



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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November 7th, 2024
Term 4 - Week 4

UPCOMING DATES

Term 4

Friday 8th Nov:

Infants Disco K-2 @ 4.30- 5.45pm
Primary Disco 3-6 @ 6pm - 7.15pm
Whole School Assembly - Year 6

Monday 11th November: Remembrance Day Liturgy—Year 5
Leading @ 11.30am—Parents welcome

Tuesday 12th November: Kindergarten 2025 Orientation
Session 1:- 9am-10:15am
Session 2 :-11.30-12:15pm

Thursday 14th November: Year 1 Liturgy @ 2.20pm—Parents welcome

Wednesday 20th November: Year 5 Mission Markets

Friday 22nd November: Grandparents Day Celebration -
8:45 - 10:15am

Sunday 24th November: Year 6 Dinner Dance - Castle Hill RSL 5 - 8pm

Monday 2nd December: Morning Prayer - First Week of Advent - KY
Wednesday 4th Dec: School Christmas Concert @ John XXIII at 6pm

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Yesterday we welcomed our 2025 Kinder children to St Angela's for their first orientation session. There were many big smiles and lots of laughter in the rooms as the children played together and explored the kindergarten rooms and the activities provided for them by the teachers. We look forward to welcoming the children back again next week.

Having these young children in the school reminded me of a wonderful reflection on Kindergarten that I have shared with you previously and would like to do so again this week:-

All I Ever Really Needed to Know I Learned in Kindergarten by Robert Fulghum

"All of what I really need to know about how to live, and what to do, and how to be, I learned in Kindergarten. Wisdom was not at the top of the graduate school mountain, but there in the sandbox at nursery school.

These are the things I learned...

Share everything.

Play fair.

Don't hit people.

Put things back where you found them.

Clean up your own mess.

Don't take things that aren't yours.

Say sorry when you hurt somebody.

Wash your hands before you eat.

Flush.

Warm cookies and cold milk are good for you. Give them to someone who feels sad.

Live a balanced life.

Learn some and think some and draw and paint and sing and dance and play and work every day.

Take a nap every afternoon.

Be aware of wonder.

Remember the little seed in the plastic cup? The roots go down and the plant goes up and nobody really knows how or why, but we are all like that.

Everything you need to know is in there somewhere.

And it is still true, no matter how old you are, when you go out into the world, it is best to hold hands and stick together."

"Together we can do so much"

Leanne Nettleton

Principal

SMART WATCHES

All St Angela's students are bound by our Student Use of Digital Devices and Online Services Policy when working on any digital device at school or representing the school. Devices in the policy include school devices and personal devices such as smartwatches and mobile phones. Under the policy, smartwatches are not to be used at school without direct permission from the teacher, which would only occur on very rare occasions. The policy states:

To use Digital Devices and Online Services safely, responsibly and respectfully, students must:

- 1. only access Online Services using school or Bring your Own devices from within the CSPD network while at school*
- 2. access and use the school internet and email services only for educational purposes and only as required by the school*

Therefore, students with smartwatches should have the online settings turned off during the school day to ensure no notifications are received, and they are not able to access the online content, send messages or check notifications. Any students accessing their smartwatch during the school day in this way, would be doing so in breach of the abovementioned policy and would result in consequences in line with this.

If your child does own a smartwatch and you've given them permission to wear it to school, please ensure they are not using it to communicate, check notifications or access online content/games. As parents you have the responsibility not to send messages or communicate with your child during school hours. Please find attached below a copy of the policy as [linked on our school website](#).



SENT HOME THIS WEEK:

Emailed from Compass Portal: Please check your COMPASS APP

Whole School:

What's Happening at St Angela's

Year 1:

1Y - Letter from Mrs Nettleton

Year 4:

Year 4 - Experiment - Solar Oven

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS 8:00AM - 4:00PM



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RELIGION

Mission

The Religion focus in the beginning of Term 4 for our Kindergarten to Year 6 students is on 'Mission.' 5 Blue led us in a morning prayer highlighting our ties with [Catholic Mission](#) expressing Pope Francis' theme of 'inviting everyone to the banquet.' This is further unpacked by teachers in class throughout the early weeks of the term as our students become immersed in various social justice initiatives for instance Year 3's Socktober, Year 5 Mission Markets and Year 4's Christmas Hamper Appeal. We would like to share with you...



Today Year 3 spent part of the morning kicking goals as we raise awareness for our less fortunate brothers and sisters in developing nations around the world. We thank parents for joining us in prayer and this activity. The rest of our friends in Kindergarten to Year 6 had their turn to kick goals throughout the day. Click on our school [facebook](#) page for more highlights.



CSPD Mission Expo 2024

In term 3, some of our students attended the CSPD Education Mass and Mission Expo and here is what they have to share about their experience...

"Last term I had the privilege of visiting the 2024 Catholic Mission Exposition. I really enjoyed hearing the people from multiple charities explaining to us what the charity they were representing does for the local and global community. The first event I got to participate in was a mass at Saint Patrick's Cathedral Parramatta. Next we participated in the main event where we got to see all the different charities. I remember thinking we should get more involved with Catholic Youth Parramatta and start getting involved with Caritas Earthcare. This will ensure we help the world more in every way possible because every small action counts. I would like to add that I am grateful to my parents and teachers Mrs Williams and Miss McEntee in particular for helping me get this far in faith."
Tanios Assaf (4 Green)

"At the Mission Exposition we saw agencies such as CYP (Catholic Youth Parramatta) who lead the Lifted Live events and Caritas Earthcare who shared ideas that have the same message as Laudato Si. 'I really liked seeing the work that people from St Vincent de Paul are doing. My family and I donate extra toys and clothes every year around Christmas time and it is something that brings joy to us.'" Elena Mauceri (5 Yellow)

Sports Update

Representative Sport

Congratulations to Xavier Gordon who was selected to trial this week for the Parramatta Diocesan Cricket team. We also congratulate Tanios Assaf who will be trialling for the Parramatta Diocesan Tennis team in the coming weeks. A wonderful achievement boys, we wish you both the best of luck!

CSPD Basketball Gala Day

On Monday 4th November our basketballers took to the court for the Parramatta Diocesan Gala Day at Penrith Stadium. The children played fantastic basketball throughout the day showing skill and team work earning them many wins across the day. Their shining spirit made us so proud as they supported each other as well as players from other schools.

We have to say a BIG thank you to our parents for helping as coaches and managers and to Mrs Orsini and Miss Saad who attended on the day. Your support is wonderful and we really appreciate you!

Well done to our Year 6 Girls and Year 3/4 Boys teams who won their respective pools and came home basketball champions!



PRIMARY SPORT
Catholic Schools
Parramatta Diocese

2025 Parramatta Diocesan PRIMARY Team Sport Trials Basketball & Tennis nominations closing soon!



2025 Parramatta Diocese Team Sport Trials
Expression of Interest registration window
close on
Friday 8/11/24 for Basketball & Tennis @ 5pm



SCHOOL CANTEEN CARDS

Canteen Cards Expire
10th December 2024

If your child/ren have credit on their current cards we remind you that this credit must be used before the end of this term. [2024 Canteen Cards cannot be credited and will not be rolled over to 2025 Canteen Cards](#)

Please be mindful of purchasing new cards via Qkr! Over the next 6 weeks to ensure you are not left with any unused value that will not be carried over the new year.

We will begin 2024 with **new** Canteen Cards that will be available to purchase via Qkr! the last two weeks of the Christmas school holidays.

We thank you for all your support with St Angela's being a "Cashless" school.

Celebrating Our Gifts

<i>Learning Excellence</i>	<i>St Angela's Award</i>
Jonah Boumelhem - KB	Natalie Ison - KB
Savannah Thew - KG	Shania Yang - KG
Hudson Bulman - KY	Grace Meshreky - KY
Raina Li - 1B	Lara Alam - 1B
Lexa Beaini - 1G	Eli Crecca - 1G
Isabella Lim - 1Y	Eli Schenke - 1Y
Alexis Longley - 2B	Abigail Vavayis - 2B
Talia Assaf - 2G	Rory Vavasour - 2G
Thomas Johnston - 2Y	Chelsea Thomas - 2Y
Narayan Elliott - 3B	Jacinta Raad - 3B
Alexandra Chehade - 3G	Francis Bautista - 3G
Izabelle Zeegers - 3Y	Thomas Livingstone - 3Y
Kai Theoharous - 4B	Tadhg McGowan - 4B
Brendan Fadeli - 4G	Neil Verghese - 4G
Flynn Jared Conde - 4Y	Lilah Kenny - 4Y
Kelci Annonical - 5B	Adam Salib - 5B
Olivia Stuart - 5G	Maximus Orefice - 5G
Harrison McIntyre - 5Y	Ethan Creagh - 5Y
Sophie Kenny - 6B	Mary Raad - 6B
Alexa Yammine - 6G	Susie Wang - 6G
Holly McGaulley - 6Y	Kate Maguire - 6Y



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

November

7th November
Aliyah De Silva - 2B

8th November
Charlotte Fitzpatrick - 1B
Francisco Castillo - 1G
Milana Zullo - 2B
Edward Taylor - 5G

9th November
Paige Doyle - 3Y

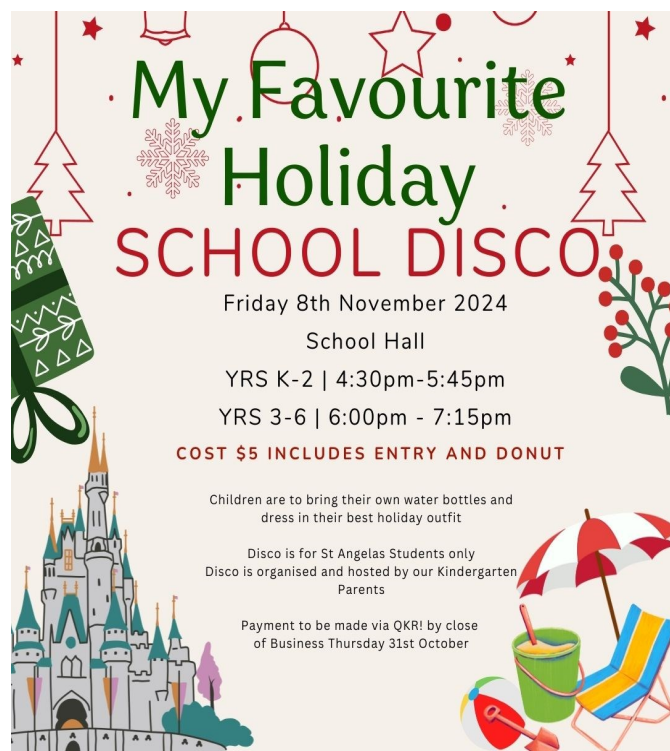
10th November
Ayen Madurapperuma—KG
Amelia Ronan - KY
Samuel Yiu - 2G

Christopher Yiu - 2Y
Sarah Faruqui - 4B
Harrison Gibbons - 6G

11th November
Matthew Gener - KY
Skye Conde - 2G

12th November
Victor Grima—K Blue
Charlotte Green - 3Y
Isabelle Judd - 4G

13th November
Isaac Nunez-Erazo - 1B



SCHOOL DISCO VOLUNTEERS

If you are available to volunteer your time at the disco please complete the google form:

[Disco Volunteers](#)

ST ANGELA'S CELEBRATES GRANDPARENTS' DAY!

FRIDAY 22ND NOVEMBER, 2024
COMMENCING @ 9:00am



8:00am - Library opens for the Book Fair. This is a great opportunity for grandparents to purchase a book.

8:45am - Gates open for entertainment Band, Verse Speaking and Choir

9:00am - in the classrooms with prayer and then Open Classrooms.

9:30am - Morning tea in the St Maximilian School Hall

Access to the School - Entry this year is from Harrington Road.

THIS IS A WONDERFUL EVENT AND IS A HIGHLIGHT OF OUR CALENDAR FOR ALL GRANPARENTS WHO ENJOY VISITING THE SCHOOL.

GRANDPARENTS DAY VOLUNTEERS

If you are available to volunteer your time the please complete the

[Grandparents Day Morning Tea Volunteers Google Form](#)

Alternative for the Girls Summer School Dress

In collaboration with OzFashions we will be able to offer the girls a skort and lemon peter pan collared blouse to wear as an option for the summer dress. The summer dress will remain as the summer uniform for girls. Please see photos below.

We would like to gauge parent interest in the skort and blouse option. Please complete this [form](#) if you would be interested. Please note that this is NOT an order form.



CODE CAMP—TERM 4

Code Camp continues at St Angelas in Term 4.

Course: Little Coders

Day: Monday

Dates: 21st October - 9th December

Times: 2:55pm - 4:10pm

Booking Link: www.codecamp.com.au/angela

Course: Coding

Day: Wednesday

Dates: 23rd October - 11th December

Times: 3:05pm - 4:20pm

Booking Link: www.codecamp.com.au/angela

Term 4, Issue 4 Happy Families Schools Article:

This week's article from Happy Families Schools is titled ***Why Repeating Yourself Doesn't Work and What to do Instead***. In the article, Dr Justin Coulson talks about the challenges when communicating with kids and what to do in times when they are "just not listening". He explains when it's time to shift strategy and engage in a more mindful, collaborative approach to communication.

Read more by following the link to the [Happy Families Schools Website](#)

Password: happysapsch



St Angela's Online Communication

Compass Parent Portal - St Angela's parents are requested to download the Compass Parent Portal app once your child is enrolled at our school. It is our primary communication tool that will facilitate effective communication between parents and school. All school notes, notices and newsletters will be sent through Compass. To access the Compass Parent Portal app, simply download the 'Compass School Manager' app, available through Apple Store or Google Play. It is suitable for both iPhone and Android Smartphones.



QKR! (pronounced 'quicker') Mobile Payment App - St Angela's is a 'cashless school'. QKR! is an easy to use mobile phone application that is also suitable for both iPhone and Android Smartphones. This service is currently available for all payments except for school fees. Communications will be distributed as new events and products become available for purchase.



School Calendar—This year we have moved to using an online School Calendar to communicate upcoming events and happenings at school. Families can locate this through the school website or bookmark this link:



<https://www.stangelaschill.catholic.edu.au/In-The-Loop/Events>

Also follow us on **Facebook** for the latest news, upcoming events and lots more! Of course if you have any queries or need assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the school office on 94076400

