



St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

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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,

We had our newest and youngest Kinder 2024 students visiting the school this week for a screener session. It was wonderful to see the children again and enjoy some time together as a group. It was also a great chance for the children to connect with their future classmates and meet some of the teachers. We hope that all this preparation will support a smooth and successful transition for each child to primary school. I thank all parents who were able to support our highly successful Screener Sessions and look forward to seeing them again for three transition sessions in Term 4.

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](#)

North Shore Cluster Athletics Carnival

The children representing our school at the North Shore Cluster Athletics Carnival last Friday did us proud with their efforts both on and off the track. We had some worthy athletes who have again been selected to represent the North Shore Cluster at the Diocesan Athletics Carnival on Wednesday this week. Congratulations to: Jacob H, Liam D, Ruwinka D, Noah H, Angela R and Ben G. I am sure they will give their best efforts and represent our school proudly. I look forward to seeing some impressive results.

Staff Development Day

A reminder to all parents that we have scheduled a Staff Development Day (student free day) tomorrow, Friday 1st September. As there will be no lessons on this day parents had the opportunity 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 or by phone: 0431 383 981.

PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

Netball

Congratulations to our Senior Mixed Netball Team who competed in and won their division at the NSW Catholic Primary Schools Netball Championships held at Penrith this week. The team had a fantastic day playing fairly and enthusiastically and won all their games. As a result, they finished as gold medal champions. What an effort!

The team also enjoyed being the first team to proudly wear the new school representative sports uniforms that have been kindly sourced through the school uniform shop and donated by the P&F.

I also acknowledge and thank Mrs McCarthy, Mrs Mooney and Mr Sinclair for transporting and managing the team and all parents for having the children up and ready for action so early in the morning. It was a great result.

Friday Assemblies

A reminder that our next scheduled Whole School Assembly will be the School Band Assembly in Week 8 followed by the Kindergarten Assembly in Week 9.

The Band Assembly is a great opportunity for our musicians to perform some of the works they have been practising together. It is also a chance for students to see the band in action and consider learning to play an instrument. We are very fortunate to have such a wonderful and dedicated band teacher with Mrs Jacobson. Helen does a lot of work creating arrangements for the children to play. We look forward to another great concert next week.

Stage 1 School and Parish Family Mass

We had so many of our Stage 1 families join with the parish at the Children's Mass last Sunday. The children participated prayerfully and read and performed beautifully at the mass. I acknowledge and thank the Stage 1 teachers for their preparation and all the parents for supporting the mass and the morning tea afterward.

Father's Day Celebration

It was great to see so many fathers, father figures and male role models in our children's lives attending our special Father's Day celebrations today. We enjoyed a BBQ breakfast and a cuppa some games and activities in the morning, a liturgy to acknowledge and celebrate fathers and open classrooms where all dads were invited into classrooms to see their children showcase some of their learning and spend some time together. A fun morning that was enjoyed by everyone.

Father's Day Stall

Thanks to Monique and the team for again preparing and presenting a great gift selection for the children to choose from at the annual Father's Day Stall. I am sure the children will be very excited to give their gift to their dad on Father's Day this Sunday. I acknowledge the important role that dads play in each child's life and wish all our dads, grandads, stepdads and father figures in the children's lives a very happy Father's Day for this Sunday.

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.

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.

Well-being Week- Peer Support

Week 8 is Well-being Week which involve many of the usual activities including Peer Support (Friendship Theme) on Mon, Wed & Fri from 12:30-1:15pm. Our Year 5 and 6 students will lead their groups through activities that will focus on being our own BFF, Fitting in Vs Belonging and accepting others uniqueness. We will also have Spin the Wheel and "no homework" for classes next week.

PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

Sad News

I ask all families to keep our Before and After School Care Director, Mrs Margie Hedge, in your thoughts and prayers with the recent passing of her husband Michael Hedge after a short illness. This is very sad and distressing news for Margie and her family and friends. As Margie has been a large part of our school and parish community for many years as a staff member and as our Before and After School Care provider, I am sure many families will want to send their love and support during this time which Margie and the family appreciate. The family ask in place of flowers please donate in memory of Michael to the Cancer Council foundation.

<https://www.doitforcancer.com.au/s/23954/21668>

God bless,
Todd Vane-Tempest
Principal



Kuringai-Chase Parish

Parents are encouraged to click on the link to connect with all the current information regarding the parish through parish website including the weekly Parish Bulletin. [Link- Parish Bulletin](#)

Parish Choral Event- The Choir Games

The parish is holding a choral event for children in October. The Choir Games, scheduled for Sunday 22nd October, provides an opportunity for children from Year 2-6 to come together and sing, learn about singing as a choir and get to know each other and have lots of fun. There will be more information provided soon.

When our older singers reach high school, they are invited to join the Select Choir. They work on more difficult music, and lead special events such as reflection evenings. For the first four Fridays in September they will be leading special prayers for the Care of Creation, from 5.45pm to 6.15pm in the chapel of St Patrick's church, starting this week on Friday 1st September, which is World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. You're welcome to come and join us, in this important prayer for our world and the environment. Children's Choir sings at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month, and practises on Fridays during school terms from 4 to 5pm in the church. Young people from Year 3 and up welcome to join at any time! Contact Patricia Smith 9482 7935

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

Term 3

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

Stage 1 Family Parish Mass

Thank you to the Year 1 and 2 families who joined us for family mass and morning tea on Sunday. It was wonderful to see so many families. The children did a marvelous job of helping to lead in us in prayer. Thank you to the Stage 1 teachers for preparing the students so beautifully.

Mary Mac's Place Fundraiser

On the Feast day of Mary Mackillop we held a fundraiser in support of Mary Mac's Place a service that supports people experiencing homelessness on the Central Coast. We raised over \$300 to donate to Mary Mac's Place, thank you to everyone for their generosity in supporting this Diocesan wide initiative.

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.

Confirmation

We have a number of students in our school preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep these students in your prayers.

Father's Day

Thank you Stage 2 for leading us on prayer this morning in our Father's Day liturgy. Thank you also to the teachers for preparing the liturgy it was a beautiful blessing.

Wishing all the men in the St Patrick's Community a wonderful Father's Day on Sunday.



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

Up Coming Events

Week 9: Confirmation Sunday 17th September

Term 4

October: World Mission Month and Fundraising for Catholic Mission
Week 5: Year 5 and Future Kindy Family Parish Mass 12th November
Week 9: Thursday 7th December Year 6 Graduation
Week 10: Wednesday 13th December End of Year Mass



NEWS FROM THE

CLIC with Mrs Wickham

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Book Week was a wonderful week. It was a fun Wednesday celebrating with a costume parade and many activities throughout the day. A highlight for many children was being in the parade and sharing their costumes, along with our whole school Kahoot! Quiz on the books we have been reading in class and our fruit break picnic.



Thank you for embracing the day and joining in. It was lovely to see so many different costumes this year and have many parents attend our parade and picnic. It was lovely to celebrate books and see the children and teachers all have a fun day!



Congratulations to everyone who participated in the competitions this week. We had a number of detectives successfully solve our library mystery of the missing characters and identify the thief. Mrs Taylor has safely returned all character to their books.

Congratulations to 3 Gold who won our door decorating challenge with our theme of The Day the Crayons... Melted! Very creative.

PREMIER READING CHALLENGE



CONGRATULATIONS to the 129 children who completed the Premier Reading Challenge! We are incredibly proud of your efforts. Certificates will be awarded to each child who completed the challenge.

We love
the joy books
bring to kids.

We think you
will too.



Become a Book Club Organiser and help keep the reading momentum rolling at our school.

A **Book Club Organiser** plays an important role in our school and is involved in handing out catalogues (up to eight Issues per year), collating and returning the orders to Scholastic and distributing the ordered books to classrooms – the task is that easy!

Running **Book Club** enables our school to earn **Scholastic Rewards**, which can be used to purchase additional learning and literacy resources for classrooms. You would also be helping provide children and families with access to age-appropriate and affordable books all year round.

If you'd like to become a
Book Club Organiser please
contact:

Alison Hackett: ali_dixon6@hotmail.com

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.

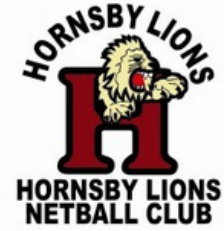
Register your Interest Now!

If you have any questions, register your interest email Kelly at boys@kna.com.au



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

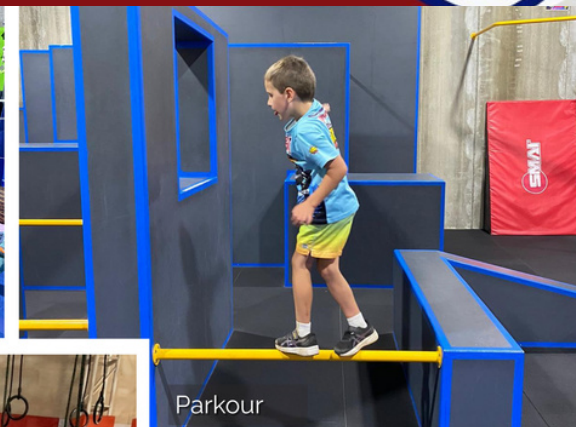
Where: Montview Netball Courts, Hornsby Heights

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

Register interest at: netsetgo.hornsbylions@gmail.com



Kinder Programs



Parkour



Ninja Warrior



Gymnastics

Moving Bodies
PROMOTION
5 FREE VOUCHERS

Enrol your child into a 10 week program and receive 5 FREE Ninja Warrior vouchers or 5 FREE Softplay vouchers.
 * Payment must be made in full before the start of term 4, 2023.

www.movingbodies.com.au

* T&C's apply - Not valid for swimming programs and adult fitness.



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CHILDREN FOR
OVER 40 YEARS**

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A warm, friendly, nurturing environment where we focus on communication and collaboration in partnership with families to ensure all children feel safe, secure and supported.

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OUR OPERATING HOURS ARE MONDAY TO FRIDAY 7.30AM - 6.00PM

WE ARE OPEN 50 WEEKS OF THE YEAR

WE PROVIDE AN AGE APPROPRIATE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

WE HAVE A FLEXIBLE ATTENDANCE PATTERN

WE WELCOME ALL CHILDREN & FAMILIES





Our Centre is staffed by experienced, long-term educators who regularly attend training to ensure they are up-to-date with current contemporary practices.

Our qualified cook prepares morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea and a late afternoon fruit snack. Our food is nutritious, encompassing a range of fresh seasonal fruits and vegetables. We celebrate our cultural diversity and offer a range of food choices from a variety of cultural origins.

“

I know he is safe and loved. The educators make me feel like he is the most important child in the centre, even though he is one of many!

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OUR EDUCATIONAL PHILOSOPHY

We are committed to providing a high quality curriculum that maximises learning potential through the implementation of a play based, interest focused curriculum, utilising the Early Years Learning Framework. Our curriculum provides children with the skills and knowledge necessary to make a smooth transition to school.

We provide children with the skills to think critically, solve problems, be aware of the world around them, strategies for conflict resolution and being respectful of each other and the wider community. Children are immersed in an environment rich in early numeracy and literacy through a play based approach. Our service provides a comprehensive preschool to school transition program.

MORE INFORMATION

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