

St Angela's Primary School Castle Hill



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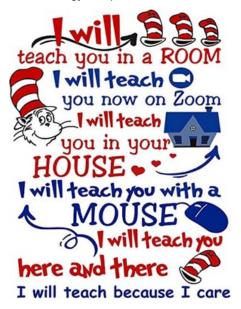
We acknowledge the Darug people, the traditional custodians on whose land we educate our students.

Dear Parents,

We have made it to Week 7! I would like to take this opportunity to thank our caring, flexible and skilful teaching staff for delivering outstanding learning experiences to our students, through live zoom sessions and online learning experiences in Google Classroom and Seesaw, in addition to providing ongoing guidance and support to parents as they navigate Remote Learning.

The students have continued to work hard following scheduled lessons and connecting on zoom with their teachers and friends. We are so proud of all that they are achieving

For all the parents and carers supervising and supporting the Learning from Home, you are doing an amazing job! We appreciate your time, energy and positive attitude.



We understand that Learning Remotely is challenging for many of us. Each household, each family, has unique circumstances. Please alert the teacher to your unique circumstances, which may change from time to time, so we can offer any support that we can.

Remember this is a marathon, not a sprint and in order for all of us to reach the end, we need to pace ourselves and prioritise our wellbeing.

We hope that you can take some time this week, in family week, to do something fun together. Whether it be reading a book, baking, bike riding, playing a board game or connecting with extended family online, take this opportunity to reconnect and have some family fun!

Book week is an annual celebration of books and the joy of reading. It is always wonderful to see our students excited about books. A theme like *Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds* gives us permission to let our imaginations run wild and transforms us to other places and other times.

Week 8 Attendance Register

To assist the school with arrangements for Week 7 please complete this form, <u>Week 8 Attendance</u> (Monday 30th Aug to Friday 3rd Sept) **ONLY** if you need your child to be at school. The form **closes at 5:00pm Friday** - please ensure that you have completed it by then.

Learning Schedules

The staff is truly appreciative of the positive feedback received from parents and students about the Learning Schedules. Week 7 Learning Schedules will be shared with families at 4:00pm on Sunday 29th August on Seesaw (K-2) or Google classroom (Years 3- 6). Throughout the week if a teacher needs to be offline and unable to provide feedback they will communicate a message to parents via the Google Classroom or Seesaw platforms. These occasions will not interrupt the students ability to continue working on their schedules, they will just mean that for a short period of time the teacher will not be available to provide feedback. Please do not hesitate to contact the school via email if you need support.

Contact from Class teachers

To ensure that you remain connected to your child's teacher and your child's participation in remote learning, class teachers will be calling parents. If you see a call displaying "No Caller Id" this could be your child's teacher and we would appreciate you taking the call.

Attendance

It is a mandatory requirement that teachers record daily attendance of students. During Remote Learning, teachers are monitoring the students engagement with their Learning Schedules and their work submission on Seesaw and Google Classroom so that they can validate students' attendance. If your child is sick or unable to complete class work on a particular day, please inform the class teacher so that their attendance can be correctly recorded as an absence. If the teachers notice that your child has not engaged in the learning they will be in touch to inquire as to the reason for this and to offer support if needed. Please do not hesitate to contact me.

Wellbeing Support

Our School Counsellor Karina Greenfield is sharing wellbeing resources for parents and children to access on the Wellbeing Google Classroom. <u>Click Here</u> to access.

If your family or child requires additional wellbeing support please reach out to your child's classroom teacher who can connect you with Karina.



Religious Education



SUNDAY 29 AUG 2021

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B Gospel

Mk 7:1-8. 14-15. 21-23

Jesus confronts the Pharisees, who pay only lip service to God.

Gospel Focus - The things within

We live in a culture that is very quick to lay blame on external factors; some people are very reluctant to accept responsibility for their own actions and look for opportunities to distance themselves from feelings of guilt or even regret. Jesus makes it very clear that evil intentions – the things that make a person 'unclean' – actually come from within. He presents a confronting list of the things that come from within and we may be able to add others relevant to our own time. In our culture of no personal responsibility, Jesus challenges us to rethink just where the buck does stop. **Source: GregSunter@LiturgyHelp**

St Maximilian Kolbe Feast Day - Thank you to everyone who attended the liturgy to celebrate this feast day with your class or grade.

OLOR Live Stream Sunday Mass - Fr Alejandro invites everyone to attend **this mass** at 11 am via <u>OLOR</u> <u>Facebook page</u>. Here is the link to the <u>Parish Bulletin</u> to keep up to date with the latest news from the parish.

God Bless Jocelyn Williams Religious Education Coordinator DUE TO COVID-19, PUBLIC MASSES AND CHURCH BUILDINGS ARE CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. CHURCHES ARE NOT BEING CLOSED. BUILDINGS ARE BEING CLOSED. YOU ARE THE CHURCHI YOU ARE TO REMAIN OPEN.

Father's Day

Due to the current Covid-19 lockdown, we will be celebrating Father's day remotely and unfortunately, have had to cancel our Father's Day stall.

As communicated yesterday via email, to recognise and celebrate our wonderful dad's we invite you to share <u>one</u> <u>photo</u> of a special "dad moment" via email, no later than Thursday 2nd September at 9am, to incorporate in our online Father's Day Liturgy.

Creative Kids Voucher

A great way that families can use their Creative Kids Vouchers from Service NSW before they expire at the end of the year and also keep the kids entertained during lockdown, is to order Art and Craft supplies from the following website. There are a number of packs to choose from, and all include an interactive lesson plan.

Order Art and Craft Packs here;

Creative Kids Voucher Kits | Creative Kids Wonderland -Creative Kids Wonderland | Creative Voucher kits

Some COVID Reminders

- Students should not attend school if unwell, even with mild <u>symptoms of COVID-19</u>. Any student with any COVID-19 symptoms will be sent home and should not return until they have received a negative test result and are symptom-free. In circumstances where children have other medical reasons for recurring symptoms, a letter from their GP is sufficient to negate the requirement for a negative test.
- Anyone who is unwell with COVID-19 symptoms is strongly encouraged to get tested immediately and self-isolate until a negative result is received. Locations of testing clinics are available <u>here</u>.
- Please continue to monitor the <u>NSW government COVID-19 News and updates webpage</u> for locations where there may have been exposure to COVID-19 and adhere to the advice as appropriate.



Thank you

2021 NSW PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Congratulations to this week's seven winners. Quickly finish the challenge to get your name in the barrel for next week's draw! On Friday, there will be seven winners drawn again, one from each grade. These winners will be published in next week's newsletter.



Student Data Validation

On Monday 16 August you should have received an email or SMS (for those parents without email) from the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP) asking you to review and, where necessary, update the key information they hold about your children currently enrolled in CEDP schools.

The purpose of this review is to ensure that CEDP has the right details to correctly identify and support students, including contacting families in an emergency or to share important updates.

Steps have been taken to ensure this process is as secure as possible to protect your information and your family's privacy. Your information is only accessed by authorised staff when it is necessary and in accordance with our <u>Privacy Policy</u>.

The process is **open until Friday 3 September** and I encourage you to complete the review/update as soon as possible to ensure that your family's correct details are on file. This is particularly important as Greater Sydney remains in lockdown due to the COVID-19 outbreak.

This <u>short "how to" video</u> may assist you with completing the process (use the closed caption icon to turn on subtitles). Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Only one person per family needs to complete the survey and it takes about 15 minutes to complete. If you have any questions or to seek help, please contact the CEDP Community Liaison Team on 9840 5796. Remember we have a goal of 100% participation in the PRC! Keep reading everyone.

	Term 3 Week 5 2021	Term 3 Week 6 2021	Term 3 Week 7 2021
Number of students who have completed challenge	289	303	315
Total Number of books read	8243	8417	8592

Congratulations to the following students who are new to complete the Premier's Reading Challenge:

Marcus Eltakchi 2Y, Ruby Pace 2Y, Isaac Vassallo 2G, Elissa Zaidan 2G, Reuben Saab 2G, Sophie Pickles 4Y, Ryan Shepherd 4G, Sienna Azar 4Y, Chloe Eltakchi 5B, Tianna Farah 5Y, Zarah Fernandez 5Y, Lyla Reyes 6Y

Which grade will win the movie and popcorn party?

Grade	Percentage of students who have complete the callenge	
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1	62%	
2	54%	6
3	57%	Ó
4	76%	-
5	33%]
6	32%	



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

<u>August</u>

Mon 30th Ivy Kastoun

Tues 31st Isabelle Kastoun Jared Suarez Mrs Lean

<u>September</u>

Thurs 2nd Charlotte Thompson Fri 3rd Luke Hansen

Sat 4th Leah Benedict Jacinta Raad Archie Roberts Claudia Sereni Audrey Unutmaz

Sun 5th Ronan O'Shea Mikayla Zlomislic

Sent Home This Week: Emailed:

Whole School; Father's Day

Push Notifications through Compass:

Whole School; Commonwealth School Data Collection Notice Reminder



The CBA is an organization for Children's literature. They promote Australian literature for young people as well as promoting Australian authors and illustrators.

Each year CBCA has a focus theme. This year's theme is Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds.

At the start of the year the CBCA chooses 100 books written and illustrated by Australian authors and illustrators. This list of books is called the Notables. The Notables list is cut down to 36 books. The new list is called the Shortlist Books. This list is then cut down to 6 winning books which is announced just before the start of Book Week.

Book Week is a time to celebrate and read fabulous books, explore amazing authors and illustrators and have fun in the process. From the 23rd to the 27th August St Angela's celebrated Book Week. Children across the school took part in various online activities and challenges throughout the week. From dressing up as their favourite character, sharing their favourite book, listening to variety of short-listed books, exploring how books began, reading in unusual places to creating scrolls, tablets, flipbooks, mini-books and Reading Forts. There is no end to the creative talent we have at St Angela's.

It was amazing to see so many students participating, willingness to learn new things and share their creative work, reflecting their love of reading.

This would not have been possible without the generous help of staff at St Angela's as well as our supportive parents.

Thank you for your help, to make this a special Book Week for the students. Mrs North















