of belonging to our wonderful school. It projects a positive image to others when they see our children wearing their uniform correctly, hair neat and tidy, no jewellery, correct school backpack, with clean shoes and wearing our school hat.

Reflection

A kind word or acknowledgment goes a long way in lifting a person's spirit.

Drop a pebble in the water, just a splash and it's gone,
but there's half a hundred ripples circling on and on and on.

Spreading, spreading from the centre,
flowing on out to the sea,

and there is no way of telling where the end is going to be.

Drop a careless, unkind word,
and in a minute it is gone;

but there's half a hundred ripples circling on and on and on.

They keep spreading, spreading, spreading, from the centre as they
go and there is no way to stop them,
once you've started them to flow.

Drop a word of cheer and kindness;
just a flash and it is gone;

but there's half a hundred ripples circling on and on and on.

Bearing hope and joy and comfort on each splashing,
dashing wave,

'til you wouldn't believe the volume of one kind word you gave.

Children's Workbooks Coming Home

English books will be coming home this week

Next week the children will be bringing home their Science & Technology/HSIE workbooks. We encourage you to talk to your child about their exciting learnings this term. What new skills have they learnt? What new ideas/information did they find out? The children are extremely proud of their work and even more so, to read a comment.

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.

Canteen Helpers Terms 3 and 4 2018

Please see the form emailed home today regarding assisting in the canteen in Terms 3 and 4. Please complete and submit the form by Monday 2nd July.

Thank you.
Canteen Committee

Emailing of Various School Notes

As various school notes are emailed, if you change your email or wish to use a different email address to receive correspondence, please advise the office. We encourage you to check your email (and/or spam) regularly for emails from St Angela's. Please advise the office if you have not received emails.

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Entertainment Books are now available to purchase. To order your book or digital membership, please visit www.entbook.com.au/2144d46.

For further information please contact the school office.

St Angela's Annual Golf Day

17th September - Save the Date

IT'S ON!

CALLING ALL THOSE
INTERESTED IN GOLF

(All levels welcome - beginners to experienced)

The 2018 Venue will be

Stonecutters Ridge Golf Club

Keep an eye on Shine for further details.

Go the Blues!

Game 2 this Sunday evening



Sent Home This Week:

Emailled: Kindergarten Head Lice Information, KY & 6Y Parent/Teacher Interview Form, Yr 2 Sacrament of Reconciliation Information from OLOR Parish

Hard Copy: KY & 6Y Parent/Teacher Interview Form