



# St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

Royston Parade Asquith 2077

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## Parish Clergy

Father Shaju John OSH

Parish Priest of Ku-Ring-Gai Chase Parish

Fr Joy Thomas OSH

Assistant Priest of the Parish

## Weekend Mass Times

St Patrick's Asquith

Saturday Vigil 6pm

Sunday 8am, 10am, 6pm

St Bernard's Berowra Heights

Saturday Vigil 5pm

Sunday 9am



## From the Principal

### Dear Parents and Carers,

I apologise for the lack of a news update during Week 7 as I was away after having contracted Covid. As is the case for many schools the impact of Covid has from time to time caused schools to operate with minimum staffing. I thank Mrs Huggins, Mrs Lloyd-Jones and all our staff for their efforts to keep the school functioning during this challenging time.

I did miss our Well-being Week Celebrations, but it was nice to see the children had a wonderful time celebrating the Seasons, spinning the wheel to win rewards, supporting the Vinnies Winter Appeal and enjoying a Pyjama Day while parents joined us for a Coffee Van treat and a fun time with Men in the Morning on Friday.

### Semester 1 Reports

Our teachers are currently busy writing reports for each child for Semester 1 which will become available through COMPASS in Week 10. I strongly urge all parents to have a conversation with their children about the report, both the 'achievement' but importantly also their 'effort'.

I thank our teachers who have worked long hours to prepare the reports for parents. Parents who would like to make an appointment to speak to your child's teacher following the reports, are most welcome to do so. Please contact the school office to initiate the interview.

### Kinder Enrolments 2023

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. Prospective parents can contact the school to have a private tour and pick up an enrolment pack from the school office or enquire online: [Enrol at St. Patrick's Asquith](#)

# PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

## Girls Just Want to Have Fun - (previously Pretty in Pink) 2022

The hall is being decorated, the lollie bags are packed and the fun is about to begin. We have over 40 girls from Years 4, 5 & 6 attending the Girls Just want to Have Fun Event scheduled for this evening from 6pm in the school hall. It will be great to see all the girls and their dads join together for a night of fun, dancing, food and games.



## Year 4 First Communion

Our prayers and blessings are with the Year 4 children who have been preparing to receive the Sacrament of First Communion this weekend. It is a very special time in the faith journey for these children and I congratulate the parents of these children for their commitment in supporting their child's faith journey. I am sure many extended families will be gathering to further celebrate this day following mass that will be a memorable occasion for all.

## Stage 1 School and Parish Mass

Our Year 1 and 2 classes have been invited to join the parish to celebrate mass together at 10am on Sunday 26th June. We look forward to a lovely celebration of the Eucharist and provide a chance for families to catch up and connect with each other.

Many in the parish highly value the involvement by the children through their presence and participation which continues to strengthen the connections and relationships with our St. Patrick's parish. All families are welcome to join the school and parish mass.



## Grandparents Day

We are looking forward to many of the children's grandparents joining us next week to celebrate Grandparents Day. The day will have a simple structure with a liturgy to begin the day at 9:00am and then some time for grandparents to visit classrooms to see the wonderful things their grandchildren have been learning. Following this, some classes will provide some entertainment with a short concert in the hall and then a cuppa and morning tea afterwards. For catering purposes I ask that those attending to complete the form via the link: [form](#)

We would also love to make a display of photographs of the children with their Grandparents, (especially those Grandparents who can't be with us on the day.) Please send photographs to [kylie.lloydjones@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:kylie.lloydjones@dbb.catholic.edu.au)



## Winter Appeal

The St Vincent De Paul's Winter Appeal is supported annually by the school community, and it is one of the ways we can support those in need in our local area. We are asking students to start collecting non-perishable food items, blankets and warm clothes for this appeal. Friday 24th June will be the last day that we are accepting donations.

# PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

## Grade Assemblies

It has been a treat to hold a few Friday Afternoon Assemblies in recent weeks. These assemblies allow each grade to showcase some of the learning that has been occurring this year. This week's assembly will be hosted by our Stage 2 students. I encourage parents to come to school a little earlier on Friday to join the assembly from 2:15pm at school. Parents are unable to join us at school can tune in online via [Zoom](#).

### Zoom Link

Meeting ID: 672 7604 4778

Passcode: 782557

## Term 2 Dates for Your Calendar

Below are some dates to remember for various school events. Please place the following dates in your calendar.

### JUNE

**Thursday 16th June** - Girls Just Want to have Fun (Week 8)

**Friday 17th June** - Stage 2 assembly 2pm (Week 8)

**Thursday 23rd June** - Grandparent's Day celebration (Week 9)

**Sunday 26th June** - Stage 1 Family Parish Mass (Week 9)

**Thursday 30th June** - Years 3-6 Netball and League Tag Gala Days (Week 10)

### JULY

**Friday 1st July** - Pupil Free Day (Diocesan Staff Development Day) (Week 10). This day will be a student free day.

Our excellent before and after school care provider, Royston Kids will provide supervision for a limited number of children on that day. Parents can contact the service via email: [roystonkids@hotmail.com](mailto:roystonkids@hotmail.com) or by phone: 0431 383 981.

God bless you and your families.

**Todd Vane-Tempest**  
**Principal**

## Grandparents Day Thursday 23rd June

We are looking forward to welcoming all Grandparents and special friends to join us next Thursday 23rd June. To help us with catering please indicate on this form the number attending. We will begin with a prayer liturgy at 9am followed by classroom visits and morning tea.

We would love to make a display of photographs of the children with their Grandparents, (especially those Grandparents who can't be with us on the day.) Please send photographs to [kylie.lloydjones@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:kylie.lloydjones@dbb.catholic.edu.au)



## St Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal



Thank you everyone for your very generous donations. Friday 24th June will be the last day that we are accepting donations of the following items

- Warm winter clothing (in good condition jackets or new socks especially)
- Blankets
- Tinned Food - Please ensure that it has a long expiry date

The Mercy Action Group has been very active in encouraging donations and gathering items from the classrooms ready for collection.

We welcome Mr Paul Worthington from the Asquith conference to the assembly on Monday 27th June to speak to students about the work of St Vincent de Paul and to collect the donations.

## First Communion

Congratulations to the following students who will be celebrating the sacrament of First Communion this weekend. We shall be keeping all of them in our prayers as they celebrate this special occasion.

The celebrations will be Saturday 18th of June at 6pm, and Sunday 19th of June at 10am.

Emma C	Francheska P	Lucy H
Liam D	Thomas S	Thomas H
Gabriel D	Charlie S	Elissa M
Sooji K	Adam T	Luke M
Joshua M	Joshua T	Isaac T
Luca C	Nathan W	Benjamin S
Talita M	Jamie W	Mia N
Oscar B		



## The Dish

Our next turn for 'The Dish' program is Week 1 Term 3 -Tuesday 19th July. A roster of volunteers will be sent out in the coming weeks. Thanks once again for your constant offer of assistance and support. 'The Dish' now regularly serves meals to over 40 people each evening, in addition to providing a food pantry

If you would like to offer your assistance, in particular to help with the serving of meals in Term 3 or 4. Please complete the Google Form by clicking this [link](#)

## Year 1 and 2 Family Mass Sunday 26th June

On Sunday 26th June, Year 1 and 2 and their families are invited to attend the 10am Parish Mass at St Patrick's Church. A note to indicate attendance was sent home last week. All families are most welcome to join Year 1 and 2.



## From the Office

### Compass Absences

If your child is absent for the day please enter in the Compass APP. If they are absent for a partial day this needs to be done at the office kiosk when you pick your children up or drop them off.

### End of Term

As we come to the end of term there has been an increase in the amount of lost property at school. Please make sure to have a look in the buckets outside the kindergarten rooms for anything that may belong to your child.

Please remember to label everything so it is easy to find when lost.

### Australian Girls Choir Open Day

Look no further than the Australian Girls Choir (AGC) because we encourage, challenge and inspire girls as they learn to sing, dance and perform. School aged girls are invited to come along to our Open Day on Saturday June 18 to try our fun and inclusive classes and learn more about being part of the AGC! Please visit our website to [register](#) to attend our free Open Day



Living out our  
challenge for  
discipleship



"Learning is a  
constant process  
of discovery -  
a process  
without end"  
- Bruce Lee

# PASTORAL CARE FOCUS

Term 2 Weeks 7-8

We are respectful learners who  
learn and let others learn.

## Why is it important to develop this skill?

We are hitting the time in the term when our students start being tired and behaviours can arise. It is important that they understand their role in helping themselves learn their best and helping the learning of others as well.

There was also the excitement of Wellbeing Week last week, which we want our students to enjoy but at the same time also remember to be on task and do their best when they are asked.

Things we can encourage our students to do:

- Stay on task - work with others that allow them to do their best
- Be active listeners
- Work well independently, in partners, groups
- Be prepared for learning - bring everything they need for their day to school
- Cooperate well with others

## Learn your best!



Establish some good homework  
routines for independent  
learning.

Read at home with a parent each night or  
when possible.

Get older siblings to teach  
younger siblings new concepts.

## How can you help develop this at home?

Tell your child something new  
about your life they might not  
know or teach them about a new  
concept they are interested in.

Develop time management skills to  
complete tasks around the house in  
accordance with other commitments.



# ST PAT'S SPORTS REPORT



Diocesan Cross Country Team 2022

## Diocesan Cross Country

Well done to our team of 9 Students who made the Diocesan Cross Country Team. Unfortunately due to illness on the day we only had 5 of our students compete at the event.

Diocesan Cross Country Team 2022:

- Liam D
- Tom H
- Emma D
- Colin P
- Lachlan H
- Noah D
- Sienna F-S
- Gemma T
- Joshua W

These 5 students (Colin P, Joshua W, Gemma T, Liam D and Tom H) represented our school out at a very windy Fagans Park, Galston on Tuesday 31st May. They all competed with amazing effort and are to be commended for reaching this level of competition. Thank you to the parents as well who came on the day and supported them!



## NSW CCC CROSS COUNTRY

Special congratulations to Gemma T who came 3rd overall in her age group at the Broken Bay Diocese Cross Country and received a bronze medal. She then competed at the NSWCCC out at Eastern Creek last Tuesday. She showed her athleticism and came in 13th out of 36 competitors. Her points also went towards her team (Broken Bay) to which the girls did amazingly and came 1st!!

We are very proud as a school of Gemma's achievements, representing her school, Cluster and Diocese with pride. You're amazing Gemma!



## NRL Workshops

Last week we started our NRL and League Tag Workshops for Years 3-6. The children learnt some skills and drills to support them in the preparations for a League Tag Gala Day at the end of the term. They had lots of fun and we are looking forward to seeing their development in the workshops which will be on Wednesdays for Years 3-6 for the remainder of the term.

(All students in Years 3-6 should be wearing Sports Uniform on these days).

Our school has received funding through Sporting Schools to increase kids engagement with a variety of new sports in our community.



## League Tag and Netball Gala Days

Coming up on Thursday in Week 10 children in Years 3-6 will take part in either a League Tag or Netball Gala Day. Children will be able to utilise their skills learnt in the NRL Workshops if they are attending the League Tag Gala Day. Children are also learning skills in Netball in PE lessons at the moment, in preparation for a Netball Gala Day.

Permission and information note coming out this week.



# Student Representative Council News

The SRC are leading the way with recycling at our school. We are continuing to recycle plastic bread tags that will be delivered to a company called **AUSSIE BREAD TAGS FOR WHEELCHAIRS**. This company recycles the bread tags into products. These products are sold and the proceeds are used to purchase wheelchairs, mostly for those in need in South Africa.

This will continue for the remainder of the school year.

Kindergarten Gold and 5 Green have collected the most so far.

The SRC are also supporting the recycling of bread bag soft plastics. We ask that you save any bread bag, shake out its crumbs and send it into school. There is no need to wash your bags. We will collect them here at school. Our first goal is 5kg. This is about 14-16 bread bags filled with bread bags! St Patrick's... WE CAN DO THIS! For every 5kg's, our school will get 500 points to be used towards the purchasing of sports equipment made from the recycled plastic. For every 5kg's we collect, we can feel proud that it has been kept out of the ocean and landfill.




## BREAD TAGS FOR WHEELCHAIRS



We collect bread tags Australia-wide. These are recycled in Robe, SA to fund wheelchairs, mainly in South Africa. Save your tags and drop them off at one of our collection points. Get your school or local café to help!

Visit our website for signage, to find your nearest collection point, or to host a collection point.

 [aussiebreadtags@gmail.com](mailto:aussiebreadtags@gmail.com)

 [ozbreadtagsforwheelchairs.org.au](http://ozbreadtagsforwheelchairs.org.au)

 [@aussiebreadtags](https://www.facebook.com/aussiebreadtags)

Local Contact: .....



Re-made  
in Robe at  
Transmutation



## From the Parish

Parish Children's Choir @ St Patrick's welcomes children of all ages, from Year 3 up to the end of high school, to come and sing and learn and have fun together at practices every Friday during school terms from 4 to 5pm in St Patrick's church. The Choir sings regularly at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. Joining is easy - just come to our next practice!

Older singers in high school who have been singing with the Choir for some time form an extension group called the Select Choir. These young people will be supporting the parish Taize evening on Friday 24th June at 7pm in St Patrick's church, to pray for the people of Ukraine. Come and join us, and enjoy a nice warm cup of tea/ coffee afterwards.

For further information contact **Patricia Smith 9482 7935**

**Taize Night in June** In response to the terrible situation in Ukraine, there will be a special Taize prayer night on Friday, 24th June at 7pm at St Patrick's church. Come and gather with us, pray and reflect, sing some beautiful, simple chants, and enjoy tea/coffee in the courtyard afterwards.

# St Patrick's School Fete Newsletter Issue 1



Our Fete is a great opportunity for St Patrick's and the surrounding community to come together and RECONNECT. It is a time to be a part of something fun and entertaining locally.

The fete is also an opportunity to raise money for the school and its success depends on the St Patrick's community working together. There are many things that you can do to help make the fete a huge success.

## Fete Committee

### Fete Coordinators

Candida Fernando

### Stallholder Coordinators

Marcella Frutschi & Renee Mangion

### Sponsorship & Raffles

Is it YOU?

### Entertainment & Rides

Is it YOU?

### Marketing & Communications

Belinda Wickham & Pia Scott

### P & F Support

David De-Fina

### Treasurer

Eileen He (Yongmei)

## STALL HOLDERS WANTED

We are looking for volunteers to run stalls on the day. Why not grab a few friends and put your hand up for one of these stalls? Have another skill/ talent or hobby you want to see at the fete, get in contact and let us know!!

- Chocolate Wheel
- Lucky Balloons
- BBQ
- Cakes
- Gardening / Nursery
- Pies
- Devonshire Tea
- Face Painting
- Coloured Hair / Tattoos / Nail Polish



Register your interest via the [link](#)

## DONATIONS & SPONSORSHIP

We always need prizes for our stalls like Lucky Balloons and the Chocolate Wheel. Donations of cash / equipment / materials / services are also very helpful.

If you own a business, know someone who does, or have any contacts that might be helpful, we would love to hear from you!

Get in contact: [pandfstpats@gmail.com](mailto:pandfstpats@gmail.com)

# WIN!

## CALLING ALL ARTISTS

We are looking for parents who can help with the face painting stall. If you are good with a paintbrush, why not put up your hand to help.

Contact us [pandfstpats@gmail.com](mailto:pandfstpats@gmail.com)



We are still in need of sponsorship and entertainment committee helpers. Reach out to find out more about each role and how YOU can be involved

<https://forms.gle/LBswSNmEZ2Hw3Qj>

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# ICAS Competitions

St Patrick's will be participating in the ICAS competitions this year.

What is ICAS?

ICAS is an online academic competition for children in Years 2-6 that is designed to assess students' higher order thinking and problem-solving skills in English, Mathematics, Science, Writing, Spelling Bee and Digital Technologies.

ICAS  
assessments



Each assessment celebrates students' accomplishments by providing opportunities for recognition and development. Learn more about ICAS [here](#).

The dates for the competitions will be as follows:  
Digital Technologies - Tuesday 9th August  
Writing - Thursday 11th August  
English - Thursday 18th August  
Science - Tuesday 23rd August  
Spelling Bee - Thursday 25th August  
Mathematics - Thursday 1st September

How to participate in ICAS

If you wish for your child to participate in ICAS this year, please:

1. Read about ICAS subjects and prices [here](#)
2. Go to Parent Portal [here](#)
3. Enter our school's access code – **QDX795**
4. Enter your child's details, select the tests you would like to purchase, then proceed to payment.

Please note that the ICAS tests shown for selection are at the school's discretion.

After payment is made via the Parent Payment System, you will receive an order confirmation email, please keep this for your records.

We will confirm the date(s) that we run ICAS at the school and when your child's ICAS results are ready. You and your child can access the results once released via the Reports Portal using the TAP ID and pin found on the back of the ICAS certificate.

Every student who participates will receive a printed certificate and an online results report. Top performers will be eligible for medals.

We encourage you to consider entering your child into ICAS this year and look forward to some fantastic results later in the year.

The cut off date for sign up is 18 July 2022.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school office 9477 3800 or Mrs Drake if you have any questions.

# Entertainment

Mount St Benedict College are proud to present  
The Addams Family  
When: 16 -18 June  
Where: Hildegard Theatre Foyer, Mount St  
Benedict College  
449C Pennant Hills Rd, Pennant Hills.  
Click below to book  
<https://www.msb.nsw.edu.au/musical/>

Oakhill College is proud to present Les  
Miserables (School Edition).  
Tickets are on sale now at:  
[www.trybooking.com/BZGWQ](http://www.trybooking.com/BZGWQ) for \$39.50  
each.

**Thursday 9th & Friday 10th**

**June 7.30pm**

**Saturday 11th June**

**1pm & 7.30pm**

**Thursday 16th & Friday 17th**

**June 7.30pm**

**Saturday 18th June**

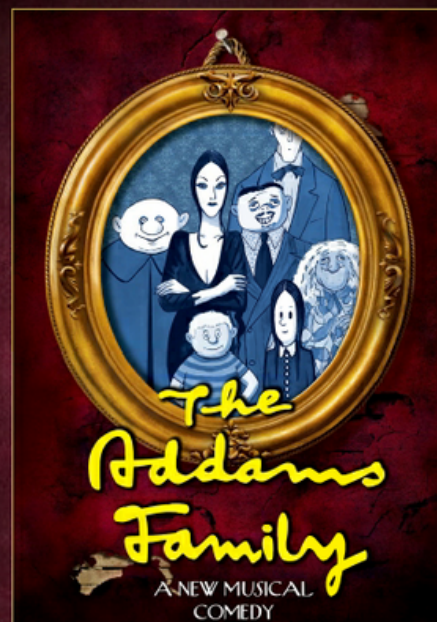
**1pm & 7.30pm**

**TICKETS THROUGH**  
***trybooking.com***



The Mount St Benedict College Production of  
*The Addams Family*

When: 16 -18 June  
Where: Hildegard Theatre Foyer, Mount St Benedict College  
449C Pennant Hills Rd, Pennant Hills



[Purchase tickets here:](https://www.msb.nsw.edu.au/musical/)  
<https://www.msb.nsw.edu.au/musical/>

Book by Marshall Brickman and Rick Ellice.  
Music and Lyrics by Andrew Lippa.  
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## Les Misérables

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