PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE



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Weekend Mass Times

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



From the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

As the end of the year approaches, our Year 5 students will be busy preparing for their leadership opportunities in 2024. This week they had the chance to work alongside student leaders from St. Leo's Wahroonga as part of a Leadership Reflection Day. During the session, they learnt about the qualities and skills of good leadership, such as communication, teamwork, and problem-solving. They also discovered that leaders don't need a badge to demonstrate great leadership qualities. We thank Deacon Adrian Gomez and the St. Leo's student leaders for facilitating the Leadership Reflection Day.

Over the coming weeks our Year 5 students will be participating in various activities including supporting their new buddies during the Kinder 2024 Transition Sessions and participating in a Leadership Day facilitated by Motiv8 Sports.

We look forward to working through the process of nominating and eventually selecting our 2024 badged leaders. The new school leaders will be announced at a special Leadership Assembly on Friday Week 8. At this assembly we acknowledge and thank our current school leaders and officially hand over responsibilities in the final weeks of school.

Year 6 Leaders Day at NSW Parliament House

Our current School and Vice Captains will be representing our school at a Leadership Day held at the NSW Parliament House. Each year our local member Matt Keen invites school leaders to a leadership event with guest speakers with inspiring stories and messages followed by a morning tea. We are very proud of our student leadership group and this opportunity is a good way to acknowledge and thank them for their wonderful service to our school community but also an opportunity to be inspired to look for further chances to lead. I also acknowledge and thank the parents of our leaders who have been great advocates and supports for their children. I know they are very proud of them. I also thank parents for giving their time to support this leadership day by their attendance.

PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

Year 4 Assembly

A reminder to parents that on Friday this week our Year 4 class will lead our assembly item. We look forward to seeing and hearing about some of their recent learning successes as well as acknowledging students across the school for their efforts to achieve in their academic and behavioural endeavours.

P&F News

Gingerbread House Kits

Order your Gingerbread Folk gingerbread house kits now on QKR for \$45! These are THE BEST gingerbread house kits, with the most delicious gingerbread. All materials and instructions are included in the kit. Start a new tradition with your family if you haven't made one before this festive season. Order by 9 November.

Family Portraits - 29 October

Photography sessions with Lasso Studios are available on Sunday 29 October in the school hall, there are still some slots left, but hurry! \$20 for a 10x13 inch family or kids portrait with wallet photo, with the option to purchase more prints. To make a booking follow this link: <u>https://www.trybooking.com/clgax</u>

School Disco - 9 November

St Pat's annual school disco will be held on Thursday 9 November. Tickets for the disco tickets will be available through the school QKR App and cost \$5. Parents are reminded that the school disco is only for children who currently attend St. Patrick's School. We cannot have students bring friends from other schools or have younger siblings attend. The times for the disco sessions are:

- Kindy to year 3 is 5pm to 6.30pm
- Years 4, 5 and 6 is 7pm to 8.30pm
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Christmas Wreath Making Workshop - 10 December

Paddy's Care Group have organised a Christmas Wreath Making Workshop with an experienced florist. Tamara from Melia Rose Designs, will lead this 2 hour workshop. You will leave with your own beautiful fresh Australian natives wreath to hang in your home (flowers will dry beautifully over a 6 week period). Recommended age for the workshop is 16 years+, but there will be a craft table for children 5 years+ where they can make their own Christmas decorations. Make a booking on QKR now! \$90 per person for the workshop, and \$15 per child for decoration making. Afternoon tea provided. Sunday 10 December | 2 - 4pm.

Registrations close on 17 November.

Subway lunch order day - 2 November

We will be holding another Subway lunch order day on Thursday 2 November. Details are on QKR. Orders close Thursday 27 October.

God bless,

Todd Vane-Tempest Principal	Dates to Remember Term 4 Friday 27th October - Year 4 Assembly Sunday 29th October - Family Photo Day Monday 30th October - Stage 1 Excursion - Sydney Zoo Friday 3rd November - Year 5 Leadership day with Motiv8 Sports Thursday 9th November - School Disco Thursday 9th November - School Disco Thursday 16th November - Kinder 2024 Transition Session 1 Thursday 16th November - Kinder 2024 Transition Session 2 Thursday 23rd November - Kinder 2024 Transition Session 3 Thursday 7th December - Year 6 Graduation Friday 8th December - Christmas Concert performance Monday 11th December - Year 6 Celebration Day - Moving Bodies Vednesday 13th December - Fand of year whole school Mass & Guard of Honour (Yr 6 last day) Thursday 14th December - Last day of school for students (K-5) Friday 15th December - Staff Development Day (Pupil Free Day)		ST. PATRICK'S WEEKEND MASSES		
			SAT	6PM	
			SUN	8AM	
		SUN	10AM		
	Term 1 - 2024 Tuesday 30th January - Staff Development Day (Pupil Free Day) Wednesday 31st January - Year 1-6 Students return to school Friday 2nd February - Kindergarten Start School		SUN	6PM	

Religious Education





Thank you for your support of our Socktober Crazy Sock Day today. This year, the focus of Socktober's fundraising efforts is on Timor-Leste. Specifically, the proceeds will benefit vulnerable young people attending a medical clinic and a children's home in Venilale. Our contributions can help children who truly need it to access better health, nutritional and educational outcomes, showcasing the spirit of solidarity that defines our school community.

Click on this link for the Kuringai Chase <u>Parish Bulletins</u>

Up Coming Events

Week 4: Prayer for All Saints Day at assembly

Week 5: Prayer for Rememberance Day at assembly

Week 5: Year 5 & Kindy 2024 Family Mass Sunday 12th November

Week 6-Week 8 Collection for St Vincent De Paul Christmas Hampers

Week 10: Wednesday 13th December End of Year Mass

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 4 Weeks 3 and 4

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.

Speaking and listening also are one of the keystone for learning. Not only listening to their teachers and parents but also their peers, as this is where they can also learn new ideas and different perspectives. Encourage students this fortnight to really listen to siblings, friends and even challenge them to give others feedback on their ideas too... it could make someone's day!

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?

Take Care and be kind to yourselves, Hannah Fryar Wellbeing and Sports Coordinator 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. OCTOBER 2023 | ISSUE 8

ST PAT'S SPORTS REPORT





Polding Athletics Championships 2023

IIt has been a long journey from our School Athletics Carnival back in Term 2 to our Polding level carnival at the beginning of this term. Our very talented runner and athlete Ruwinka D made it through 3 levels of competition to represent not only our school, but our Cluster and Diocese at the Polding Athletics Championships, out at Homebush in Week 1 of Term.

After placing 2nd in the 200m final at the Diocesan Athletics Carnival last term, she qualified for Polding level (which is all Catholic schools north of Sydney in our state.

She competed courageously on the day and came 17th overall!

This was Ruwinka's first time making it to this level, so we congratulate her on this incredible achievement and look forward to seeing how well she goes next year. Well done Ruwinka!



Upcoming Sport Dates TERM 4

- League Stars before school program starts Wed Week 4 (see flyers below for more information)
- Cricket Blast before school program starts Fri Week 5 (see flyers below for more information)



WHEN: 1/11/2023 - 6/12/2023

TIME: Wednesday 7.45 am - 8.45 am LENGTH: 6 sessions

AGE: 5-12 Years COST: \$69 WHERE: St Patricks Catholic School

Asquith 2077





Join Woolworths Cricket Blast A safe way to have fun and stay active for kids of all abilities.

St Patrick's Catholic Primary School - Asquith 5 Week Cricket Blast Program on basketball courts Friday 10th November to 8th December Before school 7:45am - 8:45am Sydney Thunder Bus arriving for the final week! \$49 includes Cricket Blast pack | REGISTER HERE >>>> Jade Boyce | jade.boyce@cricketnsw.com.au



SIGN UP TODAY!

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