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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



PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are all looking forward to the school Christmas Concert on Thursday 1st December. It should be a fun evening for all families to get involved with as we celebrate together. We welcome our guest performer, Drew Lane, who will facilitate the concert by preparing all classes to present an item during the day with the live performance in the evening.

Additionally, our talented music teacher Teaghan Pugsley will also teach each grade a few traditional Christmas Carols for them to sing with the support of the school choir and school band.

Families are welcome to bring along a picnic for their family to enjoy. We will also have a sausage sizzle available on the night. Families will be able to purchase these via QKR soon.

Thank you to the parents who have already volunteered to support the sausage sizzle. We are seeking a few more volunteers to assist with cooking and/or serving at the Sausage Sizzle. Please click on the link if you will be able to assist: [Christmas Concert Sausage Sizzle Volunteer](#).

Christmas Concert Schedule

From 4pm: Sausage Sizzle

From 5pm: Christmas Carols with grade groups, School Choir and School Band

From 5:45pm: Christmas Concert with Drew Lane (each grade presents an item prepared by Drew)

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P & F AGM

On Monday 5th December at 7:30pm we will have our AGM for our P&F. We are blessed at St. Patrick's to have a vibrant and energetic parent body, as we work together to support our community, especially the children. As a community, we owe our team of parent volunteers an enormous vote of thanks for their time and tireless continued advocacy for the school

I take this opportunity to thank the members of the Parent Council and P&F who have provided loving service to our community. It is important we have a generous and continued succession of parents and so I ask everyone to give consideration to engaging with our school and joining the P&F committee.

As we are now enjoying getting back to more social gatherings, we hope the opportunity for more community events will be available next year. Would you like to be a part of organising social events, building the St Pats parent community? There are lots of opportunities for you to share your skills and get involved. Send an email pandfstpats@gmail.com and let us know how you would like to be involved or just let us know what ideas you have for parent and family social gathering or activities.

Year 5 Leadership Opportunities

This week some of our Year 5 students put themselves forward to be selected by their peers to be school captain. It was wonderful to see so many Year 5 students present quality speeches for their peers to consider. Ultimately 5 girls and 5 boys have been shortlisted as possible School Captain and School Vice-Captain for 2023. I acknowledge and congratulate Thomas C, Noah D, Fynn E, Archie M, Tyler S, Emma D, Elena K, Catherine M, Natalia S and Daniela T for their selection as candidates for school captain.

Next Monday morning these students will give prepared speeches to children in Years 2-5. Following the speeches, the children will have the chance to select their preferred candidates for school and vice captains.

Well-being Week- Peer Support

During Well-being Week our school will be relaunching our newly updated School Behaviour Matrix with some peer support activities. The children will join together across grades a few times next week to focus on the important values and behaviours that we share in our school community through our new Behaviour Matrix posters. The children will also have a Peer Support Picnic Lunch together on Thursday to culminate the weeks activities. The children just need to bring their normal lunch on that day but sit with their Peer Support Group.

I thank our current and future Year 6 leaders for taking on the important role of leading the small groups of students in their Peer Support Groups. It will be a great opportunity for these students to demonstrate their leadership skills to the younger students.

Men in the Morning

All dads, fathers, grandfathers and significant males in the lives of the children are invited to join us for Men in the Morning activities on Thursday 24th November from 8:15am. Traditionally our dads will join the children before the start of school having fun playing games and other activities. I encourage all our dads to do few minutes a day warming up the handball skills in preparation of a fun get together at school.

God bless you and your families.

Todd Vane-Tempest

Principal