



# St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill

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

## TODAY, ON THIS ORDINARY DAY, LET'S MAKE IT AN EXTRAORDINARY DAY!

We each have it within us to make everyday an extraordinary one. Adopting a mindset to face each new day with the opportunity to make it extraordinary has the potential to positively impact everyone with whom we come in contact. Just think how marvellous it would be to release such a potential through the way in which we interact with others. Nelson Mandela wrote about this:

“Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate, but that we are powerful beyond measure. It is our light, not our darkness that most frightens us. We ask ourselves, “Who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented and fabulous? Actually who are you not to be? You are a child of God. Your playing small doesn't serve the world. There's nothing enlightened about shrinking so that other people won't feel insecure around you. We are born to make manifest the Glory of God that is within us. It is not just in some of us it is in everyone. And as we let our own light shine, we unconsciously give other people the permission to do the same. As we are liberated from our own fear, our presence automatically liberates others”.

Being conscious of the impact that we have on those around us compels us to be the best version of ourselves.

*Dear Lord,*

*Another day has come and I thank you for this new day.  
Help me to try my best, stay focused and see life more clearly.  
Bring me to the end of the day with pride and joy  
at what I have achieved.*

*I ask this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen*

Thank you for the many messages of support and encouragement that the staff have received as we continue to be challenged by the pandemic and the ongoing wet weather which has restricted the students activity at school and complicated the drop off and pick up processes each day. Everyone's cooperation in following messages sent out at this time via Compass eg: COVID Updates and wet weather arrangements is greatly appreciated by the staff. I would like to particularly thank the dedicated teachers who in wet weather are on duty all day with very little break time from their responsibilities. A special acknowledgement to the staff who stand out in the rain before and after school to greet the children to school and ensure that they leave the school safely. Cheers to the fine weather that arrived today.

**Together we can achieve so much**  
*Leanne Nettleton - Principal*

## CROSS COUNTRY

### Tuesday 15 March



The Cross Country will go ahead as planned on Tuesday March 15, however has been relocated to Centenary of ANZAC Reserve (across the road from the school).

Spectators are welcome to attend and will be allocated a designated area to observe. Today, Year 3 & 4 students have walked the track and the other grades will do so before Tuesday. Parents are encouraged to take their children to the park for a run between now Tuesday.

We understand that due to the rain, the children will have had limited opportunity to train, however during sport with Mrs Mazza, students have been engaged in physical activity, such as tip, running games, jumping, skipping and power walking.

Schools are required to hold their Cross Country as soon as possible, so those students progressing to the Diocesan level, will be identified prior to this event.

Times for Races - (Please note these are approximate)

| Race Start Time | Age Group                                      | Distance     |
|-----------------|--|--------------|
| 9:00            | 12 Years - Boys & Girls (born in 2010)         | 3km          |
| 9:30            | 11 Years - Boys & Girls (born in 2011)         | 3km          |
| 10:00           | 10 Years - Boys & Girls (born in 2012)         | 2km          |
| 10:30           | 9 Years - Boys & Girls (born in 2013)          | 2km          |
| <b>Recess</b>   |  |              |
| 11:00           | 8 Years - Boys & Girls (born in 2014)          | 2km          |
| 11:30           | 7 Years (Year 2) - Boys & Girls (born in 2015) | 500m (1 lap) |
| 11:40           | Year 1 Boys & Girls -                          | 500m (1 lap) |
| 11:50           | Kinder Boys & Girls                            | 500m (1 lap) |
| <b>Lunch</b>    |  |              |



## KINDERGARTEN 2023 OPEN DAY ENROLMENT INFORMATION SESSIONS AND SCHOOL TOURS

# OPEN DAY

**WEDNESDAY 16TH MARCH**

\* Session 1 - 9am

\* Session 2 - 11.15am

Please pass this information onto neighbours, friends etc. who may be interested in enrolling their child in our great school.



# Religious Education

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR C  
13th March 2022

## GOSPEL

Lk 9:28-36

Jesus is transfigured before Peter, James and John.

Click on this link to view: [The Story of the Transfiguration](#)



## Family Connection

*A great reminder in "Family Week"*

In today's Gospel, the voice from heaven speaks to the disciples saying, "Listen to him." The Transfiguration was a focused moment for the disciples when they heard God speaking to them and experienced Jesus in glory. They most certainly left this focused moment with a new appreciation for the importance of Jesus' words even if they did not yet understand everything that he had taught them. During Lent, we are invited to consider our attentiveness to Jesus and to one another. In the pace and noise that often characterises family life, how well do we listen to one another? What opportunities do we have for quiet prayer?

As you gather as a family, count the number of pieces of equipment in your home that produce sound: televisions, radios, CD players, computers, video games, etc. Observe if sometimes more than one piece of equipment is playing simultaneously and how this might affect communication. Discuss the question: What is it like to try to talk with one another when this equipment is on? Read aloud today's Gospel, Luke 9:28-36. Consider whether the noise and pace of your family life allows family members opportunities for quiet prayer. During Lent, it may be appropriate for your family to choose a time for quiet in the household by turning off televisions, radios, and CD players. Consider whether your family would like to establish such a time during this Season of Lent and suggest that it might allow you the opportunity to listen more attentively to one another and to find time for quiet prayer. Spend a few such moments as a family, asking God to help you listen well to one another and to Jesus.

## FEAST OF ST JOSEPH

Feast of St Joseph is on Saturday 19th March. Our friends in 2 Green are leading us in prayer on Friday 18th March at our morning assembly. Thank you to Mrs Lean and Mrs Kiaian for preparing their class.



**Fr Alejandro's visit** - A huge thanks to Fr Alejandro for visiting Year 3 to bless their new bibles. We pray for our students in Year 3 who are preparing to receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist next term.

**OLOR Parish Newsletter** Fr Alejandro invites us to keep up to date with the latest news in our parish.  
*Jocelyn Williams - Religious Education Coordinator*

St. Patrick

**ST PATRICK'S DAY**

**MUFTI DAY**

**Next Thursday 17 March**



We wish to invite all families to join us as we celebrate this special day. Our liturgy will start at 9am under the Big Top. The students will be wearing their **Green Mufti** clothes in support of the devastating floods that have been heartbreaking for families, especially in the Diocese of Lismore, where it is estimated that up to 2,000 homes and businesses have been lost. At least four Catholic schools will need to be rebuilt. Funds raised on St Patrick's Day will go to support flood victims in the Lismore Diocese, please give generously. **You will be able to donate next week via the QKR app. Thank you for your generosity.**

## Special Food Day

**Tuesday March 22**

Thank you to our Parent Team who will be providing the students with their first Special Food day.

To place your order for your child, please go to the QKR app and click on the link **Special Food Days - Baker's Delight. Helpers Needed for Special Food Day!**

We need your help! If you are able to assist on this Special Food Day, please complete the [form](#)

## Celebrating Our Gifts

### Learning Excellence

### St Angela's Award

|                          |                       |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Abigail Vavayis KB       | Cara Villanueva KB    |
| Zachary Chacko KG        | Skye Robyn Conde KG   |
| Julius Barba KY          | Kayla Lobo KY         |
| Jayden Olah 1B           | Ciara Treacy 1B       |
| Tyler D'Morias 1G        | Tobias Brook 1G       |
| Arabella Gordon 1Y       | Narayan Elliott 1Y    |
| James Neo 2B             | Tia Lawlor 2B         |
| Saraya Wilson 2G         | Emmanuel Abu Duhou 2G |
| Claratheia Kinsong 2Y    | Evan Harvey 2Y        |
| Ruby Aquilina 3B         | Sarah DCruz 3B        |
| Jericho Paton 3G         | Joshua Raad 3G        |
| Georgia Grill 3Y         | Laila Henderson 3Y    |
| Thomas Morin 4B          | Grace Despoges 4B     |
| Sophie Kenny 4G          | Adriana Tikellis 4G   |
| Aliana Elizaga 4Y        | Alexis Foxe 4Y        |
| Marco Catalano 5B        | Sophie Pickles 5B     |
| Louis Caparros 5G        | Sienna Stuart 5G      |
| Lachlan Thew 5Y          | Mikayla White 5Y      |
| Annabelle Reisin 6B      | Moses Estera 6B       |
| Orlando Ruiz-Martinez 6G | Alicia Holt 6G        |
| Zoe Davie 6Y             | Aliyah Henwood 6Y     |



Happy birthday to members of our St Angela's community who celebrated their birthday during the week and this coming week:

|                      |                    |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| <b>MARCH</b>         | <b>14th March:</b> |
| <b>11th March:</b>   | Charles Jokic      |
| Gabriella Panto      | <b>15th March:</b> |
| <b>12th March:</b>   | Tianna Farah       |
| Lucas Mileto         | <b>16th March:</b> |
| Ms Grunberg          | Abigail Vavayis    |
| <b>13th March:</b>   | Mrs De Zotti       |
| Olivia Gale Abesamis |                    |
| Jake Hansell         |                    |
| Estelle Karam        |                    |
| Estelle Barbara      |                    |

*Please keep in your prayers*  
 Our prayers are extended to Lincoln, Maisie and family, due to the passing into eternal life of their grandfather.

## UPCOMING DATES

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| <b>MARCH</b>          |   |
| <b>Friday 11th</b>    | Diocesan Swimming Carnival Blacktown  |
| <b>Monday 14th</b>    | Year 5 Excursion to the Blue Mountains<br><b>CANCELLED</b>                    |
| <b>Tuesday 15th</b>   | <b>School Cross Country</b> at Centenary of ANZAC - Reserve Harrington Avenue |
| <b>Wednesday 16th</b> | <b>OPEN DAY - 9am &amp; 11:15am Adults Only</b>                               |
| <b>Thursday 17th</b>  | <b>MUFTI DAY</b> - St Patrick's Day   |

**SENT HOME THIS WEEK:** Emailed from Compass Portal

- Whole School:** COVID updates
- Year 6 Parents:** Commemorative Polo Shirts  
Excursion Surf Safe Program Rescheduled
- Kindergarten Parents:** Reading Parent Volunteers



With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support vulnerable communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction. Project Compassion 2022 reminds us that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come to build better future for all. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow For All Future Generations.



## ZONE SWIMMING

Congratulations to all the swimmers who competed in the Zone Swimming Carnival last week.

A special congratulations to our Junior Boys and Senior Boys Relay teams who both came a place on the day. A special mention to Finn Wheatley, Aidan Rambow and Ray Zhang who did exceptionally well on the day. Finn only missed out on Age Champion by 2 points. We wish all the competitors well in the Diocesan Carnival this week, including Monte Piotto who has stepped up at the last minute to be in our Senior Boys Relay.

### Junior Boys Relay 3rd Place

- Patrick Crowley
- Aiden Theoharous
- Dylan Crawford
- Ray Zhang

### Senior Boys Relay - 4th Place

- Jacob Crawford
- Patrick Netana
- Finn Wheatley
- Aidan Rambow

### Senior Boys 200m Medley - 4th Place

- Aidan Rambow

### 11yr boys 50m Freestyle - 3rd Place

### 11yr 50m breaststroke - 2nd Place

### 11yr 50m backstroke - 2nd Place

- Finn Wheatley  
3rd Place in 10yr 50m Freestyle - 3rd Place
- Ray Zhang



## GENERAL PARENT MEETING

Thank you to those parents who were able to attend our General Parent Meeting last night. This meeting was an opportunity for Mrs Yager and me to share the 2022 learning goals for our students as well as plan for input at these meetings in 2022.

### GENERAL PARENT MEETINGS:

#### Term 2

- \* Tuesday 24th May 2022 - 7pm
- \* Thursday 18th August 2022 - 7pm



## PARENT NOTIFICATIONS OF ABSENCES

Please use the Compass app to register your child(ren) being absent for a **FULL SCHOOL DAY**. Please respond to the text message you will receive at 11am.

**If your child tests positive to COVID, please notify the school via the school email: [stangelas@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:stangelas@parra.catholic.edu.au) and not via the Compass portal.**

A reminder that partial absences are processed by the school office only.

**Using the QKR app make your donation to the 2022 Project Compassion Appeal, click on Fundraising and go to Caritas Project Compassion.**

## Why did my child have another teacher at school today?

From time to time your child's class may have a replacement teacher for the day. At St Angela's we have a highly professional and dedicated relief staff who know our school and our procedures very well. When your child's teacher is not at school to teach them we rely on these teachers to continue the learning programme for our students. Your child's teacher may be away for a number of reasons including:- various leave entitlements - sick, caring, bereavement, long service leave; attendance at professional learning courses and the implementation of ongoing student assessments.

## What happens in a Numeracy Block at St Angela's?

'Numerate': To be numerate is to use mathematical ideas to make sense of the world.

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 Numeracy Block consists of three elements:

1. WARM UP (10-15 mins) Always number based: Counting, Place Value, Addition and Subtraction or Multiplication and Division. Targeted to point of need. 'Tuning in' and warming up. Teachers 'track' children's progress.
2. RICH TASK (30-40 mins) Learning Intention discussed and broken down. Success criteria co-constructed. Task differentiated for children.
3. REFLECTION (10-15 mins) Explicit teaching time. Explore questions raised by students.

At St Angela's, children are encouraged to have a 'Growth Mindset'. See below for some reflective comments from our students regarding a 'Growth Mindset':

- You don't need to be fast at Maths to be great.
- Your brain is growing and changing all the time.
- Mistakes help grow your brain and challenges are really good for you.
- Believing in yourself changes the way you learn.
- Everyone can learn Maths to a high level.

## REGULAR SCHOOL BELL TIMES

With COVID restrictions now eased, a return to the pre-COVID bell times has recommenced. Please be reminded of the following:

|         |  |
|---------|--|
| 8.25am  | <i>Music to move to assembly area</i>  |
| 8.30am  | <b>Official start of the school day</b><br><b>Start of first learning session</b><br>All children are expected to be ready for announcements at assembly and move into classrooms for first learning session |
| 10.30am | <b>RECESS</b>  |
| 10.57am | <i>Music to move to assembly points</i>  |
| 11.00am | <b>Start of second learning session</b>  |
| 12.30pm | <b>LUNCH</b><br>Sitting and eating until 12.40pm   |
| 1.17pm  | <i>Music to move to assembly points</i>  |
| 1.20pm  | <b>Start of third learning session</b>   |
| 2.50pm  | <b>Official end of the school day</b><br>Bell to move to and assemble in dismissal zones.  |
| 2.55pm  | Children begin leaving school grounds towards back gate, front gate crossing, cars, buses, etc.  |

## PARENT GRADE REPRESENTATIVES

Thank you to the parents who have volunteered to be our class/grade Representatives for 2022. We look forward to a year of rebuilding our parent and family connections within the St Angela's community.

2022 Parent Grade Representatives are:

**KINDERGARTEN:** Rachele Murphy KB, Kate Cook KY, Lauren Boumelhem KB, Mel Beshay KB

**YEAR 1:** Lauren Henderson 1B, Julie Cooray 1B, Fiona Livingstone 1B, Kristina Perkins 1Y

**YEAR 2:** Juliet Mearns 2Y, Fiona Livingstone 2G, Lauren Boumelhem 2G

**YEAR 3:** Lauren Henderson 3Y, Karen Trimboli 3G, Jessica Glass 3Y, Ralf Bruegger 3G, Kylie Pace 3Y

**YEAR 4:** Juliet Mearns 4B, Belinda Muscat 4B

**YEAR 5:** Marie Catalano 5B, Jessica Glass 5G, Kristina Perkins 5B

**YEAR 6:** Karen Trimboli 6G, Belinda Crawford 6G

Watch this space so that you can become involved in the various activities planned for the year.



## BOOKCLUB

This week students would have received their Term One Book Club Orders. Thank you to Sara Assaf (Tanios 2Y and Talia KG) who has volunteered to coordinate the Book Club for us. Parents will be able to order books from the Book Club once a term with the coloured brochures coming home each term.



## FORMS ON OUR WEBSITE

For your convenience, please find noted below just some of the forms which are available to download from our website. These forms can be found under **School Information**,

**School Notes:**

- ◆ Medication Forms - Temporary Administration (i.e. 1-5 days) and Doctor's Form (for medication to be permanently stored at school)
- ◆ Leave Request Form - 5-100 days
- ◆ Change of Details Forms
- ◆ Uniform Order Form