

St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

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Weekend Mass Times

St Patrick's AsquithSt Bernard'sSaturday Vigil 6pmSaturday VigSunday 8am, 10am, 6pmSunday 9am

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



PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Dear Parents and Carers,

I congratulate our Year 6 leaders who represented our school proudly while on their trip to Canberra last week. The children experienced some chilly weather but luckily the sun was shining and they had a wonderful time visiting many of the attractions available.

Parliament House, Questacon, the Australian War Memorial, The National Capital Exhibition and the Institute of Sport were highlights. At each venue the children engaged with the learning and demonstrated excellent behaviour.

Again, I thank our staff, Cheryl Taylor, Hannah Fryar, Kylie Lloyd-Jones & Isabella Gane, for giving up time away from families to attend the excursion.

We now look forward to the upcoming Year 5 Bathurst excursion scheduled for Monday and Tuesday of next week.

Planned Industrial Action on Friday 27th May

On Monday I alerted parents and carers to the full day of industrial action by IEU union members on this Friday, 27 May 2022.

Please note that due to the number of staff in our school who will participate in industrial action we will only be able to provide supervision to students who attend this Friday. As a result, there will be no normal classes provided on this day.

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To allow the school to have appropriate supervision in place to supervise the students who do attend on Friday, I ask you to indicate, by completing the form via the link below, if your child/ren will be attending school on Friday.

Link: School Attendance Form for Friday 27th May 2022

Please be aware that our Before and After School Care provider, Royston Kids, will operate as normal on Friday.

Mrs Jacobsen also communicated via Compass the postponement of Band lessons to Monday 30th May.

Australian Government Capital Grants Program

Last week I announced that our school were successful in gaining a significant government grant to support our capital works program. The work for this has been happening in the background for some time now and it now good to know we have secured funding to upgrade many of the learning spaces in the school. The work will continue with designs and plans to be finalised and building contractors to be obtained.

Covid-19 Update

This week a new supply of RAT kits will be sent home to families to assist with the current NSW Health requirements regarding close contacts. Further information regarding the extra RAT Kits will be provided this week via Compass.

I continue to encourage parents to stay vigilant for any symptoms of the virus during this time and remind parents to make sure they follow the Covid-safe guidelines:

- If a student or staff member receives a positive RAT test, they need to
 - record the positive RAT result through the Service NSW website or Service NSW app
 - notify the school of the positive RAT or PCR test result as soon as possible
 - follow NSW Health advice to isolate for 7 days

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Kinder Enrolments 2023

Our School Open Day is scheduled for tomorrow Thursday 26th May. 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 6:00pm. 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. Please click <u>St Patrick's, Asquith Open Day Registration</u> to register

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.

Our Pastoral Care Focus for Weeks 5-6

'We are respectful learners who take turns, include others and play fairly '



This fortnight we will be encouraging the children to be respectful when playing and communicating with each other. I ask parents to take the time to speak to their child/ren about this focus with particular emphasis on encouraging them to:

- Use their manners and communicate respectfully with others
- Include others in their games
- If a game is not working for them strategies for seeking support to manage the game effectively e.g., go to a teacher and "ask for help" rather than "dobbing someone in", walk away and join another game
- Listen effectively to what others have to say and try to understand where they are coming from.

SDD- Friday 1st July

As part of the Towards 2025 strategy in the Diocese of Broken Bay to ensure authentic, professional, Catholic education is delivered with care and compassion to all students enrolled in the Diocese's Catholic schools, the staff of all diocesan catholic schools will be attending a professional learning day on the last day of Term 2, Friday 1st July. As a result, 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: <u>roystonkids@hotmail.com</u> or by phone: 0431 383 981.

God bless you and your families. Todd Vane-Tempest Principal



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OPEN DAY

Inspiring a passion for learning and fostering a sense of self, community, faith and love.

St Patrick's ensures a welcoming and loving community that underpins each family's presence here. Each child is known, valued and cared for by our teachers and the school community. Our dedicated and professional team proudly focus on academic success but more than that, we develop the whole child, their social and emotional well-being, spiritual needs as well as their physical development through sport and movement.

Thursday 26th May

Join us

School tour from 9am & 5.30pm. Principal's address from 9am & 5.30pm.

- Meet with our Principal
- Take a first hand look at our learning environment
- Discover how each and every child has a unique learning experience

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