



# 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.

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Term 3 - Week 1

## UPCOMING DATES

### Term 3

Friday 26th July:	NSWPSSA Cross Country Olympics Green & Gold Mufti Day
Tuesday 30th July:	Kindergarten 100 Days Celebration
Friday 02 August:	OLOR Sacramental Program Confirmation
Friday 02 August:	Principal's Day
Friday 02 August:	Census Day
Monday 05 August:	Infants Athletics Carnival
Tuesday 06 August:	Stage 3 Boys Soccer Gala Day
Wednesday 07 August:	Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop—KG Leading parents welcome

## 2024 Staff Development Days

This year CSPD continues to support schools to transition to the New NSW Syllabus and all schools have been allocated additional Staff Development Days. The Staff Development Days (Pupil free) for 2024 are:

<b>Term 3</b>	<b>Mon 19th Aug</b>
<b>Term 4</b>	<b>Mon 14th Oct</b>

Last Day of School 2024—Wednesday 18th  
December

## SENT HOME THIS WEEK:

Emailed from Compass Portal: Please check your  
COMPASS APP

Whole School: What's Happening at St Angelas  
Dance Crew Information

Kindergarten: 100 Days of School—Kindergarten

Year 1: Year 1 Incursion—Beyond the Beanstalk

Year 2: Year 2 Fizzics Incursion

Year 3: Sport Uniform—Term 3

Year 3 & Year 5: NAPLAN

Year 6: Message from the Year 6 Teachers

SAVE THE DATE

ST ANGELAS BINGO NIGHT

FRIDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER, 2024

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

### Welcome Back to School for an Exciting Term 3!

We are pleased to welcome everyone back for an exciting Term 3! There is so much to look forward to this term, including a variety of activities and events designed to enrich our students' learning experiences.

•**ZingActiv for All Students:** Get ready for a dynamic and fun-filled program that will engage students in both ballroom dancing and hip-hop dancing.

•**Excursions and Incursions:** Our students will have the opportunity to explore new environments and learn from visiting experts through various excursions and incursions. In fact this commences this week with Year one and Yera 2 both enjoying Incursions at school

•**100 Days of Kindergarten:** A special celebration marking an important milestone for our youngest learners and an opportunity for parents to come in to school for the morning

•**Confirmation for Year 6:** A significant and meaningful ceremony for our Year 6 students as they take this important step in their journey.

•**Shine Quest Showcase –** Tuesday 24th September. Each Grade Shine Quest dates to be confirmed.

Additionally, we are starting the term with great anticipation for the 2024 Olympic Games in Paris. The Olympic Games provide a wonderful opportunity for our children to learn about and embrace the values of excellence, friendship, and respect. We look forward to our students coming to school tomorrow dressed in **GREEN** and **GOLD** in support of the Australian Olympic Team.

We look forward to a fantastic term filled with learning, growth, and memorable experiences for all.

### Additional Winter School Uniform Items

We are glad to be able to introduce a school scarf and beanie for students to wear in winter. Both feature the school logo and can be purchased from OZ fashions via the App.



"Let your Light Shine"

Leanne Nettleton

Principal

## School Census Day Friday 2nd August, 2024

Friday 2nd 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 2nd August, please email [stanglas@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto: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.



## RELIGION

### Sacrament of Confirmation

OLOR Parish invites all parents with children in Year 6 or older, who have been baptised and have received First Holy Communion, to receive Confirmation in September 2024. To register, please complete an application form by clicking [here](#). If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the parish office via email: [sacraments@olorparishkellyville.org.au](mailto:sacraments@olorparishkellyville.org.au).

### Mini Vinnies - Wrap with Love

Year 3 and Mini Vinnies Students have joined an initiative called 'Wrap with Love'.

Wrap with Love is a not for profit organisation that provides knitted blankets to those experiencing poverty this winter.

We encourage students and families to get together and knit as many **25 x 25 cm squares** as possible that can be donated. Knitted squares are due back to 3 Yellow in the next couple of weeks. Thank you to all who have already shared their squares with us. Happy Knitting!



## Safety at the Back Gate

As we all know the back gate is a very busy area in the morning and afternoon. When children are dropped off they say goodbye to parents, walk through the gate and then drop their bags at their classrooms.

K-2 parents please do not encourage your children to run to the end of the verandahs or the fence to wave goodbye. This area is NOT supervised.

The children need to move down to the supervised area of the playground which is on the driveway or Big Blue.

Thank you for your assistance.



## Sports Update

### Hills Zone Athletics Relay Teams

All students involved in the relay teams at the zone athletics carnival will train with Mrs Orsini on Mondays in the lead up starting next week (week 2).

### Gala Days

This term we have a few gala days taking place, including Stage 3 Boys Soccer (postponed from term 2), Netball and Stage 2 Touch football. Please keep an eye out on Compass for all communication around trials, training and permission notes. Please note Expressions of Interest for all our gala days have now closed. **Please note if your child would like to trial for an upcoming gala day and you have not submitted the Expressions of Interest Form they will still be allowed to trial, they just need to let Mrs Mazza know at the trials.**

Stage 3 Boys Soccer - 6th August

Netball 8-12 Year Olds - 10th September

Stage 2 Touch Football - 20th September

### Infants Kinder & Year 1 Infants Carnival - Monday 5th August

On Monday 5th of August (Week 3), Kindergarten and Year 1 students will be participating in the Infants Athletics Carnival. This will take place across the road at the Centenary of ANZAC Reserve.

For the day to run smoothly, we need parent volunteers to assist us with running the events. If you are able to assist on the day, parents need to have completed the [Building-Child-Safe-Communities Training](#). Please fill in the google form to register your interest to help on the day.

### [LINK to Parent Volunteer Registration Form](#)

**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



**Q**: Our family is so busy. How can we make time for reading together?  
**A**: Think about the times when everyone is home. Put family reading on the schedule then, even if it's just once a week. Perhaps you could schedule a reading dinner or a surprise "DEAR" (Drop Everything and Read) time during Saturday chores. Make reading a fun part of established family routines.

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BOOKS READ = 9957**  
**NUMBER OF STUDENTS WHO HAVE COMPLETED THE CHALLENGE = 396**

### STUDENTS WHO HAVE COMPLETED THE CHALLENGE

Sophia Angara KG	Evelyn Sun 2B
David Saad KB	Jake Vallon 2B
Vander Jagger-Vitnell 1G	Halle Wilson 2B
Aveer Mehrok 1Y	John-Alexander Dabit 3B
Ava Nealon 1G	Ava De Silva 3B
Liam Yan 2B	Isabella Homer 3B
Arial Agudo 2B	Mikayla Saad 3Y
Jayden Barjacoba 2B	Samuel Sourial 3B
Orlando Busono 2B	Harper Sweeney 3B
Aliyah De Silva 2B	Charlie Vassallo 3B
Anton Finch 2B	Liam Zeaiter 3B
Isabella Guimenez 2B	Gia Botoulas 5B
William Houghton Boreham 2Y	Andrea Mateo 5B
Ashley Iskandar 2B	Sienna Andrew 6G
Noah Judd 2B	Kate Maguire 6Y
Tinaye Mombeyarara 2B	
Vienna Sosa 2B	



Congratulations to the following classes who are in the running for the Class Pizza Party.

1. 4Y
2. 2B & 6Y
3. 5B
- 4.

Congratulations to the following students who were in the draw (having completed the challenge) and won a book.

1. James Lang 6Y
2. Bianca Fedele 1G
3. Hayden Dias 2G (absent)



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

### JULY

25th July  
Annalise Grill 3Y

27th July  
Oliver Mares 6B  
Daniel Bell 6Y

28th July  
Lyra Songara 1Y  
Emma Houghton Boreham 4B  
Neil Verghese 4G  
Tiahna Barjacoba 5B

29th July  
Rhiannon Crosby KY  
Hillary Roditis 4Y  
Akio Aguilar 6Y

30th July  
Elara Ekehov KB

31st July  
Chloe Buckley 3G  
Dean Alcock 5B  
Charlize Barnett 5G

### AUGUST

1st August  
Georgia Ilijic 1Y  
Ash Szandala 4G  
Kaitlin D'silva 4Y  
Kayleigh Angara 5B  
Xavier Gordon 5Y

## Celebrating Our Gifts

<i>Learning Excellence</i>	<i>St Angela's Award</i>
Leon Wehbe KB	Samuel Montecinos-Bernal KB
Taylor Lean KG	Ayen Madurapperuma KG
Emma Goodall KY	Rhiannon Crosby KY
Ansh Agarwal 1B	Karley Sung 1B
Ethan Zhang 1G	Ophelia Zhou 1G
Nicole Gunarathna 1Y	Chelsea Ruggier 1Y
Leah Ryan 2B	Cara Villanueva 2B
Lilah Browne 2G	Andreas Saad 2G
Phoebe Wang 2Y	Aarush Sharma 2Y
Isabella Homer 3B	Harper Sweeney 3B
Ciara Treacy 3G	Isaac Low 3G
Leo Gordon 3Y	Anthony Khodeir 3Y
Georgia Hoare 4B	Gabriel Edouard 4B
Claire Ison 4G	Tanios Assaf 4G
Jayden Thomas 4Y	Sebastian Arrastia 4Y
Selena Bianca 5B	Beth Kenny 5B
Sienna Glass 5G	Maximus Orefice 5G
Hudson McEnearney 5Y	Taylor Manio 5Y
Zara Shorten 6B	Hudson Lukas 6B
Jack Hewlett 6G	Saskia Wallace 6G
Aliana Elizaga 6Y	Akio Aguilar 6Y



SPECIAL REPORT

## Eating Anxiety



The complexity of eating anxiety stems from a combination of social, psychological, and environmental factors. Young people may develop this anxiety due to social pressures related to eating in front of others, fears about body image, or due to more ingrained issues such as eating disorders. Additionally, cultural norms or dietary restrictions can also play significant roles, as can direct experiences like bullying or teasing related to food choices or eating habits.

Whilst not a formally recognised condition, eating anxiety is a genuine and often overwhelming experience that can significantly hinder a young person's ability to participate in everyday activities comfortably. This condition can lead to serious nutritional deficiencies and social withdrawal, impacting overall health and academic performance.

Recognising and addressing eating anxiety is crucial for parents, carer, and educators. Through education, policy changes, and community support, we can help young people manage their anxieties and improve their relationship with food, thereby enhancing their overall well-being and social interactions.

This Special Report will help you understand how best to support a child experiencing anxiety around eating.

Here is the link to our Special Report [https://stangelaschill.catholic.schooltv.me/wellbeing\\_news/special-report-eating-anxiety-au](https://stangelaschill.catholic.schooltv.me/wellbeing_news/special-report-eating-anxiety-au)



### Feedback Platform for Schools

Research shows that student feedback is one of the most reliable and effective tools for improving outcomes. Our school is dedicated to using student feedback to understand and improve student experiences.

This year we have engaged Pivot, an Australian-based Education Technology resource that will provide teachers with a simple way to gather authentic and timely feedback on wellbeing.

What will the Students do?

Our Students will routinely complete short surveys where questions relate to student wellbeing. Teachers will guide their students through the survey process and will engage students in conversation about the feedback they have received.

### Arrival at school on time is important

After the holiday sleep ins and perhaps lazy days with less routine, being back at school can be challenging for our children as they return to the school routine. This week it has been noticeable that some children are struggling to be at school on time.

Arrival at school, particularly being on time, is important and sets your child up for a great day at school. All children must be within the school grounds by 8:30am so that they are ready to join the morning assembly which commences at 8:30am.

Arriving in the Kiss and Drop at 8:30am means that your child will be late for class as this is the bell time. Being late is unsettling for the children and a **pattern of regular late arrival of just 10 mins can mean that over a week your child is missing an hour of schooling (by the time they arrive in the classroom)**. Punctuality is a necessary life skill and habit for children to develop.

### Travel or Holidays During the School Term

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>

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.

## TERM 3 2024 ESAFETY WEBINARS FOR PARENTS/CARERS

At Catholic Schools Parramatta Diocese (CSPD) we see parents and carers as partners in your child's learning journey. In partnership with the eSafety Commissioner, CSPD would like to invite you to join the following free webinars for parents and carers:

About the webinars

### *Understanding how to support your child with online gaming*

Available sessions:

- 30July:12:30pm-1:15pm
- 3September:12:30pm-1:15pm

This webinar provides an overview of selecting quality games, understanding how to reduce the risks of gaming and how to create better gaming habits. It's suitable for parents and carers of children and young people in primary and early secondary school.

What you need to do

Please note this webinar is offered several times so you need to select the date and time that works best for you.

Please register for the course on the secondary site via the following link: [Register here](#)

### *Consent and online boundaries: How to support your primary-aged child*

Available sessions:

- 13August:12.30pm-1:00pm
- 11September:12.30pm-1:00pm

This webinar will outline strategies for parents and carers, as well as support those hard-to-have conversations. It's suitable for parents and carers of children in primary school.

What you need to do

Please note this webinar is offered several times so you need to select the date and time that works best for you.

Please register for the course on the secondary site via the following link: [Register here](#)

### *An introduction to online safety and emerging technologies*

Available Sessions:

- 24July:2:30pm-3:00pm
- 5September:12.30pm-1:00pm

It's suitable for parents and carers of children in primary and secondary school.

What you need to do

Please note this webinar is offered several times so you need to select the date and time that works best for you.

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If you have any further enquiries please email [safeguarding@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:safeguarding@parra.catholic.edu.au)

# Family BINGO NIGHT

Tickets and food will be on sale via QKR in Term 3. Look out for further announcements!



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