



# St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

Royston Parade Asquith 2077

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## Parish Clergy

Rev Dr Biju Jose, OSH

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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,

This week, we joined the parish to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of Mary with a mass. I acknowledge and thank our Stage 1 students and teachers for leading the celebration with readings and prayers and a thanksgiving hymn and movement. It was wonderful to witness our younger students leading our school and parishioners with such confidence. I thank our teachers and their parents for preparing them so well. I was also proud of all the children who attended mass so reverently and respectfully and especially proud of the choir who sang beautifully supported by our music teacher Mrs Pugsley and Mrs Pat Smith from the parish.

### Friday Assemblies

Thanks goes to our Year 3 teachers and children for presenting such an informative and entertaining whole school assembly last Friday. We enjoyed a trip around Australia. It was obvious that both classes had enjoyed learning about the wonderful places we have in our country. Our next Whole School Assembly scheduled for Friday 25th August (Week 6) where our Year 4 class will present their learning, will be rescheduled to a later date due to a clash with The North Shore Athletics Carnival followed by the School Band Assembly in Week 8 and the Kindergarten Assembly in Week 9.

### Kinder Enrolments 2024

Current parents who have school aged children to start Kinder in 2024 are encouraged to contact the school office to enrol now.

If parents are aware of families that have children ready to start school next year, I encourage you to recommend our school and the offer to come and find out more information. Prospective parents can contact the school to have a private tour and pick up an enrolment pack from the school office or enquire online: [Enrolment Enquiry Form](#). Children already enrolled for Kinder 2024 will be attending a screener day session be held on Monday 28th August and Wednesday 30th August (9am to 10.30am) with children attending one of these sessions. Later in Term 4 the children will also attend three more sessions to support a smooth transition into primary school.

# PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

## **Book Week- Week 6**

Mrs Wickham announced this week that we have 122 students who have completed the Premiers Reading Challenge this year. Reading is a such an important life skill and this is one way we encourage all children to take up the challenge of reading regularly.

This week we enjoyed a Book Week Live Performance - "Way Too Cool!" In the lead up to our Children's Book Council of Australia Book Week celebrations next week.

Our wonderful school librarian, Mrs Belinda Wickham, has been encouraging the children to start getting ready for an exciting celebration of Australian Children's Book Week in Week 6! We will invite the children to participate in events including:

1. Book Character Dress-Up (Wednesday 23rd August)- Choose your favourite book character and start preparing ready to be part of the parade. This can be a fun and creative activity for your child/ren to organise. Please use what you have on hand rather than look to purchase an outfit for your child/ren.
2. A host of other Book Week Activities throughout the day.

## **Special Lunch Order Day**

Our Special Lunch Order Day was a great success thanks to our wonderful P&F and our volunteer Canteen Supervisor, Megan Rose, who made this special treat for the students to experience.

## **Father's Day Celebration and Attendance Link**

We invite all fathers, father figures and male role models in our children's lives to our special Fathers Day celebrations, to be held on Thursday 31st August from 8.00am at school. I do understand and respect that in a number of our families we have a range of people who might be "father figures" to our children. This might include grandfathers, step-dads, family friends and relatives. I hope to see all my fellow dads and father figures here on the morning.

The morning will comprise of a BBQ breakfast and a cuppa along with Men in the Morning activities, a liturgy to acknowledge and celebrate fathers and open classrooms where all dads are invited to go into classrooms to see their children showcase some of their learning and spend some time together.

I ask adults coming to the Father's Day Celebrations in Week 7 to register your attendance to support our preparations especially with catering. Please click the link below to advice of how many adults from your family are attending the celebration.

[Link: Father's Day Attendance Form](#)

## **Father's Day Stall**

The Father's Day Stall will also be held on Thursday 31st August. Gifts will be \$6.00 available for purchase via QKR. Purchases must be made 5pm Monday 28th August. Please do not send in cash on the day as all gifts must be pre-ordered.

## **Staff Development Day**

We have scheduled a Staff Development Day (student free day) on Friday 1st September. As there will be no lessons on this day some parents may wish to take advantage of the supervision provided through our Before and After School Care providers Royston Kids. Parents wishing to use this service are asked to contact via email: [roystonkids@hotmail.com](mailto:roystonkids@hotmail.com) or by phone: 0431 383 981. Royston Kid's requires a minimum of 15 children for this service to be available on this day. I encourage parents requiring this service to contact Royston Kid's as soon as possible to reserve your place.

## **Let's Hear it for the Boys**

The 'Let's Hear it for the Boys' school mum and son dinner, music and games night held later this term (7th September from 6pm-8pm) has also been advertised via Compass. This evening is aimed at boys in Year 4-6 and their mums to come together for a fun night. Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased via the QKR App.

# PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

## Paddy's Care Group

Our 'Paddy's Care Group' remains ready to support families who may be experiencing an unexpected family illness, or for families who are going through difficult times. We have a group of parents who coordinate this through the school. If your family need support or you are aware of others who are doing it tough, contact Cheryl in the school office. Please know that confidentiality is maintained throughout the time any services are provided.

## P&F Movie Night - The Mario Bros Movie

The P&F have organised a movie night for Friday 15 September commencing at 5.00pm. It's time to pop the corn!! Bring along a picnic rug and dinner and popcorn, drinks and ice-cream and more will be available for sale on the night. Tickets are a bargain at \$18.00 for a family of four and \$5.00 for a single ticket. The movie showing will be The Mario Bros movie. This is a great chance for our school community to come together for a fun filled night. Tickets are available on the QKR app today closing time: 13 September at 8.00pm.

## Children's Choir

Parish Children's Choir is looking for volunteers to train as Assistant Choir Director(s) for our wonderful Children's Choir. The Choir is made up of young people from Year 3 to Year 12, all enthusiastic, talented and keen. You would need to be available for regular practices on Fridays during school terms from 4 to 5pm in the church, and for 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. All training provided - all you need is a great love for children and a current WWCC number, and a fair amount of resilience. Contact Patricia Smith 9482 7935 for more information, or come along to our next practice and see how it all works.

## Australian Girls Choir Assessment Workshop

The Australian Girls Choir is holding an assessment workshop at our school next Monday 21st August at 11:00am. All girls received the attached flyer today. Parents are asked to return the slip at the bottom of the flyer to school tomorrow or register through the website: <https://ausgirlschoir.com.au/schoolworkshop/> if they are interested in having their daughter involved.

Interested girls will be assessed as a group by one of the Australian Girls Choir tutors on Monday at the assessment workshop. More information is provided in the attached flyer and on the website provided.

God bless,  
Todd Vane-Tempest  
Principal

Dates to Remember: specific details to be confirmed at a later date

### Term 3

- Wednesday 23rd August -Book Week Parade
- Friday 25th August - North Shore Athletics Carnival
- Thursday 31st August -Father's Day celebrations
- Friday 1st September - Staff Development Day (Pupil Free Day)
- Thursday 7th September - Let's Hear it for the Boys

### Term 4

- Thursday 7th December -Year 6 Graduation
- Friday 8th December -Christmas Concert performance
- Wednesday 13th December -End of year whole school Mass
- Thursday 14th December -Last day of school for students (Year 6 may differ TBC)
- Friday 15th December - Staff Development Day (Pupil Free Day)

ST. PATRICK'S WEEKEND MASSES	
SATURDAY	6PM
SUNDAY	8AM
SUNDAY	10AM
SUNDAY	6PM

# Religious Education

## Feast of the Assumption

This week we joined with the parish community to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of Mary. This feast celebrates Mary entering heaven. Thank you to Stage 1 and their teachers for preparing the readings, prayers and reflection. Thank you to the students who joined Miss Puglsey and Mrs Smith from the parish to make a beautiful pop up choir, you sounded amazing.



## The Dish

St Patrick's is hosting the Dish in it's new location at St Peter's Church 207 Peats Ferry Rd Hornsby in Week 8 on Tuesday 5th September. Thank you to those who have already offered their support preparing meals and offering donations. If you are able to help especially if you could be there to serve the food please complete the [Google Form](#)

## Junior Altar Servers

Attention students in Year 4-6 who have made their First Communion there will be a formation evening with pizza on FRIDAY September 8 5:30pm - 7:00pm for all current servers or those who would like to become an altar server. Please email the parish for more details.

Click on this link for the [Kuringai Chase Parish Bulletins](#)

## Up Coming Events

Week 6: Year 1 & 2 Family Parish Mass Sunday 27th August

Week 7: Father's Day Liturgy Thursday 31st August

Week 9: Confirmation Sunday 17th September



# NEWS FROM THE CLIC with Mrs Wickham

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

We were lucky to have **WAY TOO COOL!** visit on Tuesday and provide an interactive musical adventure bringing 3 CBCA shortlist books to life. The loud laughing and singing from the children was a great sign they enjoyed it.



**WEDNESDAY 23rd August** is a whole day celebrating books at St Pats.

8.45am Book Parade - Children come dressed as their favourite book character. This will be held on the school playground. All parents are welcome.



**FRUIT BREAK PICNIC** will follow the parade. Parents are invited to stay and share a small fruit snack with their child and share a story together. Children are encouraged to bring their favourite picture book from home, fruit break and a picnic rug. This is a time for the children to share their favourite stories with each other.

## PREMIER READING CHALLENGE

**CONGRATULATIONS to 5/6 Gold** on completing the Premier Reading Challenge. You will be celebrating next Monday with a sweet treat.

An amazing 122 children have completed the challenge so far and we couldn't be prouder of all your efforts. Well done to you all.

**WOW!**

PRC closes THIS **Friday 18th August** so there is still time to enter your reading log. Continue to keep reading and exploring the new books in the library.





## 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](mailto:ben.papandrea@afl.com.au) OR 0421 968 276!



[play.afl/auskick](https://play.afl/auskick)



Plus choose from the below options!



# CALLING ALL BOYS TO NETBALL @KNA



What sport will your son be playing in Term 4?

Get the boys together to come try netball. It's fast.

It's Aerial. And it's for boys!

- **Under 12/13/14 Boys**
  - Term 4, Tuesday Nights
  - A short 9-week season
  - KNA Courts, Canoon Road

## Competition Details:

- Oct 10 Dec 5
- Time - approx. 6pm
- Click on the QR code to register your interest by Aug 10.

Boys Netball has exploded in popularity. Close to 100 boys trialed for the 2023 PSSA State Netball Team!

Form your own team **OR** express interest as an individual & we can find you a team.

## KNA's FIRST EVER DEDICATED BOYS' COMP

Scan the QR code to register your interest

## Men's Netball at KNA?



KNA Men's Team have won "Best Men's Team" in the State for the past 2-yrs. It's fast, it's aerial and it's athletic. Try it today.



Looking to enter a school team into the 2024 Netball NSW School Cup? Then join us to learn new skills & start practising as a team.

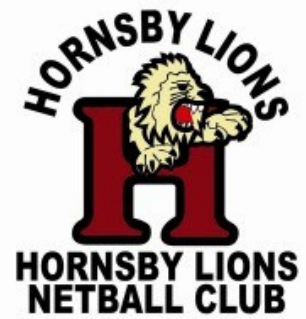
## Register your Interest Now!

If you have any questions, register your interest email Kelly at [boys@kna.com.au](mailto:boys@kna.com.au)



## Want to play netball?

Come and try an introductory, fun  
6-week course.



Woolworths NetSetGO is an introductory netball program  
for 7 to 10-year old girls and boys.

Hornsby Lions will hold our next Woolworths NetSetGO course in Term 4.  
The course provides an introduction to netball and teaches netball basics.

### Details:

When: Tuesday evenings, 17 October to 21 November

Time: 4:30pm to 5:30pm

Where: Montview Netball Courts, Hornsby Heights

Cost: \$85 includes a Woolworths NetSetGO training  
shirt, netball and Netball Australia registration for 2024

Register interest at: [netsetgo.hornsbylions@gmail.com](mailto:netsetgo.hornsbylions@gmail.com)

