

# St Angela's Primary School



**Newsletter** Vol. 1 No. 2

February 13th, 2025 Term 1 - Week 3

Ministry of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville

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

#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Congratulations to our Kindergarten students and their families as the Kindies attend their first full week of school. The children have been making lots of new friends and exploring our school facilities and play areas - the Big Blue, the hall, and of course the Kindergarten classrooms. Our Year 6 students have already commenced their informal buddying with Kindergarten supporting the teachers to help the Kindies to settle into school routines especially at first and second break.

I am extremely proud of the way in which all of our students Years One - Six have transitioned back to school demonstrating enthusiasm and curiosity about the learning ahead for them this year. Library lessons have commenced this week, with borrowing commencing in Week 4. Thank you to our volunteer parents who have already been in to help Mrs North and Mrs Castro stocktake our collection and shelve our books ready for our students to borrow.

Today we celebrated our Opening School Mass and Leadership Commissioning Ceremony. Our theme for this mass was very fitting as it invited us to all look forward to the year with positivity and hope. With the Church across the world recognising this year as the Jubilee Year of Hope we were able to celebrate that St Angela's is connected and part of a much bigger Catholic Community. Congratulations and best wishes to all our leaders - School Captains, Colour Captains and Student Council Representatives. The staff looks forward to working with you across the year.

Mrs Orsini and I look forward to welcoming parents to the 2025 school year on Monday 17th February at the General Parent Meeting. This is an opportunity for parents to hear about the progress of our building project and the learning programmes and activities in the school for 2025. Please RSVP your attendance by completing the General Parent Meeting Form. Tomorrow Friday 14th February we are hosting a meeting for Class Parent Representatives to attend. Thank you to those who have already volunteered. We are still in need of Class Parent Representatives volunteers for 1G, 2G, 2Y, 3B, 3Y, 4G, 5B, 5Y, 6B and 6Y - please consider this very rewarding role for 2025 and come along to the meeting to hear about the ways Class Parents assist the school events such as Mothers Day/ Fathers Day/ Grandparents Day/ School Discos/Bingo Night.

Together we can achieve so much **Leanne Nettleton** Principal



#### **2025 BEGINNING OF THE YEAR DATES**



Tuesday 4th February - First Day Students Years 1-6 Thursday 6th February - First Day Kindergarten students Wednesday 17th December - Last day of the year for students

#### 2025 Staff Development Days - Pupil Free

Term 1 - Friday 31st January 2025 Monday 3rd February 2025

Term 2 - Monday 28th April 2025

Tuesday 29th April 2025

Term 3 - Monday 21st July 2025

Friday 26th September 2025

Term 4 - Monday 13th October 2025

Thursday 18th December 2025 Friday 19th December 2025

#### UPCOMING DATES

Friday 14th February: Parent Rep Meeting 1:30pm General Parent Meeting 6:30pm Monday 17th February: Tuesday 18th February:

Year 3 Excursion to the Chinese Gardens &

Chinatown (New Date)

Year 2 Excursion to Rouse Hill House &

Farm

Thursday 20th February: Kindy presented to the school 2pm

Parents Welcome

Friday 21st February MacKillop Basketball Trials

Welcome BBQ Kindy and New Families (5-7pm)

Tuesday 4th March: Shrove Tuesday Wednesday 5th March: Ash Wednesday

Wednesday 12th March To Monday 24th March: NAPLAN for students in Year 3 and Year 5

#### **SCHOOL CENSUS DAY FRIDAY 14TH FEBRUARY**

Friday 14th February is the school census day. All children should attend school on this day and absence should only be if it is absolutely necessary. If you know your child will be away on Friday 9th February, please email the school advising the reason for the absence and when they will return.

This is of course a requirement that applies to everyday of the school year, however Census data is directly related to Government funding for our schools and the requirements outlined above are set by the Department of Education. Thank you for your cooperation.

#### **SENT HOME THIS WEEK:**

Emailed from Compass Portal: Please check your COMPASS APP

Whole School: Sport Days

**Going Home Arrangements** 

**Commencement of School Year Information for Parents** Students with Medication Stored at St Angela's Hard Copy Student Information, Technology Agreement

**Medication for Kindergarten Students** Kindergarten:

**Kindergarten Parent Teacher Interviews** Kindergarten Important Information and Updates

Hard Copy: OLOR and ANZAC Road Permission Notes Year 3 Excursion - Chinese Gardens - Postponed

Year 3 Excursion to Chinatown and the Chinese Gardens -

Postponed - New Date

Years 2,3 & 6: **Sacramental Program** 



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Year 3:

## RELIGION



#### **Opening School Mass**

Today, as we reflected on the Gospel of Luke (4:16-21), we learned that Jesus came to bring good news, heal the hurting, and offer hope to all, especially those in need. Just as Jesus shone His light on those who were suffering, we are called to do the same. In line with our school motto, "Let Your Light Shine," we can apply this message by being kind, helping others, and offering support to those who are struggling. Whether comforting a friend, sharing with someone in need, or including others who may feel left out, we can shine our light and spread hope, love, and kindness in the world.

Thank you to all families who attended this morning's mass, and to the teachers and students who led it. Congratulations to our new leaders and SRCs, and thanks to Fr Chris and Deacon Tan for celebrating. Most importantly, I commend the students for their reverence during the mass.

Jocelyn Williams
Director of Mission



## <u>General Parent Meeting</u> <u>Monday 17th February, 2025</u> 6.30 pm - 7.30pm

Parents are invited to attend the first of our General Parent Meetings for 2025. This meeting will be an opportunity for parents to hear from the leadership team of the school and an opportunity for parents to contribute ideas for General Parenting Inservice Topics for the year ahead.

#### AGENDA

- Principal's Report
- 2025 Initiatives
- Parent Inservicing Topics for 2025
- General Business

All welcome. We hope you can join us.



# Year 1 - Parent Volunteers Needed for the Welcome BBQ



Traditionally, Year 1 Parent Volunteers help at the Welcome BBQ. If you are able to assist on Friday 21st February please complete Welcome BBQ Volunteers Form. In 2024 you will remember that you received this hospitality from our current Year 2 families.

## **Sibling Enrolments 2026**

If you are intending to enrol a sibling/siblings for Kindergarten at St Angela's in 2025 please complete this form <u>Kindergarten 2026 Sibling Enrolment Intention</u> It is important for this information to be conveyed to the school ASAP so that we can have a position available for your child when we receive applications from new families attending our Kindergarten Open Day on March 5 and 7 at



## KINDERGARTEN 2026 OPEN DAY ENROLMENT



# INFORMATION SESSIONS AND SCHOOL TOURS

We will be holding our

# OPEN DAY WEDNESDAY 5TH MARCH, 2025 AND FRIDAY 7TH MARCH, 2025

9:00 AM

Please pass this information onto neighbours, friends etc. who may be interested in enrolling their child in our great school. Please contact the school office to register your attendance.



# SHROVE TUESDAY TUESDAY 4TH MARCH



The tradition each year at St Angela's all students will receive two pikelets in celebration of Shrove Tuesday. The pikelets will be Woolworths own brand. If your child has an allergy, please bring in a substitution and email the classroom teacher.

# New Families and Kindergarten BBQ Friday 21st February 5.00pm-7.00pm

It is tradition at St Angela's, to welcome all the Kindergarten families and any new families from Years 1-6 to our St Angela's community with a BBQ in the new school year.

We look forward to seeing new families and Kinder families on Friday 21st February, 5.00pm -7.00pm for this event.



#### NAPLAN 2025



NAPLAN will take place in Weeks 7 and Week 9 in Term 1 from Wednesday 12th March to Monday 24th March. Parents of children in Years 3 and 5 will receive more information tomorrow.

# **Sports Update**

#### **SPORTS NEWS**

#### **Basketball**

Next Friday, Arianna, Evelyn, James, Noah and Lewis will represent St Angela's as part of the Parramatta Diocesan Basketball Team, competing at the MacKillop trials in Wollongong. We wish them the best of luck in their games.



#### Parramatta Diocesan Representative - Winter Sport Trials

Thank you to all the children who put in an expression of interest for the CSPD Winter Sports Trials. Applications are now closed and students will be considered against the representative eligibility criteria. Following this, Mrs Orsini will notify students individually of the outcome. Successful applicants will be invited to trials for the respective teams at the CSPD Winter Sports Trials over the coming months.

#### **Other Representative Sport Opportunities**

In addition to the CSPD trials, students in Years 3 to 6 are also invited to put in an expression of interest to trial for the following events:

U11/12 Girls Rugby 7s NSWCPS Team NSWCPS Golf Tournament U8-U12 NSW AFL Primary All Schools Girls 12 Years & Under

Please see the fliers attached for more information







#### **OPENING SCHOOL MASS**













Today at our opening school mass our 2025 Year 6 Leaders and our Semester 1 SRC Representatives received their badges in front of the St Angela's community. We look forward to working with these students this year in the role of servant leadership.

#### **Student Leaders**

School Captains: Arianna Vallejo James Rimando Vice Captains: Jessica Guirreri Adam Salib

#### **House Captains:**

Brescia Sofia Garcia-Loyola Maximus Orefice
Garda Sienna Glass Tyler Petersen
Merici Georgia Grill Noah Young
Salo Eloise Hoon Dylan Crawford

#### **SRC Representatives**

**Madeline Gentile** 

Olivia Katipunan

4G

**4Y** 

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2B	Vienna Cheng	5B	<b>Grace Baylis</b>	
2G	Charmaine Au	5G	Lily Mogan	
2Y	Felix Barnett	5Y	Saraya Wilson	
3B	Milana Zullo	6B	Tiahna Barjacoba	
3G	Ruby Hoare	6G	Norah Siountris	
3Y	Cara Villanueva	6Y	Selena Bianca	
4B	Charlie Vassallo			



#### Happy birthday to members of our St Angela's community who are celebrating their birthday this coming week:

#### **February**

8th February

Leon Wehbe - 1G

Michael Saad - 1G

9th February Anton Finch - 3Y

Maddison Merhi - 3Y

10th February

Jericho Paton - 6G

11th February

Thomas Johnston - 3B

Ethan Chetty - 6B

12th February

Addison Hill - Kindy

Lachlan Lashlie 5B

13th February

Cara Fitzpatrick - 2Y

Isabelle Riley - 4G

#### St Angela's Online Communication



Compass Parent Portal - St Angela's parents are requested to download the Compass Parent Portal app once your child is enrolled at our school. It is our primary communication tool that will facilitate effective communication between parents and school. All school notes, notices and newsletters will be sent through Compass. To access the Compass Parent Portal app, simply download the 'Compass School Manager' app, available through Apple Store or Google Play. It is suitable for both iPhone and Android Smartphones.



QKR! (pronounced 'quicker') Mobile Payment App - St Angela's is a 'cashless school'. QKR! is an easy to use mobile phone application that is also suitable for both iPhone and Android Smartphones. This service is currently available for all payments except for school fees. Communications will be distributed as new events and products become available for purchase.



School Calendar—This year we have moved to using an online School Calendar to communicate upcoming events and happenings at school. Families can locate this through the school website or bookmark this link: https://

www.stangelaschill.catholic.edu.au/In-The-Loop/ Events Also follow us on Facebook for the latest news, upcoming events and lots more! Of course if you have any queries or need assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the school office on 94076400.

#### Are you a new family to St Angela's?

Please ensure you have access to the following online platforms. If you have not received your Compass log in please contact the office.

#### PARENT VOLUNTEER

To volunteer at St Angela's parents must complete the **Building** Child Safe Communities - Volunteer Undertaking and Training Module. Your BCSC status is only valid for 2 years. Volunteers must adhere to the NSW Health COVID Safe guidelines. We thank you for your continued support of the staff and students of St Angela's.

#### Meet The Teacher Parent Interviews

Last week parents received a Compass message with a link to the School Interview site where you can book a face to face meeting or a Zoom appointment for your Meet The Teacher interview. If you would like to make an alternate arrangement please contact your child's teacher. If you have already met with your child's teacher you do not need to make an appointment.



# COMMUNICATION WITH TEACHERS



St Angela's Primary recognises that email is a fast and convenient way to communicate with your child's teacher. As you would appreciate, teachers read their emails at various times throughout the school day. Further, that other than in the case of a genuine emergency, they are generally not expected to respond to emails from parents and students outside of normal working hours. Please keep in mind that if you send an email to a member of our staff outside of normal working hours, a reply will not be received until the following working day.

If you wish to contact your child's teacher, please continue to direct your emails to the school email account which will then be passed onto the relevant teacher, as per our usual practice.



#### **CHANGING GOING HOME ARRANGEMENTS**

A reminder to parents that our official school day is from 8:30am until 2:50pm and that your child is required to be present between these times. Children should not be taken out of school early unless it is for an important reason (ie. appointment for specialists etc.) Likewise, any changes of going home arrangements should only be made in cases of emergencies. As you can appreciate, contacting classes for children to come to the office for early departures or to advise going home changes is disruptive to the learning, in particular to the whole school if the class is not in their room and an announcement needs to be made.

We ask that all early departures and changes to going home arrangements are advised in writing to

stangelas@parra.catholic.edu.au before 2.30pm on the day the change is taking place.

Please do not email going home changes days in advance. This assists with our process of notifying the class teacher via their office bag.

#### ST ANGELA'S SCHOOL BELL TIMES

Please be reminded of the following:

8.05am **School Entry Gates Open for Student & Vehicle Access** 

8.25am Music to move to assembly area 8.30am Official start of the school day

Start of the first learning session All children are expected to be ready for

announcements at assembly and move into classrooms

for the first leaning session.

10.30am **1ST BREAK - LUNCH** 

11.17am Music to move to assembly points 11.20am Start of second learning session

1.20pm **2ND BREAK - RECESS** 

1.47pm Music to move to assembly points 1:50pm Start of third learning session 2.50pm Official end of the school day

Bell to move to and assemble in dismissal zones.

2.55pm Children begin leaving school grounds towards back

gate, front gate crossing, cars, buses etc.







4 March 2025

4pm - 7pm





# Join Castle Hill Sports Netball Club

Are you looking for a fun and engaging way to stay active? Castle Hill Sports Netball Club is on the lookout for

#### Who Can Join?

We welcome players of all ages from 5 to 14 years old. Whether you're stepping onto the court for the first time or you've been playing for years, there's a place for you here at Castle Hill Sports Netball Club.

#### **Training and Games**

- - 9 Bernie Mullane
- Weligate Ave Kellyville
- 0. Fridays (7-9 age group)
- O Saturdays (30 seniors) Venue: Baulkham Hills Shire Nethall Association

#### Why Join Us?

- Friendly Community: Se part of a supportive and welcoming club where everyone is encouraged to have fun and improve their skills.
- Skill Development: Learn from experienced coaches and enhance your nethall abilities.
- . Make New Friends: West other players and form lasting friendships both on and a the court.

#### How to Get Involved

If you're interested in joining us or have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out. You can contact our vice-president, Luci, via email at chanetball.vicepresident@gmail.com.

We look forward to welcoming you to our netbuil family?









ICY POLES - \$1.50





GRAIN WAVES - \$1.50









FLAVOURED MILK - \$2.00



QUELCH STICK - \$0.50



POPCORN - \$0.50



# St Angela's



# **Uniform Ordering**

Please scan QR Code:



Password: sta2154

stangelas.uniforms4u.com.au

#### **Oz Fashions Uniform Orders**

Please use the QR code below to order uniforms or go to the website

stangelas.uniforms4u.com.au

Code: sta2154

Uniforms are delivered every Tuesday and Friday as well as now offering Home Delivery.

For any questions please contact Elle at Oz Fashions via elle@ozfashions.com.au



#### St Angela's Catholic Primary School 2025 Uniform Price List

DESCRIPTION Unises	Price
Pultover	\$38.60
School Jacket	\$60.65
Boys Summer	
Short Steeve Shirt	\$33.10
Navy Shorts	\$33.10
Navy Turnover Socks	\$5.55
Boys Wester	F-0
Long Steeve Shirt	\$38.60
Navy Trousers	\$38.60
Tie	\$22.65
Navy Turnover Socks	\$5.55
Girls Summer	\$0.00
Summer Dress	\$60.65
Lemon Turnover Socks	\$5.55
Sounchy	\$5.55 \$5.55
Soft Headband Hard Headband	\$5.55
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Short Steeve Shirt - NEW	\$33.10 \$40.00
Navy Skort - NEW	\$40.00
Girts Winter	200
Winter Tunic	\$66.15
Lemon Blouse	\$33.10
Navy Girls Pants	\$55.00
Navy Tights	\$16.55
Navy Knee High Socks	\$11.00
Tab Tie	\$5.55
Scrunchy	\$5.55
Soft Headband	\$5.55
Hard Headband	\$5.55
Curty Ties - Lemon, Bottle Navy	\$5.55
Sports	
Polio Top	\$38.60
Shorts	\$38.60
Jacket	\$60.65
Trackpant	\$49.60
White Turnover Socks	\$5.55
House Pole	
House Polo Green - Brescia	\$27.60
House Polo Blue - Garda	\$27.60
House Polo Red - Salo	\$27.60
House Polo Yellow - Merici	\$27.60
Accessories	
Library Satchel	\$19.85
Excursion Bag	\$19.85
College Backpack	\$55.15
Slouch Hat	\$22.05
Navy Rope and Toggle for Slouch Hat	\$3.00
Allergy Hat with Yellow Piping	\$22.05
Knitted Scarf	\$25.00
Knitted Beanie	\$20.00
Navy Glows	\$6.00
Art Smock	\$16.55
Raincoat-Yellow or Navy	\$27.60