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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Patrick's Asquith

St Bernard's Berowra Heights

*Due to social distancing, please call the Parish Office
9456 2450 to reserve a seat at Mass.*

NEWSLETTER Term 3, Week 2, 29th July 2020

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet, the Guringai and Dharug people, and recognise their continuing connection to land, water and community. We pay respect to Elders past, present and emerging.



PRINCIPAL news



Dear Parents and Carers,

I had the joy of teaching in Year 4 and Year 2 classrooms in the last few weeks of last term and the beginning of this term. Having the opportunity to work shoulder to shoulder with our teachers has been energising and keeps me connected to the important work they do every day. It has also been a pleasure to get to know the children as learners.











Although the Covid-19 restrictions have placed some of my energies elsewhere this year, it is a priority for me to get into classrooms whenever I can to focus on learning and teaching across our school.

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Thank you to the parents who have again adjusted in the last week to move our Parent/Teacher Interviews into an online format. In most cases, parents and teachers have been able to connect successfully using the Zoom Communication App. Although it is disappointing that we are not able to hold our parent/teacher interviews as face to face meetings, at least parents and teachers have had the opportunity to connect and have a meaningful discussion about the progress of their child/ren.

Parking and traffic rules in school zones

I thank the parents who continue to maintain the safe operating procedures for the Kiss and Drop Zone outside our school. I ask that you take extra care when driving and parking in the school zones. The parking and traffic rules around our schools are there to protect everyone, particularly the children, so I ask that you please choose safety over convenience. I have included communication with this newsletter, previously sent to families, regarding the procedures for using the Kiss and Drop Zone. Please take the time to read these procedures and the outline below of the three main road rules that impact the Kiss and Drop Zone outside our school.

QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE TO IMPORTANT SAFETY TRAFFIC RULES				
ZONE	WHAT DOES IT MEAN?	WHY IS IT THERE?	PENALTY	DEMERIT POINTS*
	You cannot stop in a NO STOPPING zone for any reason (including queuing or waiting for a space). 	Keeps clear sight lines between drivers and children / pedestrians.	EXCEEDS \$344 	(School Zone) 2 
	You can stop in a NO PARKING zone for a max. of two minutes to drop off and pick up passengers. If no spaces are available you cannot queue on the road way or in any other zones while waiting for a space. You will need to drive away and park elsewhere, only returning when there is space to pull up. You must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle at all times and cannot leave your vehicle unattended.	Provides a safe place for children / pedestrian set down and pick up.	EXCEEDS \$191 	(School Zone) 2 
	You must not stop or park in a BUS ZONE for any reason (including queuing or waiting for a space) unless you are driving a bus. If times are shown on the sign, you are not allowed to stop during those times.	Provides a safe place for large buses to set down and pick up school children.	EXCEEDS \$344 	(School Zone) 2 

Staff News

Our Year 3 Gold teacher, Mrs Carmel Kevill has taken some time from work this week to support her terminally ill father. It is a sad and stressful time for Carmel and I know she will appreciate your thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.

Our Kinder Green teacher, Mrs Doris Russell is also taking some time to recover from a recent knee injury. Doris is already missing the children and we all hope for a very speedy recovery.

Kindergarten Enrolments for 2021

Last term, first round offers were made to families for enrolment in Kindergarten for 2021. I ask parents who have been given an offer to finalise this by formally accepting by the due date (July 31) as detailed in the letter provided them.

Currently we have enough enrolments for one Kindergarten class for 2021, nonetheless we are very keen for a second class. We are still taking enquiries from interested parents and numbers are building. To support this the enrolment period has been extended for the remainder of this year. I encourage all parents to recommend our school to any prospective parents for enrolment at our school. I am finding that many of our new enrolments for next year come directly from recommendations within our school community. It is the best advertising available. Parents who are interested in enrolling their child/ren at our school can pick up an application package from the office or download [here](#) to receive one. Once enrolment forms are completed and returned, an enrolment interview will be scheduled to complete the process.

God bless you and your families

Todd Vane-Tempest
Principal

STUDENT AWARDS

Week 1

Class	Pastoral Care	Other
K Gold	Oliviamarie G.	Messic M.
K Green	Prince M.	Olivia T.
1 Gold	Kassidy C.	Lila B.
2 Gold	Sachi D.	Siya W.
2 Green	Mudiwa T.	Elissa M.
3 Gold	Jacob H.	Edward W.
3 Green	Tyler S.	Oliver J.
4 Gold	Piper C.	Curtis H.
4 Green	Hayley N.	Angus C.
5 Green	James A.	Zasha E.
5/6 Gold	Jake F.	Matilda R.
6 Green	Olivia S.	Kaylen H.



UNIFORM SHOP

As was advised at the end of last term, we now have a new uniform shop team. We welcome Lita, Florence and Fabiola to the role. We especially want to thank Claire, Debbie and Mel and other volunteers for their seven and a half years of wonderful dedicated service to the St Patrick's school community in the uniform shop. They have made a significant contribution to the school through their commitment and their work and the uniform shop has provided funds to the P&F that have been put into school resources and local charities.

With the new team, the uniform shop is now open on **Wednesdays and Fridays**, for trying sizes and second hand clothes. Please note this is currently via by appointment only. Go to the website to book a time [Book an Appointment with St Patrick's Uniform Shop - Events and Entertainment/School shop](#).

We have also moved uniform shop purchases to Qkr and all payments are now on-line, meaning cash payment is no longer possible.

Susan, David, Sonia and Marcella



OFFICE news

School Photos: School photos have been scheduled for **Wednesday 12th August**. You should have received a photo envelope by now and sibling envelopes can be obtained at the office if you wish.



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Issue #5

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A cartoon illustration of a boy with spiky hair, looking thoughtful with his hand on his chin.

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8th August 2020



~Now Enrolling for 2021~

We are offering short tours (by appointment) to show you the indoor and outdoor environment. We would love to meet you and give you the opportunity to ask any questions you may have about preschool for your child next year.

Call us to make an appointment: 02 9477 2258

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