

# 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.

### WELCOME TO ALL FATHERS AND FATHER FIGURES TO OUR SAUSAGE SIZZLE BREAKFAST (FROM 8.05AM) AND **OPEN CLASSROOMS (FROM 8.15AM)**

**CONCERT BAND STUDENTS WILL BE PROVIDING** ALFRESCO ENTERTAINMENT

DON'T FORGET TO WEAR YOUR JERSEY IN SUPPORT OF JERSEY DAY! STUDENTS WELCOME TO WEAR THEIR **FAVOURITE SPORTS JERSEY OVER THEIR UNIFORM** 



# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

### **Celebrating Fathers: Our Most Precious Gifts!**

As we approach Fathers Day, the day that we celebrate the amazing fathers and father figures in our lives, let's take a moment to reflect on the invaluable roles they play. Fathers are our mentors, our protectors, and the guiding stars that light our way. This Father's Day, we honour the wonderful men who bring laughter, love, and wisdom into our homes.

A Sense of Humour that Brightens Our Days. One of the most treasured gifts fathers share with us is their sense of humour. Through their playful jokes, witty remarks, and infectious laughter, they create an atmosphere of joy that lifts our spirits. Their ability to find humour even in the most challenging situations reminds us that life's difficulties can be faced with a smile. So here's to the fathers who add that touch of lightness to our lives!

Protectors and Guides on Life's Journey. Fathers are the unsung heroes who stand as strong pillars of support in our lives. They provide us with a sense of security and protection, offering comfort during times of uncertainty. Their guidance shapes our character and instils in us the values that become the foundation of our decisions. From teaching us to ride a bike to offering words of wisdom as we navigate the complexities of adulthood, fathers are our unwavering guides on this incredible journey.

This Father's Day, let's come together to celebrate these remarkable individuals who shape our lives in profound ways. Whether it's through heartfelt conversations, shared laughter, or the lessons they've imparted, fathers are truly gifts that keep on giving. Let's take the time to express our gratitude and admiration for the fathers who enrich our lives with their love, wisdom, and unwavering presence.

As we celebrate Father's Day, let's also remember that this day might evoke a mix of emotions for some. We extend our thoughts and prayers to those who may be missing their fathers or experiencing challenging family situations. May they find comfort and strength during this time.

### A Prayer for Fathers:

Heavenly Father, We come before you with hearts full of gratitude for the fathers in our lives. We thank you for their love, their guidance, and their unwavering presence. Bless them with strength and wisdom as they lead their families. May they find joy in their role as providers and protectors. Grant them the patience to navigate challenges and the courage to celebrate triumphs. May they continue to be shining examples of love and dedication. Amen.

Wishing you all a blessed and joy-filled Father's Day!

"Together we can do so much" Leanne Nettleton

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Father's Day Prayer

God our Father, through the intercession of St. Joseph, foster father of Your Son.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks and praise for all fathers in the world.

We pray for them so that they may they find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice. We ask you for an ever-increasing faithful and generous love of fathers to their respective wives and children. We ask you not only for their physical and material well-being, but also that they be authentic Christian fathers seeking holiness in the middle of the world so as to attain happiness here on earth and in heaven. We pray for those whose children are lost, sick or are suffering; may they know that the God of compassion walks with them in their sorrow.

We remember fathers, grandfathers, and great grandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love.

Bless them and may they rest in peace. Amen.



### 2023 Parish Dinner Dance

Have you saved the date for our Parish dinner-dance on Saturday 14 October 2023 at Hawkesbury Function Centre? Doors open at 6.30pm for 7pm. Please contact the parish office to purchase your tickets.

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# REGISTRATIONS FOR RECONCILIATION ARE NOW OPEN!!!

We invite all parents with children in **Year 2** or above who have been baptised, to receive sacrament of reconciliation in November 2023. You can register your child by filling in the form <u>here</u>.

Please complete by Friday Sept 10th 2023 to reserve a place. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at: sacraments@olorparishkellyville.org.au.

### We need your help!!!

As the parish is transitioning to a face-to-face sacramental preparation, we are making a call out to people interested in volunteering on this program. Sessions will be run for 5 consecutive weeks in October – November in the evenings.

We are looking at assistance to help set up rooms, and take details upon parents and children's arrival. If you are interested, please contact our sacramental coordinator Angela on 02 8818 9005 (Thursdays & Fridays) or email her on sacraments@olorparishkellyville.org.au

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# **STAR SPOT**

Congratulations to Liam Nicholls (6Y)
who attended the Australian Jiu Jitsu
Championship in Melbourne last
weekend. He competed and won the
gold medal and is an Australian National
Champion for the second year running.



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Congratulations to Monte Pioto (6G) who won the Hills Cluster Voice of Youth final and now progresses to the Diocesan Semi Final. Monte's speech "Living in the Moment" was powerful  $\overleftrightarrow$ and engaging.

WATER BOTTLES AND SCHOOL HAT REMINDER

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A reminder to all parents to ensure that your child is bringing to school their water and their hat. With the warmer weather we need to ensure that they are staying hydrated during the day and protected from sun whilst on the playground.

### 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.

A reminder that **partial absences** are processed by the school office only. All absences appear on Student Semester Learning Reports.

# SCHOOL EXPECTATIONS

This past week has seen the introduction of our new token system. This initiative is designed to promote and reward positive behaviour among the students, while also fostering a sense of unity and collaboration within each grade.

Students will receive tokens as recognition of their efforts in adhering to our school's expectations: "Show Respect, Value Learning and Live responsibly."

When the students demonstrate behaviour that aligns with these values, they will be given tokens by the teachers. Each token contributes to a collective goal that benefits the entire grade. The tokens are then placed in their grade's token box. As the students work together to fill their token boxes, they move closer to enjoying a special reward that reflects their joint efforts.

The initial response from the students has been overwhelmingly positive. The sense of camaraderie as they work towards a common goal is truly wonderful to witness.



### PARENT VOLUNTEER

To volunteer at St Angela's parents must complete the <u>Building Child Safe Communities - Volunteer Undertaking</u> and <u>Training Module</u>. Your BCSC status is only valid for 2 years. Volunteers must adhere to the NSW Health COVID Safe guidelines. We thank you for your continued support of the staff and students of St Angela's.



Marco Barba KB	Lilah Kenny 3Y	
Ruaan Dutta KY	Alexander Mearns 3G	
Sophia Holden KB	Reese Sargent 3Y	
Raina Li KB	Oliver Mares 5Y	
Eli Schenke KG	Elora Mutsuddy-Barua 5B	
Lucy Villavieja KB	Noah Ochudzawa 5B	
Ealin Zhang KY	Zara Shorten 5G	
Ethan Zhang KG	Shuxin Wang 5B	
Talia Assaf 1B	Sophie McIntyre 6G	
Olivia DÚrso 1G	Victor Demartini 5B	
Isaac Low 2B	Liam Nicholls 6Y	
Quinn Sargent 2B	Jack Norris 6Y	
Eliana David 3B	Zavier Stornelli 6Y	

### PRC STUDENTS SITE STUDENTS NEW TO THE SITE

TOTAL NUMBER OF BOOKS READ = 10538 Total number of students who have completed the challenge = 416



Congratulations to the following students who are our Week 7 Premier Reading Challenge Winners!

Alexander Jagger-Vitnell KY Jennifer Chen 2B Miranda Soliman 4B Chloe Mowbray 6B Milana Zullo 1Y Sienna Wise 3Y Grace Bacon 5Y



Congratulations to Evelyn Valleja who won the "Guess the Title Competition"



# **Celebrating Our Gifts**

Learníng Excellence	St Angela's Award
Levi Tassone KB	Ava Nealon KB
Aria D'Morias KG	Zara Maait IG
Evelyn Lukas KY	Jackson Orefice KY
Evelyn Sun 1B	Seth Franks 1B
Isabella Ward 1G	Henry Unutmaz 1G
Edgardo Franco Espinosa 1Y	Sienna Lucas 1Y
Isabelle Riley 2B	Olivia Katipunan 2B

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Charlotte Green 2G	Leo Gordon 2G
Paige Doyle 2Y	Luke Hansen 2Y
Liam Kennedy 3B	William McDowall 3B
Sylvia Wang 3G	Matthew Livingstone 3G
Michael Whyte 3Y	Khloe Ibrahim 3Y
Andrea Mateo 4B	William Hall 4B
Dean Alcock 4G	Ava Buckley 4G
Lachlan Kelly 4Y	Harry Madden 4Y
James Morr 5B	Isabella Logarta-Scott 5B
Ivy Gualterio 5G	Samaan Abu Duhou 5G
Skye Doyle 5Y	Gabriella Chehade 5Y
Jai Powell 6B	Finn Wheatley 6B
Ivy Tole 6G	Joshua Vassallo 6G
Zac Vallejo 6Y	Claire Alcock 6Y

# CHANGING GOING HOME ARRANGEMENTS

A reminder to parents that our official school day is from 8:30am until 2:50pm and that your child is required to be present between these times. Children should not be taken out of school early unless it is for an important reason (ie. Appointment for specialists etc.) Likewise, any changes of going home arrangements should only be made in cases of emergencies. As you can appreciate, contacting classes for children to come to the office for early departures or to advise going home changes is disruptive to the learning, in particular to the whole school if the class is not in their room and an announcement needs to be made.

We ask that all early departures and changes to going home arrangements are advised in writing to stangelas@parra.catholic.edu.au before 1.30pm on the day the change is taking place. Please do not email going home changes days in advance. This assists with our process of notifying the class teacher via their office bag.



#### Netball Gala Day

Congratulations to all the students who competed yesterday at the CSPD Netball Gala Day. What a wonderful day we all had. This year we were fortunate enough to take 11 teams with just over 100 students. It was great to see so many boys getting involved too. All of our teams did exceptionally well on the day. Our Senior Mixed, Junior Mixed and Junior Boys teams took home 1st place in their pool. Sensational effort by all!.

A special thanks to our parent coaches who did an awesome job managing their teams all day. We are also so appreciative of all the parents and grandparents who stepped up at the last minute and umpired games *due to* some shortages. Thank you to the Marian and Oak Hill College students who assisted our school and umpired.

Days like this don't just happen without dedication and preparation by our Staff. Thank you to Miss Claxton and Mrs Mazza for trialling the students in their lunch times, thank you to Miss Claxton, Mrs Mazza, Mrs Rubelj and Mrs Barnes for training the teams, thank you to Mrs Lean, Mrs Dolores, Miss Claxton and Mrs Mazza for all your assistance and help at the gala day to manage such a big group and so many teams.







#### **Touch Football Gala Days**

Keep an eye out for the Stage 2 (years 3 and 4) Touch Football Gala Day expression of interest form. The Gala Day will be held in St Mary's on Friday 15th September.

#### **REFEREES NEEDED FOR TOUCH FOOTBALL**

If you know someone who can referee at the Stage 2 Touch Football gala day on Friday 15th September please let Mrs Mazza. Experience is not necessary but an understanding of the game rules is required.

#### **Diocesan Athletics Carnival**

Congratulations to our Diocesan Athletics Team who attended last week's carnival with Mrs Mazza and Mrs Kassis at Rooty Hill Athletics Track. We also congratulate Alexis Foxe who took home the Junior Girls Runner Up Champion plaque. A sensational achievement.

Once again St Angela's have done exceptionally well and we have a team of 10 competitors progressing forward to the 2023 MacKillop Athletics Trials at Sydney Olympic Park, Homebush on the 18th September.

Congratulations to the following students who have qualified in their events;

- Junior Boys Relay Team Maximus Orefice, Lachlan Kelly, Luca D'Urso, Anthony Mittiga
- Junior Girls Relay Team Maisie Brown, Catalina Fam, Lucia Mittiga, Alexis Foxe
- Alexis Foxe 100m and 200m
- Lachlan Kelly 100m
- Flynn Wilson Long Jump
- Anthony Mittiga 100m
- Thomas Morin 800m



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

#### <u>AUGUST</u>

**31st August** Halle Wilson 1Y

#### SEPTEMBER

1st September Ruby Hoare 1G Cooper Bisson 4Y Eli Crecca K Xavier Broadbridge 2Y

**3rd September** 

Luke Hansen 2Y Lucas Wang K 4th September Noah Judd 1Y Jacinta Raad 2Y Archie Roberts 2Y Audrey Unutmaz 3G

**5th September** Mikayla Zlomislic 6B Sienna Stuart 6Y Zachary Rivett KB

# **UPCOMING DATES**

#### TERM 3

<u>Week 7</u> Friday 1st September

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<u>Week 8</u> Tuesday 5th September Wednesday 6th September

Wednesday 6th September Friday 8th September

Week 9 Tuesday 12th September

Thursday 14th September Friday 15th September

<u>Week 10</u> Monday 18th September Year 5 Geography/Science Showcase of Learning @ 2pm— Parents welcome

Fathers Day Sausage Sizzle from 8.05am &

School Liturgy @ 9am—10.30am with speeches to follow in classrooms. Parents are welcome

Voice of Youth Semi Finals—Year 6 attending

Training Band performance for Kindy & Year 1

students 10am in the hall. Parents of Band

Mercy Day—Year 3 @ 2pm Parents welcome

Kindergarten Assembly @ 2pm Parents welcome

Year 6 Interschool Debating in the Hall

Classroom Visit from 8.15am

Zing Activ (Dance Fever) Lessons

Students welcome to attend

Zing Activ (Dance Fever) Lessons

Year 5 Power of the Voice—Whole

### SENT HOME THIS WEEK:

Emailed from Compass Portal: Please check your COMPASS APP

Whole School:	What's happening at St Angela's this week Fathers Day Sausage Sizzle Breakfast— Ingredients List
Year 3,4,5,6:	Zing Interschool Dance Challenge 2023—Reminder
Year 3:	2023 Year 3 Mercy Day
Year 5:	Power of Voice Liturgy
Year 6:	Voice of Youth Eastern Division Semi Final 2023

## **2023 DATES FOR THE DIARY**

Monday 9th October Tuesday 10th October Monday 18th December Tuesday 19th December Staff Development Day Staff Development Day Staff Development Day Staff Development Day



In Weeks 6/7 the SRC have been running a Jersey Day Raffle. The Sprem family have donated a range of soccer balls, footballs and hats from the Nathan Gremmo Community Network as prizes for our raffle.

It's your last chance to buy raffle tickets at the Father's Day Sausage Sizzle tomorrow morning before it gets drawn.

All proceeds will go to the Jersey Day Foundation





The Challenge is open to ALL students from Years 3 to Years 6 with a fantastic atmosphere and it will be a wonderful occasion for the whole school community.

## **CHALLENGE DETAILS**

DATE:	WEDNESDAY, 20th of September 2023
TIME:	Doors open 4.30pm for 5.30pm start.
	Finishes between 8:00 - 8:30pm
VENUE:	Quaycentre - 4 Olympic Blvd, Sydney
	Olympic Park
COST:	\$14.00 per person (including children
	competing)

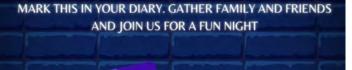
For more information, click on the <u>link</u>. If your child will be attending, please complete the <u>form</u> here.

# Label Belongings

This sign simply reminds parents of the importance of labelling all their child's belongings.

Attention Parents Please remember to label all your child's belongings.

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FRIDAY 20TH OCTOBER 2023

In the School Hall

Starts: 06:00 pm

Any Auction Item Donations are Welcome and appreciated

### Notification Policy if moving from St Angela's

### Please note:

If you are leaving St Angela's please ensure you are aware that the Diocese requests a full terms notice, (10 school weeks) in writing, to be given to the Principal before a parent/guardian terminates a students enrolment. According to Diocesan policy, if the required notice is not given, the parent/guardian is to pay one term's school fees including diocesan fees.

Upon withdrawal of a student, fees are calculated on a prorata basis according to the notification period given. One exception is that notice in writing, will be accepted at anytime during Term 4. This is outlined on the last page of your Term 1 school fee account statement and also on the enrolment form instructions.

Please contact the school office if further clarification is required. Thank you.