



St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

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Weekend Mass Times

St Patrick's Asquith

Saturday Vigil 6pm

Sunday 8am, 10am, 6pm

St Bernard's Berowra Heights

Saturday Vigil 5pm

Sunday 9am



From the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

We took full advantage of the sunnier conditions yesterday to hold our annual School Cross-country at Mills Park. It was great to see the effort and enthusiasm from the children while they completed the course, the support they gave their peers and the appreciation they showed for the opportunity to compete.

I saw the usual St. Patrick's spirit on display as the children from all grades cheered on, encouraged and congratulated all participants as they completed the course.

Thank you to all parents who were able to attend and support the event. A big thank you also goes out to Miss Fryar who organised and facilitated a wonderful school event.

Covid Update

I take this opportunity to thank parents for their efforts and support during this challenging time as Covid-19 cases continue to be present in our school community. For some classes the school has needed to adjust the usual teaching roster when teachers are unwell. From time to time some of our teaching staff have needed to take other classes or it has been necessary to split a class across other classes/grades. Although not ideal, this can't be helped with the current shortage of available casual teachers.

PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

I encourage parents to stay vigilant for any symptoms of the virus during this time and remind parents to make sure they follow the Covid-safe guidelines:

- If a student or staff member receives a positive RAT test, they need to
 - record the positive RAT result through the Service NSW website or Service NSW app
 - notify the school of the positive RAT or PCR test result as soon as possible
- follow NSW Health advice to isolate for 7 days.

If your child is unwell and has tested negative on a RAT test, we would ask you to err on the side of caution and keep your child home.

I again thank our parent community for their patience and support during this time.

Easter Egg Raffle

Our Year 6 students are holding a fundraiser over the coming weeks with an Easter Egg Raffle. Tickets can be purchased from this week (\$1- 1 ticket, \$2- 3 tickets, \$5- 10 tickets) via QKR or purchased at school. The draw will take place on Friday 8th April after our K-2 Easter Hat Parade at the morning assembly.

Special Sushi Lunch Order

We also have a Year 6 fundraiser planned for Thursday 31st March with a Special Sushi Lunch Order. Funds raised from this event will go towards a gift from Year 6 to the school. Orders must be placed by Tuesday 29th March. I thank our Year 6 parents in advance for supporting this initiative. No Late orders can be accepted.

Parent – Teacher Meetings

Parents will have an opportunity to meet formally with their child's teacher to discuss the progress of their child. By now the children should be well and truly settled into the school and class routines and will have had ample opportunity to demonstrate their talents while developing their knowledge and skills in class. In Week 2 Term 2 (May 2nd-5th) parents have the chance to check in on their child's progress with teachers through the Parent/Teacher Meetings.

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The meetings will also allow teachers to have the benefit of parents providing important information about their children. These meetings will be offered as face-to-face or online meetings via Zoom. More information will be provided soon. Of course, parents do not have to wait for scheduled parent/teacher meetings to meet with teachers. Both parents and teachers are encouraged to keep the communication channels open as needed and meet as required. Anytime this is required, please contact the school office and a meeting time can be arranged.

School Open Day

I continue to call 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 2022 and beyond, please take the opportunity to let them know about St. Patrick's Asquith as the school for them. Please encourage them to attend one of our School Open Day sessions on Thursday 26th May to see and hear why St. Patrick's is the perfect place for their child. Parents can register by contacting the school (9477 3800).

New School Gate

The safety and care of students is our highest priority. Staff supervise the school gate at the beginning and end of each day to ensure children enter and exit the school site safely and to be aware of and monitor adults entering the school site. As it is not realistic to do this throughout the day, we have upgraded the school gate at the school office entry with a remotely controlled electronic gate. This upgrade will provide greater awareness and control of those entering the school site.

From Monday morning, after the school gates are closed and throughout the day until they are opened again for dismissal, the electronic gate will be activated. During this time, parents and visitors will need to ring the bell at the main entrance gate to alert Cheryl or Liz to gain entry to the school office. Once onsite all parents/visitors must report to the school office to sign in via the Compass Kiosk.

PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

School Dismissal

At the end of the school day during dismissal we have nearly 250 students moving offsite in a very short period of time. I thank parents for supporting the new protocols put in place that maintain the safety and well-being of students and visitors. Doing this allows the staff to manage the school site effectively for everyone's benefit. This is particularly true on wet weather days where conditions make it more difficult to manage.

Mother's Day- Mums Maths and Muffins

Save the date- the school will celebrate Mother's Day on Friday 6th May (Week 2, Term 2). The event will start with a morning cuppa and muffin/banana bread from 8am before acknowledging and celebrating all mothers at a school liturgy in the church. After the liturgy all our mums are invited to classrooms to play some maths games, see and celebrate your child's work and achievements.

The Mother's Day Stall will also be in available during the day. Gifts can be prepaid using the school QKR app. Gifts are \$6 each. More information will be provided soon.

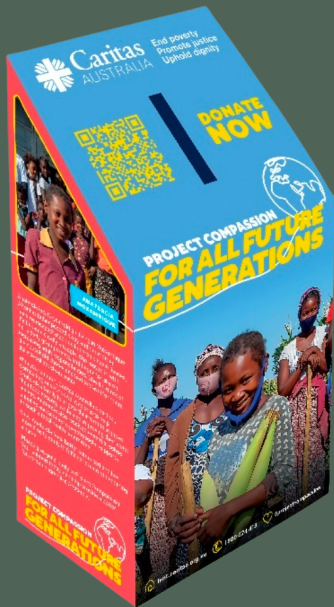
Compass Reminder

Please remember when your child is absent you need to put full day reminders in the Compass APP. If only a partial day you need to register these at the Kiosk in the office.

I hope to see you all at the P & F Welcome BBQ tomorrow afternoon at 4.30pm.

God Bless you and your families

Todd Vane-Tempest
Principal



The theme of Project Compassion 2022 is 'For All Future Generations' and reminds us that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come. It invites us to make the world a better place by working together now and finding long-term solutions to global issues. We encourage you to put your compassion into action this Lent through your prayer, fasting and almsgiving by supporting Project Compassion. Each classroom will receive a Project Compassion box for donations or you can donate online via the Caritas Australia website at: lent.caritas.org.au

OFFICE NEWS

PHOTO DAY WEDNESDAY 6th APRIL

Yesterday a photo order sheet was sent home with your child. Please send back to the office by Monday 4th April. If you require a sibling order sheet or have lost your form please collect one from the office.

SUSHI DAY THURSDAY 31st MARCH

Please place your order via QKR by Tuesday 29th March - No late orders can be accepted.

EASTER EGG RAFFLE

Tickets can be purchased via QKR or in the playground. The draw will take place on Friday 8th April, after the K-2 Easter Hat parade.

Please ensure you take the Silica gel packets out of any snacks you give your child before sending them to school. They are very dangerous for a child to consume.

LOST GLASSES

If these belong to your child please collect from the office



End of Term One: Friday 8th of April 2022
Start of Term Two: Tuesday 26th April 2022

UNIFORM SHOP

Dear St Patrick's Parents/Carers,

Uniform Shop is open to pack and deliver new and second-hand uniform purchases every Wednesdays and Fridays between 8:30am to 9:00am. In view of the current School Covid 19 Restrictions in place, we are unable to accommodate bookings and appointments until further notice.

All new uniforms are to be purchased via Qkr! app. Here we've attached the School Uniform Policy Link and Kindy Winter Uniform Buying Guide:

1. <https://www.stpat.nsw.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Uniform-policy-2020.pdf>
2. Kindy Winter Uniform Buying Guide

Winter Uniform may be worn from the beginning of Term 2. There will be a transition period during which either summer or winter uniform may be worn (not a mixture). Summer sports uniform may be worn all year round on sport days but, again, not a mixture. The final date to go into winter uniform will be announced in the Newsletter and will depend on the weather.

As a guide to ordering, each week the children wear:

**Full Uniform on three days and
Sports Uniform on the other two days.**

| Girl's Winter | Size (Please Circle) | Qty | Price |
|--|------------------------------|-----|---------|
| Long Sleeve Blouse - Lemon | 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 | | \$22.00 |
| Winter Tunic | 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 | | \$48.00 |
| Girls Tie | One size | | \$ 7.00 |
| Cotton Tights - Bottle Green (age) | 4-6, 6-8, 8-10, 10-12, 12-14 | | \$7.00 |
| Long Sleeve Sports Shirt - Gold with crest | 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 | | \$20.00 |
| Tracksuit Sports Pants | 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 | | \$27.00 |

| Boy's Winter | Size (Please Circle) | Qty | Price |
|--|------------------------------------|-----|---------|
| Long Sleeve Shirt - Green | 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 | | \$22.00 |
| Pants - Grey (double knee) | 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 | | \$23.00 |
| Boys Tie | Traditional / Velcro / Velcro-Long | | \$18.00 |
| Long Sleeve Sports Shirt - Gold with crest | 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 | | \$20.00 |
| Tracksuit Sports Pants | 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 | | \$27.00 |

UNIFORM SHOP

Second-hand uniform purchasing procedure is as follows:

1. Send an email to stpatuniformshop@gmail.com for the required uniform, size and quantity.
2. Wait for confirmation if the item is available.
3. Process payment via Qkr! app (under P&F Second Hand Uniforms Menu).
4. Send copy of receipt to stpatuniformshop@gmail.com.
5. Once a copy of receipt has been received, purchased item will be packed and delivered to students' class.
6. No return, no exchange for second hand items purchased.

| SECOND HAND CLOTHING | |
|---|------|
| PRICE LIST | |
| Summer Uniform  | |
| Summer Dress | \$10 |
| Short Sleeve Shirt (Green) | \$5 |
| Shorts (Grey) | \$5 |
| Winter Uniform  | |
| Winter Tunic | \$10 |
| Blouse (Lemon) | \$5 |
| Long Sleeve Shirt (Green) | \$5 |
| Trousers (Grey) | \$5 |
| Sloppy Joe | \$5 |
| Sport Uniform  | |
| Polo Short Sleeve Shirt (Gold) | \$2 |
| Shorts (Green) | \$2 |
| Skorts | \$2 |
| Polo Long Sleeve Shirt (Gold) | \$2 |
| Tracksuit Pants | \$5 |
| Tracksuit Jacket | \$10 |
| Miscellaneous  | |
| Excursion Bag | \$2 |
| School Bag | \$10 |
| Ties | \$2 |
| Hat | \$2 |
| Scarf | \$1 |
| Poncho | \$1 |
| All proceeds go to Charity | |

Any family with pre-loved uniforms that they would like to donate, please drop them into the School Office. Thank you!

Living out our
challenge for
discipleship



"Start doing what's
necessary; then do
what's possible; and
suddenly you are doing
the impossible."
-St Francis of Assisi

PASTORAL CARE FOCUS

Term 1 Weeks 9, 10 and 11

We are responsible learners who
care for the environment.

Why is it important to develop this skill?

A couple of weeks ago was 'Clean up Australia Day.' Each year it is an opportunity to give back to our environment what we often take for granted; clean water, uncluttered coastlines, uncluttered parks and bushland, clean safe environments, neighbourhoods and learning environments.

The SRC is over the next few weeks going to be finalising some initiatives to put into action within our community around our playground, recycling, using less plastics and sorting soft plastics SO in the next few weeks we will encourage the students to take responsibility of their learning environment.

Be an
environmental
warrior!



Participate in 'Earth Hour' this weekend.

Looking for ways to reduce the amount of soft plastics in your child's lunchbox.

Plant some veggies or start a compost bin at home.

How can you
help develop
this at home?

Take responsibility for their room environment by keeping things clean and tidy.

Recycle your soft plastics separately and deliver to your local shopping centre.

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



ST PAT'S SPORTS REPORT



Age Champions

Mark Taylor
Shield Team
2022

Mark Taylor Shield Cricket - Summary

"Cricket! The game of life. On Friday March 18, 2022 St Patrick's played St Augustine's College Brookvale at Mills Park. It was round one of the Mark Taylor Shield knockout competition. The St Pat's team showed incredible enthusiasm against a well skilled St Augustine's team that had a number of junior representative players. It was an impressive start for St Pat's with St Augustine's 2 wickets down for 15 runs in the 5th over. Unfortunately St Augustine's got away accumulating 126 runs with one wicket in hand after their 30 overs. Although St Pat's put on a galant effort in adversity against fast accurate bowling they held out to the 22nd over finishing up with a total of 21 runs. It was character building for the kids as they displayed the core values of cricket - the spirit of the game and showing that the game itself is more important than the result. Thanks to Mr Maher for organising the opportunity and the welcomed support from [Asquith Magpies Cricket Club \(AMCC\)](#)."

- Written by Peter Daly

A huge thank you to Peter Daly for his help, coaching and skills on the day and prior to the event. We are so lucky to have such supportive parents in our community.

BROKEN BAY SPORT TRIALS

Well done and good luck to all our students who are attending Broken Bay Sports Trials last week, this week and next week in Rugby League, Netball, Touch Football and AFL. We wish you all the best and well done for representing our school at such a competitive level.

North Shore Cluster and Broken Bay Swimming Carnivals

Congratulations to the 17 students who represented St Patrick's at the North Shore Cluster Swimming Carnival on Wednesday 9th March, at Hornsby Pool. All students competed well on the day and stepped up to fill races where needed, with students unable to attend. Special congratulations went to the Liam D who came 4th in the Individual Medley and 3rd in 100m Free. Also to Gemma T who came 3rd 100m Free, 4th 50m Free, 2nd 50m Back, 3rd 50m Fly, 5th 50m Breast and 2nd 200m Individual Medley. Well done to all students for getting involved in the day!



Gemma moved on to represent St Patrick's at the Broken Bay Swimming Carnival last Tuesday night at Mingara Aquatic Centre on the Central Coast. She competed in 4 races and placed well in all her finals. St Patrick's is so proud of her achievements and how far she was able to go in a very competitive field. She also made personal best times in all her events.

Amazing accomplishment Gemma!

ST PATRICK'S OPEN DAY



St Patrick's Catholic Primary School Asquith



OPEN DAY 2022

***Inspiring a passion for learning
and fostering a sense of self,
community, faith and love.***

St Patrick's ensures a welcoming and loving community that underpins each family's presence here. Each child is known, valued and cared for by our teachers and the school community. Our dedicated and professional team proudly focus on academic success but more than that, we develop the whole child, their social and emotional well-being, spiritual needs as well as their physical development through sport and movement.

Thursday 26th May

Join us

**School tour from 9am & 5.30pm.
Principal's address from 9am
& 5.30pm.**

- Meet with our Principal
- Take a first hand look at our learning environment
- Discover how each and every child has a unique learning experience

For More Information

St Patrick's Catholic Primary School
1 Royston Parade, Asquith 2077
02 9477 3800 | www.stpat.nsw.edu.au

P & F NEWS

Despite some cases of Covid in the school it is starting to look like an exciting year and we have a range of events planned as we are now able to go into the school more freely.

We are getting ready for the Welcome BBQ this Friday 24 March from 4.30 - 5.30pm. This is an opportunity to catch up with other parents and meet the new families joining our St Pat's school community. I hope you can come along.

Our next general meeting will be held on Tuesday 10 May, 7.30pm which you are all invited to join either in person or online.

At our last meeting we confirmed parents who have volunteered for the P&F executive team.

They are:

- David De-Fina - President
- Eileen He - Vice President
- Jacky Mandelburger - Secretary
- Nick Ward - Treasurer.

It is fantastic to have so many new parents coming forward and volunteering to take active roles in the P&F. This helps to bring new ideas and energy to the group and assists in spreading the workload.

I thank and welcome Eileen, Nick and Jacky to the team.

A reminder to those who have not yet followed, there are Facebook groups for each year at St Patrick's. If you use Facebook this is a useful way of staying in touch with events that are going on in the school and within the P&F.

To join, just search for your child's year group title on Facebook (exactly as written) and click 'request to join'.



St Patrick's Asquith Kindy 2022
St Patrick's Asquith Year 1 2022
St Patrick's Asquith Year 2 2022
St Patrick's Asquith Year 3 2022
St Patrick's Asquith Year 4 2022
St Patrick's Asquith Year 5 2022
St Patrick's Asquith Year 6 2022

AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS



JOIN ASQUITH FC IN 2022



Get a group of school friends and join in the same team!

Register your child now to play with Asquith FC in the **2022 Winter Competition** during **Term 2** and **Term 3**.

Saturday morning Mixed competition for boys and girls.
Sunday morning Girls only competition.

New U8-U18 girls receive a \$50 rebel voucher.

Asquith FC caters for all skill levels.

Register Online at asquithsc.org.au

For further information

registrar@asquithsc.org.au • www.asquithsc.org.au • 

U6 & U7
NOTHING TO PAY!
when you apply your
Active Kids Voucher

Registration includes: team fees,
player insurance, AFC socks.

All new U6 & U7 registrations
receive AFC shorts and
AFC training shirt.

Under 6/7
\$100

Under 8/9
\$180

Under 10/11
\$195

Under 12
\$240

APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAY EVENTS: JOEY PRESTO MAGIC SHOW



Join us for a big, colourful, and interactive magic show! Joey Presto will delight children and adults with his magic, comedy, and plenty of surprises.

HORNSBY CENTRAL LIBRARY

Tuesday 19 April, 10.30am – 11.30am

PENNANT HILLS MAIN HALL

Tuesday 19 April, 2.30pm – 3.30pm

BEROWRA COMMUNITY CENTRE AUDITORIUM

Thursday 21 April, 2.30pm – 3.30pm

Restrictions may be put in place due to COVID regulations at the time of the event. Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult. One adult per family. Adults must wear a mask and show proof of vaccination upon entry.

Cost: \$10 per child (free for adults accompanying children)

Ages: 5+

Bookings: Bookings essential. Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library

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