

# St Angela's Primary School

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Dear Parents.

Welcome one and all to Term 3. I am certainly looking forward to another term of faith, fun and learning, as we celebrate our Christ centred community. Living out our school motto of 'Let Your Light Shine' enables each and every one of us to be the best we possibly can. The winter holidays are indeed a favourite with warm sleep ins, hanging out around the house in pyjamas, movies, friends, travelling and family fun. Regardless of how you spent the holidays, they are indeed a wonderful opportunity to connect with others and create wonderful family memories.

Parenting is a challenge for each one of us. The holidays can often be a time for reflecting on this important role. With so many varying opinions of what successful parenting entails, the following extract is worth a read:

These twelve principles are the basis of successful parenting as presented by Michael Grose - one of Australia's foremost parenting experts:

- Treat children as you want to be treated at all times with love, respect and human dignity.
- 2. Manage children's behaviour by managing yourself first and focusing on your own behaviour.
- 3. As children learn what they live, model the attitudes and behaviours you want them to learn. In particular, model optimism, generosity, persistence and forgiveness of self and others.
- 4. Mirror back to your children that they are competent and capable. They see themselves in the same way as significant adults in their lives see them.
- 5. Build happy childhood memories by having plenty of positive one-on-one interactions and enjoyable family times. Build a strong family upon the building blocks of tolerance, rituals and open communication.

- Children feel secure when there are limits and boundaries but they also like a say in setting some of those boundaries. Use behavioural consequences to teach children to be responsible for their actions.
- 7. Childhood is to be protected, treasured and preserved as long as humanly possible. Childhood is something children need to grow into, not out of.
- 8. Give responsibility, invite co-operation and expect participation in all aspects of family life.
- 9. Develop resilience in children by promoting independence, problem-solving and real participation in family life. Ensure you look after yourself so you have perspective and energy to look after your children.
- 10. Surround yourself and your children with healthy, positive adults who look out for you and your children.
- 11. Foster your children's passions and interest so that they can find something that they can excel at.
- 12. Treat your children as if you have many. That way, you can give them the space to grow away and be themselves.

We have a number of staff taking entitled leave at various times throughout the year. This often creates opportunities for acting roles of responsibility along with positions to be filled. The following temporary staff movements are currently in place.

Acting Assistant Principal - Mrs Meegan Flello (Term 3 Wks 1 - 2) Acting Coordinator - Louise Lean (Tern 3 Wks 1 & 2)

Acting Coordinator - Gabi Joice (Term 3 Wks 1 - 6) whilst Mrs Rubelj is on Leave

2 Yellow Classroom Teacher - Lucy Kaelin (Term 3 Wks 1 - 2)

Congratulations and thank you to these teachers who have been appointed in these roles. We are indeed fortunate to have a depth of teachers and leadership within our St Angela's team.

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

Tony Calabria Principal

## **Flease keep in your prayers**

Our prayers are extended to the Melville family (Mrs Bernadette Melville – Staff) due to the passing into eternal life of Mrs Melville's sister.

### **Change of School for 2018**

To estimate enrolments for 2018, it would be appreciated if the school could be notified in writing of any children who may be leaving St Angela's at the end of the year from grades other than Year 6. Thank you.

# Theme for the week;

## "Think of Others"

'Only by deliberately trying to foster a more caring, less self-centred and less competitive attitude towards others will we help to create a more civil society.' Hugh Mackay

As a community at St Angela's, we are together every day so how do we react to each other, speak to each other, help each other? Do we take the time to smile at or say hello to someone standing alone? Are we sensitive to the wellbeing of others? Do we genuinely listen to what others have to say? Do we say thank you for even a little kindness?

Our children observe our behaviours

"Children See, Children Do"

Make your influence positive!





## **Religious Education**

Sunday, 23rd July 2017: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

### Gospel Matthew 13: 24-43

Parables of the weeds in the field and the mustard seed.

In Sunday's Gospel we hear how the Spirit of God dwells in all of us, helping us in our weakness. The first disciples had Jesus to explain the parables; we have the Spirit to enlighten us. It is the Spirit who helps us to interpret the teaching of Jesus and to be receptive to the challenges that they pose.

The presence of sinners in the kingdom of God is often a stumbling block to good people. There will be a time for separation and judgment, but the time is not now. This means that the righteous will have to live with the sinner and, even more challengingly, show them the same kind of concern that they show to others. The presence of sinners does not necessarily erode the quality of the kingdom. Rather, it provides disciples an opportunity to rise to the occasion of generosity and forgiveness.

### Reminders

There will be an information meeting tonight for the parents of the children in year 6 preparing to make the Sacrament of Confirmation. It will begin at 7.15pm with registration for a 7.30pm sharp start in the OLOR Hall.

The First Communion Preparation Day will be this Saturday, July  $22^{nd}$  at 1.45pm followed by the 6pm mass with families. All children receiving the Sacrament of First Eucharist this year are required to attend.

### Religious Literacy Assessment

Over the coming weeks Year 4 and Year 6 will undergo assessment of their Religious Literacy as part of a Diocesan wide initiative to investigate their learning in Religious Studies. The students will participate in an online assessment with Year 4 also completing a presentation on their understanding and interpretation of a Gospel story. Parents will receive an outline of their child's results in Term 4. We wish all the students the best of luck as they begin this assessment period.

Mrs Michelle Yager Religious Education Coordinator

## **Important Dates to Note this Term**

General Parent Meeting Friday 18th August at 8:45am

Father's Day Celebrations

Friday 1st September

St Angela's Inaugural Golf Day
Friday 8th September

# **International Competitions and Assessments (ICAS) Years 3 to 6**

The ICAS **English** test will be held on **Tuesday 1st August** in the library. We ask that children arrive at 7:20am for a 7:30am start. This is due to the fact that not all students participate and therefore your child will not miss out on their classroom learning. The test must be done on the designated day at the designated time. Unfortunately, tests not completed during the supervised time cannot be done at an alternative time. Children need to bring a pencil case containing a pencil, an eraser and a ruler.



Week 3

# **Upcoming Dates**

### TERM 3

Week 1
Mon 17th July Children return for Term 3

K-6 Dance Fever in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall All children to wear their sports uniform

Thurs 20th July 7:15pm Sacrament of Confirmation Parent

Information Evening at Our Lady of the

Rosary Parish church

Sat 22nd July 1:45pm Sacrament of First Holy Communion

Preparation Day at Our Lady of the Rosary

Parish followed by Mass at 6:00pm

Week 2
Mon 24th July

K-6 Dance Fever in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall

Kindergarten Excursion to Calmsley Hill

Farm

Wed 26th July St Bernadette's Netball Gala Day

Sat 29th July 4:00pm Sacrament of First Holy Communion

at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish

Sun 30th July 11:00am Sacrament of First Holy

Communion at Our Lady of the Rosary

Parish

Tue 1st August Author Cameron Stelzer

Book Talk & Drawing Workshop K-1

Writing Workshop 2-4

7:20am ICAS English Competition

Wed 2nd August Stage 2 Soccer Gala Day

**Thur 3rd August** 9:45 am Debating Round 4 St Angela's vs Christ the King

### Dance Fever at St Angela's

Dance Fever is once again on in Term 3! Every Monday in Term 3, the talented staff from Dance Fever will be at St Angela's to teach K-6 a variety of structured dances. There will also be a whole school Hip Hop routine to learn. At the end of the term, children will have the opportunity to take part in a 'Challenge' dance-off night on Thursday 14th September at Homebush along with many other schools. Although all children will dance throughout the term, taking part in the night at Homebush is purely optional. The cost of this program has already been included in your school fee account.

### Second Hand Uniform Sale Thursday 27th July 1:30-2:30pm

Our second hand uniform sale will be held next term on Thursday 27th July (Week 2) from 1:30-2:30pm outside the canteen. All items will be sold for \$5 or \$10, with profits going towards the school. It is really just a chance to snap up a bargain item that you may need!

Sent Home This Week: Year 5 Personal Growth and Development

Emailed: Year 5 Personal Growth and Development Grade Overviews, Voice of Youth Note, Year 6 Pyjama Day

# Celebrating our Gifts

(Awards presented last Friday of Term 2)

### Academic Excellence

Mateja Knevitt - K Blue Zara Ciccia - K Green Lucca Basso - K Yellow Myah Ciccia - 1 Blue Jagger Woodham - 1 Blue Cruz Rodriguez - 1 Green Cristian Frasca - 1 Yellow Nicholas Heanes - 2 Blue Noah Celano - 2 Green Joseph Sultana - 2 Yellow Isabella Perusich - 3 Blue Matthew Mizzi - 3 Green Chanel Nasr - 3 Yellow Jessica Hohn - 4 Blue Sienna Van Jour - 4 Green

Sophie Milas - 4 Yellow Annika Benning - 5 Blue Ronan Lee - 6 Blue Anthony Tedros - 6 Green

Isabella Tadiaman - 6

Yellow

### St Angela's Award

Patrick Netana - K Blue Jaida Singh - K Green Sienna Azar - K Yellow Jesslyn Tedja - 1 Green Ashlee McKnight - 1 Yellow Georgia Lee - 2 Blue Romik Gulumian - 2 Green Amelia Blackwell - 2 Yellow Jaida Yu - 3 Blue Madison Tedros - 3 Green Luke Wehrmann - 3 Yellow Clarissa Burgess - 4 Blue Blake Cassettari - 4 Green Ethan Cabezas - 4 Yellow Isabella Siligato - 5 Blue Alexandra Gerrettson-Cornell - 5 Green

Anjali Hunt - 5 Green Joan Bautista - 5 Yellow Matteo Muscardo - 5 Yellow

James Baylis - 6 Blue

Jayden Carr - 6 Green Charles Saul - 6 Yellow

Happy birthday to members of our St Angela's community who will celebrate their birthday during the coming week.

**JULY** 

Sun 23rd Clarissa Burgess Jake Burgess Luciana Castillo Radheen Wettasinghe

Thurs 27th Gabriella Fernandes Kiara Krishnan

Mon 24th Benjamin McNamara Gabriel Van Jour

Sat 29th **Bronte Solomon** Ella Solomon

# Quote of the Week

"The only person you are destined to become is the person you decide to be."

### Forms on our Website

For your convenience, please find noted below just some of the forms which are available to download from our website. These forms can be found under School Information, School Notes:

- Medication Forms Temporary Administration (ie. 1-5 days) and Doctor's Form (for medication to be permanently stored at school)
- Leave Request Form 5-100 days
- Change of Details Forms
- Uniform Order Form

# **Grooming Requirements at St Angela's**

A kindly reminder to parents of the grooming requirements for boys' hair at St Angela's, as noted in the Parent Handbook:

All boys' hair is to be kept neat and tidy and off the collar. It should be well groomed and brushed at all times. Long hair past the ears is not permitted. Shaved heads, eg. Number 1 shave, undercuts & sculpturing cuts are not allowed at St Angela's. Long fringes need to be off the face.

Many thanks for your support in this area.

# Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville BINGO NIGHT

### \$20 FOR A 6-UP BOOK OF 25 GAMES

Doors Open 6PM Games Begin 7:30pm sharp - 10PM WHERE: New Parish Hall 8 Diana Ave, Kellyville

LIMITED SEATS AVAILABLE! **Book your seat TODAY at:** https://olorevents.wixsite.com/home

or the back of the church! For enquiries contact o

### PLEASE BE CONSIDERATE

Please show consideration to our neighbours who live in the vicinity of the school by not parking or waiting across driveways or on nature strips.

Walkers/Crossers: Please remember to set a safe example for our children. If your child is a 'crosser', please do not walk back across the busy road with them. The school side of Harrington Avenue is for 'walkers' only. Your co-operation in this area is most appreciated.

### **Sports News**

Best wishes to the large number of netballers who will be competing next Tuesday in the St Bernadette's Annual Netball Gala Day. Appreciation and thanks to the many parent managers and coaches involved in preparing the children and being present on the day.

### **Changing Going Home Arrangements**

A reminder to parents that our official school day is from 8:30am until 2:55pm and your child is required to be present between these times. Children should not be taken out of school early unless it is for an important reason (ie. Appointment for specialists etc.) Likewise, any changes of going home arrangements should only be made in cases of emergencies. As you can appreciate, contacting classes for children to come to the office for early departures or to advise of going home changes is disruptive to the learning, in particular to the whole school if the class is not in their room and an announcement needs to be made. We ask that all early departures and changes to going home arrangements are completed before 2:30pm.

We thank you for your support in this area.

### **Woolworths Earn and Learn**

Shop for school returns starts 26th July and runs until 29th September 2017. Place your stickers earned on the student sheet and turn place in the box labelled St Angela's at Kellyville Plaza. Woolworths or in your classroom office bag.

## KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE

At St Angela's, in the last week and the first week of each term, each class takes time to discuss the protective behaviour themes of:

"We all have the right to feel safe all of the time"

"Nothing is so awful that you can't tell someone
about it"

....so that children feel comfortable at all times to approach people on their network.

This is an opportune time to talk to your children about being safe in the holidays.

# Dance Fever!

This week, Dance Fever started at St Angela's. There was certainly a very excited vibe throughout the school as the groovy moves began .....

"Dance Fever is great because we got to dance and do good moves. The dance people were funny."

Serenna (K Yellow)

# Jeans for Genes

On Friday 4th August, St Angela's as part of its social justice outreach program, will be supporting the Jeans for Genes Day appeal. Children are invited to wear their jeans/denim mufti on the day. We ask that each child brings in a donation of gold or fold in support of this worthwhile cause. Thank you.

# Our Lady of Mercy College, Parramatta Open Day

Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta warmly invites you to attend our Open Morning Tour on Wednesday, July 26 2017.

Tour the College and discover how a Mercy Education empowers girls to expand beyond what they know they can be and enjoy a 'comfortable cup of tea' with the College Leadership Team.

The College is now enrolling for 2019.

Visit <a href="www.olmc.nsw.edu.au">www.olmc.nsw.edu.au</a> to reserve your place or contact the Registrar 8838 1222 to discuss how your daughter can become a Mercy Girl.

# Star Spot

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What an achievement! Congratulations to James Pearson in 6 Green. James competed in the FIM 85cc World Speedway Championships in Denmark. James finished 19th overall and only missed the top 16 by 2 points. We congratulate James on his achievements. James has been invited back to Denmark next year and we all wish him the very best of luck.





# St Angela's Inaugural Golf Day Friday 8th September Lynwood Country Club All welcome

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See the official registration information form coming home.

# **Coming home soon:**

Term 3 Parent Calendar Grade Overviews