



# St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

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## Parish Clergy

Rev Dr Biju Jose, OSH

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## 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,

This term we look forward to the School Fete on Saturday 22nd October along with other scheduled events including the Stage 1 Reptile Park excursion, School Disco, Year 5 Leadership Camp, Kinder Transition Days, School Band Concert, School Christmas Concert, End of Year School Mass and Year 6 Celebration and Graduation events to name a few.

### School Fete- Volunteers Still Needed

At St. Patrick's, we pride ourselves on the overwhelming sense of community spirit that rises up when we hold school events. One way of showing that support is to attend the school fete and invite family and friends to join you. Another important way is to volunteer a little bit of time at a stall or help tidy up or empty some bins. **Volunteers are still required.** I ask all parents to please check for opportunities to sign up online via <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040e4aa8ac2ba3fe3-stpatricks> or next week in person during after school pickup time. Your help will be very appreciated.

### Parking

Last term we provided information from Hornsby Council encouraging our school community to park safely and considerately in our local streets. I again ask that parents be mindful of our neighbours and not to park across their driveways blocking their access to and from their homes. This will be particularly important on our school fete day. There will be an increased volume of traffic around the streets, and it is important that this event is supported by our community without being a test to those in the local neighbourhood.

# PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

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

The teachers began the week with a planned staff development day with a focus on Religious Education and the new Catholic Charter introduced by Bishop Anthony Randazzo. In coming weeks parents and families will also have a chance to become familiar with this new initiative.

Throughout the term the school leadership will continue to support the professional learning of teachers for new syllabus documents for English and Mathematics. Beginning this week, teachers will be provided extensive opportunities to become familiar with these curriculum documents and other resources provided by CSBB. Teachers attended a 3-hour meeting this week working with the new Mathematics syllabus.

Our final Staff Development Day will occur on Friday December 16th (last day of Term 4). As a result, the last day of attendance for Term 4 for all children will be Thursday 15th December.

As Friday December 16th is 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 or by phone: 0431 383 981.

## Class Organisation for 2023

Every year Catholic Schools Broken Bay provide a staffing allocation to each school based on the expected enrolment numbers for the following year. Based on current numbers, St. Patrick's has been provided an allocation for 10 classes for 2023 which is one less than the 11 classes we have currently.

We will be making decisions this term about class groupings for 2023, including whether there is a need to have 'Stage Class' groupings as we have had in recent years e.g., this year Mrs Russell has been teaching Year 1/2 Green and last year Miss Fryar taught Year 5/6 Gold.

As this has been common in our school for some time, we have organised the units of work to be taught the same across a stage. As a result, Year 1 and 2, or Year 3 and 4, or Year 5 and 6, are learning the same topics and working to achieve the same outcomes. This allows the combining of children in these stage groupings to function successfully.

## School Captains- Leadership Experience at NSW Parliament House

Yesterday our school captains had the great honour to be the guests of our local state member of parliament The Honourable Matt Keen at the NSW Parliament House to listen to and meet personally some exemplary sporting leaders.

It was a special experience for each of them to tour both legislative chambers and later listen to the inspiring messages from:

- Retired Australian Rugby and World Cup winning captain Nick Farr-Jones
- NSW cricketer and Sydney Thunder Captain Chris Green
- Retired Parramatta Eels Captain Tim Mannah
- Paralympics Co-captain Joany Badenhorst
- AFLW Giants player Nicola Barr

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Along with great messages from the NSW Treasurer Matt Kean and the NSW Premier Dominic Perrottet.

Each speaker gave great insights of how to lead and achieve but also why it is important to do so.

A few inspirational messages they heard were:

- Look after your teammates and set the example to those around you.
- Work hard but be adaptable.
- Be honest with yourself and those around you.
- Use your setbacks as motivation to achieve and do better.
- Ask yourself 'what do I need to do today to be a better person and better athlete?'
- You will make a lot of errors along the way but that is where you learn the most.
- Think about the person you want to be when you grow up and take steps now to achieve that.
- Embrace, accept and support difference.
- Look out for people even those who aren't the most popular.
- Get advice, you don't have all the answers.
- If it doesn't work then don't give in, find another way to achieve your goals.

I am sure you would agree that is some good advice for our young and aspiring leaders.

Don't forget we need you, if only for an hour, to help our fete bring our wonderful school community together. Please sign up at. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040e4aa8ac2ba3fe3-stpatricks>



God Bless you and your families  
Todd Vane-Tempest  
Principal

## Upcoming Dates

Saturday 22nd October - School Fete

Friday 28th October - Socktober

Tuesday 1st November - The Dish

Sunday 6th November - Term 4 - Stage 2 Family Mass

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

Friday 16th December - Staff Development Day

# REC - Kylie Lloyd Jones

## World Mission Month and Socktober

On Friday 28th October St Patrick's will be celebrating World Mission Month with a Socktober Celebration. Children are encouraged to wear crazy socks and bring a gold coin donation. Year 6 Students will be holding a soccer shoot-out at recess and lunch among other activities during the day to raise awareness of the work of Catholic Mission around the world and in particular their focus country this year of Ethiopia.



### Let's kick goals for good!

Join us at our Socktober Event Day on

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October

as we raise funds to support children facing malnutrition and food insecurity in Ethiopia.

Wear your sports uniform and your favourite crazy coloured socks, and don't forget to sign up online!

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



## The Dish

Our final turn of hosting The Dish will be Week 4 Tuesday 1st November. If you would like to offer your assistance, in particular to help with the serving of meals. Please complete the Google Form by clicking this [link](#)

## STAGE 2 FAMILY MASS

Year 3 and 4 Families save the date



Sunday 6th November 10am  
St Patrick's Church

Kylie Lloyd-Jones  
REC

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Living out our  
challenge for  
discipleship



"Respect yourself  
and others will  
respect you"

- Confucious

# PASTORAL CARE FOCUS

Term 4 Weeks 1 and 2

We are respectful learners who take  
pride in their appearance.

## Why is it important to develop this skill?

As we now head into our summer months, we expect the students to be now wearing their full school summer uniform according to the guidelines outlined on the [school website](#). It is an important reminder for your children to remember to LABEL ALL their clothing so it can be returned to you directly (particularly reused uniforms with previous names of students: please cross out and relabel). We understand the cost and we need to encourage the students to take ownership of the care of such items. Also, it is important to remind students to be wearing their hats in the playground.

If, for any reason, your child is not able to wear their correct uniform on a given day please just write a note to their teacher to let them know the reason.

## Wearing our uniform with pride



Label all your uniform items.

Set up good hygiene and  
grooming practices

Encourage to put jackets and  
jumpers in their school bags  
when they are hot.

## How can you help develop this at home?

Have students take  
responsibility for their clothing  
at home - tidying, washing etc

Encouraging your child to bring  
their hat and wear their hat at  
school each day.

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

# Student Achievements

Congratulations to all children who participated in the English and Digital Technologies ICAS Competitions in Term 3. Thank you for coming to school early and participating with a smile!

We had some wonderful results as follows:

## Digital Technologies.

High Distinction	Distinction	Credit	Merit
Andrew D - Yr6	Charlie S - Yr5	Craig A - Yr2 Isabella S - Yr3	Cyrene A - Yr5

## English

High Distinction	Distinction	Credit	Merit
Freya A- Yr3	Alice C - Yr3 Andrew D - Yr6	Craig A - Yr2 Rose M - Yr3 Gauri T - Yr4 Daniela T - Yr5 Julienne U Yr6	Jacob U - Yr4 Aaron Z - Yr4 Tyler S - Yr5

## From the Parish

Parish Children's Choir@St Patrick's resumes this Friday, from 4 to 5pm in the church, for Term 4. The Choir is usually open to children from Year 3 and up, but just for this term we are welcoming children in Year 2 (2022) who may be interested in joining the Choir. Come along to one of our practices any time this term. Children's Choir sings at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays of every month, except January. All welcome. For further information contact Patricia Smith 9482 7935



**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](https://www.facebook.com/stpatsasquith)



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

# Fete News

## TOYS drop off

sat 15th oct 9am-10am  
mon 17th oct after school  
parish room (next to uniform shop)

We are looking for toys in clean and in good working order. They can be construction, dress up/ dramatic play, baby toys, sporting, games, puzzle (please ensure all pieces are there). To donate your pre loved toys, please clean them, bag them and drop them to school.



**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**

**FAITH**  
**ROYSTON PDE, ASQUITH**

The poster has a green background with a string of colorful triangular bunting at the top. On the left, there is a circular illustration of a leprechaun in a green suit and hat, holding a shamrock. Below the text are several icons: a colorful castle, a blue snow cone, a circular logo with 'BBO', a white rabbit, and a small brown chick. The bottom right corner features a school crest with a cross and the text 'FAITH' and 'ROYSTON PDE, ASQUITH'.



## CHESS!!

Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students at St Patrick's Primary School (Asquith) is held on Fridays from 1:15pm to 1:55pm, starting on 14 October 2022. Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment. Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard, puzzle solving and fun practice games. Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop. If your child is interested in taking part, you can collect an enrolment form from the school office, or email [enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au](mailto:enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au) for a copy. For all enquiries, please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.