



# 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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## Weekend Mass Times

St Patrick's Asquith

Saturday Vigil 6pm

Sunday 8am, 10am, 6pm

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,

Next week, Tuesday 8th August at 11:15am, we will celebrate the Feast Day of Australia's first saint, Saint Mary MacKillop. Mary started the order of the Sisters of St. Joseph and dedicated her life to educating and supporting poor families. Mary was a person of great faith and hope. She believed that God would look after her and provide her with the things she needed to help others.

Today there are over 600 Sisters of Saint Joseph living in communities in Australia, New Zealand, Ireland, Peru, Timor-Leste and Brazil. The Sisters of St. Joseph continue the work that Mary started. This includes supporting the charity, Mary Mac's Place.

Mary Mac's traditionally supplies a meal served to those in need by volunteers. It also provides connection, value and belonging without judgement. Mary Mac's offers a place to shower and to wash clothes. They offer friendly support and companionship to address the experience of isolation and loneliness of vulnerable people in our community.

We will hold a mufti day on Tuesday 8th August and ask children to bring a gold coin donation to raised funds to support Mary Mac's Place. I thank families in advance for their generosity.

On Tuesday 15th August we will celebrate the Feast Day of the Assumption of Mary the Mother of Jesus. The children will join with the parish and celebrate mass in the church from 9am.

All parents are welcome to join the celebrations.



# PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

### Kinder Enrolments 2024

Places are filling fast with one Kinder class confirmed for 2024 with an expected second class soon to be confirmed. 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](#)

### School Uniform

This week parents were advised that due to the unseasonably warm weather we are experiencing the children can have the choice of wearing their full Winter Uniform or the full Summer Uniform (not a combination of each). I am sure we still have some colder weather to come this Winter season but having the option of wearing comfortable weather appropriate uniforms will support the children's learning and play.

### Public Speaking

Today we held our annual school public speaking grand final. I acknowledge and congratulate all the children who made it to the grand final as this is a wonderful achievement. Being able to speak publicly certainly is an important skill and it is inspiring to see the selected top 5 students from each grade presenting their speeches so confidently to their peers, teacher and attending parents.

### Special Lunch Order Day -Tuesday 15 August

A reminder to parents that the P&F have organised another yummy Special Lunch Order Day for Tuesday 15 August 2023. There are four options to choose from -

1. Meat pie, donut + Popper
2. Sausage Roll, donut & popper
3. Spinach and Feta roll, donut & popper, or
4. Creamy Chicken & Veg pie, donut & Popper.

Orders close next week on Wednesday 9 August at 5pm. Payment to be made through the QKR app. The order will be placed that evening so we cannot accept late orders or cash payment. We thank the P&F and our volunteer Canteen Supervisor, Meagan Rose, for making this special treat for the students.

### Up-coming Celebrations and Events

Our annual Book Week Parade is scheduled for Wednesday 23rd August. We look forward to the children dressing up to represent a book or character from a favourite story. There is a also a Book Week live performance scheduled during the week for the children to attend.

Our Father's Day celebration will be on Thursday 31st August with the following Development Day (student free day). As there will be no lessons on this day some of the supervision provided through our Before and After School Care providers. Parents of children in care service are asked to contact via email: [roystonkids@hotmail.com](mailto:roystonkids@hotmail.com) or by phone: 04

The 'Let's Hear it for the Boys' school mum and son dinner, music and games night (from 6pm-8pm) has also been advertised via Compass. This evening is aimed at bringing everyone together for a fun night. Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased via the QKR App

God bless,

Todd Vane-Tempest  
Principal

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

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

### Term 3

Tuesday 15th August -Book Week live performance

Wednesday 23rd August -Book Week Parade

Friday 25th August - North Shore Athletics Carnival

Sunday 27th August - Year 1 & 2 Family Mass

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)

**HELP US FUNDRAISE FOR MARY MAC'S PLACE**  
An educational opportunity for our schools and community

**MUFTI DAY**  
TUESDAY 8 AUGUST 2023  
Mary MacKillop Feast Day



Homelessness and social isolation can be overcome by working together - CatholicCare and Catholic Schools Broken Bay - as one community. Mary Mac's receives no funding and rely 100% on community support!

# Religious Education

## 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](#)

## Creative Arts Prize

A reminder that entries to the Creative Arts Prize are due in Week 5 to Mrs Lloyd-Jones.



# Click on this link for the Kuringai Chase Parish Bulletins

Parish Children's Choir continues to grow week by week, with young people of all ages coming to join us. The help of parents/carers is essential for keeping the Choir running, in all sorts of roles and we welcome volunteers with (current WWCC numbers). Currently we are seeking volunteers to train as assistant directors for the Choir. There is one essential prerequisite for this role: you must love children! All other training and experience is provided on the job, by the children and the current Choir director. If you would like to give it a try, or volunteer in another role, please contact Patricia Smith 9482 7935 or come along to our regular practices on Fridays during school terms from 4 to 5pm in the church. Children's Choir sings at 10 am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month. All welcome, from Year 3 and up.

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# Public Speaking

## Kindergarten

1st Place: Luke G

2nd Place: Cara B

3rd Place: Rosie H

Finalists: Elizabetha O, India C



## Year 1

1st Place: Clara H

2nd Place: Micah C

3rd Place: Madelyn G

Finalists: Jack G, Evie H



## Year 2

1st Place: Korbin E

2nd Place: Michael S

3rd Place: Sophie V

Finalists: Myles R, Max C



# Public Speaking



## Year 3

1st Place: Olivia Marie G

2nd Place: Nicola

3rd Place: Madeline

Finalists: Maddie H and Milap



## Year 4

1st Place: Cristiano G

2nd Place: Lila B

3rd Place: Evie W

Finalists: Holly M, Freya A



## Year 5

1st Place: Lucy

2nd Place: Gabby D

3rd Place: Talita

Finalists: Tom H, Liam D



## Year 6

1st Place: Fynn E

2nd Place: Archie M

3rd Place: Elena K

Finalists: Isabelle H, Emma D