



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.

Newsletter
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Term 1 - Week 10

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

As you can see our building programme is progressing well, with major landscaping works commencing over the last 2 weeks. The children and staff are excitedly watching the work as they walk to and from their classrooms and are eagerly anticipating what it is going to be like learning in the new buildings and playing in the play areas. A temporary builders driveway has been built off Harrington Ave to enable for the trades to access this side of the construction.

The students enjoyed a wonderful Disco evening last Friday afternoon/evening. Thank you to our Kindergarten Class Representatives and Kinder volunteer parents coordinated by Amanda Baker, who hosted the event, and Mrs Burke, Mrs Ross and Mrs Orsini who assisted with the planning and preparation. It was lovely seeing the students enjoy the music and dance moves led by our Zing Activ DJ's.

We were blessed on Monday with fine (though threatening) weather for our Cross Country. Our prayers over the weekend and in the early hours of Monday morning were definitely answered. Our fabulous teachers arrived early and were joined by energetic and positive parents to set up for the day even if the day looked like it wouldn't go ahead. Anzac reserve looked spectacular and there was a lovely sense of excitement and energy as each grade walked across for the event. Please see later in the newsletter for a round up of the day.

Together we can achieve so much

Leanne Nettleton
Principal

KISS AND DROP IN THE MORNINGS

Procedures for using the Kiss and Drop Area

Once in the Kiss & Drop area:

- Drive up to the furthest free space and stop vehicle
- Child exits car, with their school bag on the **Kerb Side Only** and closes car door
- **Driver DOES NOT get out the vehicle**
- Driver waits until the car in front moves off and follows
- **DO NOT** pull out and overtake car in front

This procedure has been developed with the children's and driver's safety as a priority.

2nd Hand Uniform Sale in Mozart Room Monday 7th April 1.50pm

A second hand uniform sale will be held next. All items will be sold for \$5 or \$10.

This is a chance to snap up a bargain item that you may need for when the children move into their Winter Uniform in Week 4 of Term 2.



2025 BEGINNING OF THE YEAR DATES



Wednesday 17th December - Last day of the year for students

2025 Staff Development Days - Pupil Free

Term 2 - Monday 28th April 2025

Tuesday 29th April 2025

Term 3 - Monday 21st July 2025

Friday 26th September 2025

Term 4 - Monday 13th October 2025

Thursday 18th December 2025

Friday 19th December 2025

SENT HOME THIS WEEK:

Emailed from Compass Portal: Please check your COMPASS APP

Whole School: What's Happening at St Angela's this week

ASSEMBLY INTERRUPTIONS

A reminder to parents that assemblies cannot be interrupted. Students must be collected prior to 2pm on school assembly days.



WINTER UNIFORM

Students will move into their winter uniform in Week 4 of Term 2.



UPCOMING DATES

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| Friday 4th April: | Whole School Assembly: Hosted by Year 2 |
| Friday 4th April: | Bakers Delight Special Food Day |
| Monday 7th April: | 2nd Hand Uniform Sale in Mozart Room - 2pm |
| Tuesday 8th April: | Parramatta Diocesan Touch Trials |
| Wednesday 9th April: | School Photo Day |
| Thursday 10th April: | Big Walk for Water - Caritas Project |
| Friday 11th April: | Last day of Term. |
| Wednesday 30th April: | Term 2 - Students Return to School |



RELIGION



On Monday 7th of April, our students will attend a whole school Holy Week Remembrance to reflect on the triduum events. This is a time when each grade will lead the school through prayer, singing and movement as we retell Jesus' journey through the cross. Due to the limited space, this event will be for students only. Thank you for your support and understanding. We encourage the children to share their experience with you as you spend time during Holy Week in the holidays.



<https://fundraise.projectcompassion.org.au/stories>

Caritas Project Compassion - Big Walk for Water

In support of **Caritas Project Compassion** we will be holding a one-day sponsored walking event at school on **Thursday 10th April** for our students K-6. This will be a walking challenge to raise funds for people in Africa, Asia and the Pacific who walk to collect water every day. Each grade will encounter ways to reflect on the value of water in their daily lives and will be immersed in stories of people from all walks of life and how water is used everyday. Each student will be invited to bring a bucket to school for this event and to gather sponsorship for their walk. Sponsorship donations can be made by scanning the CARITAS QR code on their sponsorship card sent home with your child. We thank you for your generous support.

Jocelyn Williams
Director of Mission 🙏

IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM THE PARISH SACRAMENTAL TEAM REGISTRATIONS FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION OPEN MONDAY MARCH 24TH

We invite all parents with children in **Year 3 or above** who have been baptised and received sacrament of reconciliation, to register their children to prepare and receive First Holy Communion in **June 2025**. Register your child by filling in the form attached to the QR code displayed or making a click [here](#).

Please complete it by **Monday April 28th**, to reserve a place.



If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us at: sacraments@olorparishkellyville.org.au.

Fr Chris and Fr Christian invite us to join in the celebrations this Lent and the Sacred Triduum at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Kellyville

Our Lenten Journey to Easter

Each Friday during Lent there will be Stations of the Cross at 7pm with Confessions during the Stations. On the First Friday of April (4th) there will be Holy Mass with Stations of the Cross and Confessions during the Stations.

At the Shrine:

Each Friday during Lent there are Stations of the Cross led by Br Louis at 10.15 (after 9.30am Mass in the Church).

Sacred Triduum

Holy Thursday (17 April)

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm
Silent prayer in the old hall until 11pm

Good Friday (18 April)

11am - Stations of the Cross in the Parish Church
3pm - Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday (19 April)

Easter Vigil at 8pm

N.B. There will be no Confessions on Holy Saturday

Easter Sunday (20 April)

Masses: 7am, 9am and 11am.

No evening Mass on Easter Sunday

There will be 8am Masses only on both **Easter Monday, 21 April and Anzac Day, Fri. 25 April**

Celebrating Our Gifts 28/3/2025

<i>Learning Excellence</i>	<i>St Angela's Award</i>
Sean Baker - KB	Ava Treacy - KB
Isaac Trujillo - KG	Georgia Meshreky - KG
Dominik Kwoka - KY	Madison Walsh - KY
Isabella Johnston - 1B	Elara Ekehov - 1B
Alessia Saad - 1G	Lianna Kaabi - 1G
Samuel Montecinos-Bernal - 1Y	Savannah Thew - 1Y
Zachary Price - 2B	Vienna Cheng - 2B
Bianca Fedele - 2G	Lucas Wang - 2G
Francisco Castillo - 2Y	Hayley Hapelt - 2Y
Austin Szandala - 3B	Valentina Gonzalez - 3B
Noah Judd - 3G	Chelsea Thomas - 3G
Grace Kennedy - 3Y	William Houghton Boreham - 3Y
Alexandra Chehade - 4B	Evie Hogan - 4B
Annalise Grill - 4G	Daxon Lui - 4G
Andre Vancuylenberg - 4Y	Liam Zeaiter - 4Y
Estelle Barbara - 5B	Gabriel Edouard - 5B
Ash Szandala - 5G	Rose Baylis - 5G
Toby Williams - 5Y	Sierra Honore - 5Y
Jordan Pupo - 6B	Tiahna Barjacoba - 6B
Georgia Grill - 6G	Dean Alcock - 6G
James Rimando - 6Y	Elissa Zaidan - 6Y

Sports Update

NSWCPS Swimming

Congratulations to Isabelle (Yr 4) and Lucas (Yr 3), who competed at the NSWCPS Swimming Championships on Wednesday! What an outstanding achievement.



St Angela's Cross Country Carnival

Our 2025 Cross Country was a huge success. Congratulations to all our runners on the day. The children tried so hard to achieve a personal best and were fabulous at encouraging each other throughout the races.

Thank you to our staff and parents who were on the track early setting up, prepping to ensure a great event for everyone. Your support throughout the morning made our Cross Country a great event.



Cross Country Parent Helpers - Thank you!

Renee Stopps, Vaibav Yami, Michelle Kenny, Murray Cassar, Belinda Crawford, Rebecca Lukas, Jane Masik, Rony Budiyanto, Laura Mignemi, Zoe Lane, Emma Whiting, Natasha Volpato, Niki Grill, Anissa Gordon, Brooke Seydler

Carnival Results

12 Year Boys Champion	Marcus Eltakchi	12 Year Boys Runner Up	Aiden Theoharous
12 Year Girls Champion	Maisie Brown	12 Year Girls Runner Up	Sienna Glass
11 Year Boys Champion	Oliver Masik	11 Year Boys Runner Up	Xavier Zullo
11 Year Girls Champion	Saraya Wilson	11 Year Girls Runner Up	Chloe Lukjanenko
10 Year Boys Champion	Harvey Lukas	10 Year Boys Runner Up	Charlie Vassallo
10 Year Girls Champion	Alessandra Mifsud	10 Year Girls Runner Up	Madeline Gentile
9 Year Boys Champion	Joshua McDowell	9 Year Boys Runner Up	Jacob Tadianan
9 Year Girls Champion	Olivia Raad	9 Year Girls Runner Up	Maddison Merhi
8 Year Boys Champion	Zachary Rivett	8 Year Boys Runner Up	Arial Agudo
8 Year Girls Champion	Lexi Volpato	8 Year Girls Runner Up	Isabel Masik



Cross Country House Winners

MERICI

House Spirit Winners

GARDA



Spirit Medal Winners

Ashton Sakr (Kindy)

Lilah Browne (Yr 3)



The following children placed 1st - 6th in their race and will form the St Angela's Cross Country team to compete at the Parramatta Diocesan Cross Country Carnival in May.

Marcus Eltakchi, Aiden Theoharous, Joshua Raad, Lewis Norrish, Noah Young, Tyler Peterson, Maisie Brown, Sienna Glass, Tiahna Barjacoba, Arianna Vallejo, Norah Siountris, Sophia Millalongo, Oliver Masik, Xavier Zullo, Lucas Tassone, Marcus Saad, William McDowell, Liam Kennedy, Saraya Wilson, Chloe Lukjanenko, Catalina Fam, Lily Mogan, Emma Houghton-Boreham, Reese Sargent, Harvey Lukas, Charlie Vassallo, Kai Cassar, Michael Boumelhem, Owen Muscat, Thomas Taylor, Alessandra Mifsud, Maddie Gentile, Harriet Kenny, Lilah Kenny, Chloe Buckley, Quinn Sargent, Joshua McDowell, Jacob Tadianan, Jayden Barjacoba, Rohan Lakeman, Charles Kenny, Seth Franks, Olivia Raad, Lexi Volpato, Isabel Masik, Ciara Treacy, Maddison Merhi, Indiana Whyte

Karen Orsini
Assistant Principal



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

February	31st March
28th March	Ophelia Zhou - 4G
Lucas Riley - 3G	1st April
Alexander Mearns - 5G	Luke Ryan - KG
James Rimando - 6Y	2nd April
Zachary Worsman - 6Y	Arianna Vallejo - 6B
29th March	3rd April
Rohan Lakeman - 3B	Noah Dib - 4B
Cooper Lewis - 4Y	
30th March	
Charlie Vassallo - 4B	
Harvey Lukas - 5B	



WELLBEING - School TV



This month on SchoolTV - Cybersafety

Young people today are growing up in an increasingly connected world where technology is part of their everyday lives — for learning, socialising, and entertainment. While the digital world offers enormous benefits, it also comes with serious risks. From cyberbullying and online predators to inappropriate content and screen time concerns, navigating the online environment can be challenging for young people and their families.

Cybersafety is not just about blocking access — it's about empowering young people with the knowledge and skills they need to use technology responsibly and safely. This includes understanding privacy settings, recognising scams, and developing healthy digital habits. At the same time, it's important for parents and caregivers to stay informed, have open and judgement-free conversations with their children, and lead by example through positive online behaviour.

In today's digital age, safeguarding a child's wellbeing must also include protecting their online life. This edition of [SchoolTV](#) will help you better understand the digital landscape your child is navigating and offer practical strategies to help them stay safe, confident and in control online.

WELLBEING

Surviving the School Holidays: A Guide for Families

School holidays are a wonderful opportunity for children and parents to recharge, connect, and enjoy a break from the busy school routine. However, they can also come with challenges, such as boredom, sibling conflicts, and keeping kids entertained!

The Importance of Recharging

Just like adults, children need time to rest and recover from their daily demands. The school term is filled with learning, social interactions, and structured routines. A break allows children's brains to process what they've learned, strengthen their memory, and return to school feeling refreshed and ready to absorb new information.

Parents, too, need to prioritise self-care. Whether it's enjoying a quiet cup of coffee, catching up on a book, or taking a walk, make sure to set aside time for yourself. A well rested parent is better able to manage the ups and downs of family life!

Fun & Engaging Activities

Keeping kids entertained does not require expensive outings every day. Some fun, low-cost activities can involve:

- Outdoor adventures: Nature walks, bike rides, picnics, or exploring a new park.
- Creative fun: Arts and crafts, painting, or building something together.
- Home challenges: Bake-off competitions, Lego challenges, or a family board game tournament.
- Learning through play: Visit the library, try science experiments at home, or cook together.
- Relaxation time: Movie nights, listening to audiobooks, or simple mindfulness activities.

Maintaining Friendships Over the Holidays

School holidays can sometimes feel long, and children may miss their friends. Maintaining friendships over the break can help make the transition back to school easier. Encourage your child to:

- Arrange a playdate or catch-up with a school friend.
- Write a letter or draw a picture for a friend they miss.
- Stay in touch through phone or video calls (if appropriate).
- Attend community activities, sports, or holiday programs where they might see familiar faces.

Keeping connected helps children feel more comfortable returning to school and reduces anxiety about rejoining their peer group after a break.

Handling Boredom

It's natural for children to say, "I'm bored!" but boredom isn't always a bad thing. It encourages creativity, problem-solving, and independence. Instead of rushing to entertain them, encourage them to think of their own activities. Create a 'boredom jar' filled with ideas they can pick from when they're stuck.

Managing Conflict

More time together can sometimes lead to sibling arguments. Teaching children how to resolve conflicts respectfully is an important life skill. Encourage your children to:

- Take turns and share.
- Use calm words to express feelings.
- Walk away from a situation before reacting.
- Problem-solve together to find a compromise.

A Balance of Routine & Rest

While holidays should be more relaxed, maintaining some structure helps ease the transition back to school. Keep bedtime routines consistent, encourage some physical activity each day, and balance screen time with other activities.

Holidays don't have to be perfect; it's about spending time together, creating memories, and allowing everyone to rest. Whether you're travelling, staying home, or mixing it up, embrace the slower moments and enjoy the time with your children.

Ekta Balu
School Counsellor



School Photo Day - Wednesday 9th April

Orders can be placed following the instructions in the flyer attached and shared via MSP as an email last week.

Note: Sibling photos will take place at 7:30am before school.



St Angela's Primary School

Photo day for your school is on Wednesday, 9th April 2025

You will soon receive an email from MSP Photography providing you with instructions to order school photos. If you have any problems with online ordering, there will be a small amount of cash order forms provided to the school office and with our photographers on the photo day.

How to place your order via Compass.

- 1 Click the Community Tab in the Compass App
- 2 Select Photos
- 3 Place your order

A late processing fee will apply for orders received 3 weeks after photo day. All family/sibling orders must be placed by 11am the day before photo day. Sibling photos will be taken in the morning before school commences.

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SAY CHEESE

Take advantage of discounts on large orders!

Spend \$200 and get 5% off, or spend \$500 and save 10% on your school photos!

Parking in Brookfield Way

We have received a complaint about parking over resident driveways in Brookfield Way during the morning drop off and afternoon pick up times. Parents are reminded to be considerate of maintaining the access to resident driveways at all times by not parking over them at any time. Parking over driveways can incur fines and demerit points and the surrounding streets will be patrolled by both the police and council officers. We have wonderful neighbours and it is important that we respect their rights.



DRIVEWAYS

You must not park your car over or block access to a driveway.

SCHOOL ZONE

Penalty from \$410 and 2 demerit points

EASTER EGGS AT SCHOOL

As the Easter season and the common sharing of chocolate eggs is approaching, it is important to remember that there is a high number of children at St Angela's who are severely allergic to nuts, eggs and/or dairy etc. Parents are asked to support us by ensuring that Lollies/Chocolates/Easter eggs are not brought to school by the children, either for themselves or to share with others. Thank you for your continued cooperation in making St Angela's a safe environment for all our children.



THANK YOU!

Thank you to the following parents who volunteered their time out a Disco.

Zoe Lane	Ashlee Harvey
Laura Thomas	Renee Fedele
Michelle Kenny	Emma Whiting
Annelise Guinand	Melissa Ong
Amanda Saunders	Caroline Walsh
Leigh Lean	Joan Estera
Daniella Lahoud	Genevieve Power
Maryanne Treacy	Lauren Boumelhem
Stephanie Yogev	Hannah Donato
Mel Andrew	Carmen Gorospe
Vivian Azar	Belinda Zaiden
Gloria Najafi	Clare Bottacin
Daniella Merhi	Karen McTigue
Sharyn Thompson	Vaibhav Yami

2025 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge



Number of students who have completed the challenge: 88

Total number of books read: 3127

Students who have completed the challenge:

Nathaniel Katipunan 1G	Jacinta Raad 4B
Sebastian Loganathan 1Y	Isabelle Riley 4G
Zachary Stewart 1B	Mikayla Saad 4Y
	Ayaan Sood 4G
Rhodes Seydler 2B	Samuel Sourial 4B
	Jacob Stornelli 4G
	Jacob Tadiaman 4B
Azariah AbuDuhou 3G	
Arial Agudo 3Y	Tanios Assaf 5B
Skye Conde 3G	Amelia Browne 5B
Samuel Yiu 3B	Gabriel Edouard 5B
Christopher Yiu 3Y	Jack Hawke 5B
Lilah Browne 3G	Claire Ison 5B
Milana Zullo 3B	Harriet Kenny 5B
	Jayden Thomas 5B
Emilia Azar 4G	Emmanuel Abu Duhou 5G
Jennifer Chen 4G	Brendan Fadeli 5G
Matteo Circosta 4G	Madeleine Bonasin 5G
Yilan Luo 4G	Kaitlin D'silva 5G
Alessandra Mifsud 4G	Catalina Fam 5G
Benjamin Millalongo 4G	Jake Hansell 5G
Ciara Treacy 4G	Jaxon Hogan 5G
Francis Bautista 4B	Liam Kennedy 5G
Michael Boumelhem 4B	Lilah Kenny 5G
Adriano Coco 4B	Clarathea Kinsong 5G
Noah Dib 4B	Lily Mogan 5G
Tyler D'Morias 4B	Hillary Roditis 5G
Evie Hogan 4B	Acelyn Seydler 5Y
Serena Kosciuszko 4B	Kai Theoharous 5G
Liam Perera 4B	Sienna Wise 5G
Zoe Pupo 4B	Xavier Zullo 5G
Harper Sweeney 4B	
Charlie Vassallo 4B	Cooper Bisson 6B
Alannah Zaidan 4B	Kayleigh Angara 6G
Elena El Ayle 4Y	
Arabella Gordon 4Y	
Ava Holeva 4Y	
Isabella Homer 4Y	
Sophie Hoon 4Y	
Olivia Katipunan 4Y	
Isaac Low 4Y	
Riley Muscat 4Y	
Charlotte Sam 4Y	
Jude Schenke 4Y	
Ainsley Tadiaman 4Y	
Andre Vancuylenberg 4Y	
Liam Zeaiter 4Y	
Izabelle Zeegers 4Y	
Kai Cassar 4Y	
Natasha Clemente 4B	
John-Alexander Dabit 4Y	
Zac Gardiner 4Y	
Madeline Gentile 4G	
Charlotte Green 4Y	
Catalina Halfide 4G	
Anthony Khodeir 4G	
Calissa Layoun 4Y	
Alexander Maait 4G	
Charlotte Moran 4G	
Owen Muscat 4G	

Class Pizza Party

4Y
4G & 4B
5G

Movie & Popcorn

Year 4
Year 5
Year 3