

St Angela's Primary School Castle Hill



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Sending Home Information and News about Education

22nd September 2016 Term 3, Week 10

Ministry of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville

Dear Parents.

'Zootopia'

Our open air cinema night last Friday was a huge success. The large crowd present enjoyed the fun movie, pizzas, gelato and coffee. The children thought it was just 'the best!' Once again, our appreciation and thanks to our Fun(d)raising committee for their tireless efforts in coordinating events for the children and adults.

Mark the date for the next event in Term4, which will be a casual Christmas social gathering of St Angela's parents at Castle Hill RSL on Thursday 1st December at 7:00pm. Drop in for a refreshment and/or stay for a meal from the bistro.

Thank You

I would like to thank Mrs Newman, who has fulfilled the role of Acting Religious Education Coordinator so capably and efficiently during Term 3. Her faith, expertise and beautiful nature are testimony to the type of Catholic educator that she is. We are blessed to have her as part of our St Angela's team.

As communicated to parents via email, we congratulate and welcome Mrs Yager to the role for Term 4 and beyond.

Thank you also to Mrs Rubelj, Mrs Lean, Mrs Szady, Mrs Javidi, Mrs Newbury and Mrs Simpson who, during Term 3, have undertaken acting roles of responsibility due to teachers on entitled long service leave. We are indeed fortunate to have such a depth of leadership and expertise within our community.

What a Great Term!

It is hard to believe that Term 3 concludes today. I would like to thank our outstanding St Angela's community of children, parents, priests and staff for making every school day an opportunity to 'Let Your Light Shine' and a place where faith, fun and learning take place every day. I wish to also thank the many people who give so generously of their time and so much more, all for the children, knowing that it is in giving that they truly receive. To the dedicated staff of St Angela's who, together with you, provide an outstanding level of Catholic education and care for the children, we say thank you for a wonderful Term 3. I look forward to Term 4. Take care over the holiday period. I encourage you to take time out with your family to enjoy and appreciate each other. There is never a better time than right now to spend time with those you love.

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

Tony Calabria Principal

A reminder that tomorrow, Friday 23rd September is a Staff Development/Pupil Free Day. Staff will gather at the Chapel of the Holy Innocents, located in the Friary grounds at Kellyville, for a spirituality focus day.

Today is the last day of term for the children.



Fri 23rd Sept

Staff Development/Pupil Free Day - Focus: **Religious Education**

Stage 3 Touch Gala Day at St Marys

Upcoming Dates

<u>TERM 4</u> Week 1	
Mon 10th Oct	Children return to school
Thurs 13th Oct	1:30pm Whole School Liturgy for Way of Mercy Cross and Relics - All welcome
Sat 15th Oct	Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Fete
Week 2	
Tues 18th Oct	8:45am Fun(d)raising Meeting
	Years 3 and 4 Surf Education at St Angela's presented by Surf Lifesaving Australia
Thurs 20th Oct	8:45am Parent Representative Meeting in the staffroom
Fri 21st Oct	Year 4 Excursion to Centennial Park

School resumes for staff and students on Monday 10th October

Summer Uniform

Summer uniforms can be ordered through our uniform supplier, Oz Fashions, via the order form emailed home last week. We would expect that all children are in their summer uniform by the first day of next term, Monday 10th October.

Sports Code Colour Mufti Day Update

St Angela's, as part of our social justice outreach program, has been supporting St Vincent de Paul to help make a difference in the lives of those less fortunate. Children wore their favourite sports code colours from any sporting code today. For the privilege, they were asked to bring in a gold or fold donation for St Vincent de Paul. Thank you for your generosity which helped raise over \$800.00 for those in need.

Daylight Saving

A reminder that Daylight Saving starts Sunday 2nd October. Clocks are put forward one hour.

Sent Home in the Last Week:

Emailed: Uniform Order Form, Golf Day Sponsors Hard Copy: St Angela's Writing Festival





Religious Education

Sunday 25th Sep 2016: Twenty-síxth Sunday ín Ordínary Tíme - Year C Luke 16:19-31



The parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus from Luke's Gospel this week asks us to reflect on the phrase "What we do to others we do to God. What we do to others we do to Jesus." Jesus is trying to tell us in this parable that indifference to those in need and who are suffering is what we need to avoid. He observed that the actions of some Pharisees betrayed misplaced priorities: they spoke one way,

but acted in another. The story of the rich man and Lazarus demonstrates the importance of the care of the poor and is a reminder to those who would follow Jesus of the unimportance of wealth in the eyes of God. The rich man is not condemned for being rich; we are not told that he is notably wicked or vicious in any other way. Instead he is condemned because he did not show charity to a poor man called Lazarus. The focus falls upon the single point that, absorbed in his comfortable life, he simply does not notice the poor beggar lying in such need at his door.

Some questions to reflect upon:

How relevant is this story for today?

What action can you commit to that would make a difference in someone else's life?

Thursday 13th October 2016- Year of Mercy- Mercy Cross and relics

The Way of Mercy is a diocesan-wide initiative of the Pastoral Planning Office in cooperation with the Year of Mercy Committee, centred upon the journey of a large Cross of Mercy. A Relic of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop and a Relic of Blessed Teresa of Kolkata accompanies the Cross. St Angela's will host the Mercy Cross and relics on Thursday 13th October (Week 1 Term 4). All parents are invited to join us in this special liturgy at 1.30pm.



God of mercy, transform me, that my eyes may be merciful, that I may marvel at the beauty of my neighbour's heart.

Transform me, O God, that my ears may be merciful, that I may be attentive to those in need.

Transform me, O God, that my tongue may be merciful, that all I proclaim is in love and peace.

Transform me, O God, that my hands may be merciful, that I use them to serve my neighbour.

Transform me, O God, that my feet may be merciful, that my journey leads me to compassion.

Transform me, O God, that my heart may be merciful; ever open to the joy of your presence

May your mercy, O God, Rest upon me and transform me; Into Yourself, for You are my all.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen

Mrs Kathryn Newman Acting Religious Education Coordinator

Parent Representative Meeting

The parent representative meeting for Term 4 for those who are available will be held in Week 2, Thursday 20th October, at 8:45am in the staffroom. We will be discussing planned activities for Term 4 and future initiatives.

'God Gave Us A Voice'

We all love a good speech. Congratulations to our Year 5 students who so capably presented powerful speeches to our whole school as part of their 'God Gave Us a Voice' unit. Appreciation and thanks to the Year 5 teachers, Mrs Albertini, Mrs Javidi and Miss Joice for co-ordinating this wonderful opportunity for the children to 'let their light shine'.

Optional Parish Raffle for Fete Saturday 15th October Tickets and letter from Fr Alejandro were sent home recently

Our parish is celebrating its 46th year of existence this year and now needs to make much needed renovations to the Church. To this end, we are organising a fete to which we expect approximately 3000 people.

The success of the above event relies on the generosity of the community. We are appealing to you for support in the form of donations of any kind, eg. Vouchers, cash/cheques, discounts, prizes or sponsorships. We will include your donation in either a raffle, an auction or a lucky number draw throughout the day of the fete.

We will also advertise your donation as well as the name of your business throughout the day. We thank you in advance for your contribution.

Another way of assisting our parish is to perhaps volunteer to sell/ buy fete raffle tickets on behalf of the Parish to raise funds for the refurbishment of the church. These were sent home last week and are due back by **Wednesday 12th October**. Participation in this raffle is, of course, optional.

AMUSEMENT RIDES can be prepaid at the school office by cash or cheque only (payable to Our Lady of the Rosary Parish) for \$25 per person for five hours of unlimited rides. Alternatively, rides can be paid for on the day for a cost of \$30.

If you would like assist with serving at any of the stalls at our fete, including the set up and clean up hours, please do so on the sign-up pages on the Church noticeboard. We are asking for help with food stalls such as canteen, hot chips stall etc. Many thanks.

RCIA **(The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)** is a programme for those who may wish to become Catholic. The programme is an introduction to the Catholic faith at the same time giving the opportunity to reflect and discern a desire to join. Please call the parish office on 9629 2595 if you would like to be part of this programme. Classes begin 27 September!

St Angela's Writing Festival

Please find coming home today on a separate sheet, winners of the 2016 Writing Festival and samples of writing.

Our renowned Writing Festival was also featured in the Hills Shire Times this week.

Thank you ...

Thank you to the large number of parents who have given generously of their time and support in so many ways this term at St Angela's. This includes helping with excursions, sporting events, literacy, numeracy, parent meetings, library assistance, special food days, infants athletics carnival, uniform sales, debating, canteen and book club.

Term 4 Dates for 2016

10th October to 16th December (last day of school for the children).

19th and 20th December - Staff Development Days

Celebrating our Gifts Academic St Angela's Excellence Award

Cruz Rodriguez KB William O'Neill KG Adalyn Lewis KY Taylor D'Silva 1B Luca Bercich 1G Dominique Gularte 1Y Brandon D'Silva 2B Benjamin Smith 2G Matthew Metcalfe 2Y Grace Karam 3B Jeanette Khoudair 3B Nicholas Murdocca 3G Noah Andrew 3Y Dominic Christie 4B Annika Benning 4G John Papadimatos 4Y Natasha Egiziano 5B Ethanael Lorenzo 5G Isaac Tenn 5Y Abbey Schenko 6B Josh Bautista 6G Claire Eisenhuth 6Y

St Angela's Award Simon Marabut KB Bronte Solomon KG Alexander El-Rahi KY Grace Mares 1B Amalia Mohan-Ram 1G Ella West 1Y Megan Thomas 2B Matthew Despoges 2G

William Schenko 2Y Evan Roditis 3G Harrison Valenzisi 3Y Anna McEnearney 4B Samuel Langridge 4G Harry Clarke 4Y Olivia Pinna 5B Sienna Adams-Rodriguez 5G Sebastian Cignarella 5Y Roisin Kelly 6B Lachlan Doheny 6G Owen Azzopardi 6Y

Star Spot

Congratulations to James Pearson (5 Yellow) who participated in the Queensland State Titles in Speedway. James rode in the Under 16 solo and the Under 16 pairs. In the solo championship he finished in 4th place and in the pairs championship he finished in 1st place. He is the youngest winner at only 11 years old.



Congratulations to Ronan Lee (5 Blue) whose Norwest Bulls

Diocesan Voice of Youth Grand Final

Congratulations to Olivia Tesoriero (6 Yellow) for her excellent presentation of her outstanding speech on 'Global Warming'. Although not awarded a place on the day, making it to the Grand Final was am amazing achievement. We are very proud of you.



Mark the Date Grandparents' Day Friday 28th October All welcome Happy Branday

Happy birthday to members of our St Angela's community who will celebrate their birthday during the holidays and the first week of Term 4:

SEPTEMBER Sun 25th Mia Young

Mon 26th Robert Piperata Clarissa Gumuljo

Tues 27th Nathan Fox Ava Foxe Samantha Hohn Bella Shepherd Jack O'Neill

Wed 28th Olivia Sultana

Thurs 29th Yorick Lee Rhys Wilson Mrs Sandri

Fri 30th Michael Alibrandi

OCTOBER Sat 1st Daniel Lipton Olivia Tesoriero Madison Tedros Aidan Rambow

Mon 3rd Max Bourne Nicholas Eric



Wed 5th Arianna Mohan-Ram Tyler Olan Evan Roditis

Thurs 6th Natasha Egiziano Ijah Colet Jessica Tallaridi

Fri 7th Dominic Piperata Alexander Arends Caitlin McNamara Sienna Fonseca Jada Yu Mrs Castro

Sat 8th Nicholas Stornelli Mrs Powell

Sun 9th Sarah Perez Magnaye Domenic Stornelli Alex Milas Marcus Ma Olivia Siligato Mrs Cesamolo

Mon 10th Isabella Polic

Tues 11th James O'Donnell

Wed 12th Madison Nasr Taylor Brett

Thurs 13th Jasmine Oakey

Fri 14th Miss Lawrence

Sat 15th Romik Gulumian William Taylor

Keep an eye on Shine in Week 1 next term for a wrap up of our K-2 Athletics Carnival

ICAS English Competition

Congratulations and very well done to the following children who received a distinction, credit or merit in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools optional English competition:

Distinction: Jessica Herbas, Kiara Lee, Emily Nasso,

<u>Credit</u>: Jia Jung, Arielle Henwood, Jason Herbas, Zoe Byrne, Dylan Manio, Emily O'Rourke, Isabella Polic, Charlotte Edwards, Samantha Hohn, Emily Chiew, Brianna Newell, Olivia Tesoriero, Emma Vitanza <u>Merit</u>: Armaan Tulsi

Sport News

Stage 2 Parramatta Diocese Touch Gala Day

Last Friday, St Angela's had 3 teams at the Stage 2 Touch Gala Day. The girls and boys were an absolute pleasure as they represented St Angela's.

The Boys Gold team consisted of Flynn Jamer, John Papadimatos, Kyle Brett, Harry Clarke, Ned Cane, Jarvis Hemmings, Aiden Crowley and Joel Foxe. They went through the day undefeated but unfortunately lost on for and against points, being runners up in their pool. The boys should be proud of the way they played and handled themselves becoming runners up on a countback.

The Boys Green Team consisted of Tom Smales, Riley Hogan, Alex Petras, Lachlan Pillon, Joshua Murphy, Josh McDermott, Thomas Norris and Owen Sereni. The boys played together well and finished 7th in their Pool.

The Girls Team consisted of Charlotte Hogan, Sophie Watson, Caity McNamara, Annika Benning, Keira Murphy, Mia Jacobs, Tahlia Mackay, Claire Moroney, Tiarne Fox and Emily O'Rourke. The girls played with great spirit and even had time to fit in a few cartwheels in between scoring tries. The girls finished 2nd in their pool.

Special thanks to Jordy Jamer, Mario Petras (and "the mums") and Glenn Mackay who were fantastic coaching the teams and giving up their time to do so. Thank you also to Daniel Griffin, Jack Griffin, and Adrian Sciglitano who were very confident referees.

Finally, thank you to the parents for your support transporting the children to the ground and cheering the boys and girls.

MacKillop Athletics Championships 2016

On Monday, 14 St Angela's students competed in the MacKillop Athletics Championships. The girls and boys should be really proud of such an achievement to compete at such a high level. The results were as follows:

Junior Girls Relay 9th - Pip Gattini, Keira Murphy, Alannah Bridge and Ariella Colosimo)

Senior Boys Relay 4th - Jayson Orley, Joseph McEnearney, Kyle Morley and Michael Taouk Sarah Crowley - 10th 800m Keira Murphy - 7th 800m Pip Gattini - 8th 200m Kaitlyn Langridge - 4th Discus and 7th Shot put Samuel Langridge - 16th High Jump

Daniel Lipton - 5th AWD Shot put

Emily O'Rourke - 15th High Jump Emma Vitanza - 3rd Shot put. This was very exciting for Emma, as she has now been selected to compete at the NSWPSSA Athletics Championships.

Congratulations on a fantastic Athletics season.

Andra Hemmings Sports Coordinator

Year 6 Educational Space Product Launch Day

This term Year 6 have been working on a term long Personal Learning Project about Space. This was a part of our Science and Technology unit, "Earth's Place in Space". The aim of this fun science project was to design and produce an educational and fun product that would educate children between the ages of 5 and 7 to help them learn about the wonders of space. Students from Years 3, 4 and 5, parents, teachers, Mr Calabria and Mrs Fitzalan gathered in the hall to see all our hard work pay off at our product launch showcase. We can assure you, they were all blown away by the work we produced. Some people loved our products so much they actually wanted to buy them!!

We had many amazing and informative products ranging from a soccer ball with space facts on it, interesting websites, really fun board games that kept you guessing, models of the Solar System, challenging puzzles, educational books and even a Telescope! This was a new and useful learning experience for Year 6 and we loved every minute of it.

By Emma Vitanza and Raphael Saul



St Angela's Golf Day

Thank you for your positive feedback of the day:

"Congratulations on an amazing first golf day!!

The whole event was run to perfection, from the breakfast and goody bags to the buffet lunch and amazing prizes.

Our team loved the day and we were so lucky to meet such beautiful, fun people as the day went on. Many of whom I'm sure we will see there again next year.

Thank you to the organising committee for covering every detail and making the day so pleasurable for us golfers. Can't wait for next year!!"

"Just had to thank everyone involved again for a magnificent day at the inaugural St Angela's golf day last Friday. Although golf and I have never had a close relationship, I have never enjoyed losing golf balls as much as I did last week.

The atmosphere was brilliant, which I believe was the direct result of all the hard work the fundraising committee put in organising the event. Very happy to have been part of the first event and certainly can't wait till the golf day next year."

