

St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill



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Ministry of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville

4th July 2019 Term 2, Week 10

Dear Parents,

Parent/Teacher Interviews

It was wonderful to see so many parents arriving this week for their Parent/Teacher interviews and speaking so positively about their child's progress, so realistically about their child's challenges and so warmly about their child's teacher. As always, I certainly welcome your feedback regarding any aspect of the Parent Teacher Interviews.

Parents and teachers are both vital and critical to the wellbeing and development of our children and we must always work together to make the most of children's learning and to nurture their talents.

This is especially refreshing given that the workload of a teacher is often criticised by the media and perceptions of a '9 to 3' day are still present. In comparison, our teachers spend the '9 to 3' part of the day with the children, facilitating their learning. Countless hours aside from this time are then spent each day correcting and assessing the student's work (this term in particular has seen teachers meeting to analyse children's work samples, results and assessments against criteria linked to our syllabus to ensure a correct A-E achievement level) planning lessons, preparing resources, meeting with support teachers to discuss children's needs, professional development to continually improve the quality of their teaching, regular meetings with parents to discuss children's progress, staff meetings, presenting inservice/information evenings to parents, organising excursion opportunities, carnivals and many, many more while, at the same time, juggling their own family lives and finding time for reflection and self renewal.

My appreciation and thanks to you as parents for your valuable role as the primary educators of your child and to the teachers, a dedicated team of professionals who give so generously of their self, skills and time.

Improving the learning outcomes for all children at St Angela's is our core business. The children are our first priority. This is a great Catholic school that over the last 19 years, has helped produce not just well educated young adults, but compassionate people who, because of their faith, confidently embrace a future with hope and joy. I hope that you are as proud to be a part of this community as I am.

Thank You

As we end Term 2, I would like to thank you for your support, enthusiasm and positive feedback throughout the term. It has certainly been an exciting time, filled with many examples of faith, fun and learning. For your attendance and support at events throughout the term, we thank you. Our action packed Term 2 included just to name a few, Anzac Day Celebrations, Debating, Communion, Reconciliation, Mother's Day Celebrations, NAPLAN, Assemblies, Year 6 Canberra Excursion, Pentecost, Years 3 - 6 Athletics Carnival, School Photos, Food Day, Sport Days, Body Smart, General Parent Meeting, Masses and Liturgies, Year 5 Bathurst Excursion, Reports and Parent/Teacher Interviews. Working together is what continues to build our strong community. I look forward to seeing our wonderful students at the beginning of Term 3, Monday 22nd July, after a well earned break.

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

Mr Tony Calabria Principal



TERM 2

Upcoming Dates

ri **5th July** Last day of Term 2

TERM 3 Week 1

Mon 22nd July First day of term for staff and students

K-6 Dance Fever Sessions-Sports uniform

is to be worn on Mondays

Tue 23rd July School Photo follow up day for band, choir

and students who were absent on 27th

May

Fri 26th July Year 6 Excursion to Sydney Observatory

What A Great Day for a Sausage Sizzle!

Our appreciation and thanks to Joanne Cassab, Donna Collins, Sandra Costa, Wayne Davie, Maria Fernandes, Anissa Gordon, Jane Hewlett, Louisa Laird, Nicole Lane, Heidi Lee, Michelle McEnearney, Jillian Metcalfe, Belinda Muscat, Donna Ortlepp, Kris Petersen, Jenny Tallaridi and Katherine Vassallo for all their help with our Special 'Sausage Sizzle' Food Day last Friday. Thank you on behalf of the 600+ mouths you fed. Your help was very much appreciated.

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"

.... So that children feel comfortable at all times to approach people in their network.

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

Students return to school on Monday 22nd July





Religious Education

Sunday, 7 Jul 2019: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -Year C

Gospel

Lk 10:1-12. 17-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke Your peace will rest upon him.

Living the Gospel - Discipleship

This Sunday, the gospel passage immediately follows the passage used last week that spelt out the difficulties of discipleship. Having explained how hard it is to be a disciple, Jesus sends his followers out to 'have a go' at being a disciple. When they come back successful he tells them not to be boastful or proud at their achievements but rather to be happy that their 'names are written in heaven'. In other words, anything they accomplished was because they were 'known' by God and that God was working through them. Disciples make themselves 'known' to God and God works through them to accomplish great things!

- Q. What is it that you are being 'sent' to do?
- Q. Why might the theme of sending out disciples have been so important to this gospel writer?

Thank you to Miss McRoberts and 2 Green for leading our school in prayer last Friday morning as we celebrated the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Mrs Jocelyn Williams Religious Education Coordinator

"Consider This" Some Food For Thought

Given the world of information and communication being so accessible and easy, it is always important for our children (and adults) to be as wise as Socrates. Keep this philosophy in mind the next time you either hear or are about to repeat a rumour or something you have read.

In ancient Greece (469 - 399 BC), Socrates was widely lauded for his wisdom. One day the great philosopher came upon an acquaintance who ran up to him excitedly and said, "Socrates, do you know what I just heard about one of your students?"

"Wait a moment," Socrates replied. "Before you tell me, I'd like you to pass a little test. It's called the Test of Three."

"Three?"

"That's right, Socrates continued. "Before you talk to me about my student let's take a moment to test what you're going to say. The first test is Truth. Have you made absolutely sure that what you are about to tell me is true?"

"No," the man said, "actually I just heard about it."

"All right," said Socrates. "So you don't really know if it's True or not."

"Now let's try the second test, the test of Goodness. Is what you are about to tell me about my student something good?"

"No, on the contrary..."

"So," Socrates continued, "you want to tell me something bad about my student even though you're not certain it's true?"

The man shrugged, a little embarrassed.

Socrates continued. "You may still pass though, because there is a third test - the filter of Usefulness. Is what you want to tell me about my student going to be Useful to me?"

"No, not really..."

"Well," concluded Socrates, "if what you want to tell me is neither True nor Good nor even Useful, why tell it to me at all?"

The man was defeated and ashamed. This was the reason Socrates was a great philosopher and held in such high esteem.

Inter School Debating Competition 2019 Double Victory!!

Congratulations to all involved in the 3rd round of the Inter School Debating Competition. St Angela's debated against Christ the King on the topic, "We should be vegetarians". Christ the King presented some challenging arguments but St Angela's were very successful 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 Shepherd for providing transportation and Mrs Taylor our adjudicator.

Mrs Kelly, Ms Ogilvie, Mrs Fizely, Mrs Newbury and Mr Lee Debating Co-ordinators

Star Spot

Congratulations to Liam Nicholls (2B) competed in the Australian Federation of Brazilian Jujitsu State Championships on Sunday 30th June and was awarded a bronze medal. Well done!



Notification Policy if Moving from St Angela's

Please note:

If you are leaving St Angela's please ensure you are aware that the Diocese requests a full terms notice, (10 school weeks) in writing, to be given to the Principal before a parent/guardian terminates a students enrolment. According to Diocesan policy, if the required notice is not given, the parent/guardian is to pay one term's school fees including diocesan fees.

Upon withdrawal of a student, fees are calculated on a pro-rata basis according to the notification period given.

One exception is that notice in writing, will be accepted at anytime during Term 4. This is outlined on the last page of your Term 1 school fee account statement and also on the enrolment form instructions.

Please contact the school office if further clarification is

required.

Thank you.

DANCE FEVER

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 along with many other schools. Although all children will dance throughout the term, taking part in the night at Homebush is purely optional. The cost of this program has already been included in your school fee account. The program begins Monday 22nd July, the first day of Term 3. Children are to wear their sports uniform on Monday.

Internet/Facebook/Text Messaging

As a parent you have a responsibility to monitor your child's use of technology at home, in particular, over the holidays. As a school we speak regularly to our older grades about appropriate technology use. If this technology is being used inappropriately by your child or others then action needs to be taken. Suggestions include:

- Viewing your child's text messages (both inbox & outbox)
- Viewing internet history
- Viewing emails sent and received
- Encouraging your child to block any children on social media if needed
- Setting up rules of usage and following through with restricted or no mobile phone, internet usage etc. for a period of time
- Monitoring games they play against others on the internet, particularly those that are age specified.

Please let us know if we can help you in this important area.

Celebrating Our Gifts

(Awards presented on Friday 28/06/19)

Academíc Excellence	St Angela's Award
Ruby Aquilina KB	Sebastian Raad KB
Elena Mauceri KG	Steven Zeaiter KG
Jake Gardiner KY	Joshua Raad KY
Lauren Spragg 1B	Noah Ochudzawa 1B
Amber Monet 1G	Makaela Daniel 1G
Hudson Lukas 1Y	Harrison Gibbons 1Y
Abbey Glass 2B	Luca Basso 2B
Zavier Stornelli 2G	Jaida Singh 2G
Georgia-Rose Scoulou 2Y	Maddison File 2Y
Matthew Karam 3B	Dominique Southwood 3B
Adalyn Lewis 3G	Cristian Frasca 3G
Zoe Davie 3Y	Riley Dafter 3Y
Rhys Wilson 4B	Bronte Woodhead 4B
Sean Phung 4G	Ella West 4G
Alannah Lane 4Y	Zachary Brook 4Y
Sean Salib 5B	Benjamin Smith 5B
Alec Austen 5G	Madison Tedros 5G
Troy Austen 5Y	Ariana Sarmiento 5Y
Rebekah Love 6B	Blake Cassettari 6B
Dylan Crowe 6G	Olivia Sultana 6G
Madison Nasr 6Y	Noah Wheatley 6Y



Photo Day Follow Up Tuesday 23rd July



For any student who was absent on Photo Day, (Monday May 27th), along with the school band (please bring your instruments) and choir. Please ensure that your child is dressed in their full school winter uniform if they are required to be photographed on this day. If it is sport day for your child, please send along their runners.

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 Learning Support Team. 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.

Change of School for 2020

To estimate enrolments for 2020, it would be appreciated if the school could be notified in writing of any children who may be leaving St Angela's at the end of the year from grades other than Year 6.





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:

<u>July</u> Sun 7th Tue 16th Finnegan Brook Ella West Jessica Mitchell Jessica Woolnough

Mon 8th Wed 17th Zoe Ortlepp

Tue 9th Georgia Lee

Wed 10th Annika Clarke Gia Lorelle Anonical Angelina Tallaridi

Thurs 11th Aiden Petersen Riley Petersen

Fri 12th Mrs Wilson

Sat 13th Chloe Mowbray

Mon 15th Isabella Arrastia Vanessa Tesoriero **Emily Lambert**

Fri 19th Maddison Eastwood Mrs Kennedy

Sat 20th **Emily Crowley**

Mon 22nd William Schenko Lachlan Thew

Tue 23rd Radheen Wettasinghe Isabella Cameron Luciana Castillo Clarissa Burgess Jake Burgess

Wed 24th Sarah D'Cruz Benjamin McNamara

Sports Uniform Days Term 3

Dance Fever	Sport Day
Monday	Thursday
Monday	Wednesday
Monday	Thursday
Monday	Wednesday
Monday	Tuesday
Monday	Wednesday
Monday (wear Year 6 white shirt)	Thursday
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Thank You

◆ Our appreciation 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, sacramental programs, parent meetings, Fun(d)raising events, library assistance, special food days, Mothers' Day, canteen and book club. You are amazing!

Term Dates for 2019

Term 3 Monday 22nd July to Friday 27th September Term 4 Monday 14th October to Wednesday 18th

> (Thursday 19th and Friday 20th December are Staff **Development Days)**

Artists of the Week

Congratulations to our artists for Weeks 9&10:
Olivia Millalonco 1 Blue
Rebekah Love 6 Blue
Children's artworks are proudly
displayed outside the library in the pinboard cabinets.

Hillsbus network changes in late July

We have been advised that Transport for NSW will soon announce changes to the Hillsbus network for implementation from late July. The changes may impact how students travel, and we encourage students and parents to check https://transportnsw.info for details on these changes before school returns. Hillsbus will issue updated school travel advice sheets as soon as possible.

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.



St Angela's Annual Golf Day

Friday 23rd August - Save the Date CALLING THOSE INTERESTED IN GOLF

(ALL LEVELS WELCOME - BEGINNERS TO EXPERIENCED)

Stonecutters Ridge Golf Club

Keep an eye on Shine for further details

Body Smart Thank You

A big thank you to all of the Kindergarten and Year One parents for assisting with the Body Smart program this term: Sarah Losco, Heidi Lee, Michelle McEnearney, Previn Chetty, Emma Raad, Karen Eltakchi, Kylie Pace, Nicole Theoharous, Amanda Lukjanenko, Julie Colosimo, Annie Lakeman, Amanda Merhi, Mary Araneda, Xiaoqian Lui, Belinda Muscat and Samantha Mills.

Your time and commitment is greatly appreciated by the students and teachers.

Roar!!! Lion King is here!

We've seats for you and your family to see the new Disney adaptation of the animated classic! Come join OLOR Parish and support our renovation project for the private showing on Sunday 28 July at 2 pm at Event Cinemas Castle Hill. (Tickets are \$20 each; with no previews and no assigned seats, make sure you come early for parking!) Father Alejandro will be there and we hope you will too! Tickets can be purchased through the parish office or by phone with credit card at 9629 2595.

Come down to Castle Hill Baseball Club and TRY T-BALL!

The Castle Hill "Knights" will be holding "TRY T-BALL Days" on Sunday 28th July & Sunday 4th August from 10am-12pm at Castle Glen Reserve, Ridgecrop Drive, Castle Hill.

For more information please contact Dave Martyn on 0417 344 430/teeball@castlehillbaseball.com.au or simply hit the link https://castlehillbaseball.typeform.com/to/YQDRiD to register your child!!

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.



Sent Home This Week:

Emailed: Year 6 Energy Expo, 4G Mr Hurst, Year 5 PBL Invitation, Year 6 Yearbook Google Form, Year 1 - Term 3 Spelling List **Hard Copy:** 4G Mr Hurst, 4Y & 4B Reports, KG Miss Claxton