



St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

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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 thank the parents of Stage 2 children who attended the School and Parish Family Mass last Sunday. It was a lovely service where the children celebrated the Feast of Pentecost which is celebrated 7 Sundays or 50 days after Easter Sunday. It is one of the most important feast days of the year that ends the Easter season but also celebrates the beginning or birthday of the church.

The Stage 2 children, diligently prepared by their teachers, were outstanding in their roles as readers, processing the gifts and the liturgical movement. The children also provided a striking banner of the The Holy Spirit descending from heaven that was hung from the lectionary. Many in the parish highly value the involvement by the children through their presence and participation which continues to strengthen the connections and relationships with our St. Patrick's parish.

Athletics Carnival

We are looking forward to the upcoming School Athletics Carnival, scheduled for Thursday June 8th, which is always a fun community event. The carnival will run much the same as last year with each age group moving around the various field and track events. I thank the parents who have already volunteered but also appeal to other parents to put their hand up to support the running of the carnival. Parents can indicate their availability through the Compass Event for the School Athletics Carnival that was sent home last week.

Girls Just Want to Have Fun- 2023

You will have noticed that places for the Girls Just Want to Have Fun event are now available on QKR. Tickets are \$30.00 per family with Tuesday 13th June being the cut-off date for purchasing. We would love to see all our Years 4, 5 & 6 Dads and Daughters join us for a night of fun, dancing, food and games on Thursday 15th June from 6.00pm to 8.00pm in the school Hall. If dad is away or not available, mums or maybe another significant male e.g. uncle can attend the event.

PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

Years 3-6 Netball and League Tag Gala Days

Our Year 3-6 children will soon be choosing to attend either the League Tag or the Netball Gala Day scheduled for Thursday 29th June. Once in their teams we will be needing parent volunteers to help manage teams or umpire on the day. This is a fun day where all the children enjoy being part of a team with their peers playing against teams from other North Shore Cluster Catholic Primary Schools. More information will be provided soon.

Grade/Stage Assemblies

We are looking forward to having the first Friday Afternoon Assemblies this week with Stage 3 classes presenting from 2:10pm. Traditionally each grade or stage would host an assembly during the year that includes a presentation of learning and classroom work as well as the usual weekly awards. Parents are very welcome to attend. Stage 1 will be presenting next in Week 8, Friday 16th June with other stages hosting assemblies in Term 3.

Afternoon Tea

Parents are invited to an afternoon tea before the Stage 1 Assembly on Friday 16th June (Week 8) from 1:30pm as part of Well-being Week. The school would like to show our appreciation for all our parents do, to support their children and the school. It will also be a chance for parents to catch up with each other and hear about and discuss with me and our Parent Engagement Coordinator, Carley McCarthy, some of our current and future initiatives. Of course, parents may also have ideas for us to consider. We look forward to seeing interested parents for a cuppa and chat in a few weeks' time.

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.

Parish Children's Choir so much enjoyed our Family Mass on Sunday, with Stage 2 children, who read and sang so well, including some of our own members. If you or your child were impressed with the Choir and the way they lead and participate in the liturgy, you know the Choir is open to new members any time, from Year 3 and up, and we would love to have you.

The Choir practises every Friday during school terms from 4 to 5pm in the church, and sings at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month.

If you need any more information contact Patricia Smith 9482 7935

Dates to Remember

Term 2

Thursday 8th June- School Athletics Carnival

Thursday 15th June- Girls Just Want to Have Fun

Thursday 29th June - Year 3-6 Netball & League Tag Gala Day

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

Term 3

Wednesday 26th July (Week 2)- Grandparents Day Celebration

ST. PATRICK'S WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY

6PM

SUNDAY

8AM

SUNDAY

10AM

SUNDAY

6PM

FROM THE OFFICE

SDD- Friday 30th June

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 30 June. 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: roystonkids@hotmail.com or by phone: 0431 383 981.

The children in Year 5 & 6 had a wonderful time in Canberra in May. The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government contributed funding of \$30.00 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate was paid directly to the school on completion of the excursion.

God bless,

Todd Vane-Tempest
Principal

Lucky Book Club orders close on July 15th
The booklets have been handed out to your
children in class



Living out our
challenge for
discipleship



One of the most
sincere forms of
respect is actually
listening to what
another has to say.
- Bryant McGill

PASTORAL CARE FOCUS

Term 2 Weeks 5 and 6

We are respectful learners who
speak and listen respectfully

Why is it important to develop this skill?

Respectful listening and speaking are powerful tools for building peace and resolving conflicts. This fortnight we want to encourage students to speak and communicate with each other effectively as well as listen to each other in order to resolve conflicts or issues with their peers in the best way.

This fortnight we also celebrate the feast day Mary Help of Christians. Mary was a wonderful role model, she listened and spoke respectfully to all those around her and respected them no matter their background or circumstance. We can also encourage both children and ourselves to be those respectful role models, by always treating and showing others respect in our interactions.

Active listening



Ask your child "What makes you a good active listener"?

Use eye contact when speaking

Ask your child how they feel when you have "actively listened" to them.

How can you help develop this at home?

Explain what 'active listening' is to your child, help them to understand its importance.

Be your child's role model and use the language of 'active listening' at home.

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

Religious Education

St Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal

This year, the Vinnies Winter Appeal focuses on the issue of older women experiencing homelessness. Our contributions to the Winter Appeal will allow Vinnies to continue supporting older women who are homeless, or at risk of becoming homeless, to have access to the supports they need to get back on their feet and to be safe and well. Let's help end the homelessness crisis together.

The Mercy Action Group will launch our appeal on Friday at assembly. We are working with the Asquith Conference of St Vincent De Paul who have requested that we collect long life food items as listed below

- Tins or packets of soup
- Tinned fruit
- Tinned vegetables
- Baked Beans or tins of spaghetti
- Tinned Tuna or Ham
- Long life milk
- Tea or Coffee
- Please make sure the items have a use by date that is a long way away.
- Remember only donate things that you would like to receive .



Donations need to be in to school by Friday 16th June (Week 8), as representatives from St Vincent De Paul will be collecting the following Monday.

Stage 2 Parish Family Mass

On Sunday, Stage 2 hosted a special family parish mass for the Feast of Pentecost. Students did an exceptional job guiding us in prayer through Creating a gorgeous artwork showing the Holy Spirit, proclaiming the word of God through the readings and prayers, bringing forth the offertory and a beautiful reflective movement. Thank you Stage 2 for the prayerful and reverent way that you led the mass.. Thanks also to the Stage 2 teachers for ensuring that the students were well prepared.

Up Coming Events

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



Wednesday 26th July
Grandparents Day

Click on this link
for the Kuringai
Chase Parish
Bulletins

Religious Education

IGNITE CONFERENCE



This year Ignite Youth is proud to be running one of Australia's most powerful Catholic Youth Conferences - Ignite Conference - in the Diocese of Broken Bay. From the 28th September to 1st October 2023, this will be the third Ignite Conference held in Greater Sydney and the first hosted in the Diocese of Broken Bay.

This year Ignite Conference is so much more than a youth conference - it has something for everyone. It caters for creche aged children through to parents, teachers and parishioners. Families, high school groups, young adults, as well as priests and religious from around the country travel to Ignite Conference every year to be inspired, experience Jesus and to be sent out with a renewed passion for their Catholic faith. The main sessions feature live worship from Emmanuel Worship, powerful preaching and life-changing encounters with God.

Half-Priced Early Bird Special on now! Contact Mrs Lloyd-Jones for details on how to register For More Information <https://igniteconference.com.au/>.



ST PAT'S SPORTS REPORT



Diocesan Cross Country 2023

Last week seven students from St Patrick's represented our school and Cluster at the Diocesan Cross Country out at Fagan Park, Galston. The course is notoriously difficult with very hilly terrain. All students ran either 2 or 3km and did an amazing job in the day. They competed with pride and amazing persistence.

We congratulate:

- Sophie V, Liam D, Fynn E, Emma D, Noah D, Niall C and Archer W

for making it to this level of competition. We are all so proud of you! Thank you to their parents and Mr VT for supporting them on the day.

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



Upcoming Sport Dates and Reminders

TERM 2

Thursday 8th June - School Athletics Carnival (K-6)

Thursday 29th June - Netball and League Tag Gala Day
(Years 3-6)

Parent helpers needed for our Athletics Carnival... if you are available to help on the day please indicate on your child's Compass permission.

Kindergarten Motiv8 Sport session

In Week 3, Kindergarten were excited to participate in a sport session with Motiv8 Sports. We always enjoy working with Motiv8 and as usual they run a fantastic day for our Kinder students. They participated in a range of games and challenges that promoted good communication skills, teamwork and above all having fun! They had a wonderful time and all participated well!



AFL PROGRAM: SPORTING SCHOOLS

Over this term, Years 3-6 students (and Stage 1 students in Week 3) have been participating in PE sessions run by AFL through our Sporting Schools funding this term.

All students have enjoyed learning skills involved in playing the game of AFL and learning more about the game, especially for those who had not played before. We congratulate all students who have been involved in the program over the past 4 weeks and thank AFL for running such great sessions!



CALLING ALL
DAUGHTERS AND DADS...



'GIRLS JUST WANT TO HAVE FUN' DINNER DANCE

*Our school Dad and Daughter Dinner
Dance is back!*

*We would love to see all of our Year 4-6
Dads and Daughters join us for a night
of fun, dancing, food and games.*

JUNE 15, 2023 | 6-8PM

ST PATRICK'S ASQUITH SCHOOL HALL

Ticket price: \$30 per family inclusive of dinner and drinks. Purchase via the **QKR App**.

Dress code: Smart casual and a pop of colour is encouraged.

Register your family's information, dietary requirements and ticket purchase in the QR app.

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

