



St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill

SHINE

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Ministry of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville

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Term 1, Week 3

Dear Parents,

Our fantastic start to the school year continues as we 'Let Our Light Shine' each and every day. Our children are very settled and enthusiastic about their learning. Our new Kindergarten students have been particularly impressive and are well and truly already part of our St Angela's community.

As always, I am very proud of our beautiful children. They are treating each other with respect and understanding, focusing on their learning and working together as a faith community. Each morning the children recite our school prayer. It is a lovely way to begin each day of faith, fun and learning.

'St Angela's School Prayer'

As I begin a new day

Help me to act as you did while you were here on earth.

Help me to pray as you did thanking God for His many gifts

*Most of all help me to use my talents to make the world a better place
as you did Saint Angela.*

May I Let My Light Shine always.

AMEN

Last Sunday's Gospel message from Matthew 5:13-16 is the passage that highlights the motto of our school. It clearly encourages us to proudly 'Let Our Light Shine'.

Gospel: Matthew 5:13-16 Jesus said to his disciples: 'You are the salt of the earth. But if salt becomes tasteless, what can make it salty again? It is good for nothing, and can only be thrown out to be trampled underfoot by men. 'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill-top cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp to put it under a tub; they put it on the lamp-stand where it shines for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in heaven.'

Our Kindergarten and new families to the school enjoyed a wonderful night of community and hospitality last Friday afternoon at our welcoming BBQ. A wonderful time was had by all but, in particular, the children. See inside this Shine for further acknowledgements.

Theme for the Week:

'Together we are a Community'

Our theme this week helps acknowledge and appreciate our wonderful St Angela's community in which each one of us plays a vital role. Together we gather, bonded by our Catholic values and relationships. As a community we examine just how we treat each other so as to continue to foster our sense of community and create harmony.

We look forward to presenting our new Kindergarten children to our school community next Friday 17th February at 8:45am. All parents are most welcome. We hope you can join us.

HeartKids Sweetheart Day (fighting against childhood heart disease) This Tuesday 14th February

Social justice is reaching out to those less fortunate. Throughout the year, as a community which is truly blessed, we will be reaching out to others in need through a variety of charities and Caritas. This Tuesday 14th February (Valentine's Day), the children are welcome to wear red ribbons in their hair or on their uniform and/or red socks to acknowledge and create an awareness of Heart Kids. We have a number of students at St Angela's who have bravely suffered from childhood heart disease and continue to do so. Heart Kids supports the child and their families and funds life saving research. Children are asked to bring in a gold or fold donation on Tuesday. If families wish to donate further, you are welcome to visit the website www.sweetheartday.org.au.

My appreciation and thanks to the many parents who attended the Kindergarten and Year 1 grade evenings. The combined Year 2 to 6 general information parent session will be held tomorrow morning at 8:45am. We hope you can join us. Your support is very much appreciated. On your behalf many thanks to all the teachers for their time and commitment to working with you. It is working in partnership that we value, as it truly benefits your child's learning.

Next Wednesday evening we look forward to seeing you at the Parent Teacher Interviews. These will be held in the hall. These interviews provide an opportunity for you to meet and discuss your child's needs with their teacher. Parents know their children better than anyone else and sharing this knowledge gives teachers a valuable resource to assist them in progressing your child's learning. Bookings are undertaken online. Information has been sent home today via email and hard copy.

Thank you for your continued support. It is in partnership that we can achieve great things for our children.

*Tony Calabria
Principal*



Emailing our Newsletter

Although we have families accessing our newsletter through our website and its direct feed, from **Week 5** of this term we will begin emailing the newsletter to all families via the email address currently on our system. You will soon receive an online form to complete asking if you also wish to opt for a hard copy. Thank you.

Submitting an Item for our Newsletter

Also, a reminder to parents that if you would like to submit an item for approval to be printed in Shine, eg. A child's achievement in Star Spot, we ask that you email your item to the school by 12 noon on Tuesday of the week you would like your item printed. As you can appreciate, children often inform us of achievements, however, we ask that achievements be advised in writing by a parent as children often miss important details. We thank you for your assistance.



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Religious Education

Sunday, 12 February 2017: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

Mt 5:17-37

Jesus comes to fulfill the law

This coming Sunday's Gospel relates to the way in which we are called to live in right relationship with God and with one another. By declaring that he has come not to abolish the Law and the Prophets, but to complete – or fulfil – them, Jesus is making it perfectly clear that his ministry and teaching is in alignment with and in accordance with the historical tradition and he is not setting out to overthrow the Jewish tradition. Rather, throughout his ministry, Jesus repeatedly calls the people to be true to the teachings of old and to live them with integrity and dedication. His constant complaint is against those who live by the letter of the Law and ignore what we would call the spirit or intention of the Law.

Q. When has a particular interpretation of scripture helped you with a difficult literal passage?

Q. Where in your life are you called to be someone who fulfils or completes the Law and the Prophets?

Letter of appreciation

The following is a letter from The Principal Of Immaculata High School. Last year we raised money during Mission Week, to support this community in The Philippines. Mrs Lean and I were privileged to work with this school community before attending World Youth Day in Poland last year.

Dear Ma'am Michelle,

I am Liza, the school principal of Immaculata High School.

I would like to personally thank you for the financial help you have extended to us. We were able to completely install our CCTV cameras in our school because of your help. Thank you for having a big heart for us.

May God continue to bless you and your family!

Daghang Salamat!

Liza

Also included in the email was a video of the CCTV commuter surveillance system the school has installed with our donations to provide security for the school and their staff and students.

Opening School Mass

We will celebrate our 2017 school year at our Opening School Mass in our school hall on Thursday 23rd of February at 11am. Our school leaders will receive their badges and we will ask God's blessings of strength and grace to guide our way this year.

Mrs Michelle Yager

Religious Education Coordinator

Please keep in your prayers

Our prayers are extended to Mrs Nikki Callen (Religious Education Coordinator at Our Lady of the Rosary Primary School) and her family due to the passing into eternal life of Mrs Callen's father.

Grade Assemblies

Please note as communicated in our term calendar, whole school assemblies for Term 1 are as follows:

Week 4 - Friday 17th February at 2:15pm led by Year 6

Week 7 - Friday 10th March at 2:15pm led by Year 4

Week 10 - Friday 31st March at 2:15pm led by Year 1

All parents are most welcome to join us.



Upcoming Dates

TERM 1

Week 3

Fri 10th Feb

School Census Day (see further information in this Shine)

8:45am Years 2 to 6 General Parent Information Session in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall

Week 4

Tues 14th Feb

Heart Kids Day - (see further information in this Shine)

Wed 15th Feb

Parent Teacher Interviews

Thurs 16th Feb

8:45am Fun(d)raising Meeting in the staffroom - All welcome

Fri 17th Feb

8:45am Kindergarten 2017 presented to the school community - All welcome

2:15pm Year 6 Grade Assembly in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - Parents welcome

Week 5

Mon 20th Feb

Hills Zone Swimming

Wed 22nd Feb

Please note change of date

7:00pm General Parent Meeting in the library - All welcome

Thurs 23rd Feb

11:00am Opening School Mass in St Angela's St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - All welcome

Fri 24th Feb

Diocesan Swimming

8:45am Parent Representative Meeting in the staffroom

Quote of the Week

"When we seek to discover the best in others, we somehow bring out the best in ourselves."

School Census Day Tomorrow, Friday 10th February

Tomorrow, Friday 10th February 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 tomorrow, please email stangelas@parra.catholic.edu.au or simply respond to the text sent from the school by **10:30am**, advising the reason for your child's absence **and the date they will return to school**.

This is, of course, a requirement that applies to every day 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.

Save the Date

**St Angela's Opening School Mass in our St Maximilian Kolbe Hall
Thursday 23rd February at 11:00am**

Emailed: Grade Overviews, Kindy Sight Words, Year 1 Spelling Lists, Parent Calendar, Parent Teacher Interview Booking Form
Hard Copy: Kindy Sight Words, Parent Calendar, Parent Teacher Interview Booking Form

Celebrating our Gifts

(Awards presented last Friday)

Academic Excellence

Jonah West KB
Joshua Vassallo KG
Ava Mogan KY
Evangelos Tikellis 1B
Kara Piperata 1G
Lachlan Murphy 1Y
Connor Paton 2B
Ryan McDermott 2G
Isaac Gunasekera 2Y
Matthew Despoges 3B
Vanessa Tesoriero 3G
Luke Wehrmann 3Y
Joshua Holt 4B
Radheen Wettasinghe 4G
Aimon Fitzsimons 4Y
Dominic Christie 5B
Charlie Nelson 5G
Matteo Muscardo 5Y
Kaleb Brett 6B
Claudia Como 6G
Sarah Crowley 6Y

St Angela's Award

Mateja Knevitt KB
Zarah Ciccio KG
Bastien Milicevic KY
Jagger Woodham 1B
Cruz Rodriguez 1G
Alice Nugent 1Y
Cruz Bercich 2B
Taylor Brett 2G
Annika Clarke 2Y
Hannah MacNaughton 3B
Kaija Knevitt 3G
Kathryn Basobas 3Y
Jason Herbas 4B
Tara Bishop 4G
Sophie Milas 4Y
Caitlin McNamara 5B
Holly Di Staso 5G
Lauren Shin 5Y
Ella Evans 6B
Sebastian Cignarella 6G
Noah Hemmings 6Y

2016 Award Recipients from the Last Week of School

As our last newsletter at the end of last year was printed prior to our last week of awards, please see below the students who received a Learning Excellence or St Angela's Award on our last day:

Learning Excellence

Jagger Woodham, William O'Neill, Theodorus Kinsong, Macey Holmes, Oliver Milicevic, Sophia Raad, Jorja McKnight, Domenic Stornelli, Jessica Araneda, Brandon Suefong, Natalie Cerreto, Georgia Zeid, Jessica Herbas, Sarah Tesoriero, Charlie Nelson, Connor Khoury, Zoe Dimitriadis, Noah Yeung, Raphael Saul, Frederick Johan, Michael Taouk

St Angela's Award

Avindee Jayakody, Aliyah Henwood, Ella Solomon, Aaron Zlomislic, Isabella Sultana, Joseph Sultana, Eimear Kelly, Ruby Moller, Sascha Blefari, Noah Granero, James O'Donnell, Joshua McDermott, Anna McEneaney, Olivia Rodger, Amalia Araneda, Olivia Pinna, Riley Jackay, Isabella Seda, Sabrina Sultana, Benjamin Watson, Stephanie Murdocca

Happy Birthday!

Happy birthday to our new Kindergarten children who have already celebrated their birthday this year, before school officially began, and are now part of our St Angela's community:

JANUARY

Wed 4th
Lachlan McDermott

Sun 8th
Mikayla Martin

Sat 14th
Annelise Guirrerri

Sun 15th
Abbey Glass

FEBRUARY

Wed 1st
Izaak Botic

Thurs 19th
Mikayla White

Tues 24th
Giovanni Anastasio

Wed 25th
Finn Wheatley

Fri 27th
Bastien Milicevic

Happy birthday to members of our St Angela's community who have celebrated their birthday in this past week and who will celebrate their birthday this coming week:

FEBRUARY

Sun 5th
Molly Nati
Sienna Van Jour
Ava Vengoa

Tues 7th
Gabriel Younan
Mathis Ma

Wed 8th
Cristian Frasca
Sebastian Khoury
Sophia Raad

Fri 10th
Dana Adan
Kai Hall
Zoe Dimitriadis

Sat 11th
Alexander Bovopoulos

Sun 12th
Harrison Valenzisi

Mon 13th
Aoife Collins
Benjamin Smith

Tues 14th
Angus Gibbons
Olivia Ochudzawa
Oshi Kirkley
Rachel Agius

Wed 15th
Alexander Palmer

Thurs 16th
Eva Lawlor
Thomas Hennessy

Fri 17th
Taylor D'Silva
Eloise Hansell

Sat 18th
Alicia Dib
Jacob David

Fun(d)raising Committee

If you would like to be part of our exciting Fun(d)raising committee that organises events for the children and/or parents, please let the office know and/or if available join us for a meeting on **Thursday 16th February at 8:45am** in the staffroom. We have a core group of parents who are more than happy to lead this committee again in 2017. Whether your contribution is big or small, all are most welcome to attend.

SOME PHOTOGRAPHS OF OUR RECENT KINDERGARTEN AND NEW FAMILIES WELCOMING BBQ. WHAT A GREAT EVENING!



School Leaders for 2017

Congratulations to our Year 6 student leaders for
2017, as announced at this week's end of year

Mass:

School Captains

Joel Woodhead Bella Shepherd

School Vice Captains

Ethan Gunawardhana Claudia Como

Brescia

Ronan Lee Freya Scothern

Garda

Charles Saul Zoe Dimitriadis

Merici

Angus Gibbons Isabella Seda

Salo

Noah Hemmings Ava Foxe

Thank You

Thank you to the following parents for all their help with the organising, serving etc., at our Kindergarten and New Families BBQ last Friday:

Tony Cabezas, Donna Collins, Wayne Davie, Cameron James, Heidi Lee, Natalie Lewis, Jaime Mackay, Kristy Post, Tara Shepherd, Maria Siligato, Antonella Tesoriero, Pina Wehrmann and Adam Wehrmann.

Thank you also to members of our student leadership team, along with the many members of staff, who were also present. Your time is very much appreciated.

Book Club

Scholastic catalogues were sent home earlier this week. Please note orders are due back at school by **next Friday 17 February** - LATE ORDERS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED. Envelopes should be clearly marked: BOOKCLUB, NAME, CLASS AND AMOUNT. **Payments are accepted by cheque (made payable to Scholastic) and credit card, cash IS NOT ACCEPTED.** Credit card payments are made as per instructions on the Book Club brochures. Credit card information is not to be written on the order forms. If you wish to pay by credit card YOU must ring scholastic on the 1800 number on the order form or online payment at www.scholastic.com.au/payment. The receipt number is then to be recorded on the order form then forwarded with your order. There must be a receipt number with your order or I cannot process the order.

Thank you.

Athena Woolnough (0432 682 508)

Book Club Coordinator

Canteen Helpers 2017

Our school canteen will open this Tuesday 7th February and then each Tuesday and Friday. It does not open on rainy days.

We require some helpers each Tuesday and Friday from 12:25 to 1:25pm to be put on a 6 month roster. **The canteen roster will commence Friday 17th February.** If you are able to help, please fill out the canteen helper form below and return by **tomorrow, Friday 10th February** (no babies or toddlers please). Enquiries: Diana Norris on 0408 440 213.

Thank you

Canteen Committee

*Please return to the school office by tomorrow,
Friday 10th February*

I would like to help in the canteen once a month on the following day:

Tuesday or **Friday** (please circle)

Name:

Phone: (mobile)

Email:

Child's Name: Class:

Any dates not available:

**We would love your assistance in
the Library.**

**Please see coming home soon an
online form for you to complete if
you would like to assist.**

Living Alongside our Neighbours

Please respect all properties neighbouring the school and ensure that our parking does not adversely affect our local neighbours, and the safety of everyone. In particular, in surrounding streets around our back gate area. Our neighbours have a right to access their driveway and **parents must not park across driveways** or drive in an unsafe manner. A reminder that police and council officers regularly patrol (as has been the case recently) and fine drivers.

School Fees

School fee accounts for 2017 will soon be mailed out by the Catholic Education Office. As in the past, families will be given a choice to either pay their account under the current school fee payment terms of 30 days or by weekly, fortnightly or monthly instalments over a 6 month period from March to August. This payment arrangement is known as a flexible payment plan (FPP). To make FPP payments families will complete and lodge a direct debit authority with the Catholic Education Office. There is no additional administration fees to families accepting the FPP offer, however if a payment rejects fees may be incurred and if a payment rejects twice it is automatically cancelled. Alternatively, accounts may also be paid via BPay allowing parents to set up their own periodic payment and select a period (eg. Monthly) to pay their fees by instalments. There is no cost to parents using BPay. At the school office, accounts can be paid by cheque, cash and Eftpos. **Detailed information regarding FPP along with the appropriate application forms will be included with your school fee account. These forms need to be returned to the Catholic Education Office before 24th February 2017.** As per last year we have also included the majority of school based fees for 2017 into the annual account so that these costs are incorporated into FPP arrangements. Term 1 fees, unless undertaking a FPP arrangement, are due on 6th March 2017. Please refer to the 2017 School Fees information emailed last week.

If you have any further enquiries please contact the school office on 9894 9377.

Charity Fundraiser for Type 1 Diabetes

Diabetes affects so many young children throughout the world. We have a number of students at St Angela's who are diabetic. Their positive attitude and daily management of this condition is inspirational and indeed impressive.

Charity: The Juvenile Diabetes Research Fund (JDRF) which is a not for profit research organisation

Event: Sportsman's afternoon - 2017 The Sporting Year Ahead

Date: Friday 24th February 2017

Time: 3-7pm

Location: Owners Pavilion – Randwick Racecourse

Cost: \$130 pp incl Food and drinks, 100% of money raised going to JDRF

MC: Tim Gilbert (Channel 9)

Tickets can be purchased via the link below.

<http://bitly.com/SportingYearAhead>

For further information please contact Craig Evans on 0451 010 943.

Are you interested in playing netball?

Castle Hill Sports Netball Club is looking for players to play in the 2017 Winter Competition. We currently have vacancies in 5yrs, 6yrs, 7yrs, 8yrs, 9yrs, 11yrs and 14yrs. We mostly train at Bernie Mullane and play on a Saturday starting in April. If interested, please contact Lucia Dolores on 0400 464 147 or Narelle Basile on 0498 845 107 as soon as possible as registrations are due to close soon.

Catherine McAuley Westmead 50th Anniversary Book of Memories

Catherine McAuley Westmead has produced a commemorative book full of memories and photographs from students, parents and staff who have had a connection with the school over the past 50 years. Visit www.mcauley.nsw.edu.au to view sample pages and to organise purchase of this book.

Band lessons begin tomorrow, Friday 10th February

School Times

8.05am - 8.30am

8.30am - 10.30am

10.30am - 11.00am

11.00am - 12.30pm

12.30pm - 1.20pm

1.20pm - 2.50pm

2.50pm

Children arrive at school

First learning session

Recess

Second learning session

Lunch

Third learning session

Dismissal

Office Hours

Monday to Thursday

Friday

8.00am to 4.00pm

8.30am (later start due to staff prayer) to 4.00pm

Term Dates for 2017

Term 1 Years 1-6 - Monday 30th January to Friday 7th April
Kindergarten - Wednesday 1st February to Friday 7th April

Term 2 Wednesday 26th April to Friday 30th June (**Monday 24th April is a Staff Development/Pupil Free Day**)

Term 3 Monday 17th July to Friday 22nd September

Term 4 Monday 9th October to Friday 15th December (**last day for students**)
(**Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th December are Staff Development/Pupil Free days**)



HILLS SPIRIT FC

FUN, FRIENDSHIP & COMMUNITY!

**COME AND PLAY SOCCER WITH HILLS SPIRIT FC
YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY SOCCER CLUB!**

WHEN?

Registrations for next season will open in January 2017. Check out our website & Facebook page for updates throughout the off season. You can also register online when registrations open!

WHERE DO WE PLAY?

**Kellyville Park, Memorial Ave,
Kellyville**

WHY?

The Hills Spirit Football Club has a proud 38 year tradition of building teams from the local school communities. The Club was created from OLOR Kellyville and has expanded to include several schools and communities throughout the Hills District!

The club plays locally and will grade teams as well as individuals. Kids can play with their mates! The club works to build the school communities by encouraging classmates to play together, building life long friendships between themselves and the parents.

Register online @ www.hillsspiritfc.com.au

AGES

Hills Spirit FC welcomes junior boys and girls from Under 5's through to Under 16's.

We also welcome men and women all age players and 0 35's/045's.

Every player is welcome at our club!



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