



# St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

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## Parish Clergy

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,

### Public Speaking

This week most classes will be conducting their speeches as part of the annual school public speaking event. Thank you to parents who assisted their child/ren to prepare and we look forward to the grade and school finals later this term. For further details, please refer to the communication provided on Friday 12th August by Mrs Huggins via Compass.

### Reminder- Let's Hear it For The Boys is now on QKR

A reminder to parents that the Years 4, 5 & 6 Boys - Mum and Son Games night "Let's Hear it for the Boys" (aka Brilliant in Blue) is also available on QKR. The closing date is Monday 5 September 5pm. It promises to be a fun night out with a chance for our mums to catch up and connect with each other after many missed opportunities because of Covid-safe restrictions.

### Tell Them From Me Survey Parent and Student Surveys

In the coming weeks we will be inviting students, teachers and parents to provide feedback on their experience of our school using an online survey. The surveys are an important part of our whole school evaluation and planning process.

We would like to invite you to complete the Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Partners in Learning survey. As we value the role of parents and carers within our school community, we would greatly appreciate your feedback. The information you provide will be used to maintain our commitment to working together in partnership to further improve student learning and wellbeing at St. Patrick's Catholic Primary School Asquith.

The survey is anonymous and will take approximately 20 minutes to complete. You can access the parent survey on your computer or mobile device by using the URL below:

# PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

The survey is anonymous and will take approximately 20 minutes to complete. You can access the parent survey on your computer or mobile device by using the URL below:

<http://tellthemfromme.com/stpatsasquith2022>



The parent survey will close on Friday 16 September 2022 (4:30pm AEDT)

The survey will provide us with valuable feedback on what our students (Years 4-6) think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the Tell Them From Me survey to help them improve. A separate letter will be sent to parents of Years 4-6 to provide greater detail about the student survey.

## Kinder Screeners

In the coming weeks we welcome our new Kindergarten students for 2023 as they participate in a Kinder Screener Session either on Thursday 8th or Thursday 15th September. During each session the children will have a chance to get to know the school environment and meet and spend time with some of their new classmates. It will also be an opportunity for teachers to get to know the children as learners and prepare for their start at big school next year.

In Term 4 the children will return for three transition sessions scheduled for the mornings of Thursday 10th, 17th & 24th November (between 9am to 10:30am).

## Play Group

We had another fantastic turn-out for Paddy's Playgroup on Monday, with pre-schoolers and their parents coming along for a fun filled morning. We read the 'Three Little Pigs' book, engaged in arts and crafts and played with all the various toys, puzzles, blocks and more.

Paddy's Playgroup will continue each Monday from 9am in the Parish Meeting Room with structured activities, craft and time for unstructured play where the children can socialise and use their imagination while they play with their new friends. Next week's theme will be **colours**.



## Professional Learning and Planned Staff Development Days for the Remainder of 2022

A reminder that we have planned staff development days in Term 4 to do some of the work required to support the professional learning of teachers for new syllabus documents for English and Mathematics using resources provided by CSBB. The following dates will be Staff Development Days:

Monday October 10th- Day 1 Term 4

Friday December 16th- Last day Term 4.

As a result, these days will be student free days. 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

# REC - Kylie Lloyd Jones

## Altar Server Training

Congratulations to Liam, Josh, Mia, Oscar, Lucy and Talita from Year 4 for completing their Altar Server training. Good luck over the next few weekends as you serve at mass for the first time. We look forward to having you assist in our school masses.



Father's Day Feed and Read  
St Patrick's will celebrate the Fathers, Grandfathers, Uncles and the other special Men in our lives with a special breakfast on Friday 2nd September (Week 7). We look forward to welcoming you to the school and sharing a special liturgy to give thanks for our Fathers. Thank you to Kindergarten and Year 6 for your hard work preparing the liturgy

## Year 5 Parish Family Mass

On Sunday 11th September, Year 5 and their families are invited to attend the 10am Parish Mass at St Patrick's Church. A note to indicate attendance was sent home this week. All families are most welcome to join Year 5.



## Religious Creative Art Competition

Year 6 students this term have been creating a creative response to the theme of Courage for the Religious Art Prize. Congratulations to Isla B for her Visual Arts piece based on the story of the Annunciation and to Blake A, Angus C, Lachlan H, Luke P, Keith P and Danny P for their multimedia video based on the courage that Peter the disciple showed. Their entries will now be entered into the Diocesan Competition.



Kylie Lloyd-Jones  
REC

## Upcoming Dates

Friday 2nd September - Fathers Day Breakfast

Sunday 11th September: Year 5 Parish Mass

Sunday 18th September: Confirmation

Monday 10th October- Term 4 Staff Development Day

Tuesday 11th October - Term 4 - First day Students

Thursday 15th December - Term 4 - Last Day all Students

Friday 16th December - Staff Development Day

Living out our  
challenge for  
discipleship



Be a safe and  
caring citizen.

# PASTORAL CARE FOCUS

Term 3 Weeks 7 and 8

We are safe learners who use safe  
and caring actions.

## Why is it important to develop this skill?

We are getting to the time in the term when students are starting to get tired, and issues can arise more easily. It is important to continue to remind the children the need to use safe actions towards each other.

We have had lots of external events outside school in the past couple of weeks - it is great to hear how supportive our students have been to each other and other schools. We encourage them to continue this attitude with further upcoming events. As we head into Wellbeing Week (Week 9) - theme "Environment", we can draw children's attention to ways we can use caring actions towards our environment and the world - supporting bread bags initiative and bread tags are a small way we can make a difference.

## Caring Actions



Choose to do small acts of  
kindness at home

Help out at home or take on a  
new responsibility

Reinforcing safe play and use of  
spaces at home.

## How can you help develop this at home?

Participate in the bread  
tags/bags initiatives and waste  
free lunches.

Using safe and caring actions  
with siblings - encourage one  
another.

# Library News



Last week we experienced the excitement of book week - colouring in competitions, jelly bean guessing and to end the week a fabulous book character book week parade. Thank you to all the effort and enthusiasm that the staff and students put in.

Some of our winners last week were;

**Colouring in competition;**

Early Stage 1: Akira K Gold

Stage 1: Vincent 2 Green

Stage 2: Wanting 4 Gold

Stage 3: Tyler 5 Gold

**Jelly bean guessing competition;**

K-2: Dylan K 1 Green guessed 308

Y3-6: Aston G 6 Gold guessed 311



## Premier's Reading Challenge

The 2022 Premier's Reading Challenge is now over for another year. I'd like to congratulate the 153 students who completed the challenge this year. That is the largest number of students to ever complete the challenge at St Patrick's. What great readers we have at our school! Keep up the amazing reading and remember any books you read from September this year can count towards the challenge next year. Remember the theme for book week this year 'Dreaming with eyes open ...' Reading really is dreaming with eyes open.

KEEP CALM AND KEEP ON READING

# Gifted & Talented News



## Tournament of the Minds

Congratulations to our Sensational St Patrick's Tournament of the Minds team who performed both their Spontaneous and Long Term Challenges at Waitara Public School on Sunday. The Stage 3 team chose a Social Science Challenge based on 'The Circle'. They had six weeks to prepare, had to write the script and make the costumes themselves and were not able to have help from any adults throughout the process. I congratulate the team on their dedication, creative skills and increased confidence throughout the whole process. The mentoring from the Year 6 students to the Year 5 students was invaluable and our team did St Patrick's proud!

Mrs Drake



## Are you following us on social media?

Our social channels are a great way to see our school in action! See regular updates, reminders and lots of pictures of events and our students. Be sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram:



[www.facebook.com/stpatsasquith](http://www.facebook.com/stpatsasquith)



[www.instagram.com/stpatricksprimary\\_asquith/](http://www.instagram.com/stpatricksprimary_asquith/)

# ST PAT'S SPORTS REPORT



## School Athletics Carnival

After a 3 year drought, due to Covid, we welcomed back our school Athletics Carnival in Week 4 with excitement and enthusiasm. All children participated with great enjoyment in field, track and novelty events across the day.

Thank you to our Colour House Captains and Year 6 leaders for their energy and passion in preparing and practicing chants and health hustles to promote Spirit amongst their house. Also a huge thanks to all our parent helpers and carers who were able to help run the carnival and cheer us on throughout the day!

And finally, thank you to all our fantastic St Pat's students for all your fun, excitement and display of great sportspersonship over the course of the day!



## Athletics 2022

Spirit Trophy Winner - McAuley (Gold) House

Championship Trophy Winner - Mercy (Blue) House

### AGE CHAMPIONS:

8 Years: Ruwinka D and Philip K

9 Years: Liam D and Elizaveta K

10 Years: Luca C and Angela R

11 Years: Colin P and Hayley N

12 Years: Luke P, Sienna F and Gemma T  
(Trophies will be handed out at Assembly on Friday)



## NORTH SHORE CLUSTER ATHLETICS



A huge congratulations to the 48 students who competed in the North Shore Athletics Cluster carnival at Narrabeen on Tuesday 16th August.

We were so proud of your efforts, team spirit and determination which you all showed throughout the day. You cheered each other on and were excellent representatives of our school.

10 of our students came in the top 3 or 2 for their track and field events and represented our Cluster and School at the Diocesan Athletics Carnival on Tuesday this week. Results to come...

These students represented our Cluster and School at the Diocesan Athletics:  
 Gemma T: 1500m / Colin P: 1500m, 800m, 200m / Sienna F-S: Long Jump and Senior Girls Relay / Hayley N: 200m, 100m and Senior Girls Relay / Keith P: Long Jump / Oscar T: Shot Put / Ruwinka D: 100m / Elena K: Senior Girls Relay / Julienne U: Senior Girls Relay / Elizaveta K: 100m

## NRL Florimo 7's Gala Day

What a great day for our Year 5 and 6 participants at the Florimo 7s NRL and League Tag Gala Day at Rofe Park, back in Week 4.

They had a fun day and competed with great sportspersonship against some formidable opponents from schools in our area. With fun and engagement in the sport being the main goal of the day.

Thanks to our parent supporters and team managers for their support on the day as well!





# Student Representative Council News

Dear St Patrick's Community,

We only have a few more days left to get in as many BREAD BAGS as we can, to redeem what we have collected for sports equipment.

The deadline is next Wednesday, 7th September.

After this date we will continue to collect bread bags at St Patrick's to dispose of in the REDCYCLE at Coles at Woolworths.

Thank you all for your support with this initiative.



## Community Sport

A great effort from our St Pat's Students in their local Sporting Club.

Asquith Soccer club u12A came top of the table with Luke P Lachlan H Matt C Blake A Angus C Josh W From year 6 in the team.

Asquith Magpies u12 rugby league won a grand final with Luke P Lachlan H Matt C Blake A Danny P From year 6 in the team.

Asquith Magpies u12 Blues Tag came a very close runners up in the grand final match with Gemma T Hayley N Sophie R Elizabeth M Natalie H Sienna F From year 6 in the team.

In the boys teams four boys played both sports on the same day to win.



## From the Parish

Parish Children's Choir gathers every Friday afternoon during school terms at 4 till 5pm in the church, to sing and learn new skills in music, to build community in a multi-age learning setting, talking about faith and life. We sing at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. All young people are welcome to join, from Year 3 up to the final years of high school. NB: from the beginning of term 4, Year 2 students may come along and try out! No fees, no audition, just a willingness to listen and learn in a supportive community. For further information call Patricia Smith 9482 7935 or Kuring-gai Chase parish office 9456 2450.





# ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL FETE

SATURDAY 22nd OCTOBER

10-3PM



- PETTING ZOO**
- FIRE ENGINE**
- FACE PAINTING**
- PADDY'S SALON**
- SNOW CONES**
- SHOWBAGS**
- INFLATABLE RIDES**
- CHOCOLATE WHEEL**
- CAKE STALL**
- GAMES & PRIZES**



COME & JOIN THE FAMILY FUN  
EVERYONE IS WELCOME



ROYSTON PDE,  
ASQUITH

# SAFEGUARDING MONTH *families*

SEPTEMBER 2022



CATHOLIC  
DIOCESE OF  
BROKEN BAY

## BUILDING MEANINGFUL CONNECTIONS IN EVERY FAMILY

The Diocese of Broken Bay promotes awareness of Safeguarding each September.

We invite all families to share with us your experiences of how you connect as a family in the form of a story, a video or a photo during Safeguarding Month of September.

Some suggestions might include exercising together, bushwalking, baking or play a game.

Scan for  
more  
activity  
ideas



[bbccatholic.org.au/safeguarding/engaging-with-your-family](http://bbccatholic.org.au/safeguarding/engaging-with-your-family)

The most creative and inspirational entries will be showcased on our Diocesan Safeguarding Month webpage.



SCAN  
TO  
ENTER



Entries will be open September 1 to September 30.

\*Submission of entries will be taken as consent to share

# Holiday Fun

Free family  
fun at the  
Parliament  
of NSW

Friday  
7 October  
10am to 3pm

FREE  
ENTRY



## Cartooning workshop

Draw people and objects with the award-winning illustrator and cartoonist Eric Lobbecke. Every half hour from 11:00am, finishing at 2:00pm

## Vote for me!

Learn how to vote with the NSW Electoral Commission. Every half hour from 10:00am

## Mock Committee Hearing

Have your say as a participant in our committee hearings. Every half hour from 10:00am

AUSLAN  
interpreters  
available

\$4  
Democracy  
Sausage

The  
Public Café  
open

Visit us at Australia's oldest Parliament as it opens its doors for **Family Fun Day**, an open day packed with free, fun activities for children from 4 to 12 years and their families. In addition to the above, there will be many activities on offer for families to enjoy, including craft, tours of our historic chambers, roving musicians and more...! (You might even get to meet some very important people.)



BOOK NOW



## BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

P: (02) 9230 2047

E: [communityengagement@parliament.nsw.gov.au](mailto:communityengagement@parliament.nsw.gov.au)

## WHERE

6 Macquarie Street, Sydney - opposite Martin Place

## MORE INFORMATION

[www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/events](http://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/events)



# JOIN THE FUN

A NEW OFFICIAL KIDS PROGRAM OF CRICKET AUSTRALIA LAUNCHES THIS YEAR!



## JUNIOR BLASTERS

AGES 5-7 | 60 MINS

- Learn new skills including catching, throwing and teamwork
- Make new friends or organise a group to learn together
- Wear the colours of your favourite Big Bash heroes in a personalised t-shirt
- All equipment supplied, parents join in the fun



### SIGN UP NOW TO GET YOUR JUNIOR BLASTERS PACK!

Includes t-shirt with your name on it and bucket hat in your choice of Big Bash team colour, bat & ball, personalised bat sticker sheet & progression tracker.



## MASTER BLASTERS

AGES 7-10 | 90 MINS

- For kids with basic cricket skills
- Every kid gets a chance to bat, bowl and field
- Wear the colours of your favourite Big Bash heroes in your choice of coloured player cap
- Make new friends or organise a group to play together
- All equipment supplied, parents join in the fun



### SIGN UP NOW TO GET YOUR MASTER BLASTERS PACK!

Includes player cap in your choice of Big Bash team colour & progression tracker.



Your nearest Cricket Blast Club is:



Asquith Rugby League Cricket Club  
11-37 Alexandria Parade, Waitara NSW 2077

If you would like to play, please contact:

Jose Da Silva on 0434 537 183

or visit us at

[arlcc.nsw.cricket.com.au](http://arlcc.nsw.cricket.com.au)



# Asquith Rugby League Cricket Club

11-37 Alexandria Parade, Waitara NSW 2077



## Junior Girls & Boys Cricket

U8's to U16's

All Juniors to receive  
Professional Coaching



Fun all girls  
competitions  
for ages 11 - 17

## Senior Cricket

A-Grade to D-Grade

11 Premierships in 12 Years

Contact: Stephen Loccisano  
arlccpresident@gmail.com  
0409 813 860



**Register Now**

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