



St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

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Rev Dr Biju Jose, OSH

Parish Priest

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Assistant Priest

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.



PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last Thursday evening, our school hall was transformed into a vibrant dance floor as students gathered for the annual St Pat's Primary School Disco. From the moment the music started, the energy was electric! There was an abundance of smiles as the children enjoyed fun and excitement as they danced to their favourite songs under colourful lights and the occasional shower of bubbles.

The disco was a wonderful celebration of school spirit as they connected with friends and share in the excitement of this much-loved tradition.

Special thanks go to the organising committee and parent volunteers who worked tirelessly to make the event safe and enjoyable but also led the way with the dancing and singing throughout the evening. Their efforts ensured that every child had a memorable night filled with joy, music, and friendship.

Events like these remind us of the importance of creating opportunities for our students to come together outside the classroom.

Christmas Concert

Get Ready for Our Christmas Concert!

The festive season is almost here, and we are thrilled to announce our upcoming school Christmas Concert! On Friday, 28th November, our school will come alive with the sights and sounds of Christmas as every grade takes the stage to share their talents.

This year's concert promises to be a joyful celebration filled with singing and dancing routines. From classic carols to lively performances, our students have been working hard to prepare something truly special for families and friends. It's a wonderful opportunity for our community to come together and celebrate the spirit of Christmas.

We invite all parents and carers to join us for this festive occasion. Bring your holiday cheer and enjoy an afternoon of music, movement, and memories that will last a lifetime.

Date: Friday, 28th November

Location: School Playground

Time: 4.30pm BBQ followed by 5.15pm Start.

We will have food on offer with a BBQ (sausage sizzle) on offer along with a Gelato van onsite. We can't wait to see you there as we celebrate the joy of Christmas with our amazing students.

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Social Media Delay

The Council of Catholic School Parents supports parents in catholic schools across the 11 dioceses of NSW and the ACT. This week they are offering a free pre-recorded video about the upcoming social media delay that comes into effect on the 10th December. Please use the following link to access the 30 minute webinar: [The Social Media Delay](#), presented by Dr. Michael Carr-Gregg (Child and Adolescent Psychologist).

Early Arrival

I again remind parents that supervision for the school day begins at 8:15am each morning. We are still seeing several children arriving at school well before the start of supervision. Our before and after school service, Catholic Care, provides excellent care and supervision if required.

Special Lunch Order Day

Next Thursday the 20th of November will be our final special lunch order day for 2025.

Please order your sushi on Qkr.

The final day for orders will be Tuesday the 18th of November.

No cash and no late orders will be accepted, there is no exceptions to this date.

Parish News

Parents are encouraged to click on the following link to access the weekly [Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic Parish Bulletin](#). Parents will find information for St. Patrick's Church including opportunities for families to support parish events including charitable works initiatives, joining the children's choir and the sacramental program.

The end of the year is fast approaching, with only three masses remaining for our children this year. Our final 10AM mass will be on December 14th. Additionally, the children will be singing for the Jubilee of the Choirs at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral in Waitara on November 22nd, from 7-8PM. Please mark this in your calendars! This event offers a great opportunity for students in Year 3 and above to see what the children's choir accomplishes. For those interested, practices are held every school term Friday from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM at St. Patrick's Asquith church. We sing at the 10:00 AM mass on the second and fourth Sundays of each month. For further information, please contact Patricia Smith at 9482 7935.

God bless,
Todd Vane-Tempest
Principal

Dates to Remember Term 4 - 2025

Thursday 20th November - Kindy 2026 Orientation Session 4
Friday 28th November - Christmas Concert from 4.30pm
Wednesday 3rd December - Kindy & Yr 6 Teddy Bears Picnic
Tuesday 9th December - The Dish
Thursday 11th December - Year 6 Graduation 5.15pm
Friday 12th December - End of Year Mass 9.30am
Monday 15th December - Year 6 Fun Day
Tuesday 16th December - Yr 6 Guard of Honour 2.00pm
Wednesday 17th December - Students Last Day

ST PATRICK'S CHRISTMAS CONCERT

**FRIDAY 28TH
NOVEMBER**

ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL GROUNDS
BBQ FROM 4:30PM

**CONCERT STARTS AT
5:15PM**



We are very excited to present our annual Christmas Concert on **Friday 28th November!**

Next week we are looking forward to Raw Energy Dance (RED ED) coming to workshop some Christmas grooves with us. Additionally each class has been preparing a Christmas song to sing.

BBQ prepared by our awesome PnF will be available from 4:30pm. We ask all children to be here by 5pm ready for the concert to begin at 5:15pm.

Children are to wear festive clothes - red/green/ Christmas t-shirts with enclosed shoes.



AT ST PATRICK'S WE ARE **SAFE, RESPONSIBLE** AND **RESPECTFUL LEARNERS**



Our PBL Focus this fortnight is...

Term 4 Weeks 3-4

WE ARE **RESPONSIBLE LEARNERS WHO LEARN AND LET OTHERS LEARN**

AT ST PATRICK'S WE ARE **SAFE, RESPONSIBLE, RESPECTFUL LEARNERS**

SAFE	RESPONSIBLE	RESPECTFUL
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PLAY SAFELY AND FAIRLY• MOVE SAFELY AT ALL TIMES• CARE FOR OTHERS• STAY SUN SAFE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• MAKE GOOD CHOICES• RIGHT PLACE, RIGHT TIME, RIGHT TASK• LEARN AND LET OTHERS LEARN• CARE FOR ALL PROPERTY• CARE FOR OUR ENVIRONMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• LISTEN ACTIVELY• TAKE PRIDE IN YOUR APPEARANCE• TAKE TURNS AND INCLUDE OTHERS• USE KIND WORDS AND ACTIONS• SPEAK RESPECTFULLY

ST PATRICK'S ASQUITH

Class Presenting Monday Wk 4 - I Green

PBL FOCUS

As we move further into Term 4, it's important that we continue to support a calm and focused learning environment. Our PBL focus for the next two weeks is "Learn and Let Others Learn." This means helping students understand how their choices can impact not only their own learning, but also the learning of those around them.

By encouraging these habits, we are fostering classrooms where everyone feels safe, respected, and able to do their best. We look forward to celebrating students who show great focus, responsibility, and cooperation.

Establish some good homework routines for independent learning.

Read at home with a parent each night or when possible.

Tell your child something new about your life they might not know or teach them about a new concept they are interested in.

Develop time management skills to complete tasks around the house in accordance with other commitments.

How can we support this at home?

Get older siblings to teach younger siblings new concepts.

Take Care and be kind to yourselves,
Hannah Fryar
Wellbeing and Sports Coordinator

Religious Education

The Dish

Our final service for the Dish will be Tuesday 9th December (Week 9). Thank you to all who have already volunteered to help support by preparing a meal. If you are available to assist with this service by preparing a meal, or donating fruit, milk, tea or coffee could you please email Mrs Lloyd-Jones kylie.lloydjones@dbb.catholic.edu.au.

Advent Prayer Celebrations

Throughout Advent we will be having weekly prayer assemblies to help us to prepare for the coming of Jesus at Christmas.

All are welcome to join us each Monday morning to pray as we light the candles on the Advent Wreath and journey closer to Christmas.

Monday 24th November - Feast of Christ the King - 2 Green

Monday 1st December - 1st Week of Advent - ½ Gold

Monday 8th December - 2nd Week of Advent - 1 Green

Monday 15th December - 3rd Week of Advent - Kindergarten

St Vincent De Paul Christmas Appeal

We will be launching our St Vincent De Paul Christmas Appeal in the coming weeks. We will be requesting donations of long life food to create Christmas Hampers to be distributed by the Asquith St Vincent De Paul Conference.

A Merry Monday Christmas Dress up will be held on Monday 8th December where students are invited to wear their jolliest, merriest Christmas outfits and bring a donation to add to the hamper so that we can share the Christmas joy with others.

Emerging Artists Awards

Term 3 was filled with creativity in the Visual Arts domain. Students developed their creative skills to produce a range of unique artworks, including animals, bushfires, Australian landscapes, and character buildings. Each piece connected meaningfully to their learning across various KLAS.

At the end of every term, teachers face the challenging task of selecting two outstanding artists from each class to receive the Art Award. The winning artworks are proudly displayed in the school for the following term.

The talented Term 3 award winners were recognised and celebrated at the Stage 3 assembly.



Kindy Gold- Ralph and Gisselle
Kindy Green- Emilia and Elsie
1 Green- Ysla and Christopher
½ Gold- Emily and Amilcar
2 Green- Laura and Liza
3 Green- Harrison and Evie
4 Green- Halle and Harry
5 Green- Ira and Cyrus
6 Green- Layla and Lila



Come venture around our school hall and up the library stairwell to catch a glimpse of their amazing art pieces.

HIGH POTENTIAL EDUCATION

Maths Challenge

Maths challenge

Ant travels

Here's a new puzzle to try this week!

The aim is for the whole family to collaborate on solving it. Encouraging the whole family to share puzzles and talk to each other mathematically is very important to us. Enjoy!

I'll share the solution in the next newsletter.

Solution from last newsletter:

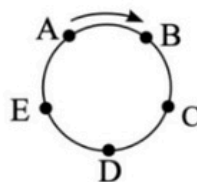
The time would be 4:30pm.

An ant travels around the circle in the direction shown.

It touches each of the labelled points in order.

The first three points that the ant touches are A, B, and C, in that order.

What is the 28th point that the ant touches?



2025 ACADEMIC AWARDS

At St Patrick's, we greatly value teaching and learning. This term, we will be celebrating educational achievement across the school year in each class.

These awards will acknowledge academic growth and achievement in the following Key Learning Areas:

- Religious Education (Week 6)
- Music (Week 6)
- English (Week 7)
- Library (Week 7)
- Teacher's choice (Week 8)
- Maths (Week 8)



We look forward to recognising and celebrating the hard work, perseverance, and progress of all our students at our Friday morning assemblies starting from Week 6 the 21st November.

All are welcome to attend.

LIBRARY

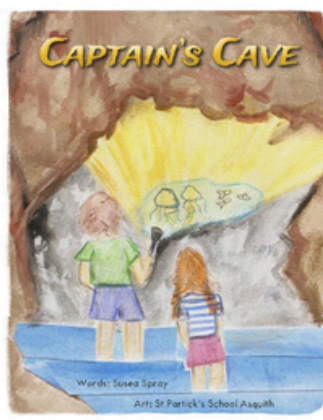
CAPTAIN'S CAVE PREORDERS ARE NOW LIVE AND READY TO BE ORDERED!

St Patrick's collaborated with author Susea Spray to, create the book Captain's Cave. The illustrations have been beautifully created by ALL THE STUDENTS at St Pat's with each class adding to one of the pages of this very special book.

It is a special keepsake for the children who have written letters to Susea and even meet her when she was at our school earlier this year. This much loved project has taken 2 years, and we are beyond excited and proud to see it now published and ready to be read in your homes for many years to come. Be sure to preorder your copies today!

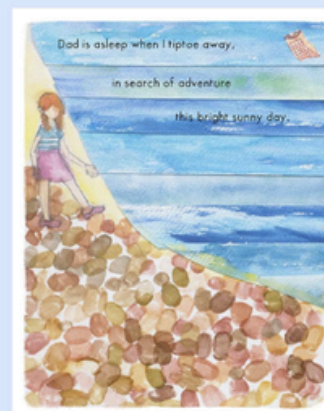
1-5 books are available to purchase for \$19.60 each. There is also an option to purchase in bundles of 6 for \$96 (\$16.00 each). This enables you to get together with friends and family to order in bulk. Click the image to add your order.

Pre-Orders from November 1st



Fundraising for St Patrick's School, Asquith

A GIRL, A CAVE AND A MYSTERIOUS TAIL.
WHAT WILL SHE FIND?



<https://suseaspray.com/product-category/books/>

Year 2 and 3's finger print created the pebbles. Can your child find their thumb print?



Year 4 created the water in every page. Does your child know what page they were added too?

Susea Spray



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READING
FUN

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*Ku-ring-gai Chase Catholic
Parish is on the lookout for more
volunteer Catechists to*

PLANT THE SEED OF FAITH

WILL YOU COME FORWARD?

**CAN YOU
COMMIT LESS THAN 1 HOUR PER WEEK?**

**ARE YOU
A STAY AT HOME MUM/DAD OR CARER?
WORKING FROM HOME?
RETIRED?
A UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE STUDENT?**

*If you answered **yes**, please consider
becoming a catechist in one of our
local public schools.*

**FAITH CAN MOVE MOUNTAINS
NO QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED
JUST WWCC
TRAINING PROVIDED**

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**GLENWOOD
HIGH SCHOOL**

MIND QUEST PROGRAM

FOR 1ST TO 6TH GRADERS



On the weekend of 15th and 16th November, the NSW talent enrichment weekend will be held for primary students at Glenwood HS.

Students will have an opportunity to participate in over 33 exciting, fast paced courses in the two day program. They include Chemistry, Earth sciences, Drama, Lego robotics, Art and much more.

Many of these highly successful courses have been run in the past and students' evaluations suggest that they have been challenged and enriched by the experience. The cost of the weekend is \$250.

For more information
and to enrol visit
mindquest.net.au

Enrolment
closing date is
Friday 17th
October.





A Special Invitation to Year 5-6 Parents & Carers

St Leo's proudly presents:

'Helping your Child Transition to High School'

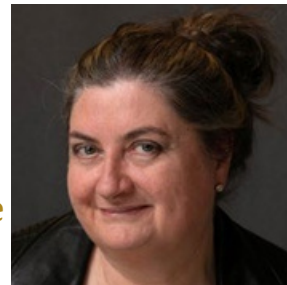
FREE PARENT & CARER INFORMATION SEMINAR:

Join experienced wellbeing and resilience speaker and trainer, Jacqui Van de Velde for an informative session designed specifically for Year 5-6 parents and carers.

This seminar will provide practical tools and strategies to help you support your child through the important transition from primary to secondary school.

Jacqui will share insights on navigating the changes ahead, managing uncertainty, and fostering resilience and optimism within your family. Expect an engaging evening filled with humour and real-life stories to help you feel confident and empowered as a parent during this time. Equip yourself with the knowledge and confidence to support your child's journey into secondary school!

PARENTS/CARERS FROM ALL SCHOOLS WELCOME - REGISTER NOW



Jacqui Van de Velde is an highly-regarded professional facilitator, trainer and speaker with over 30 years experience in education, wellbeing, resilience and mental health. As Parent Engagement Coordinator (PEC) at Prouille Catholic Primary, Wahroonga, we are fortunate to have her as part of our Catholic Schools Broken Bay network and willing to share her knowledge and passion with our wider St Leo's parent community.

Click here to
REGISTER NOW

Wednesday, 26 November 2025, 6-7pm

Tenison Woods Gallery, Lower Ground Floor
Mary MacKillop Centre, St Leo's Catholic College, Wahroonga
See attached map for parking & entry information



ONLINE

MANAGING KIDS' SCREEN TIME WITHOUT THE STRUGGLE

Feeling overwhelmed by screens at home? You're not alone.

This practical session with parenting educator Genevieve Muir will help you:

- Understand why screens are so hard to manage - for both kids and adults.
- Learn why some children struggle more with screens and how to support them.
- Set clear, age-appropriate screen-time boundaries that work.
- Reduce screen-related meltdowns and arguments.
- Make informed decisions about phones, YouTube, and social media.
- Feel more confident and in control of your family's screen use.

Perfect for parents of kids aged 2 - 15 years, it includes practical tools and time for real-life questions.

Please note: this program is funded for parents residing in these LGAs only - Hornsby, Ku-ring-gai, Willoughby, Lane Cove, Mosman, North Sydney and Northern Beaches.

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER OR

SCAN HERE

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