



# St Angela's Primary School

## Castle Hill

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## FATHERS' DAY CELEBRATIONS TOMORROW FRIDAY 30th AUGUST

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Dear Parents,

### Father's Day Celebrations Tomorrow, Friday 30th August

We invite all Dads to come to a special DAD morning assembly in their honour commencing at 8:45am tomorrow morning which will be followed by a morning tea and then a visit to the classrooms. We hope dads (or significant males) and parents are able to join us. Although it is termed Fathers' Day, it is appreciated that many other significant adults and mothers play the role of 'dad' in the children's lives. All parents and friends are most welcome.

To all our Dads, Happy Fathers' Day for this Sunday.

#### A Blessing Prayer for Fathers.

*God our Father, as you have loved us into being,  
We ask that your blessing to be upon all fathers who offer to their  
children*

*The love with which you have blessed them.*

*May you continue to guide and strengthen these fathers and all  
men who offer wise guidance to others.*

*Bless them with patience, good humour and understanding.*

*May Jesus be their companion and the Holy Spirit provide  
constant inspiration. Amen*

### Golfing is always testing your skill against your opponents luck!

We were blessed with perfect weather last Friday as over 80 of our parents/friends gathered to enjoy the company of each other in a game of golf at Stonecutters Ridge Golf Course. The venue was just beautiful and extremely popular with everyone. The day was outstanding, as was the breakfast, the course, the lunch, the company, the laughs and the standard of play.

Sincere thanks to all our sponsors for the day. Your generosity is very much appreciated. Please see information acknowledging and promoting our sponsors for the day coming home soon.

Our sincere appreciation and thanks to the dedicated Fun(d) raising Committee and helpers, Wayne Davie, Maria Fernandes, Laura Hall, Di McGaulley, Rebecca Nati, Estela Singh, Jenny Tallaridi and Antonella Tesoriero. We are indeed appreciative of their efforts and the meticulous organisational skills that saw our annual golf day being once again a huge success. St Angela's is certainly the place to be. Events such as these certainly show our strong school spirit and, in turn, help further build community and raise funds to provide the best for our children. We have an extremely generous community at St Angela's and beyond, into

our local community, due to its outstanding reputation for providing quality Catholic education.



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I will be taking some long service leave for the last two weeks (9&10), of this term to enjoy some travel with the family. During my short absence, Mrs Yager will steer the St Angela's ship. My appreciation and thanks to Mrs Yager who is an outstanding leader that we are blessed to have here at St Angela's.

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

Tony Calabria  
Principal



### General Parent Meeting Thursday 5th September 8:45am

Our General Parent Meeting will be held next Thursday 5th September at 8:45am in the staffroom. There will be a presentation on the outstanding results from the TTFM survey. All parents are welcome to attend, we look forward to seeing those parents available.

### "Deserving Appreciation Daily"

*We are reminded this Sunday to stop and give thanks to God for the wonderful role that our Fathers or significant adults play in our lives. Dads are indeed special and deserve appreciation daily for the support they give to their families, the love and care and the modelling they pass on to the children. We ask God our Father to bless and watch over all fathers who together with mothers, strive to do the best for their children.*



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## Religious Education

**Sunday, 1 Sep 2019: Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C**

**Gospel Lk 14:1, 7-14 Humble yourself and be exalted.**

### Living the Gospel – What's the cost?

Jesus' message about humility is as relevant today as it was in the first century. It is part of human nature to want to fit in and to want to belong. Sometimes we are tempted to seek this acceptance at any cost. When our sense of belonging is achieved through the harming, humiliation or exploitation of others then the price is too high. When our desire for the latest fashion comes at the expense of others being able to simply live, then the price is too high. When we lift ourselves up by putting others down, then the price is too high.

We wish all Dads, Grandfathers and those in our lives who care for us as God the Father does for each one of us.

### Prayer for Father's Day

God our Father,  
We give you thanks and praise  
for fathers young and old.  
We pray for young fathers,  
newly embracing their vocation;  
May they find courage and perseverance  
to balance work, family and faith  
in joy and sacrifice.  
We pray for Fathers around the world  
whose children are lost or suffering;  
May they know that the God of compassion  
walks with them in their sorrow.  
We pray for men who are not fathers  
but still mentor and guide us  
with fatherly love and advice.  
We remember fathers, grandfathers,  
and great grandfathers  
who are no longer with us  
but who live forever in our memory  
and nourish us with their love.

*Amen.*



*Mrs Jocelyn Williams  
Religious Education Coordinator*

### 'Battle of the Bands'

Congratulations to St Angela's Concert Band who placed Silver (2nd), at the 'Battle of the Bands' at Our Lady of the Rosary Waitara's Family Fair last Sunday. It was a fun day where the children in the band let their light shine in both their performance and behaviour. Well done!

## Family Week

As a regular feature now in Week 7 of each term, Family Week will see the children have a break from formal home learning (although we ask that every child still reads each night) to spend time with you as a family, or helping you for the family. We encourage you to choose an activity that you can do as a family each day with your child. Examples may include playing a board game, sitting and sharing stories, cooking a meal together, feeding the pet, playing cards, helping put away laundry, setting the table, reading mum or dad a book, washing the car, gardening, writing mum and dad a thank you note, spending time in prayer/saying the Rosary, going for a family walk etc. Family Week is aimed at freeing children up to assist and/or spend time with those who love them most, their greatest heroes, you their parents and family.



## Upcoming Dates

### TERM 3

#### Week 6

**Fri 30th August**

8:45am Father's Day Liturgy followed by Open classrooms and Morning Tea. All Welcome



**Sun 1st Sept**

Father's Day

#### Week 7

**Thurs 5th Sept**

8:45am General Parent Meeting - Presentation on outstanding results from the TTFM surveys. All welcome.

**Friday 6th Sept**

9:30am Hills Interschool Debating Competition Away team - St. Bernadette's Special Food Day - Pizza

2:15pm Assembly - Year 2 All Welcome

**Saturday 7th Sept** Feast Day of the Blessed Virgin Mary



## DIOCESAN VOICE OF YOUTH

We were extremely proud of all our Voice of Youth representatives, Bernadette Laird, Harrison Valenzisi and Gemma Yager who spoke beautifully at yesterday's Cluster Final. There were four schools competing, Our Lady of Lourdes, Baulkham Hills, St. Michael's, Baulkham Hills, St. Paul the Apostle, Winston Hills along with St. Angela's. St. Angela's was awarded first place overall to Gemma for her speech titled, 'Apathy'. Gemma now progresses to the Eastern Zone Semi-Final on Monday 9th September at 10:00am at Our Lady Queen of Peace at Greystanes. Parents are most welcome to attend.



## Thank you .....



A huge thank you to all who attended our Father's Day wrapping session last Wednesday evening in the library and those that helped in the gift stall yesterday. It was great to see mums enjoying each other's company whilst expertly wrapping and selling special gifts for the dads in our community. (Keep an eye on next week's Shine for a full list of thank you acknowledgements after our Father's Day celebrations).

## Peer Support Term 3

### Session 6 Make a Choice.

This session provided for a series of problem-solving and decision making activities to analyse how and why we make the choices we do. It considered aspects of safety and a moral sense of purpose about why we should seek to support others and look more deeply into how our decisions can have a bigger impact than we first thought.

## Celebrating Our Gifts

(Awards presented on Friday 23/08/19)

### Academic Excellence

Arabella Fameron KB  
 Tyler Petersen KG  
 Mila Abeyaratne KY  
 Piero Colosimo 1B  
 Sienna Bressi 1G  
 Alexa Yammine 1Y  
 Lachlan McDermott 2B  
 Eloise Hansell 2G  
 Chloe Mowbray 2Y  
 Lilly Celano 2Y  
 Flynn Manning 3B  
 Lucas Trimboli 3G  
 Owen van Egdom 3Y  
 Isabella Khodeir 4B  
 Sophia Raad 4G  
 Emeline Fitzsimons 4Y  
 Jessica Mitchell 5B  
 Jack Hall 5G  
 Oliver Gerrettson-Cornell 5Y  
 Jeremy James 6B  
 Jason Herbas 6G  
 Joe Khoudair 6Y

### St Angela's Award

Lachlan File KB  
 Eva Garcia-Loyola KG  
 Nicholas Costa KY  
 Oliver Mares 1B  
 Ray Zhang 1G  
 Kira Layoun 1Y  
 Harper Eastwood 2B  
 Zachary Lane 2G  
 Misha Belle 3B  
 Annabelle Reisin 3G  
 Brendan Khoudair 3Y  
 Ariya Sunner 4B  
 Dominique Gularte 4G  
 Sophie Wallace 4Y  
 Jemima Scothern 5B  
 Madeline Nasso 5G  
 Zalia Ritchie 5Y  
 Sanjana Kadam 6B  
 Nikki Chanel 6G  
 Clarissa Burgess 6Y



## Happy Birthday!



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

### September

**Mon 2nd**  
 Ruby Chapman  
 Charlotte Thompson

**Tues 3rd**  
 Noah Wheatley

**Wed 4th**  
 Leah Benedict  
 Brayden Manio  
 Claudia Sereni

**Thurs 5th**  
 Mikayla Zlomislic

**Fri 6th**  
 Gemma Yager

**Sat 7th**  
 Levi Lawlor

## Diocesan Wrap Up

Parramatta Diocesan Athletics Carnival 23rd August 2019

Last Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 21 St Angela's athletes headed off to Blacktown International Sports Park to compete in the Parramatta Diocesan Athletics carnival. The children were fantastic representatives of St Angela's.

St Angela's have continued our relay prowess with the senior girls relay team of Ariella Colosimo, Jessica Woolnough, Mia Jacobs and Sienna Van Jour placing 3<sup>rd</sup> and making it through to MacKillop Trials which will be held at Homebush on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September.

It was fantastic to also see the individual success of the following students who will also compete at Homebush:

Tahlia Mearns - 4<sup>th</sup> 800m  
 Joel Foxe - 4<sup>th</sup> 800m  
 Mia Jacobs - 3<sup>rd</sup> 800m  
 Carissa Lewis - 4th 200m  
 Cooper Mills - 2<sup>nd</sup> Long Jump  
 Annika Clarke - 3<sup>rd</sup> Shot put

Thank you once again to the parents for your cheers and support for the children.

*Andra Hemmings  
 Sports Coordinator*

## National Safe Schools Framework

The National Safe Schools Framework assists school communities to take a whole-school approach to creating safe, supportive and respectful teaching and learning environments that promote student wellbeing.

At St Angela's we are committed to providing a safe and supportive school for all our children. This is reflected in the following items from The School's Mission Statement:

Our school environment reflects

- ◆ Safety in the whole school precinct.
- ◆ Respect for oneself, others, property and the school.

The Learning Programs reflect

- ◆ Processes and strategies to facilitate positive student management.
- ◆ An emphasis on the development of social skills and the ability to relate positively and effectively with each other.

The children will complete this coming week, a Safe and Caring School survey with their teachers. The survey will provide teachers with helpful information about the children's feelings about school, challenges with peer relationships and will identify any issues that need to be addressed.

Items in the survey include:

At playtime I like to play with .....

The places I like to play are .....

Are there any places in the playground where you don't feel safe?

Name anyone who you think cares for, and respects others.

Is anyone taking away your right to be happy and safe, or to learn at school?

The children's responses will be collated by the teachers and addressed.

We thank you for your support and partnership as we continue to provide a safe and caring learning environment where relationships are positive and fruitful for our children.

# Upcoming Special Food Day

Friday 6th September

## Pizza

See order forms coming home soon.



## 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. 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 and opportunities at school.

In Mathematics, 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.

## FATHER'S DAY HELPERS NEEDED

**CALLING YEAR 4 HELPERS FOR FATHERS' DAY  
MORNING TEA TOMORROW  
(AND ANY AVAILABLE PARENTS)**

We are in need of help to set up, prepare and serve morning tea to our dads tomorrow **Friday 30th August** from approximately 8.30am. If you are able to assist in any way, please contact Marie Catalano via text on 0402 533 511. Many thanks.

## JERSEY DAY

**Tomorrow Friday 30th August**

As you would no doubt be aware, tomorrow Friday 30th August is once again Jersey Day. Jersey Day is an awareness raising campaign for organ donation that has been initiated by the Gremmo family, who tragically lost their son in a road accident on Glenhaven Road in May 2015. The Gremmo family is well known in the Hills district. Tomorrow, we will be celebrating Fathers' Day here at St Angela's and no doubt many fathers will be wearing jerseys. If you wish to support this awareness program, your child may also wear a jersey over their uniform on this day. We ask that if you wish your child to wear their jersey, you take the time to discuss with them the concept behind the awareness campaign. Consideration should be given to their age appropriateness and level of understanding. Your participation in this awareness campaign is purely optional.

## DANCE FEVER DANCE EVENING

**Wednesday 25th September**

Could all children in Years 3 to 6 who are going to the Dance Fever Interschool Challenge Night please ensure that their notes have been returned to their class teacher.

Tickets for this event went on sale at [trybooking.com](http://trybooking.com) at 9:00am Monday 26th August .

## Theme for the week:

**"Honesty and Trustworthiness"**

Our theme this week encourages us to be honest and trustworthy at all times. To be honest with each other means expressing our feelings, respecting others and accepting responsibility for our actions.

Being honest, sincere and seeking the truth are essential characteristics for being in harmony with ourselves and those with whom we interact.

## Values Matter at St Angela's

How are values taught? Our Catholic schools have, at the centre of all learning and teaching, core Catholic values which are based on Christ's Gospel values. It is about making the core values explicit in all school activities through modelling, discussion and critical reflection.

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This week we are focussing on the value of:  
**Honesty and Trustworthiness** – Be honest, sincere and seek the truth.

**This value includes the following characteristics:**

- \* Being honest
- \* Being truthful to self and others
- \* Not deceiving, cheating, or stealing – exercising ethical judgements
- \* Being reliable - doing what you say you'll do
- \* Having the courage to do the right thing
- \* Building a good reputation: *Being loyal - standing by your family, friends and country*

**What you can do to promote trustworthiness:**

\* Teach children the importance of trustworthiness by word and example. Ask yourself "what message am I sending?" Avoid dishonesty, especially in front of your child ("A child's ticket, please, he is only 11.") Never ask your child to lie for you ("Tell Grandma I'm in the shower.")

\* Encourage honesty even when it may cause your child to get into trouble. Praise efforts to be honest and point out good examples whenever you see them. Express disappointment for dishonesty.

\* Keep your commitments, be on time and do what you say you will do, especially when your child is involved.

\* Teach that people need the courage to say "no" when friends ask them to do something that seems wrong. Explain that it is disloyal to ask a friend to be untrustworthy."

Are you a good role model to your children? Do you model honesty and integrity at all times?

The overall message:

***Honesty and trustworthiness is about being honest, telling the truth, keeping promises, and being loyal so people can trust you.***

***Trustworthy people don't lie, cheat or steal. They have integrity and the moral courage to do the right thing and to stand up for their beliefs even when it is difficult to do so.***

## Grade Assemblies

Please note, as communicated in our term calendar, remaining whole school assemblies for Term 3 are as follows:

Week 7 - Friday 6th Sept at 2:15pm led by Year 2

Week 9 - Friday 20th Sept at 2:15pm led by Year 1

All parents are most welcome to join us.

**Sent Home This Week:**

Emailed: Jersey Day

Hard Copy: Kindergarten Excursion