



# St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill

# SHINE

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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23rd November, 2023  
Term 4 - Week 7

## UPCOMING DATES

**Friday 24th November—Grandparents Day—  
8.45am—10.15am**

Friday 24th November—Year 6 Assembly @  
2pm in the hall—parents welcome

Sunday 26th November - Year 6 Students and  
families Parish mass @ 9am at OLOR

Monday 27th November—Swimming Carnival  
@ Blacktown Aquatic Centre

Wednesday 29th November—Band Showcase  
@ 6.30-7.30pm in the hall—parents welcome

Thursday 30th November—Surf Ed Excursion

Friday 1st December—6pm whole school  
Christmas Concert @ John XXIII, Stanhope  
Gardens

Sunday 3rd December—Year 6 Dinner Dance

Monday 4th December— 1st Sunday Advent  
Prayer Assembly led by KY @ 8.30am parents  
welcome

Thursday 7th November—Shine Quest—  
parents welcome

Friday 8th December— Feast of Immaculate  
Conception Prayer Assembly led by KB @  
8.30am

Friday 8th December—9.30am Parent helper  
thank you morning tea.

## 2023 DATES FOR THE DIARY

Friday 15th December	Last Day Term 4 for Students
Monday 18th December	Staff Development Day
Tuesday 19th December	Staff Development Day

## ST ANGELA'S CELEBRATES GRANDPARENTS DAY!

**FRIDAY 24TH NOVEMBER, 2023  
COMMENCING AT 8.45AM**



8.45AM Open Classrooms for our grandparents and  
an activity with the children.

Book Fair there will also be an opportunity for Grand  
parents to purchase a book at the Book  
Fair

Morning Tea will be held in the St Maximilian School  
Hall

### Access to the School

The best access to the school or Grandparents Day  
will be via the back gate in Orleans Way from  
8.40am. This gate is close to the classrooms.  
Grandparents can also be dropped off in the Kiss  
and Drop at the front of the school if you prefer. It  
is however a long walk with stairs from the front of  
the school to the classrooms.

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Over the last two weeks our Year 5 students have been considering their call to leadership for 2024. While each of the students at St Angela's is called to leadership and the service of others, each year our Year 6 students have a particular responsibility to be positive role models for the younger students by demonstrating the ability to "Let their Light Shine" and our School Values - Respect, Honesty, Tolerance, Forgiveness, Care and Compassion. As a Catholic community we have a wonderful role model for leadership in Jesus. His life provides an example of how to live and interact within our school community, our families and the wider world. Student leadership therefore needs to be seen as an opportunity for our young people to use their gifts and talents for the service of the community.

In our Student Leadership Policy it states that "St Angela's Student Leaders have a major role to play in the day-to-day activities occurring at school. They are the public face of the student body as well as the children and they are charged with the task of improving the school for their classmates and leaving behind a legacy of respect and achievement." Next week ten of our Year 5 students have been successfully nominated to prepare and deliver captains speeches after which our Year 5 students will vote for School Captains and Vice Captains. I ask that you keep all the students in your prayers as they reflect on their own and others leadership capacities and capabilities.

### Staffing News

Today you will have received a letter communicating to you that Mrs Michelle Yager has been appointed Principal of St Bernadette's Primary Dundas Valley, effective from the beginning of the 2024 school year. As you are aware, Michelle has been serving as the Acting Principal of St Oliver's Primary Harris Park in 2023 while their Principal has been on parental leave. Although we will miss Michelle returning to St Angela's, I know that you will join me in thanking her for her service to our community and congratulating her on her new appointment. The recruitment process for the Assistant Principal position at St Angela's has commenced and I will keep you informed of the outcome.

Mrs Jenny Petras and Mrs Jana Fizely have announced that they will be moving on from St Angela's at the end of 2023. Jenny has been employed at St Angela's since 2012 when she commenced as a part time teacher and then moved to job share positions on Year 2 & Year 3 with her two boys eventually attending the school as well. Over the last 3 years Jenny has taken on fulltime teaching on Year 1. Jana commenced teaching at St Angela's in 2019 as a Year 6 Teacher and since then has taught Years 5, 6 and more recently Year 3. Both Jenny and Jana have generously shared their expertise and gifts while at St Angela's, always encouraging the students to Let Their Light Shine. They both will be greatly missed by students and staff however we wish them every success at their new schools and thank them for their outstanding contribution to St Angela's.

### Building Project Progress

It has all been happening onsite this week. Walls going up and slabs going down.



We are pleased to see that our new building construction is in good hands and being watched by Jesus and the little children.



"Let your light shine"  
Leanne Nettleton  
Principal



# RELIGION



**Solemnity of Christ the King  
Sunday 26th November 2023**

**Our Year 6 students and their families are assisting at the 9am OLOR parish mass on Sunday. We invite the rest of our community to join this celebration of the Eucharist.**

We will celebrate as a school community on **Tuesday 28th November at 8:30am** in the hall. Thank you to Mrs Gardoni and the 4 Blue students who will lead us in this celebration. Families are welcome to attend.

**Mini-Vinnies Acknowledgement** - We will acknowledge the work that our Mini Vinnies students have achieved in our community at the conclusion of the Feast of Christ the King liturgy on Tuesday 28th November. These students will receive their St Vincent de Paul badges during this ceremony. Parents are warmly invited.

Jocelyn Williams  
REC Coordinator



**Thank you to all our Special Food Day Parent Helpers**

On Tuesday the children enjoyed a delicious Pizza and Life Saver Iceblock lunch. Thank you to Belinda Muscat and her band of parent helpers below for providing this treat for the students. It was greatly appreciated .

Emanuela Genio	Marie Fernandes
Maryanne Treacy	Rosie Eberhard
Rebecca Lukas	Evelyn Yammine
Jenny Tauok	Sheridan Barjacoba
Sally Rassios	Michelle Kenny
Kirsten Bacon	Lauren Alexander
Beili Tao	Karen Morr
Marlena Muscardo	

For those who enquired the Pizza's were supplied by "YouPizza" @ [youpizza.com.au](http://youpizza.com.au)

# Celebrating Our Gifts

<i>Learning Excellence</i>	<i>St Angela's Award</i>
Anna Nguyen KB	Jason Tedja KB
Hayes Leung KG	Joseph Cook KG
Evelyn Lukas KY	Jeremy Bartholemuez KY
Joshua McDowall 1B	Jayden Barjacoba 1B
Zachary Fernandez 1G	Matthew David 1G
Vyaan Chopra 1Y	Isabelle Guimenez 1Y
Madeline Gentile 2B	Charlotte Moran 2B
Luke Eltakchi 2G	Abigail Andrew 2G
Luke Hansen 2Y	Ava De Silva 2Y
Georgia Hoare 3B	Jake Hansell 3B
Catalina Fam 3G	Austin Iskandar 3G
Tadhg McGowan 3Y	Amelia Browne 3Y
Sarah D'Cruz 4B	Ruby Aquilina 4B
Francesca Espinosa 4G	Dean Alcock 4G
Sofia Garcia-Loyola 4Y	Noah Young 4Y
Borui Zhang 5B	Oliver Stornelli 5B
Tanyaradzwa Muregerera 5G	Joshua Wade 5G
Livia Gigliucci 5Y	Anthony Mittiga 5Y
Maddison File 6B	Alyssa Dababneh 6B
Olivia Hoon 6G	Julia Tinelli Forthaus 6Y
Flynn Wilson 6G	
Oliver Hewlett 6Y	



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

## November

**23rd November**  
Sebastian Burns 3B  
Skye Doyle 5Y

**26th November**  
Aubrey Hochstetter 2Y

**24th November**  
Mia Vassallo 5G

**29th November**  
Lewis Norrish 4Y  
Jonah West 6B

**25th November**  
Henry Unutmaz 1G  
Austin Iskandar 3G

## **SENT HOME THIS WEEK:**

**Emailed from Compass Portal: Please check your COMPASS APP**

**Whole School:** What's happening at St Angela's this week  
Grandparents Day—Volunteers—Help Needed  
St Angela's Shine Quest Showcase 2023  
Letter from Mrs Nettleton

## **Notification of leaving St Angela's Primary**

We are currently planning for the 2024 school year. At this time of the year there may be movement of families out of the area. If your family will not be continuing at St Angela's in 2024, please notify the office via email as soon as possible so that an "Advice of Withdrawal Form" can be emailed to you.

# Sports Update

## Representative Sport

We wish Daniel Bell and Tanios Assaf all the best tomorrow. The boys have been selected to represent St Angela's at the Parramatta Diocesan Tennis Trials. They will be competing against the best of the best across our diocese. This is a wonderful opportunity. We are very proud!

## REPRESENTATIVE NOMINATIONS OPEN

**Team Sport Trials Nominations for the following sports of AFL, Cricket, Hockey, Football, Netball, Rugby League, Rugby Union, Softball & Touch are now OPEN and CLOSE on Tuesday 13th February as trials will be held in Term 1 & Term 2 of 2024. [2024 CEDP Primary Sport TEAM Expression of Interest Nomination](#)**

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

*Students should be in Year 5 & 6 in 2024 and may nominate for sports. In some sports students in Year 4 in 2024 may be nominated to trial for the sports of Basketball, Hockey, Softball, Tennis & Touch Football. Nominees MUST demonstrate an above-average, high level of skill development or in particular sports demonstrate representative playing experience in their nominated sport. Students should have experience playing regular competition outside of school.*

Please note this is not a 'come and try opportunity'. REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE is essential for the trials selection process and without the experience applicants will be declined by CSPD. Any questions please see Mrs Mazza or Mrs Orsini for further clarification.

## Swimming Carnival

Thank you to the parents who have volunteered to help out on Monday at the carnival. Parent helpers are to meet Mrs Mazza at the pool at 8:15am for a briefing before the competitive events begin.

Please note that all children have now entered into their nominated events.

**No additional races can be entered on the day. If students are withdrawing from an event on the day they need to let their house colour teacher who is calling students out for races.**

## Order of Events

Our carnival is expected to begin at 8:30am with competitive events first. Please note the scheduled race order is a guide only and can change on the day to accommodate all students and the competitive events.

100m Freestyle
200 Medley
50m Freestyle 12yrs
50m Freestyle 11yrs
50m Freestyle 10 yrs
50m Freestyle 9 yrs
50m Freestyle 8 yrs
50m Backstroke Senior
50m Backstroke 11yrs
50m Backstroke Junior
50m Breaststroke Senior
50m Breaststroke 11yrs
50m Breaststroke Junior
50m Butterfly (Combined) Junior, 11yrs, Senior
25m Freestyle
25m Backstroke
25m Kickboard

Please note this is a guide only.

## Online safety advice for Parents and Carers

Increasingly children are being given access to social media platforms such as Snapchat, Instagram and TikTok without a clear understanding of the potential risks that such platforms pose for young children's safety. It is important that parents are aware that each of these platforms are restricted to users over the age of 13. Therefore if you are allowing your child to use these platforms you need to be thoroughly informed about their potential to cause harm and put your child at risk.

Our school resource [School TV](#) provides valuable information for parents about social media in their [Parent and Social Media Starter Kit](#). This kit includes advice on what to consider when children are creating social media accounts, potential challenges relating to certain features on social media, as well as tips and advice for ongoing social media use to prevent online child sexual exploitation.

The esafety commission also has published on its website an [Online safety Book for Parents and Carers](#)

This book covers some of the key online safety issues for young people and includes a range of practical tips and advice on what to do if things go wrong.



THANK YOU  
SO MUCH  
YOU ARE VERY MUCH APPRECIATED!

## Thank you morning tea for parent helpers

We warmly invite parent helpers to a Thank You morning tea in the school hall on Friday December 8th at 9:30am. If you have helped out at St Angela's in any way this year supporting the students and teachers we would love to thank you with a special morning tea.


This may include reading groups, sporting events and gala days, library, canteen, uniform shop, excursions and other school events. Please complete the form to register your attendance [Parent Thank You Morning Tea 2023](#)

Please come along and let us thank you for helping us to SHINE!

## Please keep in your prayers

Our condolences go to Amber Monet (5B) and her family on the passing of their grandfather.

Mrs Rubelj on the passing of her Uncle and the Chetty family, Daniel (1B) & Ethan (4B) on the passing of their great uncle.

May they all rest in eternal peace. 

# St Angela's Christmas Concert

**Our whole school Christmas Concert will be held on  
Friday 1st December at 6pm  
at John XXIII School Auditorium**

**Please find outlined below costume details for each grade:**

**NO TINSEL please as this makes clean up much easier!**

Kindy	Red top with White pants/shorts/skirt Or White top with Red pants/shorts/shirt Santa Hat—red and white
Year 1	Christmas farmer theme—Christmas coloured t-shirts, hats, accessories, Denim bottoms Optional: Farmer flannel shirts and/or suspenders, etc
Year 2	All white outfit eg white t-shirt, white shorts, white skirt, white socks and white shoes
Year 3	Green t-shirt (can have Christmas pattern) with denim shorts.
Year 4	Boys—white shirt (can have Christmas pattern), denim shorts. Girls—red shirt (can have a Christmas pattern), denim shorts. Sports shoes and Christmas accessories
Year 5	Red, green or plaid outfit (shirts/shorts/pants) Black Shoes
Year 6	Red or green Christmas shirt, Denim shorts, santa hat, Optional—striped long socks or elf costume (if they have one already at home)
Dance Crew	Red sequin performance costume
Mini Vinnies	Mini Vinnies children may just wear their normal grade costume.
Verse Speakers	Verse Speakers children may just wear their normal grade costume.

# St Angela's Vinnies Christmas Hamper Appeal

All Donations Go To Vinnies

You can bring in food, clothes, toys, gift cards and much more!

- Any donations are appreciated

Deadline - Week 9  
Friday 8th December

Designed by Year 4




## IMPALAS NETBALL CLUB



# COME AND TRY!



ARE YOU TURNING 7, 8, 9, OR 10 IN 2024?

**THURSDAY - 30TH NOV - 5-6PM**  
**WEDNESDAY - 6TH DEC - 5-6PM**

**EXISTING IMPALAS PLAYERS BRING A FRIEND AND COME ALONG TOO.**

**JOIN OUR COACHING TEAM FOR 2 FUN SESSIONS OF SKILLS AND DRILLS AS AN INTRODUCTION TO NETBALL. LEARN THE BASICS AND FIND OUT MORE ABOUT IMPALAS!**

**WEAR EXERCISE CLOTHING AND BRING A DRINK BOTTLE.**

**COOLONG NETBALL COURTS**  
**COOLONG STREET - CASTLE HILL**

**SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER**



## ST ANGELA'S SCHOOL BAND JOIN THE BAND!

Is your child interested in joining the school band?

The school band is now taking enrolments for 2023 and is open to all students currently in years 2-5. No prior experience needed!

*What do you need to do?*

Complete an online [Expression of Interest](http://www.teachingservices.com.au/EOI) form. Your child will then be able to meet with a music teacher at school to determine to which instrument they may be best suited.



[www.teachingservices.com.au/EOI](http://www.teachingservices.com.au/EOI)

More detailed information will then be sent home, prior to online enrolment for 2023.

Learning an instrument in an ensemble is a great way to experience the social, educational and personal benefits that music and the arts have to offer! TSA provides a variety of tuition options as well as instrument hire and sales to help parents give the gift of music to their children. TSA is a registered Creative Kids provider and delivers instrumental programs with a focus on inclusion, student engagement and well-being.





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### THE ENTERTAINMENT BOOK—BLACK FRIDAY SALE

When your school parents purchase any 12 or 24-month Membership to The Entertainment App between 6 pm, Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November and Middyay, Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November during our Black Friday Sale they will receive a complimentary Entertainment Membership equal to their purchase.

**BLACK FRIDAY SALE NOW ON ENDS MONDAY BLACK FRIDAY SALE**

# BUY 1 MEMBERSHIP GET 1 FREE



**BLACK FRIDAY Sale ON NOW LIMITED TIME ONLY**

\*Offer applies to 12 & 24 Month Memberships only. Terms & conditions apply.