

St Angela's Primary School



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We acknowledge the Darug people, the traditional custodians on whose land we educate our students.

Dear Parents,

Congratulations for all the wonderful work you are doing at home with your children during remote learning. It is great to hear that many of you are taking your children out for exercise breaks during the day - it is hard for adults to remain focused when working from home let alone young children! The teachers are so impressed with all that you have been managing and understand that from time to time you and your children just need a break from it all. Tomorrow we have included **Feel Good Friday afternoon** in the children's Learning Schedules. From 12:30 the children are able to log off and put their devices away for the week knowing that they have done some great learning throughout the week. **The challenge is for them to do something for the afternoon that makes them feel good inside.**

We have been talking with the children about some of the activities they can be doing offline during this time - enjoying their favourite hobby, playing with lego, having a picnic in the backyard and playing outside games, blow bubbles, do some gardening, play a board game or a game of cards, have a paper plane flying contest, or read your favourite book. The ideas are limitless. We would love for you to share some photos of the children by sending them to the school via email with the subject "Feel Good Friday".

Together we can achieve so much!" Leanne Nettleton PRINCIPAL



Week 6 Attendance Register

To assist the school with arrangements for Week 6 please complete this form, <u>Week 6 Attendance</u> (Monday 16th Aug to Friday 20th Aug) **ONLY** if you need your child to be at school. The form **closes at 5:00pm Friday** - please ensure that you have completed it by then.

Learning Schedules

The staff is truly appreciative of the positive feedback received from parents and students about the Learning Schedules. Week 6 Learning Schedules will be shared with families at 4:00pm on Sunday 15th August on Seesaw (K-2) or Google classroom (Years 3- 6). Throughout the week if a teacher needs to be offline and unable to provide feedback they will communicate a message to parents via the Google Classroom or Seesaw platforms. These occasions will not interrupt the students ability to continue working on their schedules, they will just mean that for a short period of time the teacher will not be available to provide feedback. Please do not hesitate to contact the school via email if you need support.

Contact from Class teachers

To ensure that you remain connected to your child's teacher and your child's participation in remote learning, class teachers will be calling parents. If you see a call displaying "No Caller Id" this could be your child's teacher and we would appreciate you taking the call.

Attendance

It is a mandatory requirement that teachers record daily attendance of students. During Remote Learning, teachers are monitoring the students engagement with their Learning Schedules and their work submission on Seesaw and Google Classroom so that they can validate students' attendance. If your child is sick or unable to complete class work on a particular day, please inform the class teacher so that their attendance can be correctly recorded as an absence. If the teacher's notice that your child has not engaged in the learning they will be in touch to inquire as to the reason for this and to offer support if needed. Please do not hesitate to contact me.

Feel Good Friday

From this week, each Friday afternoon we are asking students to go offline at 12:30pm, have their lunch and then engage in some activities that do not require screen time. At this time staff will also be offline. The students at school will do the same. We have introduced this into the programme to allow students, staff and families to invest in their own wellbeing. We urge you to take up this opportunity at the end of each week in recognition of all the hard work that you, your children and the teachers have been doing throughout the week.



Our School Counsellor, Katrina Green field, has gathered many resources for your children to enjoy while NOT using technology. To access these please have your children follow this link <u>https://classroom.google.com/</u>, click the plus sign, select join class, then enter the code **3sfkhpy** and you will see "**Fun Activities for Creative Minds While Staying at Home**".

The Creative Escape Challenge

St Angela's students are invited to join in CAPTIVATE's Creative Escape Challenge! The challenge is open to all Primary Students in the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP). Each Week a Creative Arts challenge will be posted on CEDP Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/CatholicEdParra/ Children can participate in the challenge by taking a photo of their artwork and completing the competition form. The top 10 artworks each week will be posted to CEDP social media!





Religious Education

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Gospel

Lk 1:39-56 The Magnificat.

Living the Gospel – Saying 'Yes'

In a world that is increasingly selfish and negative, there is a trend towards isolation from family, neighbours and community. In the face of social isolation, the call to a Christian life is a call to say 'Yes' to life itself and all it offers. To say 'Yes' to life is to say 'Yes' to life-giving relationships and decisions and 'No' to life denying relationships and decisions. To say 'Yes' to life is to say 'No' to those things that harm self and harm others. A 'Yes' to life is a 'Yes' to hope; to possibility; to love; to God; and to yourself. *Source: GregSunter@LiturgyHelp*

The Feast of the Assumption of Mary is a holy day of obligation for Catholics. On Monday, our whole school will gather for a virtual mass celebrated by Fr Alejandro Lopez at 8:45am. Teachers and students will attend this mass as part of their learning schedule on Monday. To attend this please connect to the <u>OLOR Facebook page</u>. This mass is recorded from Sunday 15th August at 11am. We thank Fr Alejandro, Fr Leonides and the friars for their continued support.



OLOR Live Stream Sunday Mass - Fr Alejandro invites everyone to attend **this mass** at 11 am via <u>OLOR Facebook</u> <u>page</u>. Here is the link to the <u>Parish Bulletin</u> to keep up to date with the latest news from the parish.

God Bless Jocelyn Williams Religious Education Coordinator



LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING WEEK 7 Family Week Book Week

Sent Home This Week:

Email: Hills Area Community Contacts and Resources for Families

Push Notifications through Compass:

Whole School; Please update your contact details

 $\underline{\text{Year 6:}}$ Cyber Safety Zoom with Constable Ethan West Monday 9th August

Some COVID Reminders

- Students should not attend school if unwell, even with mild <u>symptoms of COVID-19</u>. Any student with any COVID-19 symptoms will be sent home and should not return until they have received a negative test result and are symptom-free. In circumstances where children have other medical reasons for recurring symptoms, a letter from their GP is sufficient to negate the requirement for a negative test.
- Anyone who is unwell with COVID-19 symptoms is strongly encouraged to get tested immediately and self-isolate until a negative result is received. Locations of testing clinics are available <u>here.</u>
- Please continue to monitor the <u>NSW government COVID-19 News and updates webpage</u> for locations where there may have been exposure to COVID-19 and adhere to the advice as appropriate.



Thank you for wearing a



Launching on Friday 13th August (Week 5)

A fun and exciting Writing Festival for students K-6

Star Spot

Congratulations to Ethan Chetty (2Y) who is a top 20 finalist in a photography competition called Sydney Little Lives. The photos were to be displayed in Hyde Park, but due to COVID the event is now online. Winners will be announced in September. Well done and good luck!



2021 NSW PREMIER'S **READING CHALLENGE**

Congratulations to this week's 7 winners. Quickly finish the challenge to get your name in the barrel for next week's draw! There will be seven winners drawn again. One from each grade. On Friday seven students who have completed the challenge will win. Winners will be Congratulations to the following students who are new to published in next week's newsletter. Good luck!



Remember we have a goal of 100% participation in the PRC! Keep reading everyone.



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

August

Mon 16th Aiden Theoharous

Tues 17th Saraya Wilson

Wed 18th Eden Alexander

Mrs Chatten

Thurs 19th Lachlan File Jaida Singh

Fri 20th Zac Vallejo

Sat 21st Sienna Andrew James Lang Harry Madden Jacob Nasso

Sun 22nd Elanor Gandajana Vivaan Goel Lexi Khoury Keeran Mazuvancheri-Perera Ivy Smith Mrs Bateman

<u> Flease keep in your prayers</u>

Our prayers are extended to the Holmes family, Macey (6G), due to the passing into eternal life of her Grandmother.

	Term 3 Week 4 2020	Term 3 Week 4 2021	Term 3 Week 5 2020	Term 3 Week 5 2021
Number of students who have completed challenge	257	268	N/A	289
Total Number of books read	7509	7984	N/A	8243

complete the Premier's Reading Challenge:

Annalise Grill KB, Jennifer Chen KY, Matteo Circosta KY, Ava Holeva KY, Elsie Stephenson KY, Lorenzo Sarmiento 1Y, Keira Vavasour 1G, Dean Alcock 2B, Zac Holeva 2G, Maximus Orefice 2G, Chase Panganiban 2B, Norah Siountris 2B, Isabella Logarta-Scott 3G, Blake D'Silva 4G, Vivaan Goel 4G, Chloe Mowbray 4Y, Charlize Woodham 4G, Matthew Karam 5Y, Taylor D'Silva 6Y, Keeran Mazuvancheri-Perera 6Y, Christian Scott 6B

Which grade will win the movie and popcorn party?

Grade	Percentage of students who have complete the callenge
К	51%
1	56%
2	48%
3	54%
4	68%
5	28%
6	30%

