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Castle Hill

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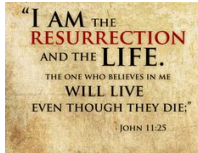
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Dear Parents,

A Happy and Holy Easter to all. The greatest story ever told unfolds in the holidays. With so much that happens each and every day over the world, the resurrection of Christ and the story of Easter calls us to be people of peace, joy, respect, compassion, forgiveness and prayer.



We hope you can join us for our (Pre) Holy Week assembly that will be held tomorrow, 12th April at 8:45am. All are welcome to come and celebrate with us as we reflect on the journey towards the resurrection.

Upon our return from the Easter break, we will hold a Resurrection Celebration Assembly on Thursday 2nd May at 2:15pm to signify Christ's love for each and every one of us.

At this assembly, we will also take the opportunity to say thank you and farewell to Father Gerard, our assistant priest at Our Lady of the Rosary. Fr Gerald has been with the parish for the past 4 years and has been appointed to the Philippines. On behalf of our St Angela's school community we would like to express our sincere appreciation to Fr Gerald for his pastoral leadership, his gentleness and service to all. He has been a much loved member of our Christ centred community. All parents are welcome to join us.



We also ask you to keep in your prayers the children who will be receiving their First Holy Communion after the holiday break on Saturday 4th May at 6pm and Sunday 5th May at 1pm.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the teachers for their dedication and commitment to Catholic Education over the past term. Together the teachers facilitate learning so that the children work towards reaching academic and human excellence in a faith filled community. Their generosity in terms of time, self and sharing of skills is often outside the normal hours of the day but it is in giving so much that they truly receive.

I would like to extend to all of you wishes of happiness, relaxation and Christ's blessings over the holidays. Make and take time as a family to enjoy each other. The primary years are certainly precious and pass quickly. The time invested now is paid back ten fold in the quality of your child's relationships with you and others. Happy Easter to one and all.

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

Tony Calabria
Principal



Congratulations

Congratulations to Andrew Losurdo our IT trainee here at St Angela's. Andrew has been awarded the coveted NSW TAFE trainee of the year for Western Sydney. This is an amazing accolade that recognises his exemplary academic achievements, demonstrated leadership qualities, commitment to his industry and his exceptional attitude to learning. We are all very proud of Andrew, particularly given he is also an ex St Angela's student.

Theme for the Week: "Love and Forgiveness"

One of the greatest gifts Jesus left us is a true model of forgiveness. The moving 'Palm Sunday' gospel this coming weekend tells us about the last moments of Jesus' life. In a world where, surprisingly, children and adults sometimes find it difficult to forgive others for whatever reason, take a moment to place yourself in the journey that Jesus experienced as part of Holy Week.

He was innocent and condemned to death, but still He managed to find love in his heart to forgive those who spoke ill of Him, persecuted him and sentenced Him. "Father, Forgive them for they know not what they do". Luke 23:34



Anzac Day

Our annual St Angela's Anzac Day Commemoration will be held on Tuesday 30th April at 11:00am. This ceremony will be led by our Year 6 students. We will reflect on the events of the Anzac's in our wars and their fighting spirit and values that they instill in us all. As is tradition at St Angela's the children will receive an Anzac biscuit after the ceremony. All parents and friends are most welcome to attend. Any members of our parent community who are currently serving in our Defense Services are welcome to join us in their uniform. Children in Scouts and Guides may also wear their club uniforms on this day.

Easter Egg Raffle

Once again, this year we are holding an Easter Egg Raffle. Tickets are 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 5kg chocolate egg.**



Please send money to school with your child if you wish to participate in this purely optional raffle. The raffle will be **drawn tomorrow Friday 12th April** after our Pre Holy Week assembly. The lucky family will be contacted to pick up their prize.

Many thanks to the Colosimo family (Ariella 6G and Piero 1B) from the Easter Egg Warehouse, 3/5 Hudson Avenue Castle Hill, for their generous and kind donation of this prize.

Mark the Dates

Monday 29th April - First day of Term 2 for students

New Date Monday 27th May - School Photos

Friday 10th May - Mothers' Day Assembly



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Religious Education

Sunday, 4 Apr 2019: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - Year C of the Lord - Year C

THE COMMEMORATION OF THE LORD'S ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM

Gospel

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord"

Year C

Lk 19: 28-40

Christianity is a faith of paradox: leadership through service; greatness through humility; and life through death. The greatest paradox of all is the paradox of the cross. The death of Jesus through the most humiliating form of capital punishment in history would appear to be exactly what the Jewish authorities hoped it would be: the end of the Jesus movement. The ignoble death of a group's leader through public execution is usually enough to bring about the end of any movement. However, Christians know that the death of Jesus is not the end of the story.

His resurrection, that we celebrate at Easter next weekend, is the twist in the tale that means the death of Jesus, rather than being a point of despair, in fact becomes a moment of hope. This difference of expectation is captured in the Lukan account of the crucifixion by the two criminals with whom Jesus is crucified. One joins in the mockery of Jesus, whilst the other recognises the innocence of Jesus and has faith that Jesus will enter into his kingdom. This second criminal acts as an example for all people of faith. He reminds us that those with faith still have to face death and still have to face up to the consequences of their actions, and yet the way we approach death should not be with despair, but rather with hope and confidence that we will share in Christ's resurrection.

The reading of the Passion narrative leaves us up in the air. It leaves us in a better position than the disciples at the time. They were downcast by what they felt was the defeat of Jesus, but we know the end of the story! We know that out of this darkness will come light and hope!

Q. How do you think the disciples felt after Jesus was arrested, tried and crucified so quickly?

Q. Why do the gospels go into such detail about the death of Jesus?

Thank you to our Year One teachers and students for sharing a solemn Triduum liturgy with their families last Thursday. It was a meaningful afternoon of prayer, singing and reflection.

As we enter into Holy Week, I encourage our Kindergarten to Year 6 students to spend some time in prayer with their families.

God bless you all, have a wonderful Easter and a safe holiday.

Mrs Jocelyn Williams
Religious Education Coordinator

Star Spot

Congratulations to Jarvis Hemmings (6Y) who was selected in the MacKillop AFL team last Friday. Jarvis will compete in the NSWPSA AFL Championships in May.

Congratulations to Joel Foxe (6G), Ben McNamara (5B) and Jarvis Hemmings (6Y) who were selected in the Parramatta Diocese Touch Football team. The boys will compete at the MacKillop trials at the end of May.

Best wishes to Ned Cane (6Y) and Zalia Ritchie (5Y) who are competing at the NSW PSSA Swimming Championships at Homebush today and tomorrow. Well done!!

Winter Uniform

Children may wear their winter uniform any time from Week 1, Term 2 at the discretion of parents.

We would expect that all children are then in full winter uniform by Monday 13th May.



Upcoming Dates

TERM 1

Fri 12th April

8.45am Pre Holy Week Assembly - All Welcome

Stage 3 Touch Gala Day St Marys

PSSA Swimming

Last day of Term 2 for students

TERM 2

Mon 29th April

Students return to school

Tue 30th April

11:00am Anzac Day Prayer led by Year 6 at the Peace Fountain - All Welcome

Thurs 2nd May

2:15pm Resurrection and farewell to Fr Gerard Liturgy - All Welcome

Fri 3rd May

Year 6 Fizzics Incursion

Sat 4th May

6:00pm First Holy Communion Ceremonies

Sun 5th May

1pm First Holy Communion Ceremonies

Mothers' Day is coming! Friday 10th May

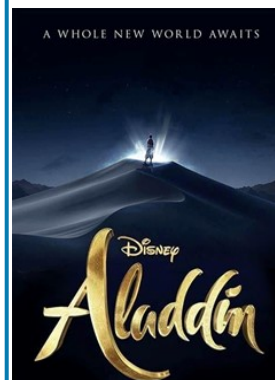
On Friday 10th May we will celebrate Mothers' Day at St Angela's. Our celebrations will begin with a special Mothers' Day Assembly at 8:45am, followed by a Mothers' Day cuppa and then a visit to the classrooms for a learning activity, with those who admire you most. We hope you can join us.

Calling Any Available Men!

For the Mothers' Day celebrations it would be fitting to have all mums able to enjoy a cuppa. We, therefore, are seeking any available and willing men who could assist in setting up and/or serving morning tea on Friday 10th May. Please email the office at stangelas@parra.catholic.edu.au if you are able to share some time for the wonderful mums in our community.

From the Parish.....

FR. GERARD LOFRANCO, OFM Conv. will be leaving us for his new assignment in the Philippines on **Saturday 4 May, 2019**. We wish him all the best. Please pray for him and the friars in this time of transition. Join us at a party for Fr. Gerard in thanksgiving for his ministry here at OLOR on **Saturday, 27 April, 2019 (Divine Mercy Weekend)**. He will celebrate the 6pm Mass and then we will celebrate him in the old hall. Please call the office beforehand and let us know what plate you might bring to share with other guests.



Join Fr. Alejandro on a magic carpet ride at the **Aladdin Parish Movie Night!** on Friday 31st May at 6.30 pm at Castle Towers Event Cinemas. We rent the whole theatre out for this special engagement for the whole family! The 2019 live action Disney film is based on the animated classic. Tickets are \$20 each and any profits are for the parish renovations. Seating is limited so call the parish office (9629-2595) during regular business hours to reserve your seats next to Fr. Alejandro and the friars coming to the show!

Celebrating Our Gifts

(Awards presented on Friday 05/04/19)

Academic Excellence

Cooper Foley KB
Henri Leopardi KG
Joshua Raad KY
Jacob Lee 1B
Ray Zhang 1G
Sebastian Brook 1Y
Liam Nicholls 2B
Elijah Moses 2G
Mathis Ma 2Y
Seamus Burden 3B
Joseph Azar 3G
Ava Russo 3Y
Aaron Zlomislic 4B
Connor Paton 4G
Angelina Catalano 4Y
Jackson Bercich 5B
Indigo Read 5G
Camryn Lean 5Y
Jessica Stewart 6B
Jason Fahmy 6G
Noah Wheatley 6Y

St Angela's Award

Aria Martyn KB
William Hall KG
Mila Abeyaratne KY
Anglique Bonasin 1B
Sienna Bressi 1G
Jasmine Hackett 1Y
Kaeden Hochstetter 2B
Eloise Hansell 2G
Mikayla Martin 2Y
Aidan Rambow 3B
Harrison Lee 3G
Jude Moller 3Y
Sienna Stavropoulos 4B
Sean Phung 4G
Alexander Pace 4Y
Jemima Scothern 5B
Jack Hall 5G
Freya Begg 5Y
Brandon Suefong 6B
Kate McEvoy 6G
Ava Bizzanelli 6Y

Major Events Coming Up

Please find outlined below details of upcoming ANZAC events. The Anzac Day Ceremonies will be taking place at the Centenary of Anzac Reserve (across from the school).

1. Sunday 14th April at 9:00am - Anzac Commemoration Sunday Service
2. Thursday 25th April at 6:00am - Anzac Day Commemoration Service Ceremony for the Shire.

We will have representatives from St Angela's at both of the Anzac ceremonies, placing a wreath for those who gave their lives for our country.

FOUND - Suzuki car key found with an N initial keyring attached. Please contact school office if you have misplaced this.

Paul Kelly Cup

Yesterday St Angela's participated in the Paul Kelly Cup AFL Gala day. The time given up to train definitely paid off with both teams going through the pool rounds and semifinal undefeated. We were very proud to have both our girls and boys teams in the grand final.

The girls team consisted of Sienna Van Jour, Tia Post, Bernadette Laird, Clarissa Burgess, Jeanette Khoudair, Tahlia Mackay, Rebekah Love, Madison Nasr, Lauren Evans, Jemima Scothern, Yasmin Davie, Taylah Khoudair, Hailey Cassettari, and Ruby Moller. The girls were just awesome, after losing some players prior to the day due to injuries and sickness they played as a team and should be proud of the way they represented themselves and St Angela's. The girls lost the grand final but certainly let their light shine.

The boys team consisted of Logan McDonald, Ben McNamara, Sean Collins, Brayden Manio, Kaija Kneivitt, Joel Cartisano, Anthony El-Rahi, Aimon Fitzsimons, Kean Holmes, Jeremy James, Matthew Foley, Joel Foxe, Ned Cane, Marcus Como and Jarvis Hemmings. The boys were too strong all day winning their grand final 53-0. They are very excited to be progressing to the regional final at Blacktown SportsPark.

Special thank you to:

David Hemmings who coached the boys team on the day., Glenn Mackay who coached the girls on the day, Mr Laird who helped with training, Mrs Moller who managed/supervised/cheered the children on the day, and the parents for supporting the children and learning how much fun AFL is.

The behaviour of both teams is to be commended, showing great respect to the umpires and their opponents.

Andra Hemmings
Sports Co ordinator



Happy Birthday!



Happy birthday to members of our St Angela's community who will celebrate their birthday during the holidays and the first week of next term:

APRIL

Sun 14th

Ava De Carlo
Harrison McIntyre
Aimon Fitzsimons

Thu 25th

Sofia Muscardo
Nicholas Murdocca
Rosie Lowe

Mon 15th

Saskia Wallace
Sienna Bressi

Fri 26th

Charlize Woodham
Daniel Oh

Tue 16th

Sean Collins
Ariella Colosimo

Sat 27th

Bodhi Neeld

Wed 17th

Marcus Eltakchi
Sophie Milas
Patrick Crowley
Yasemin Vancuylenberg

Sun 28th

Amelia Blackwell
Oliver Hewlett
Simone Laird
Mia Merhi
Shameema Davids

Thu 18th

Harrison Petras
Isabella Logarta-Scott

Mon 29th

Zachary Vujnovich
Mya Harvey
Cooper Foley

Fri 19th

Joel Cartisano
Hudson McEneaney
Eva Aguilar

Tue 30th

Aaron Zlomislic
Lucas Seda

Sat 20th

Henry Phelan
Rafferty Castillo
Chloe Eltakchi

May

Wed 1st

Joshua van Egdom
Owen van Egdom

Sun 21st

Noah Granero
Maddison File

Thu 2nd

Jarvis Hemmings
Stirling Post
Katarina Mabic
Eva Iljic

Mon 22nd

Mrs Javidi
Stefan Geoghegan
Lilliana Sacco
Amalie Cordi

Fri 3rd

Sean Salib

Tue 23rd

Abby Lukjaenko
Brendan Khoudair

Sat 4th

Mrs Aberley
Daniella Khodair
Alexander Pace

entertainment™ Books

Entertainment Books are now available to purchase. Flyers were sent home with your child today. To order your book or digital membership, please visit www.entbook.com.au/2144d46. For further information please contact the school office.



Woolworths Earn and Learn

The Woolworths "Shop For Your School" is back. The program starts on 1st May and runs until 25th June 2019. Bring your stickers earned, from what you spend at Woolworths, to school and place them in your classroom office bag, the box on the stage or in the box labelled St Angela's at Woolworths Kellyville Plaza.

Grade Contact Lists Last Call!

These lists are useful for communicating with other families within the school to organise playdates, birthday parties etc. If you wish to be included in your grade's contact list, your mobile number (ie, the main mobile contact number that the school has on file) will be circulated to others on the grade list once you authorise permission for this purpose. To be added to the list please **complete the google form that was emailed by tomorrow Friday 12th April.**

We only publish a contact phone number as this seems to be of the most value to parents. It is envisaged that if you require more information, eg. Email addresses etc., you can contact the parent directly. The information will be generated from our school administration system. It is important to take note of a few mandatory guidelines for using these numbers:

Confidentiality is paramount. Parents who have volunteered their number have done so for other parents of the grade. It is kindly asked that you do not pass on any numbers to other parents due to privacy. Phone numbers should not be left on display on fridges etc. where they can be accessed by others or passed onto others without permission. Phone numbers should only be used appropriately to support each other, foster networks and build community.

Only parents who have emailed details to their grade parent representative listed below will be included. Only parents who are on the list will receive an emailed copy of the list. The list will only be published once per year.

Theme for the Week

"Keeping Our Children Safe"

At St Angela's, in the last week and the first week of each term, each class takes time to discuss the protective behaviour themes of:

"We all have the right to feel safe all of the time"

"Nothing is so awful that you can't tell someone about it"

This is an opportune time to talk to your children about being safe in the holidays.

Book Hunting Over The Holidays!

Do you have any of our readers or library books at home? During the course of each and every term, books/readers etc. are sent home with children from the class, the library and from our Special Education Support. Although these are recorded, unfortunately some are never returned. Before contacting the relevant parents directly, we would kindly ask that you have a thorough search at home, in toy boxes, on shelves, under the bed etc., so that these books can be returned and circulated to other children. All St Angela's books are stamped with our school stamp and/or have library bar codes on them.

Thank You

To the large number of parents who have given so generously of their time and support in many ways this term at St Angela's. This has included helping with excursions, sporting events, literacy, numeracy, parent meetings, St Patrick's Day, library assistance, special food days, Mothers' Day gift wrapping, canteen, book club, second hand uniforms, Kindergarten and new families BBQ.

Sent Home This Week:

Emailed: Year 6 Peer Support Mufti, Year 6 Yearbook

Hard Copy: Year 6 Yearbook

JOURNEY TOWARDS EASTER

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

LENT began on 6 March

Fridays during Lent

10.15am **Stations of the Cross**
at the Shrine (8 Greyfriar Pl, Kellyville)

7pm Mass at Parish

followed by Confessions and

Stations of the Cross of Bl. Pope Paul VI

DEANERY COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION:

FRIDAY, 12 APRIL

7:30pm at St John XXIII Parish, Stanhope Gardens

MONDAY 15 APRIL

7:30 at St Michael's Parish, Baulkham Hills

EASTER SCHEDULE

Sacred Triduum

Holy Thursday, 18 April

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

Adoration in the old hall until 10pm

Good Friday, 19 April,

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, 20 April

No Confessions

Easter Vigil Mass at 8pm

Easter Sunday, 21 April

Masses at 7am, 9am, 11am

Please Note: There will be NO EVENING MASS ON EASTER SUNDAY

Premier's Reading Challenge 2019

The Premier's Reading Challenge for 2019 has begun! Students have received their usernames and passwords. Keep the username and password handy - a good idea is to take a photo and to save these details when you log in to any device. We really encourage all children to take part in this challenge as there is a great range of books to read and enjoy. Gold and Platinum Certificates will be awarded at the end of the year to students who have successfully participated in the challenge 4 and 7 times consecutively.

Mothers' Day Stall

We will be holding a Mothers' Day Stall for the children on **Wednesday 8th May 2019.**

The children will be able to choose from a variety of beautifully packaged gifts for their mums, grandmothers etc. The children will be given an opportunity to view the gifts in advance. To make the stall more affordable, all gifts will cost \$5. We will not be collecting money in advance. **Children are to bring their money on the day in an envelope clearly marked with "Mother's Day Stall", their name and class so it doesn't get lost.** The money will be exchanged for a token at the entrance to the stall. Any children who forget their money on the day will still be able to select a gift, which will be put away and can be collected from the school office on Thursday once money is received. If there are gifts left over after all classes have visited the stall, children will be given the opportunity to purchase extra gifts.

Year 1 Parents Helpers for Mothers' Day Stall

Wednesday 8th May

9:00 - 10:30am

Many hands needed!

If you are available to help out on the stall day, please contact Maria Fernandes at m_c_cal@yahoo.com.au with your name, email address and time you are available. All help will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you from the Year 1 Parent Reps