

### St Angela's Primary School Castle Hill



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Ministry of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville We acknowledge the Darug people, the traditional custodians on whose land we educate our students.

#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

October is a special month, and it's a time when we come together to think about others and their well-being. On Monday Year 5 Green reminded us at their Prayer assembly that we're focusing on World Mission Day and the beautiful teachings of Jesus. World Mission Day is a day dedicated to thinking about our mission in the world. It's about sharing love, blessings, and helping those in need, both near and far. Just like Jesus taught us, it's a day to reflect on the values that make our world a more peaceful and loving place.

In the Bible, Jesus shared a series of teachings known as the Beatitudes. Each of them begins with "Blessed are," and they guide us on how to live a meaningful and compassionate life.

**Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven:** This reminds us that humility and understanding of our own limitations are essential for spiritual growth.

**Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted:** It's comforting to know that when we're sad, we can find solace and support in our community and in God.

**Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth:** Meekness means being gentle, patient, and kind. These qualities help us build strong and lasting relationships.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied: This teaches us that seeking what's right and just is a path to fulfillment and contentment.

**Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy:** When we show kindness and forgiveness to others, we receive the same in return.

Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God: A pure heart is filled with love and goodness, allowing us to experience the divine in our lives.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God: Promoting peace and harmony in our world is a true sign of our connection with God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven: Standing up for what's right may not always be easy, but it is a path to a heavenly reward.

This World Mission Day, let's remember these teachings of Jesus and put them into practice. By doing so, we can make the world a better place for everyone. Share love and blessings with those around you and those in need, and you'll be fulfilling your mission just like Jesus taught us.

Thank you for being a part of our St Angela's family, and for nurturing these valuable lessons of love and compassion in our children.

"Let your light shine" Leanne Nettleton Principal

# RELIGION

#### Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time - Year A -29th October 2023

#### Gospel

#### Matthew 22:34-40

You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbour as yourself.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: you must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

Thank you to our Year 3 students who are living the Gospel through their work in promoting and supporting Socktober in their Religion learning. We look forward to a fun day wearing our crazy socks tomorrow. A huge thanks to all families for their generous donations.

November is the month when we remember our departed loved ones. We will celebrate the Feast of All Saints Day and All Souls Day on Wednesday 1st November, 8:30am in the Hall. Thank you to our friends in 5 Blue who will lead us in prayer.

We warmly invite Year 5 families to join us for Sunday Mass on Sunday 29th October, 9am at OLOR Church

Jocelyn Williams REC Coordinator

Crazy Socks Day

#### FRIDAY 27TH OCTOBER, 2023

Students are invited to wear CRAZY SOCKS TO SCHOOL TOMORROW and families are invited to make a donation on the donation SOCKTOBER website where we can already see that St Angela's has raised \$830.



### FAMILY BINGO NIGHT WRAP UP

#### What a fabulous family Night we all enjoyed at our BINGO **EVENING**

Congratulations to our Year 3 Grade Parents who hosted our inaugural Family Bingo evening. This was a fabulous evening of fun. Thank you to Jessica Burns, Ashlie Johnston, Juliet Mearns, Owen Vavasour and Lauren Boumelhem for all their organisation. A huge thanks to Tim Johnston and Owen Vavasour for being our Bingo Callers and the following parents for their support setting up the hall, cooking the BBQ, serving the sausage sizzle and cleaning up afterwards - Nadia White, Dulcie Aguilar, Chris Aguilar, Gavin Burns, Sara Assaf, Sarah Kennedy, Jane Masik, Amy Merhi, Brett Sargeant, Justin Brown, Louise Mileto and rose Caparros. Thank you to our wonderful office ladies, Liz, Kylie, Lisa and Sam who worked behind the scenes to ensure that everything went so smoothly. Thank you for the many generous donations from the school community that made this evening such a success.

While the aim of this evening was to have a Family Fun Night we were able to raise \$3200 for the purchase of STEM resources for the school.

Thankyou once again to the following companies who so generously donated the prizes and auction items on the night:

- Reddawn Lilianfels Bakers Delight Donut King Lisa's Hair Dresser Pasqualinas George's Goumet Pizzaria Sydney Education Expo Amber Tiles
- Local Trade Camino Rose Meyou Kids A Moments Pleasure North Kellyville Bakehouse Caffe Cherry Beans Kellyville



### 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.

Parents are required to get a doctor's letter that outlines the student's injury and that the student is able to return to school.

The treating doctor should also indicate any restrictions that need to be considered on the child's return 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.



# UPCOMING DATES

#### Term 4

Week 3	
Friday 27th October	Catholic Schools Stage 3 touch Football
	Gala Day
Sunday 29th October	Parish Mass—Year 6 Students and Families
Week 4	
Wednesday 1st November	All Saints Day and All Souls Day—Year 5 in
	the Hall
	2024 Kindergarten Parents Information
	Evening @ 7pm in the Hall
Friday 3rd November	Band Demonstration for Year 2 to Year 5
	@ 9.45am in the hall—Parents Welcome
Week 5	
Monday 6th November	Year 5 Leadership Incursion
Thursday 9th November	Kindy Orientation Day 1
Friday 10th November	CSPD Gymnastics Competition
Week 6	
Monday 13th November	Remembrance Day Liturgy in the Hall
Wednesday 15th November	Reconciliation for Year 2 Students
Thursday 16th November	Year 1 Liturgy at 215pm in the hall—
-	Parents Welcome
Friday 17th November	Kindy Orientation Day 2
Week 7	
Monday 20th November	Captivate Performance—Lets Get Loud
Tuesday 21st November	Special Food Day
Wednesday 22nd November	Reconciliation for Year 2 Students
Friday 24th November	Grandparents Day—8.30am-10.15am
	Year 6 Assembly @ 2pm in the hall—
	parents welcome
Sunday 26th November	Year 6 Students and Families—Parish Mass

### SENT HOME THIS WEEK:

Emailed from Compass Portal: Please check your COMPASS APP

Whole School:	What's happening at St Angela's this week		
Kindergarten:	Grade Overview—Term 4		
Year 1:	Grade Overview—Term 4		
Year 2:	Grade Overview—Term 4		
Year 3:	Socktober 2023 Grade Overview—Term 4		
Years 3, 4 & 5:	Representative Sport Expressions of Interest Parent Information		
Year 4:	Gade Overview—Term 4 Year 4 Solar Oven Experiment—Ingredients List		
Year 5 :	Year 5 Mass—29th October, 2023 Grade Overview—Term 4		
Year 6:	Grade Overview—Term 4 Year 6 Incursion Fizzics Education Electrical Circuits		
2023 DATES FOR THE DIARY			

Monday 18th December	Staff Development Day
Tuesday 19th December	Staff Development Day

Friday 1st December

**CHRISTMAS CONCERT** 

### Australian Girls Choir Open Day

Look no further than the Australian Girls Choir (AGC) because we encourage, challenge and inspire girls as they learn to sing, dance and perform. School aged girls are invited to come along to our Open Days on Saturday November 11, Sunday November 12 and Sunday November 19 to try our fun and inclusive classes and learn more about being part of the AGC! Please visit our website to register to attend our free Open Day: <u>ausgirlschoir.com.au/joinagc Sydney Open Day Flyer</u>



You may be looking for some support about how to discuss War and Conflict with your children. Our SchoolTV website provides some resources for you that may be of assistance. Children are increasingly exposed to distressing news through the 24-hour news cycle and social media. These experiences can provoke anxiety, especially in young minds still forming their worldviews. As parents and caregivers we need to be mindful of overexposure to such content as it can lead to symptoms similar to post-traumatic stress disorder. Children's responses to trauma can vary, from being strong emotional reactions to being indifferent. It can leave an emotional imprint that can affect a child's behaviour and perception of danger.

Children need reassurance about their safety as they navigate uncertain times. Tailor conversations to your child's age and emotional maturity. Younger children benefit from simplified explanations focusing on peace, empathy, and cooperation, while older children can delve into historical events, root causes of conflict, and the complexities of international relations.

Before discussing these topics with your child, it is also important to assess your own emotions and comfort level. By staying calm and providing physical comfort will help your child regulate their own emotions. In challenging times, compassionate adults play a crucial role in helping children cope with anxiety and providing hope and understanding in our complex world.

This Special Report provides guidance on how to tackle this difficult topic and help children understand there is still hope in our complex world. If this topic raises any concerns for you, a loved one or the wellbeing of your child, please consider seeking medical or professional help.

Here is the link to your special report <u>https://</u> <u>stangelaschill.catholic.schooltv.me/wellbeing\_news/special-</u> <u>report-discussing-war-conflict</u>

# **Celebrating Our Gifts**

St Angela's

Award

# Learníng Excellence

Indiana Whyte KB Aaron Chelvaratnam KB Zae Lawlor KG Zachary Moses KG Isabelle Masik KY Marcus Gittany KY Xavier Broadbridge 1B William Houghton Boreham 1B Oliver Burchill 1G Samuel Yiu 1G Anton Finch 1Y Angus lannetta 1Y Thomas Livingstone 2B William Iannetta 2B Charlotte Sam 2G Sophie Hoon 2G Leo Slabak 2Y Liamm Perera 2Y Michael Tyler-Ottolino 3B Evelyn Vallejo 3B Chloe Lukjanenko 3G Ariana White 3G Sienna Wise 3Y Harvey Lukas 3Y Norah Siountris 4B Georgia Grill 4B Alexander Bruegger 4G Jericho Paton 4G Jordan Pupo 4Y Harper Pickles 4Y Isabella Halfhide 5B Eden Gliddon 5B

Mason Stopps 5GZara Shorten 5GJack Hewlett 5YMary Raad 5YMary Michelle Younes 6BLachlan Mcdermott 6BMikayla Martin 6GEloise Hansell 6GMikayla White 6YHarper Eastwood 6Y

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#### Please keep in your prayers

Our prayers are with Ava Nealon (KB) and her family on the passing of her grandfather Michel Sarkis Baini.

May he rest in peace. 🙏

#### **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.



#### Touch Football Gala Day

We wish all the stage 3 students representing St Angela's at the touch football gala day tomorrow all the best in the competition. A shout out to the parent volunteers who will be helping to manage a team throughout the day. We are also very grateful to the students from Gilroy College (some of our past St Angela's students too) who will be assisting on the day refereeing games.

#### **Basketball Gala Day**

Expressions of Interest for the basketball gala day have gone out this week via compass. Students in years 3-6 can register to trial for the gala day on Wednesday 22nd November. Please see Mrs Mazza or Mrs Orsini with any questions regarding the gala day. Keep an eye on compass and the 'What's Happening' post for information on trials and training.

#### **Athletics**

This week we had 2 of our students make it through to the state level for Athletics. This is a massive achievement for Alexis Foxe and Flynn Wilson who represented Mackillop in the NSW PSSA Championships this week at Homebush. We are so proud of their achievements in their events. Be sure to read the detailed write up in the Sport News later this term.

#### 2024 Representative Sport Expressions of Interest Parent Information

Students enrolled in Year 5 and 6 in 2024 are invited to participate in the **Parramatta Diocesan** Team Sport Trials during Term 4 in 2023, Term 1 & 2 in 2024. Students in Year 4 in 2024 **MAY** nominate for the sports of Basketball, Hockey, Softball, Tennis & Touch Football <u>only</u>.

It is important to note that these trials are for those students that demonstrate an **ABOVE AVERAGE HIGH LEVEL OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT** or in particular sports demonstrate **REPRESENTATIVE** playing experience in their nominated sport. In most sports, students should have experience playing regular competitions outside of school.

# The sports of BASKETBALL & TENNIS ONLY are OPEN for registration and close on 8th November.

ALL other team sports will be available from 15th November 2023 for registration.

2024 CEDP Primary Sport TEAM Expression of Interest Nomination

https://www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au/



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

#### <u>October</u>

**23rd October** Ansh Agarwal

26th October Sophia Beshay 1Y Angus lannetta 1Y

**28th October** Jordan Pupo 4Y

**29th October** Sienna Reilly 5B **30th October** Tabitha Lee 4G Harrison O'Brien KG

**31st October** Narayan Elliott 2G Mary Raad 5Y

# **BIRTHDAY TREATS**

Celebrating a birthday is something all children look forward to! Some parents like to send a birthday treat to school to share.

If you would like to do this, please send cupcakes, donuts or frozen zooper doopers as these are much more manageable than a cake. Please ensure there are no nuts or nut products included in any shape or form. Lolly bags etc. are not permitted due to allergies.

As with all food brought to school, cakes should be nut free. If your child has allergies, you are encouraged to provide an alternate treat, in a labelled container, that can be left at school for them to have on other childrens' birthday celebrations.

Thank you for supporting us as we endeavour to keep all children safe and happy



## Travel or Holidays During the School Term

Family holidays and travel outside of school holiday period will be considered individually based on your child's attendance, the intention of the extended leave and the impact on your child's participation and progress at school.

Applications for Extended Leave Travel - (5 or more days must be completed and then submitted to the office 3 weeks prior to the travel.

Application forms can also be downloaded via the school website.

https://www.stangelaschill.catholic.edu.au/In-The-Loop/ School-Notes



### 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.

# 2ND HAND UNIFORM PURCHASES

A reminder that If you purchase second hand uniforms please remember to remove the old name and label them with your child's name and class.

As the weather is constantly changing children are taking off their jackets at playtime and without the correct name on them they cannot be returned.

### SCHOOL BELL TIMES

Please be reminded of the following:		
8.05am	School Entry Gates Open for Student & Vehicle	
	Access	
8.25am	Music to move to assembly area	
8.30am	Official start of the school day	
	Start of the first learning session	
	All children are expected to be ready for	
	announcements at assembly and move into	
	classrooms for the first leaning session.	
10.30am	LUNCH	
11.17am	Music to move to assembly points	
11.20am	Start of second learning session	
12.50pm	RECESS	
	Sitting and eating until 12.40pm	
1.17pm	Music to move to assembly points	
1.20pm	Start of third learning session	
2.50pm	Official end of the school day	
	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.	

# Oz Fashions Uniform Orders

Oz Fashions now has a new ordering system in place. Please use the QR code below or go thewebsite <u>stangelas.uniforms4u.com.au</u>

Uniforms are delivered every Tuesday and Friday as well as now offering Home Delivery.

For any questions please contact Elle at Oz Fashions via elle@ozfashions.com.au

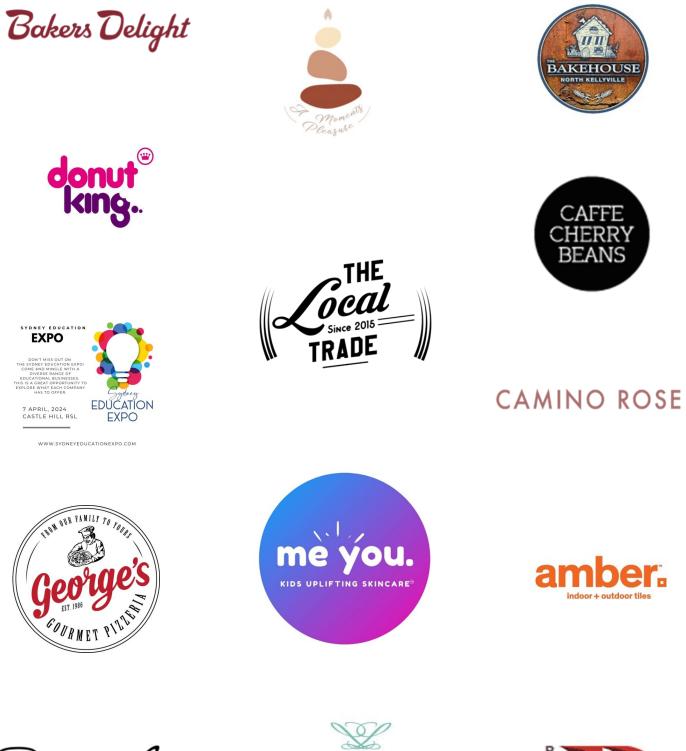


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St Angelas Uniform Store

Thank you to the following Companies again who generously donated the following items for our Family Bingo Night



Pasqualina's



LILIANFELS

BLUE MOUNTAINS RESORT & SPA

