



St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill

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Term 2, Week 2

Dear Parents,

Mothers' Day Assembly Tomorrow Friday 10th May at 8:45am

We welcome all parents, especially mothers, to our special Mothers' Day assembly tomorrow morning at 8:45am, followed by a community morning tea in the St Maximilian Hall and a visit to our classrooms to undertake a learning activity with your daughter or son. Given Mothers' Day falls very early in the term you will notice the classrooms are still building their displays etc, as their units of work are progressively taught.

Thank you to the wonderful parents from Year One who co-ordinated the Mothers' Day Stall so that your child has something special chosen by them to give you on Sunday. Keep an eye on next week's Shine for acknowledgements and a full wrap up of our Mothers' Day Celebrations.

On behalf of the children and staff I would like to wish all mothers in our parish school community a happy and heartfelt Mothers' Day for this Sunday. The special love that only a mother can give is always appreciated but not always acknowledged. Every day should be Mothers' Day, so why not rest and relax on Sunday and allow your family to show their love and thanks to you for the invaluable role you play in their lives.



Kindergarten Enrolments 2020

Our enrolment process for Kindergarten enrolments for 2020 has well and truly begun. To date, including siblings, over 140 enrolment packages have been returned. This is a true testimony and affirmation of the wonderful St Angela's community, the high standard of quality Catholic Education we provide and the outstanding educators and staff present. Our school certainly has a great reputation, thanks to all of you. You, as parents, are our best ambassadors and we hope you are as proud of St Angela's as we are.

When prospective enrolment families for 2020 visited St Angela's in Term 1 for a school tour and information session, they stated how impressed they were and are certainly looking forward to their young ones starting in 2020.



Sacrament of First Holy Communion

Congratulations to our Year 3 students, along with those throughout the parish, who last weekend celebrated the Sacrament of First Holy Communion.



Thank You

My sincere thanks and appreciation to Mrs Yager for her outstanding leadership whilst I was on leave for the first week of this term. My thanks also to the entire St Angela's team for their wonderful start to the term.

My daughter's wedding over the holiday break was such a magical day. The thought of walking your daughter down the aisle always seems so distant when they are children, but they grow up so quickly. Be sure to enjoy the precious primary school years! We all enjoyed every minute of the day. On behalf of Maree and Jeremy, Maureen and myself, thank you for your well wishes and blessings.

It is lovely to be back and I look forward to another great term full of faith, fun and learning as we work together in partnership to allow your children to 'let their light shine'!

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

Tony Calabria
Principal



Theme for the Week "Mothers are a Gift from God"

Our theme this week is an acknowledgement that our Mothers, in so many ways, are one of the most precious gifts that God has given to all of us. We learn so much from the role modelling and care our Mothers give us. The unique qualities of our own mothers, whether by God's side or with us, are indeed special and we give thanks to Our Lord for their committed care and love in our lives.

Mothers' Day Cancer Council Fundraising

Many of our families have been touched by this terrible disease. Once again, this year we will be participating in fundraising for the Cancer Council during our Mothers' Day morning tea on Friday 10th May. Should you wish to make a donation, collection boxes will be placed on tables for morning tea in the school hall.

Mark the Dates

New Date Monday 27th May - School Photos
Thursday 30th May - 9:00am General Parent Meeting
Friday 21st June - Yrs 3-6 Athletics Carnival



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Religious Education

Sunday, 12 May 2019: Fourth Sunday of Easter - Year C

Gospel

Jn 10:27-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

I give my sheep eternal life.

Gospel Reflection

Shepherds in the first century did not have a particularly good reputation. Whilst the task itself was a responsible one, it was usually undertaken by hired help – usually young men or even boys. Being hired help, they had little allegiance to the flock and were generally regarded as basically untrustworthy and often accused of illicitly selling off the sheep's milk and even the occasional lamb. They lived for months at a time out in the hills with the sheep; often risking their lives in defence of their flock, yet still regarded with suspicion. Shepherds were held in such low regard that they could not appear in court as a witness. Yet, despite this grim picture of shepherds, Jesus described himself as the *Good Shepherd*. With that one word, he acknowledged the reputation of shepherds but utterly dismissed it by describing himself as a shepherd – but a good shepherd. He chose to describe himself as the worst of all occupations but raised the status to unimpeachable heights.

In describing himself as the good shepherd, Jesus joined a distinguished list of biblical shepherds: Abraham, his son Isaac, and grandson Jacob were all shepherds; Moses was tending the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, when God appeared to him in the burning bush and revealed God's name; and the great King, David, began life as a humble shepherd-boy. So, despite the poor reputation of shepherds in Jewish society, some of the greatest leaders of the Jews began life as shepherds.

Today's gospel passage follows the famous 'good shepherd' passage in the gospel of John and continues on the image. The passage portrays Jesus as 'claiming' his flock; guaranteeing them not only safety but also eternal life. This oath of loyalty and commitment is all the stronger and more remarkable in light of Jesus' rehabilitation of the status of shepherds.

Scriptural context – The Father and I are one

The final sentence of today's passage has Jesus declaring, 'The Father and I are one.' It seems a fitting way to finish the gospel reading for liturgical use in the Easter season. However, the passage in John's gospel continues on. Immediately upon hearing these words, the listening crowd grab rocks and are about to stone Jesus to death! They were horrified by his apparent blasphemy – claiming to be one with God. Such a bold declaration of oneness with the Father was no doubt used by the gospel writer to try to eradicate emerging questions about the divinity of Jesus.

Have you thought? Why John?

You may have noticed that during the Easter season, we have been hearing exclusively from the gospel of John. But aren't we in Year C of the liturgical cycle – the year of Luke? Well, yes, but ... The gospel of the year is predominantly proclaimed during Ordinary Time. However, there is no Year of John. This gospel is read during the Easter season and at other specific feasts and seasons. As the synoptic gospels focus on the life and ministry of Jesus, the theological and metaphoric nature of John's gospel is much more suited to the post-resurrection season of Easter.

Gospel Focus – Eternal life

In the gospel passage, Jesus says of the sheep that belong to him, 'I give them eternal life.' He does not say, I give them the promise of eternal life. The message that comes through the gospel of John is clear that eternal life is not some future existence, but rather a new way of being in the here and now. But that is not to suggest that there is not an 'eternal' quality to eternal life. The gospel of John makes clear that eternal life begins in the here and now but has no end.

Q. What message of hope for people today can be found in this short passage?

Q. What meaning does the image of the 'good shepherd' hold for you?

First Holy Eucharist

Congratulations to all our students who received their first holy communion on the 4th and 5th of May. We thank all the members of staff and parents who assisted Fr Al and the parish sacramental team during the weekend masses.

Mrs Jocelyn Williams

Religious Education Coordinator



Upcoming Dates

TERM 2

Week 2

Fri 10th May

8:45am Mother's Day Liturgy followed by open classrooms and morning tea. All welcome.

Week 3

Mon 13th May

Year 4 Excursion to Cockatoo Island

Tues 14th May

Years 3 & 5 NAPLAN - Writing

Wed 15th May

Years 3 & 5 NAPLAN - Reading

Thurs 16th May

Year 3 & 5 NAPLAN - Language Conventions

Fri 17th May

Year 3 & 5 NAPLAN - Numeracy

Week 4

Fri 24th May

2:15 Whole School assembly presented by Kindergarten. All welcome.

2:15 Whole School assembly presented by Year 1. All welcome.

"We would love to hear from you to help us improve the education we provide"

In the coming weeks, every diocesan school will be inviting students, teachers and parents to provide feedback on their experience of their school using an online "Tell Them From Me" survey. The surveys are an important part of our whole school evaluation and planning process.

As we value the role of parents within our school community, we would greatly appreciate your feedback. The information you provide will be used to maintain our commitment to working together in partnership, to further improve student learning and wellbeing at St Angela's.

The survey is anonymous and will take approximately 20 minutes to complete. **Please keep an eye out for the URL link to access the survey coming home soon.**

Peer Support

This coming week in Peer Support the children will share the things they enjoy in life and have an opportunity to discuss their favourite activity. This session enables children to recognise what makes them happy. Discuss with your child their favourite activity from the session.

Grade Assemblies

Our whole school assemblies for Term 2 will be as follows:

Week 3 - Friday 17th May at 2:15pm led by Kindergarten

Week 4 - Friday 24th May at 2:15pm led by Year 1

Week 5 - Friday 31st May at 2:15pm led by Year 5

Week 9 - Friday 28th June at 2:15pm led by Year 6

All parents are most welcome to join us.

Year 6 Fizzics Incursion

On Friday 3rd May, Year 6 participated in a Fizzics Incursion. The students learnt a lot about electricity and how it works. They were able to create many different types of circuits to power light bulbs, fans and much more. They enjoyed the experience and took away many new learnings about electricity. This was the entry event to start off the Year 6 science unit on electricity.

Celebrating Our Gifts

(Awards presented on Friday 3/5/19)

Academic Excellence

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| Eloise Hoon KB | Oliver Newbury KB |
| Ava Buckley KG | Tyler Petersen KG |
| Tabitha Lee KY | Mia Merhi KY |
| Cavarni Morsillo 1B | Amelia Baylis 1B |
| Maria Zegarra 1G | Samaan Abuduhou 1G |
| Sienna Andrew 1Y | Thomas Morin 1Y |
| Bodhi Neeld 2B | Oskar Callan-Kerkenezov 2B |
| Zachary Lane 2G | Mia Cordi 2G |
| Ashton Young 2Y | Patrick Netana 2Y |
| Misha Belle 3B | Eva Aguilar 3B |
| Jada Nuevo 3G | Cayleigh Mantua 3G |
| Max Lukjanenko 3Y | Caitlin Bagtas 3Y |
| Luciana Castillo 4B | Elishia Singh 4B |
| Kai Hall 4G | Aiden Siney 4G |
| Shiloh Aguas 4Y | Joshua Hall 4Y |
| Luke Watson 5B | Sean Salib 5B |
| Gabriella Way-Moran 5G | Taylor Ngo 5G |
| Jack O'Neill 5Y | Yasmin Davie 5Y |
| Cairo Piotto 6B | Jeanette Khoudair 6B |
| Radheen Wettasinghe 6G | Natalie Cerreto 6G |
| Ethan Cabezas 6Y | Rachel Agius 6Y |

St Angela's Award

Happy Birthday!



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

May

Sun 12th
Gabriella Chehade
Dylan Crawford

Fri 17th
Domenic Laird
Sean Phung
Oliver Simunic
Brandon Suefong

Mon 13th
Ashlee McKnight
Brayden Geraghty

Sat 18th
Livia Gigliucci
Jeremy James

Tue 14th
Isaac Estera
Marco Catalano

Thurs 16th
Lauren Spragg
Brandon D'Silva



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.

Diocesan Cross Country

Congratulations to our St Angela's cross country team who competed on Tuesday at the Parramatta Diocesan Cross Country Championships at Eastern Creek. All 47 of you should be all so very proud of yourselves. It is the St Angela's spirit that shines through on days like this.

Our results as a team and as individuals were outstanding, we were the champion school in 3 of the 8 age groups.

10 Boys (Nicholas Heanes, Rhys Wilson, Domenic Laird, Brayden Geraghty, Ryan McDermott and Shannon Aneksothman)

10yr Girls (Ciara, Crowley, Camryn Lean, Chanel Nasr, Dominique Gularate and Angelina Tallaridi).

11yr Girls (Ava DeCarlo, Jemima Scothern, Sienna Fonseca, Tayla Khoudair, Mia Young and Jessica White).

The following students are to be congratulated on being selected to represent Parramatta Diocese at the MacKillop Trials which are to be held at Eastern Creek on the 14th June.

Flynn Wilson (2nd), Rhys Wilson (3rd), Ciara Crowley (3rd), Tahlia Mearns (4th), Ryan Sloan (4th), Joel Foxe (5th), Nicholas Heanes (6th), Ethan Cabezas (7th). Special mention to Mia Jacobs, Camryn Lean and Finnegan Brook who all finished 9th making them 1st reserves in their age groups.

Special Thank you to Mrs Moller who managed the team on the day. To the parents, grandparents, brothers and sisters thank you for your constant support of the children as individuals and as a team and for their ready assistance with marshalling, cheering and organization during the day.

Finally, thank you to the students for doing your personal best and being such amazing representatives of St Angela's.

Andra Hemmings
Sports Coordinator



LOST PROPERTY

Lost property baskets are found on the stage each day (at the end of the day they are placed in the hall). Items that are labelled are returned with no name items being disposed of at the end of each week.

Friday 23rd August - Save the Date

St Angela's Annual Golf Day

CALLING THOSE INTERESTED IN GOLF

(ALL LEVELS WELCOME - BEGINNERS TO EXPERIENCED)

Stonecutters Ridge Golf Club

Keep an eye on Shine for further details



Winter Uniform

A friendly reminder that children are to wear their full winter uniform from next week.

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.



Living Alongside our Neighbours

Please respect all properties neighbouring the school and ensure that our parking does not adversely affect our local neighbours, and the safety of everyone. In particular, in surrounding streets around our back gate area. Our neighbours have a right to access their driveway and **parents must not park across driveways** or drive in an unsafe manner. A reminder that police and council officers regularly patrol (as has been the case recently) and fine drivers. See below for information regarding penalties and demerit points.

There are now increased penalties and demerit points associated with all offences in School Zones.

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| | NO PARKING You have no more than 2 minutes for drop-offs or pick-ups and must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle. | Penalty from \$187 and 2 demerit points |
| | NO STOPPING Under no circumstances are you permitted to stop on a length of road to which a No Stopping Sign applies. | Penalty from \$337 and 2 demerit points |
| | BUS ZONE You must not stop your vehicle in the indicated zone unless you are driving a public bus. | Penalty from \$337 and 2 demerit points |

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| Double parking | \$337 & 2 demerit points |
| Stop on path or nature strip | \$337 & 2 demerit points |
| Stop on / near marked pedestrian/children's crossing | \$448 & 2 demerit points |
| Approach children's crossing too quickly to stop safely | \$561 & 4 demerit points |
| Illegal U turns | \$448 & 4 demerit points |
| Stop across driveway | \$337 & 2 demerit points |
| Drive using a hand held mobile phone | \$448 & 5 demerit points |
| Parallel park close to (within 3 metres) double centre line | \$337 & 2 demerit points |

FINES CURRENT AS OF JANUARY 2019
For a complete list of school zones offences visit www.rms.nsw.gov.au

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THE HILLS
Sydney's Garden State

2019 Kindergarten Families Catch Up!!

If free, come and join us for a casual dinner as we celebrate Term 1 and get to know each other a little better!

When: Friday May 24th

Time: From 5.30pm

Where: The Australian Hotel and Brewery, 350 Annangrove Rd, Rouse Hill.

There is a Bistro menu to buy some dinner and an indoor play area for our little people.

We will be booking some tables so please RSVP by Friday May 17th to Kylie Pace on 0417458400 or Emma Raad on 0413044655.

We hope to see you all there.

Kindy Parent Reps

National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy 2019 (NAPLAN)

In May 2019, the National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 in all government and non-government schools. NAPLAN assesses the literacy and numeracy learning of students in all Australian schools. The assessments will be conducted across Australia for all students next week from 14th to 17th May 2019, in the morning session.

| Tuesday 14th May | Wednesday 15th May | Thursday 16th May | Friday 17th May |
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| Writing | Reading | Language Conventions | Numeracy |

From the Library.....

May is National Family Reading Month!

Reading is the foundation to a child's future success. Research shows that family reading time is one of the best ways to grow a child's interest in the wonderful world of books. We encourage you to spend time read, read, reading. Whether it is together, modelling reading or being read to, it is a key to success.



Kids who read, succeed!

"Cough and Cold Season is Already Here"

The cold season is ahead of us and many of our students have already had quite distressing coughs and colds. Students and teachers are exposed to a multitude of germs during the day and, subsequently, at times fall ill. We ask for your assistance in encouraging good hygiene practises, ie. coughing into the elbow, washing hands after toileting and before eating etc, lots of sleep if not feeling well.

Birthday Treats

*Celebrating a birthday is something all children look forward to! If your child wishes to bring a treat to school to share with their friends (**purely optional**), we kindly ask that you send in cupcakes (nut free) or donuts. Cupcakes or donuts are preferred as they are easy to hand out and are a treat that all children enjoy. Due to a multitude of allergies present, we ask that you do not send lollies, chocolates or other treats in. Similarly at Easter or Christmas, we ask that you do not send in lollies, chocolates or candy canes. Please note, although a lovely idea, ice blocks are not practical as we have limited freezer space.*

If your child has allergies, you are welcome to send some cakes in for your child, which we will be kept in the freezer in the staffroom and given out as necessary.

Thank you for supporting us as we endeavour to keep all children safe and happy!

Sent Home This Week:

Emailed: Pastoral Statement, Grade Contact Lists, Year 3&5 Naplan Timetable, 2020 Kindergarten School Interviews, Grade Overviews, Years 5&6 Boys Soccer

Hard Copy: Year 4 Excursion