



St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill

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Sending Home Information and News about Education

Ministry of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville

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

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Term 3 - Week 2

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

A topic that frequently comes up in the media and in our conversations with parents is building resilience, Michael Grose explains that the research shows resilience can be nurtured and developed, particularly when parents themselves are resilient and they actively foster it in their kids. He suggests that parents can coach their kids through some of their more challenging moments and review what they may have learned for next time. As a parent it is hard to avoid solving all our children's problems for them but if we do we can help improve their resilience. Often our children surprise us because they may be more resilient than we are about circumstances. You can promote a lasting sense of resilience in your children by:

- 1. Having a positive attitude yourself.** Your attitude as a parent impacts on your child's ability to bounce back from some of the difficulties they face. Make sure you model a 'you can do it' attitude for your child when they meet some of life's curve balls.
- 2. Look for teachable moments.** Many children's learning opportunities are disguised as problems. Make the most of these opportunities so that children can grow and learn from some of the challenges they face.
- 3. Make children active participants in the family.** Active participation in a family develops the self-help, problem-solving and independence skills of children that are necessary for resilience.

Promoting resilience in children is a not a single event but a continuous process that requires adults to be supportive and empathetic when things don't go their way. It also requires you as a parent to have an understanding of resilience, so that you can have faith in yourself, and your child's ability to cope.

"Together we can do so much"

School Census Day Friday 4th August, 2023

Friday 4th August is School Census Day. All children should attend school on this day and absence should only be if it is absolutely necessary.

If you know your child will be away on Friday 4th August, please email stanglas@parra.catholic.edu.au advising the reason for the absence and when they will return, otherwise, simply respond to the text sent from St Angela's on the day by 10.00am explaining their absence and their date of return to school.

This is of course a requirement that applies to everyday of the school year, however, Census data is directly related to Government funding for our schools and the requirements outlined above are set by the Department of Education.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Census
2023

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday 30th July 2023 - Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 13:44-52

Jesus describes the kingdom through images.



Congratulations to Deacon Tan on his 20th anniversary as a Deacon on 19th July and Fr. Chris on his 36th anniversary of Priesthood on 25th July. We invite you to stay connected with the life of our parish. Here is a copy of the latest [newsletter](#).



Thank you to those who attended the combined Synod on the 23rd July. We have collected seven small group entries which have been submitted this week. Click on this [link](#) for more information about the process.



What's happening in Religious Education in our classrooms this term?

The overarching questions which will drive the students' learning in Religion this term are:

Kindergarten: 'What is Church?'

Year 1: 'Why is it important to care for Creation?'

Year 2: 'Should Scripture play a significant role in our work as peacemakers in the world?'

Year 3: 'How am I merciful in my daily life?'

Year 4: 'Why do people sometimes do the wrong thing?'

Year 5: 'What does it mean to serve?'

Year 6: 'How will you live the message of *Laudato Si'* and take Care of Our Common Home?'

We invite you to have a conversation with your children about the topics they are learning as they begin to further explore our Catholic traditions and relate them in our daily lives.



Jocelyn Williams
Religious Education Coordinator



NAPLAN reports were sent home with Year 3 and 5 students this week. St Angela's school performance was well above the National Average in all learning areas - Numeracy, Writing, Reading, Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation. Congratulations to the teachers and students. The teachers will be unpacking our school data over the next weeks to inform learning programmes





Jason Tedja KB	Victoria Taouk 5B
Isabella Guimenez 1Y	Adriana Tikellis 5G
Leo Slabak 2Y	Mia Vassallo 5G
Madeleine Bonasin 3Y	Sienna Azar 6G
Amelia Browne 3Y	Oliver Como 6G
Nicholas Gumuljo 3Y	Levi Fisher 6G
Lachlan Lashlie 3B	Eloise Hansell 6G
Lily Mogan 3Y	Kaeden Hochstetter 6G
Marcus Saad 3Y	Marcus Khoudair 6G
Jayden Thomas 3Y	Mateja Knevt 6G
Isla Paulynn Colet 4G	Charlotte Lashlie 6B
Amalie Cordi 4G	Courtney Lean 6G
John Fang 4G	Mikayla Martin 6G
Rafferty Castillo 5G	Ava Mogan 6G
Sophie Kenny 5G	Patrick Netana 6G
Antonia Khoudair 5G	Sophie Pickles 6G
Holly McGaulley 5G	Ivy Tole 6G
Sofia Muscardo 5G	Flynn Wilson 6G
Mason Stopps 5G	Charlize Woodham 6G

**PRC STUDENTS SITE
STUDENTS NEW TO THE SITE**

TOTAL NUMBER OF BOOKS READ = 9049
Total number of students who have completed the challenge = 342



Congratulations to 6G for having the most students completing the challenge this week.

**FATHERS' DAY STALL
Wednesday 30th August, 2023**

'A variety of fantastic gifts for Dad - \$7 per gift'

St Angela's traditional Fathers Day Stall is being coordinated by our Year 1 Grade parents and will be held on Wednesday 31st August.

Gifts will be available to purchase from Monday 21st August, 2023 using the Qkr! App under STORE VOUCHERS. Please make purchases using your child's individual and correct Qkr! profile. Only 1 gift per child should be purchased. Qkr! purchases will close on Friday 25th August, 2023. Usually there are enough gifts to offer a second opportunity to purchase a gift under special circumstances. These gifts are available to families who require a gift for a special father figure. Special circumstances will open on Qkr! On Friday evening and will close at 9am on Monday 28th August, 2023. More information will follow about the gifts that can be purchased.

Celebrating Our Gifts

<i>Learning Excellence</i>	<i>St Angela's Award</i>
Olivia Campo KB	Marco Barba KB
Francisco Castillo KG	Hayes Leung KG
Vienna Cheng KY	Elijah Low KY
Stella Steele 1B	Kelden Bhutia 1B
Abigail Crawford 1G	Azariah Abu Dhou 1G
Takudzwa Mombeyarara 1Y	Rory Vavasour 1Y
Samuel Sourial 2B	Charlotte Moran 2B
Chloe Cruz 2G	Matteo Circosta 2G
Olivia Henderson 2Y	Charlie Vassallo 2Y
Amelia Abdow 3B	Sebastian Burns 3B
Brendan Fadel 3G	Grace Baylis 3G
Reese Sargent 3Y	Michael Whyte 3Y
Sarah DÇruz 4B	Elena Mauceri 4B
Laila Henderson 4G	Tiahna Barjacoba 4G
Sienna Glass 4Y	Taylor Manio 4Y
Dayna Mills 5B	Noah Ochudzawa 5B
Rita Dabit 5G	Elizabeth Glendenning 5G
Charley Natividad 5Y	Mary Raad 5Y
Mikayla Zlomislac 6B	Mia Cordi 6B
Joshua Vassallo 5G	Oliver Como 6G
Kyla Hogan 6Y	Oskar Callan-Kerkenezov 6Y



Happy birthday to members of our St Angela's community who are celebrating their birthday this coming week and in the holidays:

JULY	
27th July	August
Daniel Bell 5B	1st August
Oliver Mares 5Y	Ash Szandala 3G
28th July	Kayleigh Angara 4Y
Neil Verghese 3B	Xavier Gordon 4Y
Emma Houghton Boreham 3G	Georgia Ilijic KG
Tiahna Barjacoba 4G	2nd August
29th July	Elyse Wong KB
Hilliary Roditis 3Y	3rd August
Akio Aguilar 5G	Leo Gordon 2G
31st July	Joshua Moses 4Y
Chloe Buckley 2G	Milan Haddad KY
Dean Alcock 4G	
Charlize Barnett 4Y	
Flynn Wilson 6G	

SENT HOME THIS WEEK:

Emailed from Compass Portal: Please check your COMPASS APP

Whole School:	What's happening at St Angela's this week Letter from Jack De Groot Executive Director of Schools 2023 Grade Overview years K-6
Years 3-6	Photos Speciality Groups
Years 3 & 5	NAPLAN
Kindergarten:	100 Days of School—Urgent Reminder
Year 1:	Excursion to Sydney Zoo
Year 2:	Incursion—Fizicks Education—Light and Sound Workshop
Year 3:	Head Lice—Year 3
Year 6:	Year 6 PJ Day Year 6 Dinner Dance—Invitation

UPCOMING DATES

TERM 3

Week 2

Friday 28th July Kindergarten "100 Days of Kinder"

Week 3

Monday 31st July Kindergarten Farm Excursion

Wednesday 2nd August Incursion—Musica Viva Session 1

Thursday 3rd August Year 1 Excursion—Sydney Zoo

Thursday 3rd August Year 6 Prayer Assembly Confirmation

Friday 4th August Incursion—Musica Viva Session 2

2023 DATES FOR THE DIARY

Monday 21st August Staff Development Day

Monday 9th October Staff Development Day

Tuesday 10th October Staff Development Day

Monday 18th December Staff Development Day

Tuesday 19th December Staff Development Day

TERM 2 SCHOOL FEES ARE NOW OVERDUE

Term 2 School fees are now overdue. If payment has not been made please finalise payment as soon as possible. Any enquiries please don't hesitate to contact the school office on 9407 6400.

Dogs around the school in school drop off and pick up areas at the Front and Back Gate

The front and back gates are very busy areas at drop off and pick up times. Parents are requested not to have dogs in these areas even if they are on leashes as we have many young children waiting for their siblings and it is safer for our students if they do not need to walk to their parents without having to navigate past dogs. Thank you for assisting us to keep all children safe at drop off and pick up times.

Dr Lea Waters AM PHD. D presenting at the PRC Parent Meeting at John Xx111 21 August "STRENGTH BASED PARENTING"

Dr Waters is a world expert on positive psychology, organisation and school wellbeing and strength-based parenting. She is the Founding Director and Inaugural Gerry Higgins Chair in Positive Psychology at the Centre for Wellbeing Science, University of Melbourne. Parents/carers and staff can register for the event by scanning the QR code on the flyer.

[PRC Strength Based Parenting Flyer](#)



In Term 3, all Kindy to Year 6 students will participate in Zing Activ lessons every Tuesday. This will mean a change to sports uniform days for some classes. Please see the table below for Term 3 sports uniform days.

Grade	Sport Uniform Day
Kindy	Tuesday & Thursday
Year 1	Tuesday & Wednesday
Year 2	Tuesday & Thursday
Year 3	Tuesday & Thursday
Year 4	Tuesday & Wednesday
Year 5	Tuesday & Thursday
Year 6	Tuesday & Wednesday

STUDENT ILLNESS OR INJURY

If your child has been injured and requires assistance to move around the school, parents are asked to advise Mrs Nettleton, prior to them returning to school. Children who carry an injury and are required to wear a Post Surgery Boot, use crutches or operate a wheelchair must have their safety reviewed whilst onsite. It is important that we provide a safe and supportive environment whilst your child recovers.



Health Awareness

In our school community we have students and staff with compromised health. It is very important if your child has COVID, cold or flu like symptoms that you do not send them to school. In addition please report to the school if your child is sick with RSV, chicken pox or measles as these are highly contagious illnesses. Thank you for all that you are doing to keep our students and staff safe.

COVID

Families at St Angela's continue to experience COVID cases, so it is important for you to monitor your children for symptoms and keep them at home if they are unwell.

We will also contact you if your child feels unwell at school. As it is flu season, please be vigilant about the early signs of influenza which also require you to keep your children at home to ensure that we continue to maintain a healthy environment for the children and staff while at school.

COVID SAFE PROTOCOLS

All students, families and staff are requested to follow NSW Health's advice to reduce the risk of not only transmitting COVID-19, but also other illnesses that may affect schools this winter such as the flu. Therefore we ask that students, staff and family members who visit the school to Inform the school if their child tests COVID positive and keep the child at home until they are symptom free and well again.

Thank you for all that you do to support the health of students, families and staff.

Sports Update

Infants Kinder & Year 1 Athletics Carnival

On Friday the 11th of August (Week 4), Kindergarten and Year 1 students will be participating in their Infants Athletics Carnival across the road. For the day to run smoothly, we need parent volunteers to assist us with running the events. Please fill in the google form below to register your interest to help on the day. [Parent Volunteer Form Kinder & Year 1 Athletics Carnival](#) If you are able to assist on the day, parents need to have completed the [Building-Child-Safe-Communities Training](#).

All parents and friends are welcome to attend. A note with more details will be coming out in the coming days.

Netball Gala Day

Thank you to everyone who has registered their interest in the Gala day to be held later this term. We have had an overwhelming response with over 110 students responding. Mrs Mazza and Miss Claxton now have the challenging job to sift through all the applications to work out if any trials are required. We will have more details next week when the CSPD Sport Convenors are able to confirm our schools entry and confirm the number of teams in the gala day that we are allowed. We appreciate your understanding.

Hills Zone Athletics Carnival

If your child is attending the Hills Zone Athletics Carnival on Friday 18th August and you are able to assist on the day please email Mrs Mazza with your details. A reminder that parents are required to have completed the Building Child Safe Communities module to be able to volunteer at any event. The Zone Athletics Carnival requires a large number of parent volunteers for the carnival to run successfully.

Women's World Cup Soccer

Thank you to the families who have already sent through a Women's World Cup Soccer Photo, there's still time to send them in!

To celebrate the women's world cup soccer Mrs Mazza would love to see some photos of how your family are celebrating the Matilda's games in your home. We would love to include them in our Sports Newsletter this term. Please send photos to Mrs Mazza via the school email addressed with MATILDAS PHOTOS.

HELPFUL Quick Links

Compass: [Compass Parent Portal](#)

Canteen: Opens Tuesday & Friday

Canteen Volunteer Form: [Canteen Volunteers](#)

Cash Cards: Cash cards need to be paid through the

QKr! App

Ambrose Before & After School Care:

[Ambrose Before-and-After-School-Care](#)

Band Lessons: <http://www.teachingservices.com.au/EOI>

NSW Health: <http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/Pages/default.aspx>

Transport: <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts>

<http://transportnsw.info/tickets-opal/ticket-eligibility-concessions/school-student-travel>

Bus Timetables:

Hillsbus: <https://www.cdcbus.com.au/>

Lost Property:

If named all lost property is distributed daily to students.

School Expectations

Over the last 2 weeks, the students have been letting their light shine when they:

Show Respect by Looking After Their Belongings.

We have been noticing:

- Lunchboxes and drink bottles put away and make it home each day
- property being labelled and looked after,
- less misplaced items
- Clean play areas
- Bags zipped up and stored safely on the verandahs
- School playground equipment returned ready to be played with.



ADDITIONAL PLAYGROUND AREA

As mentioned last week, internal gates to the block of land next door and a fence line have been installed in preparation for the students being able to play in this area. This will make a great addition to our play areas. I am very proud of how resilient the students have been waiting for this area to open up.



St Bernadette's Parish Castle Hill

Presents

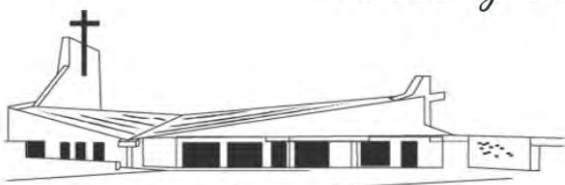
An Evening of Sacred Music

Fri 25th August

7:30pm

A night of performances by choirs, music groups and soloists from around the Diocese, performing a selection of hymns and choral music.

*Tickets are \$5 per person.
Entry includes light refreshments
during intermission.*



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Parish Castle Hill

