

St Angela's Primary School Castle Hill



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Sending Home Information and News about Education

8th June 2017 Term 2, Week 7

Ministry of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville

Dear Parents.

Pentecost

Week 7



WEEK /
Fri 9th June

Week 8 Mon 12th June Tues 13th June Fri 16th June

Year 5 Bathurst Excursion 2:15pm Whole School Assembly presented by Year 2 in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - All welcome Queen's Birthday Public Holiday Year 2 Liturgy to be rescheduled 9:45am Interschool Debating Competition -St Angela's vs St Paul the Apostle Special 'Sausage Sizzle' Food Day 2:15pm Whole School Assembly presented by Year 5 in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - All welcome NSWCPS & CCS Cross Country at Eastern Creek 7:00pm St Angela's Trivia Night in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall Week 9 Tues 20th June 2:20pm Year 1 Liturgy in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - All welcome Stage 3 Boys Soccer Gala Day Fri 23rd June Years 3-6 Athletics Carnival at Roxborough Park Week 10 Tues 27th June Parent/Teacher Interviews Wed 28th June Parent/Teacher Interviews Thurs 29th June Stage 2 Boys and Girls Soccer Gala Day Fri 30th June 2:15pm Whole School Assembly presented by Kindergarten in St Maximilian Kolbe Hall - All welcome Last day of Term 2

Theme for the Week:

"Learning is Living"

Our theme this week encourages children to learn from everything they do. Whatever the experience, giving thought to what has been learnt or taken place allows the children to prepare for future situations. Our theme this week also implies that we can learn so much from those who have the wisdom that comes with living through experiences. The grandparents and elderly who will visit our school tomorrow have a wealth of experience to share with us.

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.

Last Sunday, as a Christ filled community, we celebrated Pentecost, the birthday of the church. The Holy Spirit lives in each and every one of us. I pray that the fire of our faith burns bright in your hearts, not only at Pentecost, but throughout your lives.

"Our Catholic School"

Catholic Schools are privileged places. They provide a unique and special place where children and their families are able to grow and flourish in a faith filled learning environment.

It has been extremely humbling and rewarding to welcome potential new Kindergarten students and their parents to St Angela's at their Kindergarten interviews in recent weeks. The feedback about our high academic standard, genuine care and concern for the children and spirit filled faith community has been overwhelming. We are certainly recognised for our excellence within the community. Congratulations to all students, parents and teachers who contribute to making St Angela's such a wonderful place.

Family Week

Once again, our Family Week has been a huge success. Parents have expressed appreciation at having time freed up to spend as a family during these 'precious' years while the children are young. Children have been sharing this term's 'Family Week' experiences, which have included baking a cake, teaching mum to play video games, soccer with dad and bike riding, just to mention a few. Keep an eye on next week's Shine for more.

Working in Partnership

Our teachers regularly meet throughout the year with parents as needed, generously giving of countless hours outside of their school day. Our whole school formal half yearly parent/teacher interviews will take place in Week 10 across Tuesday 28th June and Wednesday 29th June. This is a great opportunity to again meet with your child's teacher to discuss your child's report, their strengths and areas of focus so that we can work in partnership.

As always, if additional time is still needed, a separate interview can be organised. We ask that parents are punctual, allowing time for parking etc. which is always a challenge. Please find coming home shortly, instructions regarding our online booking system.

Year 5 Bathurst Excursion

As this newsletter is published, the Year 5 students are on their overnight Bathurst field trip for their History unit 'The Australian Colonies'. Many thanks to the Year 5 teachers, Mrs Lowden, Miss Joice and Mrs Yager, accompanied by Mrs Aberley and Mrs Lewis-Driver, for generously giving their time to be with your children 24/7.

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

Tony Calabria Principal

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Religious Education

Sunday, 11 Jun 2017: The Most Holy Tríníty

- Year A

Gospel Jn 3:16-18

Jesus tells Nicodemus of the Father's love.

The readings selected for Trinity Sunday provide an opportunity to reflect on the nature of God. Over recent weeks, we have celebrated the Ascension and Pentecost – both of which reveal something about the nature of God through Jesus and the Spirit. Trinity Sunday is an opportunity to celebrate the unity of God whom we acknowledge as Father, Son and Spirit. Today's gospel reminds us that there is a seamless continuity between the different experiences of God. Although we sometimes regard the God of the Old Testament as judging and vengeful, today reminds us that God is, was, and always will be a God of love. The gospel reminds us that 'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son.' Love is the characteristic of God that is experienced as **Father, Son** and **Holy Spirit**.

Q. In what ways is it helpful to be able to think about God in three different ways?

Q. How would you explain the concept of 'Trinity' to a non-Christian?

Special Invitation to all at St Angela's Parish Mass Sunday 25th June 11am

On Sunday 25th June, Year 6 students at St Angela's have a remarkable opportunity to take a leading role at the 11am Our Lady Of The Rosary Parish Mass. The Year 6 students will be reading the Sunday readings and the Universal Prayer, assisting with the Offertory, greeting families and altar serving. We warmly welcome and invite all families of St Angela's to attend this special parish Mass supporting our Year 6 students and sharing in the prayer life of our wider parish family. Year 6 hope to see many of you there.

A note will go home next week inviting Year 6 students to participate in this special Mass. Students who would like to be involved are invited to complete the note with their parents and return it to school addressed to Mrs Yager.

Mrs Michelle Yager Religious Education Coordinator

St Angela's Trivia Night Friday, 16th June



St Maximilian Kolbe Hall

Doors Open @ 7.00pm/Trivia Starts @ 7.30pm-11:00pm Parents, Friends and Staff are invited to attend this year's

Trivia Night! Enjoy a night filled with fun and laughter while giving your brain a workout!

Great prizes to be won on the night! BYO everything! (nibbles, drinks, cups, etc)

Bring gold coins to play novelty games. Please note that this is a non-smoking event (no smoking permitted on school grounds).

Form a team (table of 8) or buy individual tickets and we will build a team for you! <u>\$10 for individual tickets or \$60 for a</u> table of 8.

To register and order your tickets, please complete the form sent home last week or emailed to you today and return to the school office by

next Thursday, June 8 2017.

Seats are limited, so register early to avoid disappointment! Prize donations are most welcome. These may be left at the school office. Thank you.

Special 'Sausage Sizzle' Food Day Next Friday 16th June

SEASONS FOR GROWTH

INVITATION TO PARENTS

Change and loss are issues that affect all of us at some stage in our lives. At St Angela's we recognise that when changes occur in families through death, separation, divorce or related circumstances, children may benefit from learning how to manage these changes effectively. We are therefore offering a very successful education program called Seasons for Growth. This program is facilitated in small groups and is based on research that highlights the importance of social support and the need to practise new skills to cope effectively with change and loss. The program focuses on issues such as self esteem, managing feelings, problem-solving, decision-making, effective communication and support networks.

Seasons for Growth runs for eight weeks and each weekly session is 30-40 minutes. The program concludes with a 'Celebration' session. Later in the year each group will have the opportunity to meet for two further sessions to build on their earlier learning.

Seasons for Growth will commence in Term 3 and will be facilitated by teachers/staff who have received special training in the use of this program.

If your son or daughter has experienced grief through death, separation, divorce or related circumstances and would benefit from Seasons for Growth, we would encourage you to talk to him/her about this. Should he/she decide to participate, please email the school office at stangelas@parra.catholic.edu.au by tomorrow. Friday 9th June.

St Angela's is pleased to be able to offer this important program and we are confident that it will be a valuable learning experience for those who request to be involved.

Quote of the Week

"Dream bigger, aim higher, believe in the magic of each new day."



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Congratulations to the Lane family on the arrival of Justin, a brother for Amelia Rose (KY)

Welcome to St Angela's School Community

Grade Assemblies

Our remaining whole school assemblies for Term 2 are as follows:

Week 7 - Tomorrow, Friday 9th June at 2:15pm led by Year 2
Week 8 - Friday 16th June at 2:15pm led by Year 5
Week 10 - Friday 30th June at 2:15pm led by Kindergarten
All parents are most welcome to join us.

Years 3-6 Athletics Carnival Friday 23rd June Roxborough Park, Baulkham Hills

Sent Home This Week: Emailed - Year 2 Artefact Boxes, Trivia Night

Celebrating our Gifts

(Awards presented last Friday)

Academíc Excellence

Blake D'Silva KB Jake Perkins KG Chloe Halpin KY Oscar Rule 1B Ethan Stewart 1G Daniella Zeaiter 1Y Ruby Chapman 2B Tahlia Mearns 2G Alexis Tadiaman 2Y Eva Lawlor 3B Liam Norris 3G William Schenko 3Y Connor Calleja 4B Jessica Stewart 4G Alexandra Knight 4Y Zoe Byrne 5B Michael Alibrandi 5G Aaron Malcolm 5Y Jacob Holm 6B Claudia Como 6G Sarah Crowley 6Y

St Angela's Award

Charlize Woodham KB Giovanni Anastasio KG Maddison File KY Lucas Trimboli 1B Jayden Younis 1G Holly Brincat 1Y Sean Phung 2B Christian Mendoza 2G Angelina Tallaridi 2Y Aiden Petersen 3B Natalie Petkovich 3G Zalia Ritchie 3Y Marcus Goodall 4B Fvnn Vander Stok 4G Grace Karam 4Y Dominic Christie 5B Giselle Mendiola 5G Aaliyah Netana 5Y Julian Basso 6B Olivia Pinna 6G Cooper Andrew 6Y

Inter School Debating Competition

Congratulations to all the children who participated in the second round of the Inter School Debating Competition. The second round was against St Michael's, where the children prepared a debate on the topic, "Australia should become a republic". The debaters presented challenging arguments and we had success with our affirmative team winning on the day.

The third round, to be held on Friday of week 8 is against St Paul the Apostle, with the topic being *"Beauty is skin deep"*. The children have been working hard on their arguments and we wish them all the best for this upcoming round. The affirmative team will travel to St Paul the Apostle with the negative team debating here at St Angela's.

<u>Affirmative</u>: Tanya Benedict Jake Lim Sienna Adams- Rodriguez Jackson Folkard

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<u>Negative</u>: Sofia Losco Emily Nasso Sophie Rodger Felicity Rankin

Thank you to all parents involved in supporting your child leading to the debate and for your presence on the day.

Mrs Newbury, Mrs Kaelin, Mrs Kelly and Ms Lewis-Driver Debating Coordinators

Emailing of Various School Notes

As various school notes are emailed, if you change your email or wish to use a different email address to receive correspondence, please advise the office. We encourage you to check your email (and/or spam) regularly for emails from St Angela's.

Please advise the office if you have not received emails.

Happy Birthday!

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

<u>JUNE</u> Wed 7th Amalia Mohan-Ram

Mon 12th Avindee Jayakody Jessica White Keean Holmes Ryan Salib

Wed 14th Freya Scothern Kyla Hogan Thurs 15th Annika Benning Nicholas Perusich

Sat 17th Keeley Rule Lauren Shin Luke Di Stefano Massimo Muscardo

Children's Work Books Coming Home

Over the next few weeks the children will be bringing home their exercise books to share with you. This week the children's Religious Education and Maths books are coming home. Please take the time to look through, discuss and enjoy the learning your child has undertaken. Please remember that not all learning undertaken in Key Learning Areas is recorded in workbooks. Keep an eye out next week for workbooks in the key learning area of English.

We encourage you to write a comment to your child in their book after their last piece of work. Children really do treasure your comments and it allows us to see that the book did indeed leave the school bag and that you have taken the time to walk through it with your child. Additionally, we ask that the books be returned promptly the next school day so that your child can continue their written work in the appropriate book.



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Premier's Reading Challenge

Challenge Congratulations to the following children who have completed the Premier's Reading Challenge. Which class will be the first to complete the Challenge?

Year 4

Kindergarten

Oliver Como (KB) Monte Piotto (KB) Finn Wheatley (KB)

<u>Year 2</u>

Emeline Fitzsimons (2Y) Jasmine Oakey (2G) Lucca Piotto (2G)

Year 3

Yasmin Davie (3B) Cooper Mills (3Y) Nitika Nirmalan (3Y) Luke Watson (3G)

Mrs Rosanne North Teacher Librarian Narelle Barker (4B) Aimon Fitzsimons (4Y) Jason Herbas (4B) Sophie Milas (4Y) Cairo Piotto (4Y)

Cairo Piotto (4Y) Harrison Valenzisi (4Y) Noah Wheatley (4B)

<u>Year 5</u>

Jessica Herbas (5Y) Bianca May (5G) Sophie Watson (5B)

Year 6

Claudia Como (6G) Charlotte Edwards (6B)

World Book Online

This year we have subscribed to a fabulous website, WORLD BOOK ONLINE.

The children can access it at school and home, on a computer or Ipad, and it is continually updated. The basic primary school package includes Kids, Student and Timelines.

Kids: simple navigation, predictive text, translations, text to speech and thousands of easy to read articles. Includes interactive games and activities, a dictionary, science experiments, an atlas, interactive maps, map outlines and a tool for comparing places or animals.

Student: expansive reference database and multimedia library. Includes Behind the Headlines, dictionary, atlas, citation builder and Research Tools.

Timelines: over 600 Timelines including Federation of Australia, Exploration of Australia, Australian Prime Ministers and History of Australia. Edit or create your own Timelines.

To access World Book Web go to

www.worldbookonline.com: ID: stangelas **Password : stangelas** Mrs Meegan Flello Coordinator

Cyber Safety "What you should know"

Further to our recent Cyber Safety 'What You Should Know' session with Senior Constable Rob Paterson, please find below our next handout, for your information.



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When you send something digitally, either via your mobile phone or over the internet, you lose control over who sees it and what they do with it. You may never be able to permanently delete the image or text, so it is important that before you send something, think about what you are sending and where it might end up

Do you know who you are sending it to? You might be tricked into thinking you are communicating with a friend, but can you ever be sure that it is only them holding the phone or looking at the screen?

Even if you are sure who is on the other end, can you really trust them? If your relationship turns sour, can you be sure that they won't use that text or image against you?

Do you want it to be around forever? Once you have shared something in a digital format, it can easily be distributed to others and posted on the intermet. Distribution might start with just your school, but it can quickly pread to your community and beyond. Once you put something on the internet, it can never be permanently deleted. Think about these things before you ever share something digitally.

will it affect your future

A future employer, university or sporting organisation might research you online. What they find will influence their decision on whether to employ you.

Some pictures should never be shared. These include images in little or no clothing, or in sexualised poses. hat should you do before it happens to you Think twice before communicating or agreeing to share this type of material with someone, especially using technology

type of mi to do so. n part of the problem?

By storing or helping to distribute this type of material, you are contributing to this serious issue. Distributing these image maliciausly is viewed even more concurse.

/hat should you do if it has already o If you have received this type of material defect it without forwarding it. Tell the person who sent it to you that you are not interested in being a part of this. If you know who the person in the image or communication is, let them know what is going on. They wouldn't want to be the last to know who is you have a set of the set of t If you have created this material, delete it and don't share it. If you have sent it to someone, ask them to delete it and make sure they do

If someone has created this material of you withou permission, you need to tell a trusted adult and the assist you in reporting it to law enforcement. This is a serious matter and should not be ignored.

o what does the law say?

So What does the law say: Images, text or representations of someone under the age of 18 in little or no clothing, a sexual pose or engaged in a sexual act may be considered child pornography. Even if you create and share this content yourself you can still be breaking the law!

Young people in Australia and overseas have been charged under child pornography laws for engaging in this type of behaviour. So what can you do about it?

Type your name into a seach engine and see w there about you. Regularly search for your nam email address and phone number in online sea such as Google, Bing or Yahoo!. You can also use i enginges such as www.pipl.com for a deeper sea don't like what is out there, take ownership and h moved or balance it with posi

For more information visit www.thinkuknow.org.au

Mrs Monica Fitzalan Assistant Principal

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 at Homebush. Although all children will dance throughout the term, taking part in the night at Homebush is purely optional. Keep an eye on Shine for further details.

Sport News

Well done to our girls Paul Kelly Cup AFL team who competed at Blacktown yesterday.

See next week's Shine for a full wrap up of the day.

"Consider This" Some Food For Thought

Given the world of information and communication being so accessible and easy, it is always important for our children (and adults) to be as wise as Socrates. Keep this philosophy in mind the next time you either hear or are about to repeat a rumour or something you have read.

In ancient Greece (469 - 399 BC), Socrates was widely lauded for his wisdom. One day the great philosopher came upon an acquaintance who ran up to him excitedly and said, "Socrates, do you know what I just heard about one of your students?"

"Wait a moment," Socrates replied. "Before you tell me, I'd like you to pass a little test. It's called the Test of Three."

"Three?"

"That's right, Socrates continued. "Before you talk to me about my student let's take a moment to test what you're going to say. The first test is Truth. Have you made absolutely sure that what you are about to tell me is true?"

"No," the man said, "actually I just heard about it."

"All right," said Socrates. "So you don't really know if it's True or not."

"Now let's try the second test, the test of Goodness. Is what you are about to tell me about my student something good?"

"No, on the contrary..."

"So," Socrates continued, "you want to tell me something bad about my student even though you're not certain it's true?"

The man shrugged, a little embarrassed.

Socrates continued. "You may still pass though, because there is a third test - the filter of Usefulness. Is what you want to tell me about my student going to be Useful to me?"

"No, not really..."

"Well," concluded Socrates, "if what you want to tell me is neither True nor Good nor even Useful, why tell it to me at all?"

The man was defeated and ashamed. This was the reason Socrates was a great philosopher and held in such high esteem.

8th September - Save the Date **IT'S ON AGAIN!** CALLING THOSE INTERESTED IN GOLF

(ALL LEVELS WELCOME - BEGINNERS TO EXPERIENCED) **St Angela's Annual Golf Day** Lynwood Country Club Keep an eye on Shine for further details