



St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill

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Dear Parents,

2019 Catholic Schools "Fortnight" 'Growing Young in Christ'.

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

Tomorrow
Fri 15th 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 and are asked to bring in a donation of 'gold or fold' to support our social justice outreach through Caritas Project Compassion in order to help make a difference to those in need. This year we will also be supporting the Cancer Kids Project in support of children from our own St Angela's community who have suffered from cancer.** 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 going to the movies, walking the dog, playing dominoes and snakes & ladders, exercising, kite flying, cooking, playing pool, going to the park and bush walking just to mention a few.

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.

Reading Afternoon

Hundreds of parents with their favourite books joined the children to enjoy a good read on Monday. The weather was beautiful and our classrooms, playground, hall and library were overflowing and buzzing with everyone sharing their favourite books and just reading together. It was just wonderful to see children, parents and grandparents reading to and with each other. Your extremely positive feedback of this popular event has once again been very much appreciated.

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.



ST ANGELA'S SCHOOL DISCO

"Dance like no one is watching"

Tonight Friday 15th March

Kindergarten to Year 2

4.30-6.00pm

Years 3-6

6.30-8.00pm

Please note school carpark will be closed.



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Religious Education

Sunday, 17 Mar 2019: Second Sunday of Lent - Year C

Gospel

Lk 9:28-36

As Jesus prayed, the aspect of his face was changed, and his clothing became brilliant as lightning.

In all three versions of this Transfiguration event that appear in the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke, the context in which the event occurs is identical. That's a little unusual with these three gospel writers who like to put their own spin on events and often play with the chronology or settings of events. However, in this case, all three writers report the Transfiguration event as taking place immediately after a particular sequence of events. Jesus has asked the disciples who they think he is and Peter has made his confession of faith by declaring that Jesus is the Messiah. This declaration is followed by Jesus teaching about the demands of discipleship and then the account of the Transfiguration. Furthermore, all three versions are directly followed by an account of a man who brings his possessed son to Jesus for healing after the disciples have tried and failed to cast out the demon.

When all three of the synoptic gospels use the same story with little variation and all three retain the same context around the event then there are some pretty clear signals that this was a commonly accepted sequence of events and their sequence holds significance. The core message of this sequence of stories is about the faith of the disciples. Whilst Peter declares Jesus to be the Messiah, he and the others don't really yet know what this means. In the Transfiguration, they are given the clearest possible indication of Jesus' identity and yet they're half asleep and we're told Peter doesn't know what he's saying when he starts talking about building tents. The following failure by the disciples to cast out a demon shows that they still haven't understood fully who and what Jesus is. What a great reading for the season of Lent!

Q. What does the command, 'Listen to him' mean for you in your life?

Q. What message does the event hold for us today?

A Prayer of Blessing for St. Patrick's Day

"For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord bestows favour and honour; no good thing does He withhold from those who walk uprightly." Ps. 84:11
In 433 A.D., history tells us that St. Patrick was praying for God's divine protection in his work and ministry in Ireland while facing powerful enemies. He wrote this prayer called St. Patrick's Breastplate, which is still widely known and recited today.

*"As I arise today,
may the strength of God pilot me,
the power of God uphold me,
the wisdom of God guide me.
May the eye of God look before me,
the ear of God hear me,
the word of God speak for me.
May the hand of God protect me,
the way of God lie before me,
the shield of God defend me,
the host of God save me.
May Christ shield me today.
Christ with me, Christ before me,
Christ behind me,
Christ in me, Christ beneath me,
Christ above me,
Christ on my right, Christ on my left,
Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit,
Christ when I stand,
Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,
Christ in every eye that sees me,
Christ in every ear that hears me.
Amen."*



Mrs Jocelyn Williams
Religious Education Coordinator

Thank you ...

On behalf of the children our sincere thanks to Athena Woolnough (Jessica 6Y) who coordinates Bookclub for the children. This service is used by a very large number of families who wish to purchase books. All is undertaken quietly, with a smile and without fuss. Your time and efforts, all for the children, are very much appreciated.



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Week 7

Fri 15th March

Catholic Schools Week/Fortnight continues "Growing Young in Christ"

8:45 am Whole School Catholic Schools Week assembly, also celebrating St Patrick's Day Liturgy, open classrooms and morning tea - All welcome
Gold or fold - Green mufti

School Disco
4.30-6.00pm Kindergarten to Year 2
6.30-8.00pm Years 3-6

Sun 17th March

St Patrick's Day 

Week 8

Mon 18th March

12:30 Kindergarten Teddy Bear's Picnic
Parents welcome to picnic with their child.

Tues 19th March

Paul Kelly Cup - Kellyville Park

Thurs 21st March

8:45 am Fun(d) Raising Meeting - All welcome

1:45 pm Year 1 Grandparents Talk in the Library/Hall

Fri 22nd March

9.00am Year 6 Committee Meeting - All welcome

2:15pm Whole School Assembly presented by Year 2 - All welcome

Resilience - Bounce Back

"Resilience... Bouncing Back from problems with more power and more smarts!"

On Monday, students from Kinder to Year 6 gathered in the hall for a workshop on Resilience. Through interaction with clips, songs, scenarios and discussions the children were encouraged to think about building their own resilience in the following areas:

- **Bouncing Back** after difficult times
- Dealing with challenges
- Giving things a go or trying your best
- Being strong and happy on the inside
- Being able to cope with what life throws at you and shrug it off

Building resilience helps children not only to deal with current difficulties that are a part of everyday life, but also to develop the basic skills and habits that will help them deal with challenges later in life, during adolescence and adulthood.

Resilience is not something that kids either have or don't have; it's a skill that kids develop as they grow.

Mrs Yager
Assistant Principal

Sibling Enrolment for Kindergarten 2020

Enrolment packs have been sent home to those families who have advised (via our google form emailed on 25th February) that they are intending to enrol a sibling/siblings at St Angela's for Kindergarten 2020. Please complete the enrolment application and submit to the office, together with the required original supporting documentation, by **Friday 22nd March**. Please phone or email the office if you have any enquiries. Thank you.

Celebrating Our Gifts

(Awards presented on Friday 8/03/19)

Academic Excellence

Harrison McIntyre KB
Eva Garcia-Loyola KG
Annabelle Sprem KY
Lauren Spragg 1B
Sienna Reilly 1G
Chiara Jensen-Luppino 1Y
Annelise Guirrerri 2B
Mikayla White 2G
Chloe Mowbray 2Y
Jesselyn Tedja 3B
David Gigliucci 3G
Aliyah Henwood 3Y
William Taylor 4B
Alexandra Huynh 4G
Sophie Wallace 4Y
Veronica Cheng 5B
Evangeline Green 5G
Ariana Sarmiento 5Y
Oliver Simunic 6B
Adam Mendoza 6G
Jessica Woolnough 6Y

St Angela's Award

Norah Siountris KB
Ivy Kastoun KG
Joshua Losco KY
Mary Raad 1B
Sebastian Miletic 1G
Victoria Taouk 1Y
Joshua Vassallo 2B
Jai Powell 2G
Izaak Botic 2Y
Euan Adji 3B
Matilda Scothern 3G
Owen Van Egdom 3Y
Isabella Khodeir 4B
Tiani Layoun 4G
Macey Holmes 4Y
Tyra Moc 5B
Ruby Moller 5G
Vanessa Tesoriero 5Y
Anthony El-Rahi 6B
Daniel Oh 6G
Marcus Como 6Y

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.

Quote of the Week

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

Theme for the Week:

"Have Faith & Trust in Jesus"

Our theme this week helps remind us that we should always place our trust in Jesus - to trust and know that His love and care will always be with us and guide our lives. As a family we live out and show our faith and trust in Jesus as we deal with life's challenges. Prayer as a family is just one of the many ways of making Jesus part of our lives.



Happy Birthday!



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

MARCH

Sun 17th
Tyra Moc

Mon 18th
Aaron Hohn
Jessica Hohn

Tues 19th
Emma Heanes
Myah Ciccio

Wed 20th
James Morr
Torja McKnight
Isaac Vassallo
Bernadette Laird

Thurs 21st
Jake Gardiner
Sr. Venera (Foundation
Principal of St Angela's)

Fri 22nd
Ethan Stewart
Alfonso Costa

Sat 23rd
Kara Piperata
Lily Cassar
Kem Young
Anthony Mittiga

First Holy Communion Preparation

Saturday 16th March

4:30 -6:00 pm &

Sunday 17th March

9:30 -11:00 am & 4:30 -6:00 pm
at

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish

You only need to attend the one session that you booked for through 'try booking' which was in your sacramental information package.

Going Home Arrangements

A google form regarding 'going home arrangements' was sent home for you to complete on 1st February. Thank you to all who quickly completed this form so we can ensure your child leaves each day according to your arrangements. We have a few families who have not yet completed this form. We kindly ask that is completed as soon as possible. Thank you for your support.



MOVIE NIGHT
FRIDAY 5th APRIL
Here at St Angela's

'Baker's Delight' Special Food Day
Tuesday 26th March
Information coming home soon.

Some photos from our reading afternoon.....

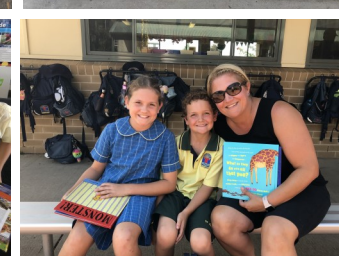
Artists of the Week

Congratulations to our artists for this week:

Antonia Khoudair 1 Green
Olivia Miletic 4 Green



Children's artworks are proudly displayed outside the library in the pinboard cabinets.



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.

Star Spot

Congratulations to Lucas Seda (5B) who has so far raised \$480 for the Leukemia Foundation in The World's Greatest Shave campaign. It is wonderful to see Lucas making a difference and helping those in need.

Please keep in your prayers

Our prayers are extended to the Siountris family (Norah KB), due to the passing into eternal life of Norah's Great Grandfather.



Oakhill College

Oakhill College warmly welcomes families of future students seeking enrolment in 2021 to attend our Enrolment Information Evening on Tuesday, 19 March 2019 from 7.00pm – 8.00pm.

www.trybooking.com/YFON

Sent Home This Week:

Emailed: St Angela's Disco Reminder, Whooping Cough
Hard Copy: Kindergarten Teddy Bear's Picnic, Stage 3 Touch Football Gala Day

From the Library ...

It is an expectation that all children borrow each week. Please ensure that your child has a library bag or similar with them on their library day. It would be a great help if you could assist your child at home with reading and caring for their library books.

Library Borrowing Timetable

Monday	Year 3, Year 4, Year 6
Tuesday	Year 1
Friday	Kindergarten, Year 2 Year 5

Mrs Rosanne North
 Teacher Librarian

Grade Assemblies

Remaining whole school assemblies for Term 1 are as follows:

Week 8 - Friday 22nd March at 2:15pm led by Year 2

Week 10 - Friday 5th April at 2:15pm led by Year 4

All parents are most welcome to join us.