

St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

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Assistant Priest of the Parish

Weekend Mass Times

St Patrick's Asquith
Saturday Vigil 6pm
Sunday 8am, 10am, 6pm
Sunday 9am

St Bernard's Berowra Heights
Saturday Vigil 5pm
Sunday 9am







From the Principal

Dear Parent and Caregivers, Boys and Girls,

Each Monday I welcome the students through the school gate to start the week and I continue to be very impressed by the warm greeting I receive in return by many of them. Our parents and teachers can be rightly proud of their children as I am often wished to have a good day as well which brightens my day but also reminds me of the wonderful school community we have at St. Patrick's.

Farewell Miss Penny

Miss Louise Penny has been at our school for the past 7 years, and has recently resigned from her teaching position here at St. Patrick's. Louise has been a wonderful servant to our school community and I thank her for the outstanding work she has done during this time. Louise's last day is this Friday 25th February, and we wish her every success in the future.

In the meantime, the school has employed Miss Megan Furlong to take on the class teacher role for the remainder of this year. Miss Furlong has been working in classrooms across the school last year and this year and knows well the routines and expectations for our school. I am sure the community will warmly welcome Megan to our school.

PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

School Open Day 2022

Although we have only just welcomed the current Kindergarten students to our school, it is now time to start preparing and begin the enrolment process for 2023 with our school Open Day on Thursday 24th March.

There are two scheduled times for school tours offered for that day. A morning information session from 9am and a daytime school tour showcasing classrooms in action between 9:30 & 10:30am.

In the evening school tours will be offered from 5:30pm with an information session from 6:30pm. I invite parents of children who will start school next year to come along to see and hear why St. Patrick's is the right place for your children.

If parents are aware of families that have children ready to start school next year, I encourage you to recommend our school and the offer to come and find out more information from one of our Open Day sessions.

Covid Update

This week the Premier and Minister for Education will announce updated settings for schools for the remainder of Term 1. The changes ensure our school settings are kept in sync with changes in community settings and include:

From Monday 28 February:

- An end to cohorting: schools can reduce or remove cohorting. This also means an end to staggered start and finish times. The school will maintain a similar approach for managing dismissal, however the end of the school day will revert to 2:55pm for all students. I will send a description of updated arrival and dismissal procedures soon.
- Visitors on school sites: schools can invite visitors to school sites regardless of their vaccination status. I will again update the general processes for parents entering the school site for various situations including school assemblies.
- Anyone working on a school site (including volunteers) is still covered by the Public Health Order and must meet double vaccination requirements.
- Although masks are no longer mandatory in high schools, masks continue to be mandatory in primary schools for staff and visitors.

From Monday 7 March:

- Masks no longer mandatory for staff in primary schools: masks will no longer be mandatory for staff in primary schools as of Monday 7 March. This staggered change recognises the lower vaccination rates in primary school aged students.
- Staff and students should continue to be supported to wear a mask should they choose to do so, in line with community settings.

More detail will be provided as it comes through.

PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

Stage 1 Classrooms

On Tuesday the local area including our school experienced a significant rain event. During the height of the downpour the school had some flooding of the Stage 1 classrooms. Although work has already begun to address the issues caused by the water, these classrooms are out of action for the time-being. In the meantime, the Stage 1 classes have moved into other spaces in the school for their lessons while the work is carried out to dry the impacted rooms.

School Canteen

Welcome to our new Canteen supervisor, Maegan Rose, who has taken on the voluntary role from Ebony O'Hagan. I thank Ebony for her dedication and service to our school community over the years to keep the canteen running. I also thank Maegan along with all volunteers who continue to support this service.

Maegan is looking forward to opening the canteen very soon and asking for parents and carers to once again volunteer to assist. Please click on the following link to volunteer your services for the canteen:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c49acae2ea3ffc34-stpatricks

Our school canteen functions through the generosity of our parent community volunteering their time and I am sure the children appreciate the support this wonderful service provides our school. The Canteen will operate Wednesday and Friday with an opening date of Wednesday 9th March.

Class Parents 2022

Each year the school seeks the support of parents from each year group (ideally one from each class) to volunteer to be a class parent. Class parents generally support the communication amongst the parents of a class and/ or grade, organise small catch-up events like coffee, meals out or plays in the park and communicate any specific information requested by the school. The role of Class Parent is invaluable to our school community as it helps parents get to know each other and fosters a strong sense of belonging.

We have many parents who have already volunteered this year with only a few class parent positions to fill for Year 5 and Year 6. Any parent is welcome to put their name forward, whether a new or existing family. Advice, support and information will always be on hand so please consider volunteering for this role even if you have never done so before. If you are willing to help please reply by email to spa@dbb.catholic.edu.au We thank **Benedicta Hendarto** and **Katie Barillaro** for their generous service to our school community as the Class Parent Co-ordinators as well as all parents who have volunteered this year to be class parent reps.

PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

Grade	Class	Name	
	Gold	Katie Barillaro	
Kindy		Belinda Wickham	
		Edlyn Cheng Megan Kenny	
4	0	Megan Kenny	
'	Green	Carley McCarthy	
1/2	Gold	Wendy Brown	
2	C	Simone Hayward	
2	Green	Marie Brownell	

	Green	Katie Barillaro	
3		Belinda Wickham	
		Sonia Monger	
4	Gold	Maria Luzviminda	
	Green	Marie Pasoquen	
5	Gold		
5	Green		
6	Gold	Marcela Frutschi	
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Joining Your Year's Facebook Group

The St Patrick's Parent Facebook Groups are closed hubs – Closed Private Groups- where parents can share information, contact and support each other, receive reminders, arrange events, ask questions and respectfully hold discussions.



If you are not yet a member of your year's Facebook group, we would encourage you to join and stay connected. Receiving support and being able to send messages within your year group will no doubt prove very useful. You do not need to 'do Facebook' for any other purpose, you don't even need a profile picture and these groups and their messages are not visible to the public.

To join, just search for your child's year group title on Facebook (exactly as written below) and click 'request to join':

St Patrick's Asquith Kindy 2022

St Patrick's Asquith Year 1 2022

St Patrick's Asquith Year 2 2022

St Patrick's Asquith Year 3 2022

St Patrick's Asquith Year 4 2022

St Patrick's Asquith Year 5 2022

St Patrick's Asquith Year 6 2022

God bless you and your families Todd Vane-Tempest Principal

OPENING SCHOOL MASS

Last week we celebrated our Opening School Mass. Thank you to Year 6 who did such a beautiful job in leading the mass. Congratulations to the Year 6 students who were blessed and inducted as the St Patrick's student leaders for 2021 especially to those students who received their Captains badges. Thank you to Mrs Pugsley for playing so beautifully, it was much appreciated and made our celebration especially joyful when COIVD restrictions prevented us from joining the singing.

ASH WEDNESDAY



Next Wednesday 2nd March is Ash Wednesday, the start of the season of Lent. Lent is a time for Fasting, Giving and Prayer. All students will be attending a special Ash Wednesday mass at 9:30am.

Ash Wednesday, also marks the beginning of the annual Caritas Australia Project Compassion Appeal. Donations to Project Compassion allows Caritas Australia, the Catholic Agency for International Aid and Development, to work with local communities around the world to end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity.



The theme of Project Compassion 2022 is 'For All Future Generations' and reminds us that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come. It invites us to make the world a better place by working together now and finding long-term solutions to global issues. We encourage you to put your compassion into action this Lent through your prayer, fasting and almsgiving by supporting Project Compassion. Each classroom will receive a Project Compassion box for donations or you can donate online via the Caritas Australia website at: lent.caritas.org.au

REC - Kylie Lloyd Jones

THE DISH - TUESDAY MARCH 22ND

Thank you to the many volunteers who returned forms to express their interest and availability in assisting with The Dish this year.

If you haven't had a chance to return the form, it's not too late to volunteer some of your time. Please complete the Google Form by Wednesday next week by clicking this link.

A roster for March 22nd will then be emailed out to those parents and families. There are many ways to assist and you don't necessarily have to be available on the day. You may be able to cook a meal with your family at home and discuss why we help others in need. You may be able to drop in some fresh fruit, vegetables, coffee, tea or milk or assist with distribution at Fusion Hornsby (Jersey Street) from 5:45pm. Many hands make light work, the more helpers the better. This is a great way to show our children the meaning of compassion.

Kylie Lloyd-Jones

REC/ Year 6 Teacher St Patrick's Asquith

THE DISH 2022

Term 1 - Tuesday 22nd March

Term 2 - Tuesday 7th June

Term 3 - Tuesday 19th July

Term 4 - Tuesday 1st November

OFFICE NEWS

HATS

Please note we will no longer be handing out office hats. This would be a good opportunity to encourage your child to pack their own school bag with their hat, lunchbox, drink bottle etc for their daily needs.

SCHOOL BELL

School commences at 8:45am, please have your children here by 8:40am, before the bell ready to line up and start the day.

If you have any changes for the afternoon pick up, unless unavoidable could you please phone the office by 2pm.

FEES

Invoices were emailed out on Monday. Please email Cheryl in the office if you have any questions or if you haven't received your statement. The first payment is now due.

UNIFORM SHOP

Dear St Patrick's Parents/Carers,

Uniform Shop is open to pack and deliver new and second-hand uniform purchases every Wednesdays and Fridays between 8:30am to 9:00am. In view of the current School Covid 19 Restrictions in place, we are unable to accommodate bookings and appointments until further notice.

All new uniforms are to be purchased via Qkr! app. Here we've attached the School Uniform Policy Link and Kindy Winter Uniform Buying Guide:

- 1. https://www.stpat.nsw.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Uniform-policy-2020.pdf
- 2. Kindy Winter Uniform Buying Guide

Winter Uniform may be worn from the beginning of Term 2. There will be a transition period during which either summer or winter uniform may be worn (not a mixture). Summer sports uniform may be worn all year round on sport days but, again, not a mixture. The final date to go into winter uniform will be announced in the Newsletter and will depend on the weather.

As a guide to ordering, each week the children wear:

Full Uniform on three days and Sports Uniform on the other two days.

Girl's Winter	Size (Please Circle)	Qty	Price
Long Sleeve Blouse - Lemon	4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16		\$22.00
Winter Tunic	4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16		\$48.00
Girls Tie	One size		\$ 7.00
Cotton Tights - Bottle Green (age)	4-6, 6-8, 8-10, 10-12, 12-14		\$7.00
Long Sleeve Sports Shirt - Gold with crest	3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16		\$20.00
Tracksuit Sports Pants	3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16		\$27.00

Boy's Winter	Size (Please Circle)	Qty	Price
Long Sleeve Shirt - Green	3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16		\$22.00
Pants - Grey (double knee)	3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16		\$23.00
Boys Tie	Traditional / Velcro / Velcro-Long		\$18.00
Long Sleeve Sports Shirt - Gold with crest	3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16		\$20.00
Tracksuit Sports Pants	3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16		\$27.00

UNIFORM SHOP

Second-hand uniform purchasing procedure is as follows:

- 1. Send an email to stpatsuniformshop@gmail.com for the required uniform, size and quantity.
- 2. Wait for confirmation if the item is available.
- 3. Process payment via Qkr! app (under P&F Second Hand Uniforms Menu).
- 4. Send copy of receipt to stpatsuniformshop@gmail.com.
- 5. Once a copy of receipt has been received, purchased item will be packed and delivered to students' class.
- 6. No return, no exchange for second hand items purchased.



Any family with pre-loved uniforms that they would like to donate, please drop them into the School Office. Thank you!

Living out our challenge for discipleship





Students are all on their own journey, our Pastoral Care expectations will guide them in making choices that will assist them in every area of their learning and in every area of their life!

PASTORAL CARE FOCUS

Term I Weeks 5 and 6

We are safe learners who are in the right place, at the right time, doing the right task.

Why is it important to develop this skill?

Our Pastoral Care expectation 'Being in the right place at the right time' enables students to take ownership of their behavior and understand the importance of safety both for themselves and those around them. At this point in the year our Kindergarten students are still engaging in discovering their new learning environment, therefore the behaviour of other students is reflective of the behaviour that Kindergarten will be initiating in their early weeks at primary school.

This expectation has been reintroduced to accommodate those students new to the school and to remind others that they are role models for younger students.

Being on task



Ask your child "What are their responsibilities at home"?

Set a new chore or responsibility

Reminding your child about listening to instructions carefully

How can you help develop this at home?

Remind them about their after school routine - what are their responsibilities?

Ask your child to reflect on their role as an older sibling and how to role model their responsibilities at home and school

Take Care and be kind to yourselves,
Hannah Fryar
Wellbeing and Sports Coordinator

ST PAT'S SPORT REPORT



Swimming News

Age Champions

9 Year Girls - Alice C9 Year Boys - Liam D

10 Year Girls - Lily W 10 Year Boys - Fynn E and Thomas S

> 11 Year Girls - Catherine M 11 Year Boys- Noah D

12 Year Girls - Gemma T 12 Year Boys - James S On Monday, we acknowledged our Swimming Age Champions for this year. These students all competed excellently on the day and are to be commended on their efforts. It was great to have our parents Zoom in to see the Assembly.

We also re-presented our overall points and spirit points trophies to the whole school. Well done to Mercy House who won the Championship trophy this year and Xavier House winning our Spirit Award trophy.

We look forward to seeing our Swim Team compete at the North Shore Cluster carnival next Thursday at Hornsby Aquatic Centre.

Good luck children!



ST PAT'S SPORT REPORT

Broken Bay Sport Trials

Broken Bay winter sports trials are being held from Week 8 onwards. The sports covered are **Rugby League**, **AFL**, **Hockey**, **Touch Football**, **Netball**, and **Soccer**.

Each school is only permitted to send 4 suitably experienced students to these trials. If we have more than 4 suitable students to attend for a particular sport, we will need to conduct school trials. Soccer and Netball are particularly popular sports, as they are widely played and extremely competitive. Students need to be at least in a representative team, academy, development squad or 12 yrs Div 1 in any of these sports to be able to attend Broken Bay trials.

Information will be distributed to those students who are invited to attend. Mainly those students in Years 5 or 6, as trials are open age groups (i.e. students attending are anywhere up to 13 years of age).

Students who play competitively in the other winter sports (Diving, Golf, Girls Rugby 7's) please see Miss Fryar for more information





HIGH SCHOOL OPEN DAYS



Register Here





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After School Sports



Hornsby Lions Netball Club



MONTVIEW NETBALL COURTS

6-week program for 7- to 9-year-olds Commencing Friday, 11th February, 2022 4.30 – 5.30pm



THE COST OF THE PROGRAM: \$80 which includes

a Woolworths NetSetGO netball, t-shirt and insurance* for your child for the complete 2022 season

(* a saving of over \$60 if you register for the 2022 NetSetGO Winter Comp)



Proud sponsor



For more information and to register, come and visit our website hornsbylionsnetball.com.au



HORNSBY LIONS

JUNIOR RUGBY UNION CLUB

GET INTO RUGBY

COME AND GIVE IT A GO & JOIN THE PRIDE

GIRLS & BOYS WELCOME

- U5'S TO U9'S MINIS RUGBY
- U5's U7's touch rugby only

EQUAL TIME POLICY

- FUN AND PARTICIPATION
- AFFORDABLE FEES

All new U5s to U9s get a new rugby ball with registration

For more information and details contact Club President David Millar at president@hjruc.com.au or 0407660104

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Play Junior League Become an Asquith Magpie

Combined Boys and Girls
Tackle u6 to u12
Boys Tackle u13 to Opens
Girls Tackle u14 to u18s
Girls league Tag u12s to
u16s

Registration includes

Full playing Kit, Training shirt, insurance, NRL Qualified Coaches, Trainers and more

Come and Try Days

Storey Park Asquith

Wed 2nd March Fri 11th

MEET NORTH SYDNEY

NSW CUP & HARVEY NORMAN

PLAYERS

FREE FOR 4YR OLDS TO U16'S

BOYS AND GIRLS LOTS OF FUN

5PM
TACKLE AND GIRLS LEAGUE TAG
U6S TO U16 TACKLE
U12'S 14S & 16S GIRLS TAG
FREE TO TRY
FREE 880