



# 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 4, Week 7

Dear Parents,

On Monday and Tuesday this week our Year 6 students accompanied by Miss Fizely, Mr Lee, Mrs Ogilvie, Mrs Kelly, Mrs Griffin, Mr Laird and me, enjoyed two wonderful days at Castle Mountain Outdoor Adventure Camp at Webbs Creek. The students enthusiastically participated in a variety of team building and outdoor activities including canoeing, bushwalking, ziplining, baking damper, raft making and racing and mud mania. All the teachers and the camp guides were so impressed with how well the students worked together and ensured that everyone at camp had fun. This was such a special experience for our senior students as in this final year of their schooling at St Angela's they have not been able to participate in many of the excursions and extra curricular activities that they have looked forward to for many years. I would like to particularly thank and recognise the Year 6 teaching team - Miss Fizely, Mr Lee and Mrs Ogilvie for all the organisation that went into ensuring that our Year 6 students would have this opportunity if COVID restrictions were lifted. Camps are always a lot of hard work. Add COVID plans and restrictions to this and I know that you realise the extent of preparation, planning and organisation that went into making this camp a reality. The teachers never gave up planning and praying that arrangements would go ahead. We are blessed at St Angela's to have each of our teaching teams so well supported by a wider staff network and I would like to extend my appreciation to Mrs Kelly, Mr Laird and Mrs Griffin for spending time away from their families attending camp with the Year 6 students and supporting the teachers to implement all the extra responsibilities that overnight camps require. Thank you also to our Year 6 parents for supporting us to bring this event to fruition especially during such a time of uncertainty. 2020 Year 6 will have such fond memories of 2 awesome days at camp in their final year at St Angela's.

*"Together we can achieve so much"*

Leanne Nettleton  
PRINCIPAL



**Sent Home This Week:**

**Emailed:** 2021 Kindergarten, Final Reminders for Year 6 Camp, Letter to 4 Yellow Parents, Letter to Year 2 parents regarding Sacramental Coordinator

**Hard Copy:** N/A



# Religious Education

**Sunday, 29 November 2020:  
First Sunday of Advent Year B**



**Gospel**  
[Mk 13:33-37](#)

*We know not the hour the Lord will come.*

## Have you thought? Beginning Advent

The season of Advent begins this week and continues through the four Sundays of Advent and ends at Christmas Eve. The first week of Advent focuses on the return of the Lord and the following weeks focus more specifically on the anticipation of the birth of Jesus. Rather than simply commemorating an historical event, Advent is a time of preparing our hearts to 'receive' Jesus into the world each year. Advent is traditionally marked by the colour of violet – the same colour as used in Lent. In recent years, some parishes have moved to a more blue/mauve colour for Advent to try to distinguish it from the season of Lent.

## Living the Gospel – Stay Awake!

By the time the Church begins to celebrate Advent as a period of preparation towards Christmas, the stores have been filling with Christmas paraphernalia for weeks. It starts out small with a few decorations and wrapping paper and eventually takes over every retail outlet. In the midst of this excess of Christmas consumerism, it is often difficult to draw attention to the season of Advent and the need to prepare spiritually for the celebration of Christmas. It is important to stay awake, as we are cautioned in this week's gospel. Awake to what is happening around us in the world and awake to what is happening within us.

**Source:** [GregSunter@LiturgyHelp](mailto:GregSunter@LiturgyHelp)

**Parish Reconciliation Program** - We pray for our Year 2 students who will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time tomorrow. Year 3 to 6 children will also receive the Sacrament. We thank Fr Alejandro, Fr Leonides and Fr Tony for their continued support in our students' faith journey. A huge thanks to our Parish Sacramental Coordinator Michele Newman for her work in assisting the families and students throughout the program and we continue to pray for her recovery.

**Feast of Christ the King Assembly Prayer** - Thank you to Mrs Kelly, Mrs Szady and 4 Yellow for leading our school in prayer on Monday to celebrate the Feast of Christ the King.

**Christmas Hampers Appeal for 2020** - Our Year 4 teachers, students and all of St Angela's staff will continue the tradition of supporting St Vincent de Paul's annual Christmas appeal by raising donations especially in this time of COVID 19. Thank you to all families who have already brought in their donations, your generosity is a blessing to our community.

*Jocelyn Williams*  
*Religious Education Coordinator*

# Upcoming Dates



**TERM 4**  
**Week 7**

**Friday 27th November**

2021 Kinder Orientation  
ALL CHN - 9:00-10:30

9:30am Year 2 band demo  
lesson in the hall

Parish Reconciliation -  
Years 2 - 6, starting at  
11:15am

**Sunday 29th October**

First week of Advent

Year 6 Dinner Dance

**Week 8**

**Monday 30th November**

8:30am - 12:30pm Year 1  
Drama Tool Box Incursion in  
hall

1.20pm Year 6 Shine Quest

**Tuesday 1st December**

Year 5 Fizzics Incursion in  
hall

**Wednesday 2nd December**

9am Year 2 Shine Quest

12:10 pm Christmas Concert  
Part 1-Year 3 & Year 1

**Thursday 3rd December**

9am Year 3 Shine Quest

10:10am Christmas Concert  
Part 2-Year 5 & Year 4

11am Year 4 Shine Quest

**Friday 4th December**

8:45am Year 5 Shine Quest

9:30-10:30am Band  
Recording Session

9:30am Live Streamed  
Parish Mass - Year 6

11am Kindergarten Shine  
Quest

1:45pm Year 6 Farewell  
Assembly in hall

2pm Year 2 Liturgy -  
Students Only

Sunday 6th December

2nd week of Advent

**Wednesday 16th December**

**Last day for students**

## COVID-19 symptoms



Fever



Cough



Sore throat



Shortness  
of breath



Loss of smell



Loss of taste

## Stay Safe



**Clean your hands thoroughly** for at least 20 seconds with soap and water, or an alcohol-based hand sanitiser



**Cover your nose and mouth** when coughing and sneezing with a tissue or your elbow. Put the tissue in the bin and wash your hands

**Semester Two Reports on Compass Parent Portal**  
 In 2019 St Angela's transitioned to using the Compass Portal to communicate attendance information between parents and the school. The Compass Portal has a wide range of features that schools in the Parramatta Diocese are gradually transitioning towards implementation. As a school community, we have undertaken to limit the amount of hardcopy printing of documents that can be made available electronically. To this end, **Semester Two Reports will be made available via the Compass Parent Portal.** Further information will be shared in the coming weeks regarding the accessing of these PDF reports.



**ST ANGELA'S SCHOOL BAND**  
**JOIN THE BAND!**

Is your child interested in joining the school band?

The school band is now taking enrolments for 2021 and is open to all students currently in years 2-5.  
 No prior experience needed!

During Term 4 students will see a **band demonstration** at school that highlights the different instruments available for tuition. After this demonstration they will receive a green *Expression of Interest* note providing introductory information.

What do you need to do?

1. Carefully read the green *Expression of Interest* and then register your child's interest in joining the band online at <https://www.teachingservices.com.au/eoi>
2. Once you register online a TSA tutor will meet your child to help them assess which instrument they are most suited to\*\*
3. The results of this instrument trial will be sent home with enrolment information

Learning an instrument in an ensemble is a great way to experience the social, educational and personal benefits that music and the arts have to offer! TSA provides a variety of tuition options as well as instrument hire and sales to help parents give the gift of music to their children.

TSA is a registered COVID-safe provider and delivers instrumental programs with a focus on inclusion, student engagement and well-being.

*\*\*Instrument trials will take place within strict COVID-safe guidelines and will include a basic aural and rhythm assessment among several other activities which measure your child's suitability for each instrument.*




WE'RE COVID SAFE

(02) 9651 7333  
 enrolments@teachingservices.com.au  
 www.teachingservices.com.au

**Readers and Library Books**  
**Please check at home for any overdue books.**

Could all Guided Readers, books from class Browser Boxes and all Library books please be returned to school by the end of next week (Week 8). This will allow teachers and librarians to ensure that all resources are ready for next year. Many thanks for your support.

**Christmas Treats**

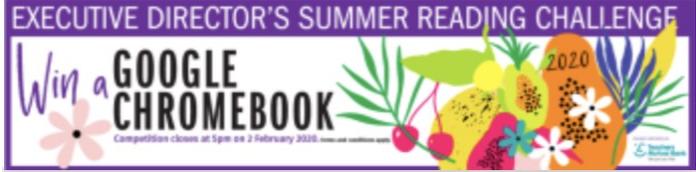
In these last weeks of school, children like to carry out the Christmas spirit by sending and receiving Christmas cards with lovely messages of joy and thanks. This is a lovely gesture. As there are a number of children at St Angela's who have severe allergies we kindly ask that you do not send in any edible treats for the children to give to each other. This includes gingerbread, chocolates, candy canes, marshmallows or any other lolly, biscuit or cake. We ask this so that we can ensure that our school community remains safe for all of our children.

Thank you for your co-operation in this important matter.

**Executive Director**

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S SUMMER READING CHALLENGE**

Win a **GOOGLE CHROMEBOOK** 2020  
 Competition closes at 5pm on 7 February 2021.



**Summer Reading Challenge**

These summer holidays, I am again launching my Summer Reading Challenge and encouraging all students to read, read, read!

Students can read anything they like to enter the challenge, whether it's a comic, play, a piece of poetry, book, e-book or animated novel.

Taking part in the Executive Director's Summer Reading Challenge is easy! Students just need to read something they enjoy and tell us in 50 words or less why they loved it. The more a student reads, the more times they can enter the reading challenge and the more chances they have of winning one of two Chromebooks or one of 30 runner-up gift vouchers to the value of \$30. Students can enter [online](#) by visiting the CEDP website.

Entries open on **23 November 2020** and close at 5:00pm on 1 February 2021. Terms and Conditions can be found [here](#).

Gregory B Whitby AM KSG  
 Executive Director  
 Catholic Education, Diocese of Parramatta

**Oz Fashions**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The last delivery for school uniforms will be Friday 11th December 2020.

The first delivery of 2021 will be Friday 29th January 2021.

A friendly reminder that all orders are to be placed on the QKR app by MasterCard. Please download the app, search your school and follow the prompts.

Please place your orders prior to the dates above to ensure you have a uniform to start the 2021 school year.

**PLEASE NOTE: OZ FASHIONS GRANVILLE DOES NOT SELL YOUR SCHOOL UNIFORM IN STORE.**

Any concerns please email [elle@ozfashions.com.au](mailto:elle@ozfashions.com.au)

Hello Families!

We are very excited to share with you our 2021 vacation care program filled with some amazing and fun days! We also have the opportunity to get incursions over this period. From whacky water day to a visit from our friendly reptiles you will be able to enjoy a fun summer holiday with us!

To join us, just fill out our online enrolment form via the link:  
[https://prodadmin.myxplor.com/enrollment\\_v2/centre/mw1o70qzwlGbLcB45pqsg](https://prodadmin.myxplor.com/enrollment_v2/centre/mw1o70qzwlGbLcB45pqsg)

We hope to see you all there for a fun start to 2021.  
 COSHC St Angela's Team

## Celebrating Our Gifts

(Awards presented on Friday 20/11/2020)

### Academic Excellence

Gabriel Kasparian KB  
 Neil Verghese KG  
 Olivia Johnston KY  
 Alanna Russo 1B  
 Harrison McIntyre 1G  
 James Rimando 1Y  
 Sofia Muscardo 2B  
 Lucas Mileto 2G  
 Harrison Gibbons 2Y  
 Mikayla White 3B  
 Luca Basso 3G  
 Mia Cordi 3Y  
 Alicia Holt 4B  
 Jesselyn Tedja 4G  
 Mason Kelly 4Y  
 Alex Milas 5B  
 Alexis Tadiaman 5G  
 Aidan Siney 5Y  
 Aiden Petersen 6B  
 Nicholas Eric 6G  
 Matthew Despoges 6Y

### St Angela's Award

Olivia Scanlon KB  
 Eliana David KG  
 James Neo KY  
 Edward Taylor 1B  
 Isla Paulynn Colet 1G  
 Mia Merhi 1Y  
 Isabella Logarta Scott 2B  
 Olivia Millalonco 2G  
 Sienna Andrew 2Y  
 Finn Wheatley 3B  
 Sebastian Dinsdale 3G  
 Ashton Young 3Y  
 Jacob Crawford 4B  
 Kem Young 4G  
 Owen Van Egdom 4Y  
 Angelina Catalano 5B  
 Luca Bercich 5G  
 Zara Phelan 5Y  
 Liam Norris 6B  
 Yasmin Davie 6G  
 Sienna Fonseca 6Y



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

#### November

**Monday 30th**  
 Lilly Celano  
 Sophie Kenny  
 Jack Norris

**Thursday 3rd**  
 Christian Mendoza  
 Alana Laird

#### December

**Tuesday 1st**  
 Oliver Gerrettson-Cornell

**Friday 4th**  
 Penelope Jokic

**Wednesday 2nd**  
 Lucas Rothwell

**Saturday 5th**  
 Christian Nasr  
 Lucas Tassone  
 Acelyn Seydler

**Sunday 6th**  
 Madeline Bonasin

## Term 4 Dates for 2020

Monday 12th October to Wednesday 16th December  
 (last day of school for the children).

17th December - Staff Development/Pupil Free Day

# 7 Great things about Christmas

This year we are reimagining our traditional Christmas Concert with the theme 7 Great Things About Christmas. Over several days, the grades will be performing one Christmas item for the school community. This will be recorded and shared with parents online.

#### Dates of performances:

Week 8: Wednesday 2 Dec - Year 3 and Year 1  
 Thursday 3 Dec - Year 5 and Year 4

**\*Please note the Year 3 and Year 4 changes**

Week 9: Wednesday 9 Dec - Year 6 and Year 2  
 Thursday 10 Dec - Kindergarten

**This year, the children will come to school dressed in their Christmas costume on their allocated day. Please take appropriate footwear into consideration.**

**NO TINSEL please as this makes clean up much easier!  
 Please refer to the table below outlining their costume:**

Kindy <b>Wk 9 December 10th</b>	White t-shirt pants/skirts/tutus or denim jeans/shorts. Closed shoes and christmas accessories (antlers, santa hat, headband, Christmas ribbons & clips etc)
Year 1 <b>Wk 8 December 2nd</b>	Denim shorts/skirt/ jeans, red and/or white t-shirts, Santa hat (provided by the school) and closed shoes
Year 2 <b>Wk 9 December 9th</b>	Yellow or white t-shirts, denim skirt/shorts, closed shoes and Christmas accessories (antlers, santa hat, headband, Christmas ribbons & clips etc)
Year 3 <b>Wk 8 December 2nd</b>	Red and white clothing, closed shoes & Christmas accessories (antlers, santa hat, headband, Christmas ribbons & clips)
Year 4 <b>Wk 8 December 3rd</b>	Shorts/denim shorts and Christmas t-shirt. Closed in shoes and Christmas accessories (antlers, santa hat, headband, Christmas ribbons & clips etc)
Year 5 <b>Wk 8 December 3rd</b>	Colourful beach gear - t shirts , boardies, shorts, thongs, sunnies, cap or hat
Year 6 <b>Wk 9 December 9th</b>	Red and white clothing, Santa hat optional

St Vincent de Paul Society – OLOR Kellyville Conference  
Christmas Hampers Appeal for 2020



*It's not too early to be thinking of Christmas ...*

*Especially for many families who are less fortunate than us and more than ever, in this year of COVID 19...*

*A Christmas message .... Peace ... Joy .... Love .....*

*While Christmas is a time of joy for many, it can also be a stressful and emotional period for some families in our community who will struggle with basic necessities like food, clothing, buying gifts for the children, payment of electricity and gas bills, day-to-day expenses and isolation. There are many families in Kellyville and surrounding areas that are experiencing these problems and disadvantage particularly in this period of COVID-19.*

*Your school communities are invited to donate items for our Christmas Hampers. Through your generous support, we will be able to offer Christmas Hampers to these disadvantaged families and give them the opportunity to share the joy of Christmas with their loved ones and give them the gift of hope for a brighter 2021!*

We have provided below a list of items which you might like to donate for inclusion in each hamper:

**Suggested Items:**

- **Christmas Gift Card / Vouchers from Coles, Woolworths, Aldi, etc. is the preferred option due to COVID restrictions.**
- 1 Christmas Cake (preferably in a tin)
- 1 Christmas pudding
- 1 longlife custard
- 2 packets Aeroplane jelly
- Chocolates (preferably in a tin or box)
- A packet/box of shortbread biscuits
- Packets of assorted mixed dried fruits

- 1 tin Pringles
- 1 tin baked beans
- 2 tins of canned fruit
- 2 packets lollies/fudge
- 1 packet Christmas bob-bons
- A Christmas card and greeting .. would be lovely if it is created and designed by the students
- A Christmas candle.

**OPTIONAL ( at your discretion )!!**

- Unbreakable Christmas ornament
- Festive paper serviettes
- A plastic festive Christmas table cloth
- Plastic festive plates or bowls

**NO BOTTLES PLEASE!!**

Hampers from ***St Angela's Primary School*** will be collected by Vinnies Transport Group during Week 9. **Please ensure your donations are in by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2020 at the very latest.**

*The hampers will be delivered to families by members of Our Lady of the Rosary - St Vincent de Paul Society, Kellyville Conference.*

*THANK YOU and GOD BLESS YOU! Wishing your School Community, teachers, students and families all the Blessings, Peace and Joy of Christmas 2020!*

