



St Angela's Primary School

Castle Hill

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Term 1, Week 5

Dear Parents,

Catholic Schools Week

This year from 5th-16th March 2018 we will join with Catholic schools across NSW and the ACT to celebrate Catholic Schools Week (CSW). Our theme for CSW 2018 is 'Every learner, every day: TRANSFORMING LEARNING'.

Catholic Schools Week is about forging and strengthening connections between everyone who has a stake in our schools – students, staff, families, priests, parishioners, and members of the wider community – by showcasing our activities and actions.

During Catholic Schools Week, we take the opportunity to highlight not only the best of what we do, but also what happens in our schools every day.

For that reason, we invite you and your family to join us at St Angela's to celebrate with our school and parish community during Catholic Schools Week 2018. Our school will celebrate by:

Tues 6th March	2:00pm	Reading Afternoon - All welcome
Wed 7th March	10am-12 noon	Reconciliation for Years 3 to 6 children
Thurs 8th March	10am-12 noon	Reconciliation for Years 3 to 6 children
Fri 9th March	9:00am	Open Day and Tours for Kindergarten 2019
	2:15pm	Whole School Assembly presented by Year 4 - All welcome
Wed 14th March	12:30pm	Kindergarten Teddy Bears Picnic - All welcome
Fri 16th March	8:45am	St Patrick's Day Liturgy, open classrooms and morning tea - All welcome

This is an ideal opportunity to support our community of St Angela's and learn more about the great things that take place in Catholic schools every day.

Our school has a supportive and talented community of teachers, parents, clergy, parishioners and support staff who work together to give students the best education possible.

This special week on the Catholic Schools' calendar provides an opportunity for the community to recognise our committed and gifted teachers and support staff for their work in encouraging success, promoting discipline, supporting creativity and instilling compassion in our young people.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support of St Angela's and look forward to celebrating Catholic Schools Week with you during Weeks 6 and 7.

Additionally, during Catholic Schools Week we will once again have our termly "**Family Week**". Family Week sees the children have a break from formal home learning (although we ask that every child still reads each night) to spend time with you as a family, or helping the family. You may choose an activity that you can do as a family each day. Examples in the past have included playing a board game, sitting and sharing stories, cooking a meal together, feeding the pet, playing cards, helping put away laundry, setting the table, reading mum or dad a book, washing the car, gardening, writing mum and dad a thank you note, spending time in prayer/saying the Rosary, going for a family walk etc. Family Week is aimed at freeing children up to assist and/or spend time with those who love them most, their greatest heroes, you their parents and family.

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

Monica Fitzalan
Assistant Principal



Theme for the Week: "Spend Time in Prayer"

We have all at one time or another, experienced the power of prayer in our lives or in the lives of others. Our theme this week encourages the children to spend time each day in prayer in order to develop their relationship with Christ, particularly during this time of Lent.

Grade Assemblies

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

- Week 6 - Friday 9th March at 2:15pm led by Year 4
- Week 8 - Friday 23rd March at 2:15pm led by Year 5
- Week 10 - Friday 6th April at 2:15pm led by Year 2

All parents are most welcome to join us.

KINDERGARTEN 2019 ENROLMENT INFORMATION SESSION AND SCHOOL TOUR

Friday 9th March at 9:00am
St Angela's St Maximilian Kolbe Hall

Please pass this information onto neighbours, friends etc. who may be interested in enrolling their child in our great school.

Sibling Enrolment for Kindergarten 2019

Thank you to those families who have advised (via our google form emailed on 14th February) that they are intending to enrol a sibling/siblings at St Angela's for Kindergarten 2019. Enrolment packs have been sent home today via your eldest child. Please complete the enrolment application and submit to the office, together with the required **original** supporting documentation, by **Friday 23rd March**. Please phone or email the office if you have any enquiries. Thank you.



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Religious Education

Sunday, 4 Mar 2018: Third Sunday of Lent - Year B

Gospel Jn 2:13-25

Jesus drives the money-changers from the temple.

The Temple in Jerusalem was (and still is) a powerful symbol of holiness and a symbol of the connection and relationship between God and the Hebrew people. It is often assumed that Jesus' anger was directed at the traders and moneychangers because their business had infringed on and desecrated the temple precinct. But the reality is a bit more complicated. The Temple was the holiest site for sacrifice to God. The tradition dictated that sacrifice made by a priest on the altar was the highest form of worship. The best animal to sacrifice was a healthy, properly formed creature. Rather than walking a lamb all the way from somewhere like Galilee to Jerusalem, the faithful would purchase their sacrifice animal at the Temple itself – thus the presence of the people selling cattle, sheep and doves. However, to further complicate matters, the Temple traders would not accept Roman coins to purchase the sacrificial animals as they bore the image of the deified emperor. Therefore, money changers were required to exchange Roman currency for acceptable coinage – so the money changers were also playing their part in the prayer life of the Temple.

Jesus' outrage is not so much with the traders and the money-changers as with the whole religious practice and hierarchical structure that has developed to a point where the only way a person can pray in a 'valid' way is to purchase an animal and hand it over to a priest who goes behind a screened wall to sacrifice the animal. The only way to seek God's forgiveness and mercy was to 'buy' it at the Temple. *This* was what outraged Jesus. He could not stomach the injustice nor the barriers that had been erected between the people and their God.

Q. What everyday forms of injustice exist in your local community?

Q. How can you challenge injustice?

Confirmation Preparation Day will be on Saturday, March 10th at 3.45pm at OLOR followed by the 6pm mass with families. All children receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this year are required to attend.

Focused on the theme "A Just Future," we have been called to support CARITAS PROJECT COMPASSION who work with vulnerable people, helping them to develop their strengths and create change in their communities. Each class has a Project Compassion Box in their classroom during LENT and the children are encouraged to think about 'helping our neighbours' through a small donation.

Lenten Reconciliation

Grades 3 - 6 will participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday and Thursday 7th and 8th of March. The children will prepare by reflecting upon the areas of darkness in their lives into which God so deeply desires to shine a light. They will examine their lives - *what I have done and what I have failed to do* during this Season of Lent when Jesus is calling us to experience his Mercy so that we can obtain forgiveness.

Mrs Michelle Yager
Religious Education Coordinator

Please keep in your prayers

Our prayers are extended to the Ross family (Mrs Kylie Ross – Admin Staff) due to the passing into eternal life of Mrs Ross' mother.

Diocesan Parent Representative Council Meeting - Annual General Meeting This Monday 5th March at 7:00pm

Patrician Brothers College, Flushcombe Road, Blacktown
Presentation Topic - Parents Matter
Presented by Danielle Cronin, Chief Governance & Strategy,
CEDP.



Upcoming Dates

TERM 1

Week 5

Fri 2nd March

Year 5 Surf Education

Week 6

Mon 5th March

7:00pm Diocesan Parent Representative Council Meeting at Patrician Brothers Blacktown - see further details in this Shine

Tues 6th March

2:00pm Reading afternoon at St Angela's - All welcome

Wed 7th March

10:00am-12 noon Lenten Reconciliation Yrs 3-6

Thurs 8th March

8:45am Parent Representative Meeting in the staffroom

10:00am-12 noon Lenten Reconciliation Yrs 3-6

Fri 9th March

9:00am Kindergarten 2019 Information Session and School Tour

Year 2 Excursion to Rouse Hill House & Farm

2:15pm Whole School Assembly presented by Year 4 in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - All welcome

Sat 10th March

Sacrament of Confirmation preparation day at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish

Week 7

Mon 12th March

Year 3 Excursion to Brewongle

Tues 13th March

School Photo Day

Wed 14th March

12:30pm Kindergarten Teddy Bears Picnic

Fri 16th March

St Patrick's Day Liturgy followed by open classrooms and morning tea - All welcome

Sat 17th March

St Patrick's Day

First Holy Communion preparation day at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish

Quote of the Week

"Life is beautiful, enjoy the ride."



Baby Girl

Congratulations to the Thew family on the arrival of Savannah, a sister for Lachlan (1G)

Welcome to St Angela's School Community

School Photo Day - Tuesday 13th March

We have a new photographer, Lauren Daniels Photography, for our school photos this year. Envelopes for school photos and family photos have been sent home with your child today and ordering instructions have been emailed to all families. Please note all envelopes are required to be returned to the school office **on photo day**, ie. Tuesday 13th March. **This applies even if you have made payment online.** Thank you.

Celebrating Our Gifts

(Awards presented last Friday)

Academic Excellence

Amber Monet KB
Hudson Lukas KG
Ronan Phung KY
Finnegan Brook 1B
Simone Laird 1G
Zachary Lane 1Y
Theodorus Kinsong 2B
Rusty Smith 2G
Camila Diaz 2Y
Lyla Reyes 3B
Ryan McDermott 3G
Jared Suarez 3Y
Madeline Nasso 4B
Aiden Petersen 4G
Kaija Knevt 4Y
Aiden Crowley 5B
Radheen Wettasinghe 5G
Sanjana Kadam 5Y
Isabella Polic 6B
Lauren Shin 6G
Raymond Saade 6Y

St Angela's Award

Sienna Bressi KB
Mary Raad KG
Mya Harvey KY
Sienna Azar 1B
Patrick Netana 1G
Annelise Guirrerri 1Y
Chloe Eltakchi 2B
Vaughn Bagus 2G
Zara Abeyaratne 2Y
Chelsea Mowbray 3B
Angelina Catalano 3G
Carissa Lewis 3Y
Bianca Jandrlic 4B
Max Bourne 4G
Luke Watson 4Y
Nikki Chanel 5B
Nicholas Murdocca 5G
Marcus Thian 5Y
Caitlin McNamara 6B
Bianca May 6G
Riley Hogan 6Y

Artists of the Week

Congratulations to our artists for this week:

Gabriella Chehade KG

Lauren Shin 6G

Children's artworks are proudly displayed in the Library.



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.

Crossers: We ask that parents who have children as 'Crossers' in the afternoon do not cross back with their children as we are trying to model safe behaviour.

Drive Through: We also ask that all school bags are kept in the car with children at all times. Accessing car boots is extremely unsafe both for morning drop off and afternoon pick up.

We thank you for your support.

Sent Home This Week: Emailed: New School Phone Number, Medical Bracelets, Forms and Action Plans, Years 5 and 6 Surf Education, School Photo Ordering, Diocesan PRC Flyer. **Hard Copy:** Special Food Day Order Form, School Photo Envelopes, Kindergarten 2019 Sibling Enrolment Packs.



Happy Birthday!



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

MARCH

Sun 4th

Jude Moller
Savannah Morsillo
Mr Laird

Wed 7th

Dominic Christie
Mr Calabria

Mon 5th

Estavan Alberti
Zane Benning

Fri 9th

Mischa Vujnovich

Sat 10th

Aliana Elizaga
Aaliyah Netana
Phoebe Scida

Tues 6th

Ruby Moller

What Happens in a Literacy Block at St Angela's?

Students at St Angela's follow the Parramatta Literacy and Numeracy strategy called Focus 160. This means that every day, children will undertake 100 minutes of Literacy and 60 minutes of Numeracy.

Our Literacy Block consists of:

- ◆ Purposeful Talk
- ◆ Daily Reading Aloud to Students (5-10 mins)
- ◆ Daily Shared Reading (10-20 mins)
- ◆ Small Group Reading - Instructional Practices (15-30 mins at least once a week)
- ◆ Guided Reading
- ◆ Daily Independent Reading of familiar texts (5-15 mins)
- ◆ Daily Modelled Writing or Shared Writing (10-20 mins)
- ◆ Guided Writing (10-20 mins at least once a week)
- ◆ Daily Independent Writing (15-30 mins)

Next week ... What happens in a Numeracy Block?

Scholastic Book Club Orders

Some information which may be helpful with regard to the ordering, delivery and distribution of Scholastic Book Club orders:

- ◆ Scholastic Book Club catalogues are sent home with your child and orders are submitted online via the Loop system. Information on ordering will appear in the school newsletter together with a date by which orders are to be completed. (Please note you may still order books after this date, however, they will then be delivered to your home address and may incur a delivery fee).
- ◆ Once a delivery has been received by the school, our Book Club Coordinator, Athena Woolnough, kindly collects and organises orders for delivery to classrooms.

Please note: The school does not receive all deliveries from Scholastic at the same time and, therefore, the children may not receive their order in the first delivery to classrooms. Please explain to your child that this does not mean that their order has been lost but that it will arrive shortly thereafter.

Please contact Athena Woolnough on 0432 682 508 or the school office if you have any further enquiries. Many thanks.

'Baker's Delight' Special Food Day

Tuesday 20th March

Order forms sent home with your child today

Sport News

Diocesan Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to all our swimmers who competed last Friday in the Parramatta Diocesan Swimming Carnival, at Blacktown Indoor Swimming Centre. All our swimmers did a fantastic job in representing St Angela's.

Our Junior Girls relay team finished 2nd and our Senior Boys relay team finished 4th. Congratulations to the following children who made it through to the NSW CPS Swimming Trials, which will be held on Wednesday 21st March at Sydney Olympic Park Homebush:

- ♦ Ned Cane 50m Backstroke (3rd)
200m Individual Medley (4th)
- ♦ Zalia Ritchie 50m Freestyle (2nd)
- ♦ Junior Girls Relay (Mia Young, Ariana Sarmiento, Jessica Hohn and Zalia Ritchie)
- ♦ Senior Boys Relay (Aiden Crowley, Tom Smales, Noah Wheatley and Ned Cane)

Paul Kelly Cup

I'm always proud of the children of St Angela's whether we win, lose or draw BUT yesterday when St Angela's participated in the Paul Kelly Cup AFL Gala day, I was just that little bit extra proud. Not just because BOTH our teams won their grand final but because we played in the right spirit of the game and represented St Angela's with great pride. Both teams were dominant, going through the whole day undefeated.

The girls team consisted of Charlotte Hogan, Keira Murphy, Sophie Watson, Tiarne Fox, Ashley Davie, Caity McNamara, Emily O'Rourke, Tahlia Mackay, Molly Nati, Mia Jacobs, Lauren Evans, Jasmine Shepherd, Rebekah Love and Bernadette Laird. The girls were just awesome, they played as a team and proudly represented themselves and St Angela's.

The boys team consisted of Nikolaj Knevič, Flynn Jamer, John Papadimitos, Alexander Stavropoulos, Kyle Brett, Riley Hogan, Harry Clarke, Tom Smales, Joel Foxe, Marcus Como, Jarvis Hemmings, Aiden Crowley, Matthew Foley, Ned Cane and Joel Cartisano. Coach David was very impressed with how the boys listened and followed instructions and played the role that was asked of them.

Both teams are so excited to be heading off to Blacktown Sports Park again in a couple of months for the regional finals.

Special thank you to:

- David Hemmings who coached the boys team on the day and to Mr Laird who helped with training.
- The parents for supporting the children and learning how much fun it is playing AFL.

The behaviour of both teams is to be commended, showing great respect to the umpires and their opponents. Fantastic day with fantastic children.

Mrs Andra Hemmings
Sports Coordinator

2018 Parent Representatives

Thank you for your overwhelming support

Your parent class representatives have been nominated and are as follows:

- KB: Belinda Muscat
- KG: Caroline Raad, Rachel Brook
- KY: Marlina Muscardo
- 1B: Toni Phelan
- 1G: Marie Catalano
- 1Y: Jessica Glass
- 2B: Belinda Crawford
- 2G: Natalie Lewis
- 2Y: Sonali Fernandez
- 3B: Pat Azzopardi
- 3G: Marie Catalano, Toni Phelan
- 3Y: Marlina Muscardo, Cherille Paton, Christine Stavropoulos
- 4B: To be advised
- 4G: Tanya Stornelli
- 4Y: Heidi Lee
- 5B: Michelle Jacobs
- 5G: Nicole Love, Jo Evans
- 5Y: Marie Catalano, Tara Shepherd
- 6B: Raquel Murphy, Christine Stavropoulos, Vicki Watson
- 6G: Nicola Motton-Palmer
- 6Y: Erin Kennedy

The 2018 Class Parent Representative meeting will be held this Thursday 8th March at 8:45am in the staffroom. Many thanks to the parents who have volunteered to take on this valuable role. We hope you can join us.

JOURNEY TOWARDS EASTER

at the Parish of Our Lady of the Rosary
(8 Diana Avenue, Kellyville)

Fridays during Lent

9.15am Mass in Parish Church followed by

10.15am **Stations of the Cross**

at the Shrine (8 Greyfriar Pl, Kellyville)

7pm Mass in Parish Church

followed by Confessions and

Stations of the Cross

DEANERY COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION:

MONDAY, 26 MARCH

7pm at St Paul the Apostle, Winston Hills

TUESDAY, 27 MARCH

7pm at OLOR, Kellyville followed by a special

8pm Mass of Thanksgiving.

EASTER SCHEDULE

Sacred Triduum

Holy Thursday, 29 March,

7pm **Mass of the Lord's Supper** in Parish Church

Adoration in the old hall until 10pm

Good Friday, 30 March,

10am **Stations of the Cross** by Youth Group at the Shrine (8 Greyfriar Place, Kellyville)

3pm **Liturgy of the Lord's Passion** in Parish Church

Holy Saturday, 31 March,

No Confessions

Easter Vigil Mass, 31 March at 8pm

Easter Sunday, 1 April

Masses at 7am, 9am, 11am

Please Note: There will be NO 6PM MASS ON EASTER SUNDAY



MARIAN CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Open Evening

Tuesday 6 March, 2018
4pm or 6pm

There will be two information sessions to showcase the students and the learning experiences offered at the College.

Enrolment packages will be available at the Open Evening, or for collection from the College Reception. Information about the College is available online at www.mariancollege.nsw.edu.au

EACH SESSION WILL:

- ☞ Commence in the College Hall, where the Principal and students from Year 7 and 12 will provide information about school life at Marian Catholic College.
- ✚ Be followed by guided tours of the school. Visitors will be able to view activities that will be showcased at the various tour stops.
- ✂ Follow exactly the same format, so please come to the session time that best suits you (4pm or 6pm).

Applications for Year 7, 2019 close on Friday 4 May, 2018.

Please send enquiries to the Enrolment Officer: marianenrolment@parra.catholic.edu.au **9654 6700**