



St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill

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Term 1, Week 5

Dear Parents,

Catholic Schools Week

At St Angela's we will join Catholic Schools across NSW and the ACT to celebrate Catholic Schools Week. For our community, we will do this throughout Weeks 6 and 7 from March 1 - March 13 at which time we will launch our 2021 Kindergarten enrolments, celebrate St Patrick's day and once again have our termly "Family Week".

Family Week sees 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. You may choose an activity that you can do as a family each day with your child. Examples in the past have included 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.

The theme for Catholic Schools Week in 2020 is "Celebrating 200 years of Catholic Education". It is a special time which encourages schools to showcase the many learning opportunities available to students, and celebrate our unique Catholic schools. Catholic Schools Week is about strengthening relationships between all those who have a stake in our schools - students, staff, families, priests, parishioners, and members of the wider community - by showcasing what happens in our classrooms every day.

I would like to extend an invitation to you and your family to join us at St Angela's at the following events to celebrate with our school and parish community Catholic Schools Week 2020:

Fri 6th Mar 9:00am Open Day for Kindergarten 2021 Enrolments
- All welcome

4:30pm - 6:00pm Infants Disco
6:30pm - 8:00pm Primary Disco

Mon 9th Mar 2:15pm Reading Afternoon - All welcome

Tues 10th Mar Special Food Day

Fri 13th Mar 8:45am Whole School Catholic Schools Week Liturgy and assembly, also celebrating St Patrick's Day, followed by morning tea and Open Classrooms. - All welcome. This is an ideal opportunity to support the community of St Angela's and learn more about the great things that take place in Catholic schools every day.

I look forward to welcoming all our families to the school throughout Weeks 6 and 7.

Thank you

I wish to inform you that Mrs Andra Hemmings has decided to access her long service from the end of Term One and at the conclusion of her leave, finish teaching. Andra has been an exemplary educator and has been instrumental in developing the physical education programmes at the school and the skill development of all the students throughout her 9 years at St Angela's.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Andra for her amazing contribution to not only St Angela's, but to Sport in the Parramatta Diocese and beyond, at Diocesan and State level. Her commitment, enthusiasm, encouragement, organisation, good humour and expertise are gifts that everyone at St Angela's and the sporting community have benefitted from. We will certainly miss her and wish her all the best for the future and the exciting journey that awaits.

"Together we can do so much"

Leanne Nettleton
PRINCIPAL

In 2020 St Angela's students have been set the goal by Mrs Nettleton to achieve 100% participation in the Premier's Reading Challenge!!!!

Parents please encourage and support your children through their regular Home Learning to complete the Challenge. All students have 5 months to read the required books for their Year Level from the Premier's Reading List. All books can be borrowed from the library. Let's give the 2020 Premier's Reading Challenge the unique St Angela's Spirit and achieve the 100% participation goal!

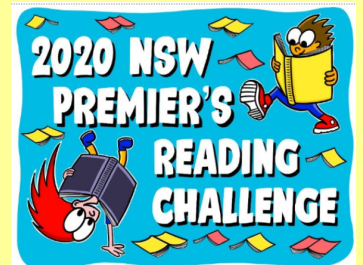
Premier's Reading Challenge KEY DATES

Friday March 13: By the end of Week 7 user name and passwords for all students will be sent home.

Friday August 28: Final date for entry of Student Reading Records by students

Parents can access the 2020 booklist at the following address, <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/booklist/home.html>

Further information to follow.



ST ANGELA'S SCHOOL DISCO "Bop till you drop"

Friday 6th March

Kindergarten to Year 2
Years 3-6

4.30-6.00pm
6.30-8.00pm

Ticket \$5.00 per child or \$15 per family.

Return your ticket order by
tomorrow Friday 28th February



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Religious Education

Sunday, 1 March 2020: First Sunday of Lent - Year A Gospel

Mt 4:1-11

Jesus is tempted by the devil in the desert.

Have you thought? – An invitation

Lent is a season of invitation. It is an invitation to step into the desert with Jesus; to confront our own purpose and ministry and to renew our trust in God's vision for the world and for us individually. Seen in this light, Lent is so much more than fasting from meat and giving up ice cream for a few weeks. The whole idea of fasting and sacrifice is an attempt to simplify our lives. Through simplifying our life and removing some of the daily distractions, we can share in the desert experience of Jesus and then truly celebrate the hope reborn in the Easter season.

We wish to thank Fr Alejandro for celebrating our Ash Wednesday mass, to our students for their solemn participation in the Eucharist and to all families and friends who were able to attend.

OLOR FIRST COMMUNION PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

We invite all students in Years 3 and older who wish to receive the Sacrament of First Communion and have made their First Reconciliation to contact the parish office on

Phone: 02 9629 2595

Fax: 02 9629 9388

Parish Office Hours: 9:00am - 4:00pm Monday to Friday

<https://olorparishkellyville.org.au/>

Mrs Jocelyn Williams

Religious Education Coordinator

Diocesan Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to Mikaylah White, Sophie McIntyre, Finn Wheatley, Ryan Shepherd, Stirling Post, Hamish Geoghegan, Zalia Ritchie, Ciara Crowley, Mia Khoudair, Mia Young, Jackson Bercich, Stefan Geoghegan, Luca Bercich and Brayden Manio who competed last Thursday in the Parramatta Diocesan Swimming Carnival, at Blacktown Indoor Swimming Centre. All our swimmers did a fantastic job in representing St Angela's.

- Special mention to Zalia Ritchie who was 11yr Girls Runner Up.
- Congratulations to the following children who made it through to the NSW CPS Swimming Trials, which will be held 25th March at Sydney Olympic Park Homebush:
 - Zalia Ritchie 100m Freestyle
 - 50m Freestyle
 - 50m Backstroke
 - 50 Breaststroke
 - 50m Butterfly
 - 200m Individual Medley
 - Mia Young 50m Breaststroke
 - 50m Backstroke

Mrs Andra Hemmings
Sports Coordinator



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Upcoming Dates

Week 5

Friday 28th February

Wacky Hair Day
Fundraising for Fire Relief

Week 6

Tuesday 3rd March

Catholic Schools Week

8:45am Class Parent Rep Meeting in the staffroom

Wednesday 4th March

10am OLOR Parish Communion Parent Information Session

Thursday 5th March

7pm OLOR Parish Communion Parent Information Session

Friday 6th March

9:00am Open Day and School Tour Kindergarten 2021 Enrolments

"Bop till you drop"
School Disco
4:30 - 6:00pm K - Year 2
6:30 - 8:00pm Years 3 - 6

Week 7

Tuesday 10th March

Family Week

Bakers Delight
Special Food Day

Thursday 12th March

Year 2 Excursion
Rouse Hill House and Farm

Friday 13th March

8:45am St Patrick's Day Liturgy followed by open classrooms and morning tea
All Welcome

Please keep in your prayers

Our prayers are extended to the Benedict family, Leah (4B), due to the passing into eternal life of her Grandmother.

Our prayers are also extended to the Diaz family, Alexander (1Y), and Camila (4G), due to the passing into eternal life of their Grandmother.

Star Spot

Congratulations to Luke Younis (6B) and Taylah Khoudair (6B) who were selected in the boys and girls Parramatta Diocese football (soccer) teams. Luke and Taylah will compete at the MacKillop trials in Canberra in May. Congratulations to both Luke and Taylah!

Congratulations also to Ben McNamara (6Y), Kaija Knevelt (6B) and Domenic Laird (5G) who were selected in the Parramatta Diocese AFL team. The boys will compete at the MacKillop trials in Wagga in April. Well done boys!

Celebrating Our Gifts

(Awards presented on Friday 21/02/2020)

Academic Excellence

Jacob Mileto KB
 Lucas Tassone KG
 Michael Whyte KY
 Jordan Pupo 1B
 Tabitha Lee 1G
 Benjamin Morr 1Y
 Jacob Fam 2B
 Samaan Duhou 2G
 Sienna Bressi 2Y
 Chloe Mowbray 3B
 Annelise Guirrerri 3G
 Ashton Young 3Y
 Euan Adjii 4B
 David Gigliucci 4G
 Elly Gohil-Bozic 4Y
 Ciara Crowley 5B
 Bronte Woodhead 5G
 Zara Phelan 5Y
 Evan Hunt 6B
 Lara Gomes Pestana 6G
 Jonah Singh 6Y

St Angela's Award

Thomas Taylor KB
 Acelyn Seydler KG
 Audrey Unutmaz KY
 Joshua Moses 1B
 Chase Panganiban 1G
 Sienna Glass 1Y
 Sienna Reilly 2B
 Saoirse McGowan 2G
 Lilah Tokoly 2Y
 Eloise Hansell 3B
 Monte Piotto 3G
 Oskar Callan-Kerkenezov 3Y
 Annabelle Reisin 4B
 Myah Ciccica 4G
 Harrison Lee 4Y
 Yasemin Vanuylenberg 5B
 Domenic Laird 5G
 Max Vallejo 5Y
 Jessica White 6B
 Brandon D'Silva 6G
 Camryn Lean 6Y

Happy Birthday!



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

March

Tues 3rd

Chanel Nasr
 Theodorus Kinsong
 Moses Estera
 Emeline Fitzsimons

Thurs 5th

Sophia Arreza
 Lorenzo Sarmiento
 Maisie Brown
 Zane Benning

Wed 4th

Savannah Morsillo
 Jude Moller
 Luca D Urso
 Mr Laird

Fri 6th

Ruby Moller

What Happens in a Literacy Block at St Angela's?

Students at St Angela's follow the Parramatta Literacy and Numeracy strategy called Focus 160. This means that every day, children will undertake 100 minutes of Literacy and 60 minutes of Numeracy.

Our Literacy Block consists of:

- ◆ Purposeful Talk
- ◆ Daily Reading Aloud to Students (5-10 mins)
- ◆ Daily Shared Reading (10-20 mins)
- ◆ Small Group Reading - Instructional Practices (15-30 mins at least once a week)
- ◆ Guided Reading
- ◆ Daily Independent Reading of familiar texts (5-15 mins)
- ◆ Daily Modelled Writing or Shared Writing (10-20 mins)
- ◆ Guided Writing (10-20 mins at least once a week)
- ◆ Daily Independent Writing (15-30 mins)

Next week ... What happens in a Numeracy Block?

OLOR Parish Communion Parent Information Sessions

For students Yr 3 & older
 10am Wednesday 4th March & 7pm
 Thursday 5th March

Catholic Schools Week Reading Afternoon **Monday 9th March** **All Parents Welcome**

As part of our Catholic Schools Week celebrations, we would like to invite you to school on Monday 9th March from 2:15pm, to read to or with your child/children and their friends. The whole school will be reading in different areas of the playground. Please meet at your child's class or find them on the playground, to enjoy the wonder of reading. Please bring along your favourite book to model reading or read to the children – maybe an 'oldie but a goodie' from when you were a child!

Some photos from our Kindergarten and New Families Welcome BBQ.

Thank you to all our parent volunteers who assisted to make this evening possible.

Donna Brown, Julie Cassettari, Marie Catalano, Belinda Crawford, Wayne Davie Jessica Glass, Lauren Henderson, Carol Manio, Natalie Moller, Kylie Pace, Brooke Seydler, Antonella Tesoriero and Andrew and Katherine Vassallo.



Parent Representative Meeting

For those available,
this Tuesday 3rd March
at 8:45am in the staffroom.

We still require volunteers for the following classes, to fill the role of Parent Representative;
2B, 2G, 3Y, 4G, 4Y, 5G, 6G.
If you can assist for these classes, please contact the school office.

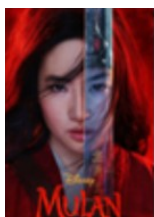
Thank you for your support.

Sibling Enrolment for Kindergarten 2021

Thank you to those families who have advised (via our Google Form emailed on 18th February) that they are intending to enrol a sibling/siblings at St Angela's for Kindergarten 2021. Please phone or email the office if you have any enquiries. Thank you

OLOR PARISH MOVIE AFTERNOON

We'll be celebrating the Chinese New Year of the Rat with this *new* live-action movie of the Disney classic *Mulan* on **Sunday 29 March at 2pm**. (Note: **no** previews will be shown and so the movie starts immediately at 2pm.) As always tickets are \$20 each and limited. See Fr. Alejandro and don't miss out (as this event will also be held on your parish priest's birthday weekend - Naturally, some cake will be provided!) If you would like to attend but cannot afford it, please see Fr. Alejandro for complimentary tickets (donated by other parishioners). If **you** would like to donate tickets, please see Fr. Alejandro! (We thank you in advance for your kind generosity!)



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.

Crossers: We ask that parents who have children as 'Crossers' in the afternoon do not cross back with their children as we are trying to model safe behaviour.

Drive Through: We also ask that all school bags are kept in the car with children at all times. Accessing car boots is extremely unsafe both for morning drop off and afternoon pick up.

We thank you for your support.

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MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID Australia
Out of every 30 students in Australia, 7 are dealing with mental health issues

2 will ask for help 5 will suffer in silence

This presentation will focus on giving parents information on how they can identify and help the 5 that suffer in silence. Learn how to assist adolescents who are developing a mental illness, experiencing a worsening of an existing mental health problem or in a mental health crisis, until appropriate professional help is received, or the crisis resolves. Mental health problem is a broad term that includes developing mental illness, symptoms of a diagnosable illness, substance misuse, and adverse life events which are having an impact on functioning.

UNDERSTANDING MENTAL HEALTH
Learn the skills to make a difference

Depression, Anxiety, Behavioral Disorders, Mood Disorders, Personality Disorders, Suicide, Drugs, Eating Disorders, Self-Injury, Panic Attacks, Stress, Substance Abuse

Our guest speaker for the evening is:
JANE ARMSTONG
Mental Health First Aid Instructor

Register FREE now: www.prc.catholic.edu.au

Monday, 2nd March 2020
Doors open: 6:15pm for 7:00pm (2 hours)
PRC Annual General Meeting
(will be held prior to guest speaker)
AGM will take approximately 20 minutes
St John Paul II Catholic College
85 Hambledon Rd, Schofields NSW 2762
Light supper and refreshments will be provided, and a lucky door prize will be up for grabs!

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Call Charles Lukasik on 02 9683 1116

Strive for Higher Things at Catherine McAuley Westmead



Enrolling now for 2021 - Applications close 27th March 2020

OPEN EVENING Wednesday 4th March 2020 4pm - 7pm

Catherine McAuley Westmead, 2 Darcy Rd, Westmead | www.mcauley.nsw.edu.au



Mount St Benedict College Open Day

Sunday 1st March 10am—2pm

Bookings online www.msb.nsw.edu

Please note: Families with a daughter in Year 5 should apply now for Year 7, 2022. Online Expression of Interest forms should be lodged by the end of Year 4.

Grade Assemblies

Whole school assemblies for Term 1 are as follows:

Week 8 - Friday 20th March at 2:15pm led by Year 3

Week 9 - Friday 27th March at 2:15pm led by Year 2

Week 10 - Friday 3rd April at 2:15pm led by Year 4

All parents are most welcome to join us.

Sent Home This Week:

Emailed: Yr 3 Enrolment Letter for Holy Communion, Yr 3 First Holy Communion Registration, Kindy and New Families - Parent Portal Username and Login, Yr 3 First Communion Parish Sacramental Program

Hard Copy: Yr 2 Excursion - Rouse Hill House and Farm