



# St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

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## Parish Clergy

Rev Dr Biju Jose, OSH

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St Patrick's Asquith

Saturday Vigil 6pm

Sunday 8am, 10am, 6pm

## Weekend Mass Times

St Bernard's Berowra Heights

Saturday Vigil 5pm

Sunday 9am

*We recognise the Traditional Owners of the land of Hornsby Shire, the Darug and Guringai peoples, and pay respect to their Ancestors and Elders past and present.*



## From the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers, Girls and Boys,

I hope all our mums, grandmothers and significant female role models in the lives of the children had a fantastic Mother's Day last Sunday. A big thank you to staff, P&F members and the dads who volunteered to make last Friday's Mums, Maths and Muffins Mother's Day Celebration a big success. Although I was not able to attend (Covid), I did see many beautiful photos on our Facebook site that celebrate the wonderful relationship of mums and their children.

I thank the mums, grandmothers and others attending for joining in the fun but also for the great feedback we received. Everyone was very appreciative of the efforts to create a magical morning of memories. We also sincerely thank Mrs Monique Ciampi and her team for organising another spectacular Mother's Day Stall last Friday. Once again, the children had the chance to spoil their mums with a beautifully presented gift on Mother's Day.

### Preschool Visit

A big thank you to Mrs Barker and Miss Fryar for assisting me with a Parent Information Presentation for School Readiness last Thursday evening at Kidopia Preschool at Mt Colah. It was well received by the parents of preschoolers who attended and the Kidopia Preschool Educators. We are committed to raising our school's profile in the local community and from the positive feedback we received from this initiative will assist in lifting our enrolments for next year.

# PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

## School Open Day

Our School Open Day this Thursday 18th May (9am or 5:30pm) is an important event for gaining enrolments. To support this, I continue to ask parents to assist in promoting our school as the perfect place for new students to attend. If you know of parents who have preschool children ready to start school in 2024 and beyond, please take the opportunity to let them know about St. Patrick's Asquith as the school for them. Please encourage them to attend one of our School Open Day sessions this Thursday 18th May (9am or 5:30pm) to see and hear why St. Patrick's is the perfect place for their child. Parents can register by contacting the school (9477 3800) or click the following link: [2023 Open Day Registration Form- CSBB](#).

I thank our wonderful staff for their efforts to support the Open Day and our Stage 3 students who will volunteer their time on Thursday to conduct tours of the school with parents seeking a school for their child in 2024. This will be a great opportunity for our senior students to demonstrate first hand to new parents what it means to be a student here at St. Patrick's – showing the confidence, pride and articulation we aspire for all students.

## School Uniform

A reminder to parents that all students should be in full Winter uniform. Please refer to the school website to check the requirements for the school uniform. The school uniform policy also has photos to assist parents with knowing school expectations. I thank all parents in advance for supporting the school with this matter.

## Parish News

Parents are encouraged to click on the following link to access the weekly [Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic Parish Bulletin](#). Parents will find information for St. Patrick's Church including opportunities for families to support parish events including charitable works initiatives, joining the children's choir, the sacramental program and so much more.

God bless,  
Todd Vane-Tempest  
Principal

### Dates to Remember

Thursday 18th May - Open Day

Thursday 8th June- School Athletics Carnival

Saturday 20th May - P & F Social - Bogan Bingo

Sunday 28th May - Stage 2 Family Mass (10am)

Thursday 8th June - School Athletics Carnival

Thursday 15th June - Girls Just Want to Have Fun - Social Evening

Thursday 29th June - Year 5&6 Netball & League Tag Gala Day

Friday 30th June- Staff Development Day (Pupil Free Day)

### ST. PATRICK'S WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY

6PM

SUNDAY

8AM

SUNDAY

10AM

SUNDAY

6PM

Living out our  
challenge for  
discipleship



"Respect yourself  
and others will  
respect you"

- Confucious

# PASTORAL CARE FOCUS

Term 2 Weeks 3 and 4

We are respectful learners who take  
pride in their appearance.

## Why is it important to develop this skill?

As we now head into our winter months, we expect the students to be now wearing their full school winter 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.

Our SRC students, this week talked about why taking pride in appearance is so important. We love our school and wearing our uniform with pride shows how much we respect ourselves and the school.

## 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

# Religious Education

## The Dish Week 5 Tuesday 23rd May

St Patrick's is hosting the Dish in it's new location at St Peter's Church 207 Peats Ferry Rd Hornsby. Thank you to those who have volunteered to help by preparing a meal or donating items for the Dish.

We need 1 or 2 people to volunteer to help to distribute the meals from St Peter's Church from 5:30pm to about 6pm. If you are able to help please email the school office.

## First Communion

This weekend the candidates for First Communion will be presented at the various Masses. Please keep these children in your prayers as they continue to prepare for this special sacrament.

## Stage 2 Parish Family Mass



## Up Coming Events



Sunday 28th May 10am  
Stage 2 Parish Family Mass

Sunday 25th June 10am First  
Communion -Year 4 Candidates



Click on this link  
for the Kuringai  
Chase Parish  
Bulletins

# 2023



## RELIGIOUS CREATIVE



## COMPETITION

works to be inspired by this year's theme...

# Compassion

“... be like-minded, be sympathetic, love one another, be compassionate and humble.”

1 Peter 3:8



MARY MAC'S PLACE

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Join us for the ultimate celebration of creativity and talent at Catholic Schools Broken Bay's highly anticipated competition. Open to all students from Kindergarten to Year 10, this event features five exciting categories, including visual arts, dance, drama, music, and short film. Finalists will have the opportunity to perform or display their work at a special 'Showcase' performance evening, with industry performers and judges in attendance. Don't miss out on this incredible chance to showcase your creative talent!

- Stage 1 - Competition closes 18 August 2023.
- Stage 2 - Finalists judging 7 September 2023.
- Stage 3 - Finalists showcase evening 24th October 2023.

Register your interest at your school and mark the important dates on your calendar. Get ready to make your mark in the world of art and entertainment!

## MORE INFO

Entries Close 18 August 2023





# NEWS FROM THE

## CLIC with Mrs Wickham

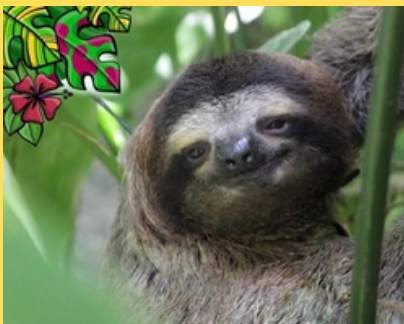
### WHAT'S HAPPENING

We begin our countdown until the ***National Simultaneous Storytime*** next ***Wednesday 24th May***. This event is exciting, as children from all around our country read the same book on the same day to promote reading and literacy. This year, we will be reading '***The Speedy Sloth***' written by Rebecca Young and illustrated by Heath McKenzie.



As part of celebrating this event the CLIC has adopted through the Sloth Conservation Federation a three fingered sloth 'Croissant'. She lives just outside of the main part of town, behind a bakery that sells the most delicious pastries in the South Caribbean: hence her name!

We welcome Croissant as the official CLIC mascot! We look forward to introducing Croissant and sharing her story with everyone next week.



### COMPETITION TIME

Starting from next Monday students can participate in a range of activities in the lead up to the National Simultaneous Storytime event, in the CLIC as part of Let's Do Lunch!

We are also celebrating with **three competitions** for our students to enter.



1. Design a medal (can be a drawing or a model) for perseverance and grit!
2. Design a sloth speed suit, to help them to become faster (can be a drawing or a model)
3. Write a short story with a character who has had to work hard.

More information will be shared with the children next week on how to enter.

### PREMIER READING CHALLENGE

CONGRATULATIONS to these children who were the **FIRST** to complete the challenge at St Pats! Please see Mrs Wickham for a special reward. Amazing effort!

- VIOLET K EMMA D
- FREYA A NOAH D
- LAYLA B VIBHA L
- EVIE W ROISIN S
- LIAM D THOMAS S
- SOPHIE S ADAM T
- GAURI T LILY W



There is **plenty** of time to log your books the **first class** to complete the challenge will be receive a REWARD. Make sure you get all your friends on board reading.