

## St Angela's Primary School



<u>Sending Home Information and News about Education</u> Ministry of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville Newsletter Vol. 2 No. 72

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

Dear Parents,

## Teaching is a vocation, a calling from God, not just a 'job'.

Tomorrow we celebrate World Teachers' Day, a day when we acknowledge the professionalism, dedication and expertise of the amazing St Angela's staff. In this pandemic year more than ever, I know that you will agree that your children's teachers are truly a gift to be celebrated. I am sure that during remote learning you were given a birds eye view into the relationship between the teachers and their classes as they engaged in Zoom lessons, participated in creative challenges and activities, gave feedback about their students' learning and celebrated with their class in many ways.

On Friday in recognition of the tremendous care, energy and generosity that the St Angela's staff bring to their roles each day, the staff will be treated to morning tea by our Parents. Many thanks to all those parents who will be contributing towards making this such a treat for the staff.

"Let us thank all those who teach in Catholic Schools. Educating is an act of love; it is like giving life." Pope Francis

### Happy Teachers Day to the A - Team

Blessed are those who teach today, for they are impacting tomorrow. Blessed are those who live what they say; their words will be heard.

Blessed are those whose lesson is the Gospel; they are being formed by the Teacher of teachers.

Blessed are those who do not fear questions; they are pursuing truth.

Blessed are those who teach with compassion; they are shaping souls.

Blessed are those who do not count the cost; they are purchasing hidden treasures. Blessed are those who "instruct others in justice; they will shine like stars for all eternity."

Together we can achieve so much Leanne Nettleton Principal



#### **Staggered Going Home Arrangements**

I would really like to congratulate and thank the staff for the amazing effort that they are putting into the Staggered Going Home Arrangements at the end of each day. Moving 605 students offsite in a COVID safe way is an achievement and requires significant organisation and supervision every day.

With Years 2 - 6 returning this week we have noticed that we need to make a minor change that will assist this process.

From Monday 1st November 2021 staff will bring Kindergarten and Year One Walkers and Crossers out from **2:40pm** to be collected by their parents. We therefore ask Kinder and Year One parents of children who leave as Walkers or Crossers to arrive at 2:40pm to meet their children. This will make the dismissal of all students much safer, as there will be less congestion at the front of the school at dismissal time and more staff will be available to supervise the safe staggered departure of the students in the older grades who are waiting within the school grounds to be escorted out.



#### Communications from Parents about Going Home Arrangements

Parents are requested as far as possible to avoid making last minute changes to students' going home arrangements. These communications to the office should always be **before 1:30pm** to ensure that messages get to the classrooms prior to students leaving at the end of the day. Please include your child's class in the email. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

## Morning entry to the Carpark to drop students at school

Parents are reminded that entry to the carpark for dropping your children at school in the morning is from 8:05am. Please do not enter before this time as it causes congestion at the driveway entry for teachers who are entering and COSHC families who drop their children off before 8:05am. Thank you for your cooperation in following the guidelines.

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# **Religious Education**

The Greatest



THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B, Sunday 31st October 2021

Love the Lord Your God Love your neighbour as

#### Gospel Mk 12:28-34

The wise scribe asks Jesus which is the greatest commandment.

## Mark 12:2834 Living the Gospel - Love

Jesus reminds us 'You must love your neighbour as yourself.' There's an unspoken, underlying idea here that is absolutely crucial. Before you can love your neighbour, you must first love yourself. To say that you love yourself today can imply a level of boastfulness or ego. However, what is required is a genuine love of self – an acceptance; a respect; a true valuing of self. Only then can we know how to treat others. When we ask ourselves how we would want to be treated it points us towards how we should treat others. What is summed up so simply by Jesus is a very tough ask!

#### Gospel Focus – First of all

Jesus is asked which commandment is first and he provides two commandments as his answer. However, he doesn't bundle them together as one overarching commandment – he very distinctly identifies them as first and second. Sometimes we can feel the way to express love for God is through demonstrating our love for other people in charitable or justice-focused actions. However, Jesus makes clear that the first commandment of all is the love of God with all our being – that God is worthy of love in God's own right. Our love of God may inspire us to action for others but the first step is loving God for who God is.

#### Source: GregSunter@LiturgyHelp

**News from Our Lady of Our Rosary parish:** Fr Alejandro is happy to announce they have resumed their normal Mass schedule. Here is the link to the <u>Parish</u> <u>Bulletin</u> to keep up to date with the latest news. There will be extra Masses for Monday (All Saints Day) and Tuesday (All Souls Day). On each day we will celebrate a 6:45 am, 9:30 am and a 7 pm Mass. See you there!

**All Saints and All Souls Day:** We will have a virtual prayer assembly on Monday 1st November at 8:45am. The link will be shared with families via email and our Facebook page. We invite all families to join us in prayer online.

Jocelyn Williams Religious Education Coordinator





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

#### November

**Tues 2nd** Mila Abeyaratne Lucas Trimboli

**Wed 3rd** Sophie Collett Isabella Homer Chloe Lukjanenko

**Thurs 4th** Chloe Barbara Masen De Carlo Quinn Sargent **Fri 5th** Christian Scott Mrs Moller

Sat 6th Michael Boumelhem Ruby Pace Aidan Siney

Sun 7th Mrs Berg



#### 2022 Team Sport Trial Nominations:

Attention current (2021) Year 4 and Year 5 students.

Nominations will open for ALL team sports in Term 4. Check <u>https://www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au/About-Us/Pathway-Information</u>

And https://www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au/ Representative-Selections for more information regarding which team sports are available.

We will provide more details and information when the registrations open and closer to the time of nominations. Regards Mrs Mazza and Mrs Chatten

### <u>Please keep in your prayers</u>

Our prayers are extended to the Scida family, Phoebe (4Y) and Carlo (6G), due to the passing into eternal life of their Grandfather.

#### Sent Home This Week:

Emailed from Compass Portal: N/A

Push Notifications through Compass: <u>Whole School:</u> Welcome back to School, Going Home Arrangements, Paper Towel

<u>Kindergarten:</u> Modified Staggered Going Home Arrangements for Kinder and Year One

Year 1: St Angela's - Year 1 Parents, Modified Staggered Going Home Arrangements for Kinder and Year One

#### **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.





**Chalk Drawings** Students experimented with various techniques.





**Pencil Drawings** Students drew a variety of pictures.







Experimenting using different methods of drawing online.

"Year One "Hidden Forrest" Year One created magnificent illustrations for their descriptive writing task, based on the book "Hidden Forest" by Jeanie

