

## St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

Royston Parade Asquith 2077

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### **Weekend Mass Times**

St Patrick's Asquith St Bernard's Saturday Vigil 6pm Saturday Vig Sunday 8am, 10am, 6pm Sunday 9am

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.



### PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

#### Dear Parents and Carers,

This Easter, our Bishop Anthony Randazzo has shared his prayer for our community. "The Jubilee of Hope is an opportunity for each of us to be renewed in our faith and to be witnesses to the world of the good things the Lord has done for us. Let us allow the Word of God to inspire our hearts and open our eyes to the many reasons we have for hope. May this season of Lent prepare us to celebrate Easter with renewed hearts, full of the hope that only Christ can give."

#### School Open Day and Enrolment for 2026

We had a very successful Open Day in March, inviting prospective parents wishing to enrol their child for 2026 to come and see why St. Patrick's would be a great choice. We will hold another more casual Open Day on Wednesday the 21st of May, please feel free to invite parents who have children ready to begin school next year. We will shortly publish a link to register for that event. I am calling on all parents to assist in promoting our school as the perfect place for new students to attend. If you know of parents who have preschool children ready to start school in 2026 and beyond, please take the opportunity to let them know about St. Patrick's Asquith as the school for them. Enrolment forms can be collected from the school office, and enquiries to the school office, spa@dbb.org.au

#### FINAL REMINDER: Enrolment at St. Leo's

St. Leo's are now accepting final applications for Year 7, 2027 (closing May 1) and 2028 (closing June 1) as well as for 2029 and beyond – up to 2036! Families with students of all ages are welcome. Parents with children at our school are encouraged to apply as St. Leo's is often over-subscribed with applications

#### **Vacation Care**

A reminder that our Out of Hours School Care provider Catholic Care is now providing Vacation Care at St. Patrick's each holiday period beginning with the upcoming Easter break at the end of Term 1. There will be a mix of at school activities, incursions and excursions. Interested parents can contact St. Patrick's OSHC, Asquith via Ph: 0481 602 053 or by E: oshc.asquith@catholiccaredbb.org.au

#### Easter Hat Parade

We had a very successful Easter Hat Parade yesterday, there was a wonderful atmosphere with lots of colourful and creative hat creations. Thank you to all the parents who took time to come and view the parade. Congratulations to the winners of the Easter Egg Raffle, there were lots of amazing chocolates in the baskets, thanks to the Year 6 parents for their support and Year 6 for diligently marketing the raffle tickets.

#### **TERM TWO**

#### School Uniform

I am thankful for the overwhelming support by our parent community to send their child/ren each day dressed in their correct school uniform. A reminder to parents that the beginning of next term, we will have a 'phase in' period towards Winter uniform. Students may wear either full Summer or full Winter uniform for the first three weeks of Term 2. Students should be in full Winter uniform by Monday 19th May. Please <u>click here</u> to see expectations about uniform with particular reference to school shoes.

### PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

#### **Important Dates - Compass Parent Calendar**

Our Compass parent calendar is now up and running, you can see it in the Compass app, select the menu option at the bottom. I encourage all of you to have a look and please use this as a reference point for all school activities. We are working on additional functionality which will be announced in due course.

#### Student Free Days Friday 11th April & Monday 28th & Tuesday 29th April

<u>Please take note that tomorrow Friday 11th April is a pupil free day and there will be no lessons or supervision at St. Patrick's</u>. All teachers will be attending a Professional Learning Day offsite and the school will be closed. Our before & After school provider is available if you need care for your child.

The first 2 days of term 2 are also pupil free days

- Monday 28th April (the first day of Term 2)
- Tuesday 29th April

Please find alternative care on those days. We look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday 30th April.

#### Parent/Teacher Interviews - Week 2, Term 2 (May 5th to 9th)

Parent/Teacher Interviews are scheduled for Week 2 in term 2 with an evening session scheduled for Wednesday 7th May. The interviews provide parents with an opportunity to meet their child's teacher and discuss their progress and set goals for the year ahead. The bookings will open shortly for a face-to-face interview time with their child/ren's teacher via Compass.

#### Mother's Day Celebrations - Friday 9th May

We are looking forward to our Mother's Day Celebration at school next term. We warmly encourage mothers, mother figures and women role models in the lives of our children to come along on Friday 9th of May at 8.00am for a cuppa, something sweet and tasty and get together. Classrooms will be open from 8:45 for Mums to visit. This will be followed by our Mother's Day Liturgy at 9:30am. Please stay for as long as you can on the morning. Thanks to Keely Douthwaite and other parent volunteers for running the Mother's Day stall set for Friday 9thth May. Parents can purchase an individual order for each child in the family, through the QKR App. All gifts are \$7:50 each and are to be purchased through the QKR app before 5pm Fri 2nd May. The stall will be held at school on Friday 9th May.

#### Anzac Day Liturgy - Wednesday 30th April

We will be having an Anzac Day Liturgy in the playground on Wednesday 30th April at 2pm, all parents are invited to come and join us for this commemoration.

#### Easter Celebration - Friday 2nd May 9:30am

A special mass will be held to celebrate the Easter Season on Friday 2nd May in the church at 9:30am. Year 5 will be leading us in this liturgical celebration and all are welcome to join us to celebrate the joy that is Easter.

#### 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

#### Children's Choir

The Parish Children's Choir's last service this term is on Sunday, 13th April with the last practice taking place on Friday 11th April, 4:00 to 5:00 PM at the church. Wishing you all a lovely break; and a blessed and wonderful Easter!

Wishing you all a wonderful Easter and school holidays,

God bless you and your families.

**Todd Vane-Tempest** 

#### **Dates to Remember**

Term 1 - 2025

Friday 11th April - Pupil Free Day

Term 2 - 2025

Monday 28th April - SDD Pupil Free Day

Tuesday 29th April - SDD Pupil Free Day

Wednesday 30th April - First Day Term 2 and Anzac Liturgy

Friday 2nd May - Easter Egg Hunt - Mills Park 3.15pm Friday 9th May - Mother's Day Stall and Mother's Day Liturgy

Wednesday 14th - Friday 16th May - Years 5 and 6 Trip to Canberra

Thursday 29th May - School Athletics Carnival - Foxglove Oval

Thursday 5th June - School Photo Day

Tuesday 24th June - The Dish

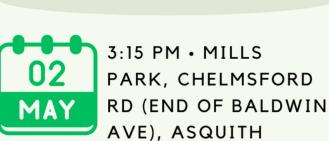
Thursday 3rd July - Last day of term 2



## **Mass Times for Holy Week**

MASS	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	THINGS TO NOTE
Holy Thursday (Mass of the Lord's Supper & Washing of the feet)	Thursday 17 April 2025	7.30pm	BOTH St Bernard's & St Patrick's	(No morning Mass) Procession to Altar of Repose & private Adoration till 10pm Please retum your Project Compassion Envelopes/Boxes
Good Friday - Stations of the Cross	Friday 18 April 2025	10am	BOTH St Bemard's & St Patrick's	Day of fast and abstinence
Good Friday - Passion of the Lord	Friday 18 April 2025	3pm	BOTH St Bernard's & St Patrick's	
Easter Vigil Saturday 19 April 2025		7pm	St Bernard's	(No morning Mass in the parish on Holy Saturday)
		7.30pm	St Patrick's	
Easter Sunday 20 April 2025		9am	St Bernard's	(No evening Mass in the parish on Easter Sunday)
		8am; 10am	St Patrick's	





ST. PAT'S

# EASTER EGG HUNT

Kindly donate a bag of small or medium-sized chocolate eggs by the first Friday of Term 2, May 2nd. Please drop them off at the school office.

THE CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.