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PARISH CLERGY Father Shaju John OSH Parish Priest of Ku-Ring-Gai Chase Parish Fr Joy Thomas OSH Assistant Priest of the Parish WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Patrick's AsquithSt Bernard's Berowra HeightsDue to social distancing, please call the Parish Office9456 2450 to reserve a seat at Mass.

NEWSLETTER Term 2, Week 9, 2021

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

As stated in last week's Principal's Update we will be providing school reports as an electronic report through COMPASS during Week 10. I strongly urge all parents to have a conversation with their children about the report, both the 'achievement' but importantly also their 'effort'.

Although we scheduled Parent-Teacher interviews across the school in Term 1, parents are most welcome to seek a further interview to discuss the reports more specifically. Please contact the school office in the first instance with some requested availability times, and the class teacher will make direct contact to negotiate a mutually suitable time. I take the opportunity to thank our parents and teachers for working together to support the children and to ensure strong reporting processes are in place.

Kinder Enrolments 2022

I warmly encourage parents who are seeking enrolment, or families you know who are seeking enrolment for Kindergarten 2022 and haven't yet applied, to do so in the *next few weeks*. Please pick up an application package from the office or <u>download here</u> to receive one.

Mums in the Morning

We have had 157 responses for the Mums in the Morning event on this Friday 18th June from 8am. We are looking forward to enjoying a belated Mother's Day Celebration at school. To adhere to Covid-safe restrictions all visitors are required to use the Service NSW App to register using the school QR Code.

The Mums in the Morning Event will involve:

8am- Our mums enjoying a cuppa and chat along with a muffin or banana bread before school. There will also be a DYI Photo Booth set up in the playground for a family snapshot.

8:45am- Our mums are welcome to stay for the regular Friday Awards Assembly which will include a special performance from the School Band.

9:20am- a chance for mums to visit classrooms and do some Maths activities with their child/ren.

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Winter Appeal

The Mums in the Morning event coincides with our St Vincent De Paul's Winter Appeal. We are asking to donate non-perishable food items, blankets and warm clothes for this appeal. On this Friday 18th June we will have a Pyjama and Popcorn Day to remind students to bring in their items. Our mums are welcome to get involved by wearing their pyjamas too!

Cookbook

We encourage families to get involved by SUBMITTING YOUR DELICIOUS RECIPES in our <u>NEW EASY Google</u> <u>Form</u>. Each fortnight, up to five (5) recipes per family in total (not each week) can be submitted which will give you more chances to win one of our lucky prizes from local businesses. Parents can view all the **PRIZES** on offer for the next 6 weeks <u>HERE</u>:

Paddy's Playgroup

This week's Paddy's Playgroup will join in the celebrations with the Mums in the Morning event. The parents are welcome to be here a little earlier and enjoy a cuppa and chat along with the assembly including a performance from the school band. The Parish Room will be accessible for some free play as well. There will be no playgroup in Week 10 as there will be no children attending school Friday 25th June. The play group will resume in Term 3.

Grandparents Day

Next term we will be holding our Grandparents Day on the morning of Thursday 29th July (Week 3). Grandparents Day will begin with a liturgy, followed by a small concert in the hall provided by our Kinder, Year 1 and 2 classes and the school choir. After that we will have a short morning tea break followed with grandparents being invited to spend some time with the children in the classroom. To assist with Covid-safe requirements and catering purposes I ask that those attending register by clicking on the <u>LINK</u> and completing the form. We look forward to a lovely morning of fun and celebrations.

SDD- Friday 25th June

A reminder that our staff along with the staff of all Diocesan Catholic Schools will be attending a professional learning day on the last day of Term 2, Friday 25th June. As a result, this day will be a student free day. Our excellent Before and After school care provider, Royston Kids will provide supervision for a limited number of children on that day. Parents can contact the service via email: <u>roystonkids@hotmail.com</u> or by phone: 0431 383 981.

Morning Supervision

In recent weeks we have had several children arriving at school well before the start of morning supervision at 8:15am. I understand that from time to time parents are under pressure to begin their day a little earlier than normal. However, I ask parents to adhere to the arrival times so that their children remain safe in the care of an adult. The school does have an excellent Before and After School service that is in place for these times. Parents can contact the service via email: roystonkids@hotmail.com or by phone: 0431 383 981.

God bless you and your families

Todd Vane-Tempest

Principal

OFFICE NEWS

The Year 5 Bathurst Camp notes are coming home today. Please return the completed blue form no later than Tuesday 22nd June.

Reminder the uniform shop is <u>not</u> open tomorrow due to the Mums in the Morning.

The Cookbook Launch is on tomorrow. Start thinking about your favourite recipe to submit.

Please remember to label all your children's clothing and belongings. It has been extremely cold and quite a number of children do not have their jackets or jumpers on them. Please remember to send them with your child and remind them to wear them.

STUDENT AWARDS

Week 7

Class	Pastoral Care	Other	
K Gold	Liesel P	Harry W	
K Green	Dylan K	Maesalina M	
1 Gold	Madeleine H	Aiden R	
1 Green	Eva P	Anamaria D	
2 Gold	Lila B	Cristiano G	
3 Gold	Wanting Z	Nathan W	
3 Green	Willow E	Luke M	
4 Gold	Emma D	Archie McC	
4 Green	Noah D	Tyler S	
5 Green	Julienne U	Liam S	
5/6 Gold	Gloria S	Matteo D	
6 Green	Max M	Emily B	

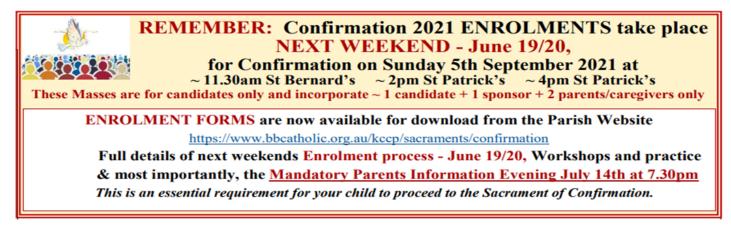
Class	Pastoral Care	Other	
K Gold	Meadow E	Joseph C	
K Green	Grace N	Casey M	
1 Gold	Sophie C	Madeleine H	
1 Green	Jessica P	Hugo B	
2 Gold	Kassidy C	Isabella S	
3 Gold	Anya G	Mia N	
3 Green	Liam D	Sooji K	
4 Gold	Anthony G	Catherine M	
4 Green	Karl C	Polly F	
5 Green	Gemma T	Colin P	
5/6 Gold	Aerin D	Andrew D	
6 Green	Juliette S	Jack B	

Week 8

REC— Tahnee Reynolds

From the Parish – Confirmation 2021

Confirmation 2021 will be celebrated within Masses on Sunday 5th September 2021 at 2pm and 4pm at St Patrick's. Please note that Confirmation enrolments will take place next weekend - 19th/20th June. Please <u>follow the link</u> to download enrolment forms.



Year 1 Sunday Parish Mass

This Sunday 20th June Year 1 families are invited to attend the 10am Mass at St. Patrick's Church. We look forward to celebrating Mass with you on Sunday. Families from all grades are most welcome to join Year 1.

Year 2 Sunday Parish Mass

On Sunday 25th July Year 2 families are invited to attend the 10am Mass at St. Patrick's Church. A note to indicate attendance was sent home last week.

Class Weekday Parish Mass

Year 4 and Year 5 will attend the Parish Mass on Tuesday 22nd June (Week 10). All families are welcome to join their classes at the weekday Parish Mass.

Winter Appeal

Thank you for your generosity and support towards our St Vincent De Paul's Winter Appeal. We have had an overwhelming response of non-perishable food items, blankets and warm clothes. On Friday 18th June we will have a *Pyjama and Popcorn Day* to remind students to bring in their items and thank them for their support.



Parent Retreat

Come, Rest & Reflect Retreat Friday 30th July 9.30 - 2pm at St Joseph's Spirituality Centre, Kincumber. Please see the <u>linked</u> flyer for further details.



Important dates for Term 2:

Friday 18th June - Pyjama and Popcorn Day - Vinnies Winter Appeal Fundraiser Sunday 20th June - Year 1 Parish Mass 10am Tuesday 22nd June - Year 4 and Year 5 Weekday Parish Mass 9am Tuesday 22nd June - The Dish

Important dates for Term 3:

Tuesday 20th July - The Dish Sunday 25th July - Year 2 Parish Mass 10am Monday 26th July - Weekday Parish Mass 9am - Grandparents with Grandchildren Thursday 29th July - Grandparents Day Liturgy and Celebrations Sunday 8th August - Year 3 Parish Mass 10am Tuesday 10th August - Year 6 Parish Mass 9am Thursday 12th August - Year 6 Parish Mass 9am Tuesday 17th August - Year 5 Parish Mass 9am Thursday 19th August - Year 5 Parish Mass 9am Thursday 19th August - Year 1 and Year 2 Parish Mass 9am Thursday 26th August - MAG Excursion Friday 3rd September - Father's Day Liturgy and Celebrations

This week, we reflect on the Term that has been and all of the wonderful experiences we have shared throughout it. Let us take the time now to stop, rest and rejuvenate before another exciting Term of learning and new adventures come along in Term 3.

Wishing you blessings and joy, Tahnee Reynolds Acting Religious Education Coordinator





St Patrick's Asguith GIFTED & TALENTED NEWS

ICAS TESTING 2021



Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are delighted to inform you that will be participating in the world-renowned ICAS Assessments again this year.

ICAS is designed to target students' higher-order thinking and problem-solving skills in English, Mathematics, Science, Writing, Spelling Bee and Digital Technologies.

Each assessment celebrates students' accomplishments by providing opportunities for recognition and development. Every student will receive a printed certificate and an online results report. Top performers will be eligible for medals and are invited to attend special award ceremonies to have their academic excellence publicly recognised.

We encourage you to consider entering your child into ICAS this year. The assessments are suitable for students wishing to extend themselves academically and take up the personal challenge of competing in an international assessment, that has been running for 40 years. Your child will be presented with high-quality, expert-developed questions, allowing them to apply their learning without the need for prior study or revision.

ICAS Assessments are now online, a move that reflects a sector-wide transition to online assessments. This allows greater accessibility for students and faster delivery of results.

Learn more about ICAS here: https://www.icasassessments.com/products-icas

2021 Participation

Our school has signed up for the ICAS Assessments parent payment system (PPS) for (English, Mathematics, Writing, Spelling, Science and Digital Technologies). Through this system parents can pay for ICAS directly online while tests will still be held at our school.

Please use the following details to register your child no later than Friday 23rd July. Also, complete and return the accompanying permission slip to school no later than Friday 30th July.

School access code is: LML339 Parent page link is: <u>https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps</u>

Please complete your payments online and return the permission form below by Friday, 23 July 2021.

Regards,

Hannah Fryar Gifted and Talented/School Promotion Coordinator



ICAS Assessments 2021 Permission Form

Please return this form to your school no later than Friday 23rd July 2021.

I give permission for my child ______ in class _____

to participate in the 2021 ICAS Assessments listed below.

Subject	School Years	Official Sitting Dates	Participation Price	Will be participating (tick)	
Science		Monday, 23 August 2021 to Friday, 27 August 2021	\$17.05		
Digital Technologies		Monday, 9 August 2021 to Friday, 13 August 2021	\$17.05		
English		Monday, 16 August 2021 to Friday, 20 August 2021	\$17.05		
Mathematics		Monday, 30 August 2021 to Friday, 3 September 2021	\$17.05		
Spelling Bee		Monday, 23 August 2021 to Friday, 27 August 2021	\$17.05		
Writing		Monday, 9 August 2021 to Friday, 13 August 2021	\$21.45		
			Total Fee (optional)		

Name of parent/guardian

Date

Signature

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN G&T...

STEAM TEAM EXPO 2021

Recently, our Stage 3 STEAM Team presented and taught their scientific phenomenon research to Year 1 and Year 2.

Their challenge was to research a scientific phenonmenon that they wanted to know more about and then teach the concept to a younger audience. This allows our students to develop their higher order thinking skills and engage further with their understanding of the concept.

They taught concepts from launchers and pulley systems to apple oxidation, prosthetic limbs, tsunamis and dark matter even! They did an amazing job and our younger students gained some wonderful science knowledge.









ART Excellence Awards Term 1



Upcoming events

Tournament of the minds - Stage 3 team

- Week 1 Term 3: Challenges released - Week 3 Term 3: Workshop with other
- schools at St Patrick's
- 21st 22nd August: Regional Final

Maths Olympiad/Maths Games

- Week 9 Term 2: Test 3
- Week 3 Term 3: Test 4
- Week 9 Term 3: Test 5

ICAS Assessments

- Friday 23rd July Last day for parents to pay online
- 9th August 3rd September Test Sitting dates (specific dates and times TBA)

Public Speaking Term 3 (Whole School)

Art Excellence Awards For each class at the end of Term 2

Wakakirri - Dress Rehearsal and Performance Date Friday 20th August

what is Tournament of the Minds?

Tournament of the Minds is a problem solving program for teams of students from both primary and secondary years. Tournament's aim is to enhance the potential of our youth by developing diverse skills, enterprise, time management, and the discipline to work collaboratively within a challenging and competitive environment.

They are required to solve demanding, open-ended challenges from one of the following disciplines:

- The Arts
- STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics)
- Language Literature
- Social Sciences

PASTORAL CARE WHOLE SCHOOL FOCUS—Doris Russell



PASTORAL CARE WHOLE SCHOOL FOCUS - WEEKS 9/10

During Weeks 9 & 10 we will be focusing on being a **Responsible Learner**.

We care for our property when:

We respect our belongings and understand that it is our responsibility to look after them accordingly. The school term is ending with more lost property accumulating. This can include something as basic as their lunch boxes, drink bottles, jumpers / jackets, hats, and even wallets.

All needing to be labelled clearly for their safe return.

This expectation also includes the way we use 'property' around us. Some questions which initiate discussion are:

- What property are YOU responsible for in the classroom/ music room / library?
 - In the playground?
 - In your bag?
- Do you check that you have everything in its right place?
- Are there items that not only belong to you, but also to your friends? Do you look after them?
- Technology and musical instruments... very **EXPENSIVE** items! Please appreciate not only what you own but at what cost it was given.

Awareness, appreciation and care are our primary motivation!

Students are not always aware of the value of what they own or share with others until something happens to the item/s: Our technology, band instruments, library books, play equipment, their own school bags, clothing, lunch boxes, water bottles, wallets are all valuable for their own reason.

'A reminder of how we treat our property and that of others is important if the students are to gain any sense of responsibility no matter what the value of the property.'

Our students are all on their own journey, our Pastoral Care expectations will guide them in making choices that will assist them in every area of their learning and in every area of their life!



God Bless and travel gently,

Doris Russell

(Pastoral Care Coordinator)



P & F NEWS



Thank you for the recipes that came through this week including Nanny's Famous Potato Bake, Chocolate Brownies and Croatian Fritule (fritters)!

The prize for this week's 'Name our Cookbook' competition will be announced on Tuesday 22nd June. Also on the same day, a Pop-Up prize will be announced – a \$50 voucher for Gia Hoi Vietnamese Restaurant in Hornsby.

Prizes in Term 3 can be found here: https://bit.ly/patsprizes

To enter your recipe go to: <u>https://bit.ly/googleformrecipes</u>

A flyer for the cookbook cover design contest will be sent home next week – a great school holiday activity. Prizes for cover design include: 2 x \$30 Sushi Mee vouchers, Books from Berkelouw and several \$ 10 vouchers for Bite Me Bakehouse, Mt Colah.

Any queries, email the P & F: pandfstpats@gmail.com

The cookbook team.

BAND NEWS

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC / BAND NEWS



SENIOR BAND and FRIDAY MUSIC STUDENTS



As next Friday 25th June, 2021 (Week 10) is Staff Development Day catch up lessons and Band will be rescheduled early in Term 3. Please look out for Notes

Term 3 Timetable has been issued.

Yours musically



COMMUNITY NEWS

Deslie Pajuelo in Year 6 is busy preparing for her first performance in the Hornsby Gang Show in the school holidays. The Gang Show is an annual youth musical and variety show presented by the Scouts and Guides of the Sydney North West Region, filled with original comedy sketches, dazzling dance routines, and wonderful musical sequences. Suitable for audiences of all ages.

The show is on at the Pioneer Theatre in Castle Hill from the 25th June- 3rd July.

Great School holiday entertainment!

Tickets can be purchased at <u>www.gangshow.com</u>



