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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Patrick's Asquith

St Bernard's Berowra Heights

Due to social distancing, please call the Parish Office 9456 2450 to reserve a seat at Mass.

NEWSLETTER Term 3, Week 6, 26th August 2020

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet, the Guringai and Dharug people, and recognise their continuing connection to land, water and community. We pay respect to Elders past, present and emerging.



PRINCIPAL news

Dear Parents and Carers,

Seesaw App Launch

It was exciting to have launched the Seesaw App last week for our Kinder, Year 1 and Year 2 classes. All parents would have received a unique QR code linked to your child's account along with instructions on how to access and navigate the Seesaw app. Importantly this is a private app that will give parents an insight into the learning that each child has been doing this term and into the future.

The children are becoming very confident with using the app and can add documents, photos, video, notes, drawings, voice recordings and more to create their own individual portfolio. The children's portfolios will be updated regularly and I know they are very excited to have a digital platform to showcase their learning to their family.



Father's Day Stall

The Children will have a chance to purchase a gift for a significant male in their lives for Father's Day. The stall will be held on **Friday 4th September**.

ALL GIFTS ARE \$6.00 EACH! If your child/ren would like to purchase a gift at the stall, please complete an individual order form for each child in your family through the QRK APP. **The closing date for orders will be Wednesday 2nd September**, this will allow sufficient time to purchase and wrap the gifts.

I thank the P&F Committee for organising the stall.



Kinder 2021 Screener and Transition Days

Last week I communicated that, disappointingly, we have had to postpone or cancel some of our planned events because of the new restrictions. This included the Kinder Screener and Transition Days that will be postponed to Term 4. We will need to wait until the NSW Government indicates the timeline for lifting these restrictions before we commit to any dates.

When it is determined, we will require all children to attend a Kindergarten Screener Morning and two Transition Mornings next term. This will enable the children to become familiar with our school and let us get to know each child as a learner, but also provide the opportunity for our new Kinder students to socialise and get to know each other.

As restrictions for next term are not yet determined we will provide further organisational information when we are able.

School Athletics Carnival

The School Athletics Carnival was to be held next week but has again been pushed back to a later date. The carnival cannot be held under current restrictions at our usual venue. The school will seek to secure a new date for some time next term and hope that the restrictions will ease to allow it to go ahead.

Year 5 and 6 School Excursions

Last week I had to inform our Year 5 and Year 6 students and parents that the annual excursions to Canberra, Bathurst and the Year 5 Leadership Camp have been cancelled. The current restrictions along with hygiene and health concerns, possible border closures and other concerns has made it too difficult to overcome. It was a great disappointment for the children who have looked forward to these excursions for many years.

Kindergarten's special day has arrived!

One of our yearly celebrations, 100 Days of Kinder will still be celebrated on Tuesday 1st September in a reduced format. Due to the Covid-19 situation it has taken a longer time to reach this milestone.

The children are encouraged to **come to school wearing what they would like to be when they grow up!** Tuesday will be a day of fun-filled activities related to the numeral **100!** As a part of our day we will be counting and sorting lots of interesting things / making number beads/ playing games/ participating in outdoor activities and using Information Technology along with other little surprises along the way!

It has certainly been an unusual year for everyone, but particularly for our youngest students. We look forward to acknowledging and congratulating the 100 days of full attendance for the Kinder children.



Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will continue to operate during this time of restrictions. I encourage parents to make purchases where they can by using the online platform. An individual appointment is required and Covid-safe procedures adhered to if parents wish to come in to select items at the uniform shop.

Symptoms or Sickness

I remind parents that the NSW Government recently announced new restrictions for schools in NSW for the remainder of Term 3 as the state tries to stem new coronavirus outbreaks. Most importantly for the health and safety of everyone in our community, staff and students who suspect they may have COVID-19 must not return to school until they return a negative COVID-19 result and are symptom-free. **During this time schools must sight the negative COVID-19 test result before a student can return to school.**

School Fee Relief during Covid-19

Please be aware that we are supporting families as the impact of COVID-19 continues to be felt throughout our community. Our program to assist families who are experiencing difficulties with school fees due to COVID-19 can be found here: <https://www.csodbb.catholic.edu.au/parenthub/Fee-Relief-during-Covid-19>



Parking Around School Zones

Attached to this week's newsletter is information regarding resources provided by Hornsby Shire Council promoting safe driving and parking practises in school zones.

Documents attached:

- Parking and Traffic Rules for school zones
- Parking Rules
- Term 3, 2020 School Zone Road Safety News

Council's aim is to educate the school community to encourage safe driving and parking, **to keep everybody safe**. Last week I spoke with Council Rangers outside our school who were making one of their many regular ranger patrols in our school zone. I advise parents that Council rangers and the NSW Police Force regularly enforce safe driving and parking practices where possible, however it is the responsibility of our school community and other road users to abide by and ensure they understand the road rules and the importance of safety around schools. This campaign by our local council invites our community to make a difference by adhering to the road rules and following the school procedures for parking, drop-off and pick-up. I thank parents in advance for their support with this matter.



God bless you and your families
Todd Vane-Tempest
Principal

STUDENT AWARDS



Week 4

Class	Pastoral Care	Other
K Gold	Craig A.	Anamaria D-F.
K Green	Oliver H.	Eva P.
1 Gold	Zahra F.	Evie W.
2 Gold	Dylan M.	Willow E.
2 Green	Jaime W.	Chelsea S.
3 Gold	Polly F.	Fynn E.
3 Green	Sarah S.	William F.
4 Gold	Emily C.	Colin P.
4 Green	Liam S.	Ethan P.
5 Green	Ruby R.	Marcus B.
5/6 Gold	Jess B.	Mathias A-R.
6 Green	Julian H.	Annah F.

Week 5

Class	Pastoral Care	Other
K Gold	Jessica P.	Sophie C.
K Green	Ellyza E.	Tejasvi K.
1 Gold	Lachlan C.	Amy F.
2 Gold	Sooji K.	Francheska P.
2 Green	Mudiwa T.	Isaac T.
3 Gold	Angela R.	Gavin G.
3 Green	Sophia H-B.	Mitchell M.
4 Gold	Ben F.	Stella H.
4 Green	Alexa R.	Julienne U.
5 Green	Nicholas W-S.	Samantha K.
5/6 Gold	Victor C.	Taumelo T.
6 Green	William T.	Ben F.

INSTUMENTAL MUSIC / BAND news (Helen Jacobsen)

Thank you to the many parents who have supported the changes with Instrumental Music during the past week. A special thank you to Mr. V-T who made my teaching life so much easier.

The 10 minute POWER music lessons have worked very well – Thank you teachers for the smooth running of this new timetable.

- * Musicians please be early for your lesson – set up your instrument out on the Hall verandah.
- * Don't forget your music book Accent of Achievement.
- * Drummers – you must remember your own sticks.
- * Home Practice is very important as this is where the work is done – my job is to teach, correct (or not correct!!) and set more work for the following week.

Yours musically
Helen Jacobsen
Instrumental Music / Band Teacher



REC news (Carmel Kevill)

This week highlights one of the important times in our school and parish where some of our students came together to receive the Eucharist for the first time. The children have been preparing with their parents, teachers and parish groups for many weeks. They were all very excited about receiving this special sacrament. We continue to remember these children in our prayers so that this important time in their faith journey will stay with them and bring them closer to Jesus.

The **Eucharist** is a re-enactment of the Last Supper, the final meal that Jesus Christ shared with his disciples before his suffering and death. At the meal Jesus ate bread and wine and instructed his disciples to do the same in memory of him. For this reason the Eucharist is a memorial where we remember this important and sacred act that Jesus did. Each time we receive Communion at Mass we participate in this memorial.

An important thing to keep reminding our children is that the Eucharist is Christ's body and blood. Once the bread has been consecrated, it is no longer bread but Christ's body. Receiving Eucharist is truly a sacred moment which makes us fully initiated into the Catholic Church.



Congratulations to the following children on receiving The First Communion:

Alex B.	Adam C.	Ashleigh I.	Ava L.
Audrey R.	Archer W.	Brandon C.	Ben G.
Conor E.	Christian I.	Charlize L.	Catherine M.
Ethan A.	Ella B.	Emma D.	Emma M.
Edward O.	Eliana P.	Emma S.	Ethan S.
Edward W.	Giuliana F.	Isabella W.	Isabelle H.
Jaz S.	Karl C.	Lachlan G.	Makayla M.
Mason P.	Mitchell M.	Natalia S.	Niall C.
Noah D.	Noah H.	Oliver J.	Oliver K.
Rajil A.	Riley Z.	Rishona G.	Robyne DeG.
Roisin S.	Samuel A-R.	Saxon P.	Sophia H-B.
Thomas C.	Tyler S.	William F.	Xavier K.
Zola B.			





ST PATRICK'S
Father's Day Stall

All students will have the opportunity to purchase a gift for a significant male in their lives, for Father's Day.

The stall will be held at school on Friday 4th Sept, where children will be able to select their own exciting gift.

All gifts are \$6.00 each & are to be purchased through the QKR app before 5pm Wed 2nd Sept.

No late orders can be accepted and **NO CASH** will be accepted on the day.



UNIFORM SHOP

As was advised at the end of last term, we now have a new uniform shop team. We welcome Lita, Florence and Fabiola to the role. We especially want to thank Claire, Debbie and Mel and other volunteers for their seven and a half years of wonderful dedicated service to the St Patrick's school community in the uniform shop. They have made a significant contribution to the school through their commitment and their work and the uniform shop has provided funds to the P&F that have been put into school resources and local charities.

With the new team, the uniform shop is now open on **Wednesdays and Fridays**, for trying sizes and second hand clothes. Please note this is currently via by **appointment only**. Go to the website to book a time:

[Book an Appointment with St Patrick's Uniform Shop - Events and Entertainment/School shop.](#)


We have also moved uniform shop purchases to Qkr and all payments are now on-line, meaning cash payment is no longer possible.

Susan, David, Sonia and Marcella



COMMUNITY news

DON'T FORGET!



Issue #6
SCHOLASTIC
Book Club
orders are due:
8th September 2020



~Now Enrolling for 2021~

We are offering short tours (by appointment) to show you the indoor and outdoor environment. We would love to meet you and give you the opportunity to ask any questions you may have about preschool for your child next year.

Call us to make an appointment: 02 9477 2258
www.norwoodcommunitypreschool.org.au

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Asquith Magpies Netball Club's
9 week Suncorp NetSetGo program sessions will be held weekly on **Monday afternoons 5:00-6:00pm** commencing **Monday 19th October 2020** at **Montview Netball Courts Hornsby Heights**.
Cost is \$80*

*Active Kids Vouchers can be redeemed
*Discounts will apply for all players that have participated in club competition netball this year

All registered participants receive a size 4 netball, Suncorp NetSetGo T-shirt and a pack of Suncorp Netball Trading Cards.



Player registrations online at:
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