NEWSLETTER



St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

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Parish Clergy

Rev Dr Biju Jose, OSH Fr Joy Thomas OSH Administers of the Parish

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,

Our teachers are currently busy writing reports for each child for Semester 1 which will become available through COMPASS in Week 10. I strongly urge all parents to have a conversation with their children about the report, both the 'achievement' but importantly also their 'effort'.

I thank our teachers who have worked long hours to prepare the reports for parents. Parents who would like to make an appointment to speak to your child's teacher following the reports, are most welcome to do so. Please contact the school office by email to initiate the interview.

Enrolments 2024

We are currently holding interviews with parents and their children who have applied for an enrolment at St. Patrick's for Kinder 2024. We have a good number of applicants with one class confirmed and well on the way to a second Kinder class for 2024. I encourage existing parents who know of families with children ready to begin school next year, to recommend our school as the place to be.

We also have places available in other grades for older students.

Well-being Week

Our Term 2 Well-being Week theme is Friendship. During the week, the children will be thinking about ways they can be good friends as we focus on building strategies for what to do when problems arise between friends or in friendship groups.

The children will learn about friendship in their peer support groups based on the U R Strong Friendship program. On the Wednesday the children designed a "Friendship Ninja" badge as symbol for them to learn about becoming expert friends. This learning will continue in the second session on Friday. I acknowledge and thank our Stage 3 students for their outstanding preparation and leadership of the Peer Support sessions with their groups.

PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

Girls Just Want to Have Fun 2023

The hall is being decorated, the lolly bags are packed and the fun is about to begin. We have around 30 girls from Years 4, 5 & 6 and their dads attending the Girls Just Want to Have Fun event tonight. It will be a night of fun, dancing, food and games from 6.00pm to 8.00pm in the school Hall.

Grade/Stage Assemblies

We are looking forward to our Stage 1 students and teachers presenting at this week's assembly on Friday. It will be a great chance for the children and parents to see and hear about the great learning that has been happening in Stage 1 this year. Parents are welcome to attend in person or online via Zoom. The link and access codes are below but have been sent out separately.

Link: <u>https://dbbcatholic.zoom.us/j/64844965191?pwd=SEF1S2tFOGRRdkQ1L0JvSFc3bE1GUT09</u> Passcode: 365147 Meeting ID: 648 4496 5191

Afternoon Tea

Parents are invited to share a cup of tea before the Stage 1 Assembly this Friday from 1:30pm as part of Wellbeing 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.

P&F Meeting

All parents are invited to attend this terms P&F Meeting scheduled for next Monday 19th June from 7pm. These meetings are a great way for parents to meet each other, be informed about initiatives in the school and become actively involved to support the school.

All parents are welcome to join us in person at school in the library or join the meeting online using the link and access codes below.

Link: <u>https://dbbcatholic.zoom.us/j/66393870867?pwd=ZkIWcXN6M044VjZqeFViZjI0SmRldz09</u> Passcode: 796132 Meeting ID: 663 9387 0867

Leave

I will be taking some leave from Wednesday Week 9 returning Thursday Week 1 Term 3. During this time Mrs Kylie Huggins will be Acting Principal, Mrs Kylie Lloyd-Jones will be Acting Assistant Principal and Miss Fryar will be Acting Religious Education Coordinator. I am sure our parent community will continue to be a great support to our school leadership team during my absence.

PRINCIPAL'S ADRESS

Staff Development Day Supervision for Friday 30th June

As part of the Towards 2025 strategy in the Diocese of Broken Bay the staff of all diocesan catholic schools (including St. Patrick's Asquith) 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.

If you require supervision for your child/ren on that day, our excellent before and after school care provider, Royston Kids is available for a limited number of children. Parents wishing to use the service are asked to contact the service this week (by Friday 16th June):

Email: <u>roystonkids@hotmail.com</u> Phone: 0431 383 981.

Currently we have 7 children registered to attend the service and we require a minimum of 20 children for the service to operate.

Parish News

God bless,

Principal

Todd Vane-Tempest

Parents are encouraged to click on the following link to access the weekly <u>Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic Parish Bulletin</u>. 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 celebrated their anniversary last Sunday, with a beautiful Mass with fabulous singing, presentation of certificates, blessing and a wonderful morning tea with the parish afterwards. All the children were congratulated on their fantastic work and their commitment to service. While some of our singers have been with the Choir for just a few months, the older ones have been members of the Choir for seven or eight years, a truly amazing achievement! Children's 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 every month. Anyone from Year 3 and up can join at any time. Contact: Patricia Smith 9482 7935

ST. PATRICK'S WEEKEND MASSESSATURDAY6PMSUNDAY8AMSUNDAY10AMSUNDAY6PM

Dates to Remember Term 2 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

Religious Education

St Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal

TTomorow is the final day to get your donations in for the St Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal. We are accepting the following items:

- 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 .

Thank you also to the Paddy's Care Group who has been very busy knitting squares to make into blankets. These will be especially apppreciated on these cold nights and is a touch of home for those living in crisis accomodation.

Grandparents Day Liturgy

Grandparents day will be held Week 2 next term on Wednesday 26th July. A liturgy will be held at 9:30am in the Church. We would like to honour all grandparents on this day and are asking families to please send a photo via email to <u>spa@dbb.catholic.edu.au</u> by the end of the term.

First Communion

Congratulations to the following students who will be celebrating the sacrament of First Communion next weekend.

Freya A, Lila B, Layla B, Ethan C, Willow E, Amy F, Cristiano G, Isabel Grace H, Holly M and Evie W

We shall be keeping all of you in our prayers as you prepare to celebrate this special occasion.

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 <u>Parish</u> <u>Bulletins</u>



Religious Education

IGNITE CONFERENCE



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

Religious Creative Arts Competition

Competition is open now for you to respond creatively to the theme of compassion.



There are 5 categories of creative arts that you could make;

- visual arts
- dance
- drama
- music
- short film

Submissions will need to be handed in to schools by week 5 of term 3.

Please see Mrs Lloyd-Jones for more information about the competition.

NEWS FROM THE CLIC with Mrs Wickham

WHAT'S HAPPENING

It has been busy in the CLIC this last week with many keen students coming to watch and hold our baby chickens. We have investigated the chicken life cycle, their unique features and how to best care for a baby chick. It is going to be quiet next week as the chickens leave and settle into their new homes. What a special time it has been for us all.



GET STUCK INTO A NEW BOOK

LOTS & LOTS of new books have been hitting the library shelves over the last few weeks. I encourage the children to check them out and find a new favourite.

Thank you to Hannah Griffiths, Carley McCarthy, Liz Chan & Alison Hackett for helping cover the books and get them as quickly ready and on the shelves for borrowing.

If you are someone who is great with contact and has some time to cover our novels, please let the office know as we would love your help.

PREMIER READING

Well done to all the children who have completed the Premier Reading Challenge. It is amazing to see so many children participating.

A HUGE congratulations to 3 Green who is the FIRST class in the school to complete the challenge. Wonderful work!



Let's see who the next class will be? Will Stage 2 continue to lead or are some other classes taking up the challenge!



Lucy (Year 5 & Rose (Year 4) Medal Creation – Evie (Year 4) & Archer (Year 6)

CALLING ALL DAUGHTERS AND DADS... 'GIRLS JUST VANT 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.

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ST LEO'S MUSICAL

YOU ARE INVITED!

The St Leo's CAPA team are devilishly delighted to invite you to the 2023 St Leo's College musical, The Addams Family - A Musical Comedy!

The Light of Christ Centre will be transformed into a 'spook-tacular' set for four performances only:

- Thursday, 22 June at 7pm - Friday, 23 June at 7pm

- Saturday, 24 June at 2pm and 7pm.

Bring the whole family for some frightful fun!

SPECIAL PRIORITY FEEDER SCHOOL DISCOUNT!

General tickets are \$30 for Adults, \$25 for Students and \$15 for Children 10 years and under – but as a special offer to our Priority Feeder Schools, receive \$5 off all Adult tickets with the code 2023PFS5 (so you get adult tickets at the student price!)

ESt Leo's PRESENTS NEW MUSICAL COMEDY JUNE 22, 23 & 24, 2023 BOOK AT: TRYBOOKING.COM/CIXAN Tickets: \$30 Adults, \$25 Students, \$15 Under 10 yrs SPECIAL DISCOUNT for PFS families: \$5 off Adult tickets using code: 2023PFS5

BOOK NOW at: https://www.trybooking.com/CIXAN



Berowra (Satellite) Auskick Centre

Fridays, 4pm - 5pm - 28th of July until 15th of September @ Wideview PS!

Come & try the new NAB AFL Auskick program at Berowra (Satellite) Auskick Centre The program runs for 8 weeks for boys & girls aged 5 - 12 years old!

Each participant will receive their own NAB AFL Auskick pack including a football, pump, trading cards, draw string bag& choice of a shirt, backpack and more

Contact Ben Papandrea: ben.papandrea@afl.com.au OR 0421 968 276!







JOIN US FOR A FUN FILLED DAY OF GYMNASTICS ACTIVITIES THAT IS SURE TO KEEP THE KIDS ENTERTAINED ALL DAY LONG.



WHAT DOES THE DAY INVOLVE?

- A full day program for children aged 5-12 years, members and non members, no experience necessary, all welcome!
- There are two programs types available where we fit the very best things into one fun filled, action packed day:
- COMBO DAY: Combining the very best of GymSKILLS, FreeG + Tumble, Tricks and Flips! Learn new skills and try a wide range of different drills and activities!
- HOLIDAY FUN DAY: Sessions loaded with lots of gymnastics activities, circuits, games and other FUN activities including craft, free play and lots lots more!
- Morning tea and lunch break (bring your own food)

Book

Online

HORNSBY RSL GYMNASTICS 1 ASHLEY LANE HORNSBY NSW 2077 9476 6689 INFO@HORNSBYRSLGYMNASTICS.COM.AU

WWW.HORNSBYRSLGYMNASTICS.COM.AU

PROGRAM DETAILS

JULY 2023 PROGRAM:

MONDAY 3RD JULY (COMBO) WEDNESDAY 5TH JULY (HOLIDAY FUN) FRIDAY 7TH JULY (COMBO) MONDAY 10TH JULY (COMBO) WEDNESDAY 12TH JULY (HOLIDAY FUN) FRIDAY 14TH JULY (COMBO)

9AM - 3PM

\$60 PER CHILD PER DAY

AGES 5-12 YEARS

BRING MORNING TEA, LUNCH, DRINK BOTTLE, HAT, SUNSCREEN

JULY 2023 SCHOOL HOLIDAYDROP IN PROGRAMS

DROP IN AND DISCOVER

Explore your creativity in this interactive session.

Bring your colouring page to life with Quiver, use your construction skills with magnets, check out our craft kits, and more!

When: Friday 7 July, 10am–12pm Where: Berowra Library When: Tuesday 11 July, 10am–12pm Where: Hornsby Library When: Wednesday 12 July, 10am–12pm Where: Pennant Hills Library Age: 5–12 years Cost: Free Bookings: Bookings not required. Children 10 and under must be accompanied by an adult.



HOLIDAY STORYTIME

Join us for a fun, interactive session filled with stories and songs.

When: Thursday 13 July,10amWhere: Hornsby LibraryAge:0-7 years

Free

Cost:

Bookings: Bookings not required. Children 10 and under must be accompanied by an adult.



For further information on these events and more events in your library visit **hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library**



NAIDOC WEEK CHILDREN'S EVENT



ILLUSTRATION WORKSHOP WITH INDIGENOUS ARTIST DUB LEFFLER

Do you enjoy drawing?

Have you ever wondered what goes into illustrating a book? Join award winning children's illustrator Dub Leffler to learn drawing techniques, the illustration process and an insight into the life of an illustrator.

Descended from the Bigambul people of South-West Queensland, Dub Leffler is Australia's Premiere Indigenous illustrator of Children's literature. He has written two books for children & has illustrated over 27 titles including the much lauded *Once There was a Boy* and *Sorry Day*. Dub's work is known and held in collections around the world Including The Library of Congress in the U.S His current works include *The Beautiful Night*, written by Carl & Hakea Merrison (Hachette 2023), and *Walking Together* written by Coral Vass (Scholastic).

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JULY 2023 SCHOOL HOLIDAYCHILDREN'S EVENT



THE DINOSAUR SHOW

A visual and musical feast for any little dinosaur lover!

Who is stealing the Dinosaur eggs? Help Tappy solve the mystery with the help of his friends! Join in the fun with the wild wacky dinosaur family as Tapejara the Pterosaur (Tappy) takes children on this exciting adventure. A simple storyline by Julie Zommers, with loads of action and involvement for the children. It's a visual and musical feast for any little dinosaur lover!

When: Wednesday 5 July, 11am-12pm Where: Pennant Hills Library When: Thursday 6 July, 10.30am-11.30am Where: Hornsby Library Age: 2-7 years Cost: \$5 Bookings: Children 10 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Bookings essential. Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library

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