



St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

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Parish Clergy

Rev Dr Biju Jose, OSH

Parish Priest

Fr Joy Thomas OSH

St Patrick's Asquith

Saturday Vigil 6pm

Sunday 8am, 10am, 6pm

Weekend Mass Times

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.



From the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! It's been wonderful to see all our students return to school this week with such a positive attitude. They have been excited to reconnect with friends and settle back into their routines. I am looking forward to making this term a great one together full of learning opportunities for the children but also chances for the school community to come together to support planned celebrations and events.

This term we will celebrate the religious Feast Days for Mary MacKillop and the Assumption Mary the Mother of Jesus, as well as a liturgy for Father's Day.

We look forward to our annual Book Parade and author visit next Monday. We are lucky to have two talented authors join us for our book week celebrations, Kate and Jol Temple who are well known for the Bin Chicken picture book series.

The children are already preparing for our annual School Public Speaking competition and we will hold the School Spelling Bee competition later in the term. Stage 2 and Stage 3 children are also fortunate to be participating in a soccer Gala Day in the coming weeks.

100 Days of Kindergarten

The date for the 100 Days of Kindergarten Celebration has been changed once more to Wednesday, 7th August. This adjustment ensures that the Book Week Parade and the 100 Days of Kindergarten Celebration do not occur on back-to-back days. I am sure this change is welcomed by parents, so they have time to adequately prepare for both events.

Open Day Session for Preschool Educator

On Wednesday this week we hosted a very successful Open Classroom session that enabled local Preschool Educators to connect with our school. The educators were excited to reconnect with their former pre schoolers but also very impressed with our new Kinder Classrooms. During the morning, they observed the Kinder classrooms in action and participated in a Professional Learning discussion with myself and Mrs Schyvens. This session also helps establish positive channels of communication between the preschool and school settings that also support transition process.

The Preschool Educators have indicated that they will assist in promoting the school including the opportunity to attend the Open Day session, to take a tour and find out more about the school.

PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

Enrolments- Open Classrooms

We are inviting prospective parents to our Open Classrooms session next week on Wednesday 31st July at 9am to see the wonderful opportunities available at our school. I encourage parents who know of families in their neighbourhood who are looking to enrol their child at school to let them know about our Open Day session. We are still looking for further enrolments for Kinder 2025 to secure a second kinder class and have places available in other grades for older students.

Pastoral Care Focus

This fortnight we are focusing on the learning behaviour of 'We are respectful learners who learn and let others learn.' This is such an important value of our school as our core business is about students learning. Through this pastoral care focus we are seeking to set each student up to be successful learners by displaying the expected behaviours and making good decisions that benefit them and their classmates. I encourage parents to speak with their child/ren about this focus and demonstrate it at home when they are completing home tasks alongside their siblings.

School Uniform

I have also noticed some students not wearing the school tie which is part of the full School Winter Uniform. I encourage parents to check that their child/ren is/are correctly dressed in their full uniform every school day. I thank parents in advance for supporting the wearing of the school uniform.

Building Update

The builders have taken the opportunity of having an empty school site to push the building works along with carpet and lino being installed already in the new learning spaces for Year 3 and 4 classrooms in Block C. There has been new lighting installed in the library spaces.

Parents will have already seen the significant works carried out in the grass area in readiness for the new lift and playground. This work is expected to continue for all of Term 3.

While the School Office is on track, the sickbay has been delayed as we wait for the telecom company to assist with the final relocation of the office server to the library. This will delay the relocation of the school office as the sickbay and office need to function together.

We also had some roofing works completed on the hall during the break with the replacement of the skylights.

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.

Parish Children's Choir returns this week after school holidays with a very special Mass this Sunday, 28th July, for Grandparents' Day! Come along to 10am Mass as we welcome all grandparents and grandparent-figures for a special blessing and fabulous morning tea!

Practice as usual this Friday at 4 to 5pm in the church - all welcome, from Year 3 and up. Children's Choir sings at 10am Mass on 2nd and 4th Sundays every month except January. Further information: Patricia Smith 9482 7935

God bless you and your families.

Todd Vane-Tempest

Principal

Dates to Remember

Term 3 - 2024

Monday 29th July - Book Week Parade
Wednesday 31st July - Open Classrooms for Prospective Parents
Friday 2nd - Green & Gold Day
Tuesday 6th August - Stage 3 Soccer Gala Day
Wednesday 7th August - 100 Days of Kindergarten
Thursday 8th August - Mary Mackillop Mass 9am
Tuesday 13th August - Stage 2 Soccer Gala Day
Thursday 15th August - Pizza Lunch Day
Friday 16th August - Public Speaking Grand Final Years 3-6
Friday 30th August - Fathers Day Liturgy & Stall
Friday 27th September - Last Day Term 3

ST. PATRICK'S WEEKEND MASSES

SAT

6PM

SUN

8AM

SUN

10AM

SUN

6PM



You're invited to

Open Classrooms

Join us for a tour of our new Kindergarten Classrooms, Stage 3 Classrooms and our Library.

Wednesday 31 July, 9-10am

We invite you to our **Open Classroom session** to experience our newly renovated learning spaces including the Kindergarten classrooms, Year 5 and Year 6 classrooms and our new Library.

Join a student led tour and chat with our principal, Todd Vane-Tempest. Feel free to ask questions in a relaxed setting and find out more about the St Patrick's K-6 learning journey, school readiness, transition to kindergarten and enrolment.

Come and see for yourself our classroom facilities, witness teaching in action and gain a real sense of the St Patrick's School community.



◀ **Scan to register or visit:**
bit.ly/StPatsClassrooms

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Religious Education

Confirmation -For Year 3 or Older Students

Parent Information Evening and Enrolment for Confirmation will be

Tuesday 6th August 7:30pm at St Patrick's Church

If you do not attend this meeting, you will need to make an appointment to see Father Biju if you wish for your child to be confirmed this year.

Children need to be in Year 3 or older and have already received the sacrament of Baptism to be eligible for Confirmation.

Confirmation this year will be held on Sunday 15th September.

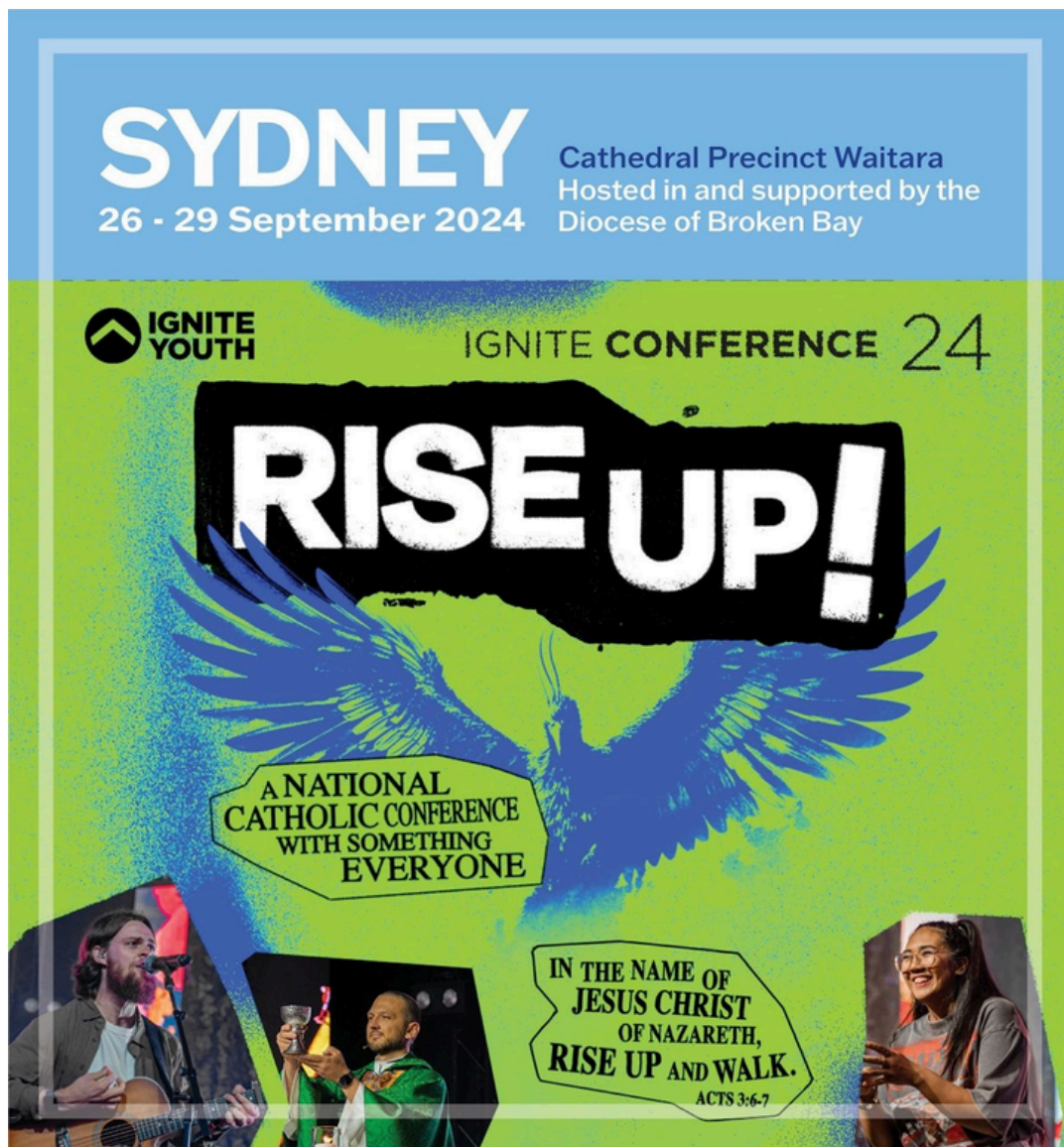
Term 3 Liturgical Events

This term we have many Feast Days and Occasions to celebrate. You are welcome to join us for any of our special liturgical celebrations this term.

- Feast of Mary MacKillop: Thursday 8th August 9am
- Feast of the Assumption: Thursday 15th August 9am
- Stage 2 Parish Family Mass: Sunday 25th August 10am
- Father's Day: Friday 30th August
- Confirmation: Sunday 15th September
- Parent Prayer: Wednesday 25th September 8:15am

Religious Education

Ignite Festival



Broken Bay Diocese is again hosting the Ignite Festival in September this year. The Sydney Ignite Conference is your time. You are invited to join in four days of unforgettable Catholic speakers, music, dance, sacraments, workshops and worship.

This year there will be a Ignite Kids a special two days of activities especially for Year 5 and 6 students on Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th September.

There is a 50% discount for students of Broken Bay Schools to attend. Contact Mrs Lloyd-Jones for the discount code.

<https://igniteconference.com.au/sydney>

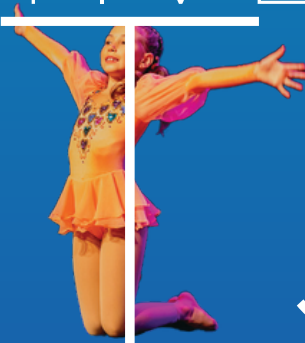
2024



RELIGIOUS
CREATIVE



ARTS



COMPETITION

MAY THE GOD OF HOPE FILL YOU WITH JOY
Romans 15:13

HOW TO ENTER

You're invited to join this celebration of creativity and talent. Open to all CSBB students from Kindergarten to Year 10, this event features five exciting categories:

- visual arts
- dance
- drama
- music
- short film.

These artworks must reflect this year's theme "JOY" (Romans 15:13).

Competition Entries need to be given to Mrs LJ by Term 3 Week 4 Friday 16 August 2024.



PROUDLY SUPPORTING
Eileen O'Connor
Catholic School

More info
for staff

Entries closing
16 August 2024



Living out our
challenge for
discipleship



"Never stop
learning because
life never stops
teaching"
-Unknown

PASTORAL CARE FOCUS

Term 3 Weeks 1-2

We are respectful learners who
learn and let others learn.

Why is it important to develop this skill?

As we start back for Term 3... children sometimes need to remind ourselves of classroom expectations and routines for learning. The focus this fortnight is so students recognise their importance in contributing to the classroom learning environment, not only for themselves but in order to also help others learn.

We encourage children to utilise good learning behaviours in the classroom and routines at home to continue learning, whether it be through homework or everyday learning e.g. cooking, making, and creating. Working together with siblings or friends outside of school can help develop those problem-solving and relational skills with others.

Learn your
best!



Establish some good homework
routines for independent
learning.

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

Get older siblings to teach
younger siblings new concepts.

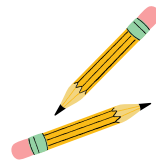
How can you help develop this at home?

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.

LIBRARY NEWS

Term Three



★ BOOK WEEK PARADE- MONDAY 29TH JULY

Book Parade - 29th July @ 8.45am

To celebrate book week we invite all students to unleash their creativity and come dressed as their favourite **book character** or embrace this year's theme '**Reading is Magic**'.



Fruit Break Reading Picnic - Straight after the parade roughly 9.45am

Parents and carers you are invited to join us for the parade and watch the children showcase their costumes followed by a fruit break picnic where you can read to your child, or they can read to you or their friends their favourite book.

Pack a picnic blanket, a book, a piece of fruit and join us to soak up the sun and celebrate the joy of reading and creativity together!



picnic



★ EXCITING NEWS- AUTHOR VISIT

We are ecstatic to share that the talented authors Kate and Jol Temple will be visiting our school on Monday 29th to share their writing journey and talents with us. We can't wait for them to bring their books to life and inspire us on this special day.



Order a signed copy of a book by Kate and Jol Temple. Follow the steps below to order.
<https://larrikinhouse.com.au/collections/kate-jol-temple-author-event>

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Kate & Jol Temple
Authors

Kate and Jol are internationally awarded authors of over 30 hilarious books for kids. From snuggly bed picture books series Bin Chicken to action-adventure graphic novels like Frog Squad and The Underling!

Kate also writes fun teen dark fantasy series, The Dangerous Business of Being Tricky Mad.

These books are funny page turners that are full of heart.

Order signed copies

Order the books you would like by scanning or clicking the QR code (please follow the instructions given online). The portal will close 3 days after the event.

SCAN OR CLICK TO ORDER



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Customer Service - Ph 1800 841 569 / service@larrikinhouse.com

Maths challenge

Orange slices

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:

6 towers with blue on the bottom.

2 different towers with blue and green not touching.



Your team has won the championship!

You are excited but exhausted.

There are slices of orange to share!

If the slices are shared **equally** between the players, everyone gets **4 slices**.

However, if they are shared **equally** between the **players**, the **coach** and the team **manager**, everyone gets **3 slices**.

How many players are on the team?

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Pumpkin Patch 0-2



Penguin Patch 2-3



Kindy Patch 3-5

Uniform Shop Updates

Mondays and Wednesdays
8:30am -9am

Changes to uniform collection

Qkr! orders collected at the uniform shop will need to be signed off by collecting family member.

If your child is absent during uniform delivery days on Monday or Wednesday, your order will be in the school office for collection. Uniforms will need to be signed off by collecting family member.

Winter Jackets

Size 8 winter jackets have arrived from the supplier. Jackets will be delivered by Monday 24th June.

Volunteers

If you are able to volunteer at the uniform shop on Wednesdays or during the first 2-3 weeks of term, we would like your help!

stpatuniformshop@gmail.com

ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC / BAND PROGRAM

COMMENCING TERM 3



Dear Parents of Students Year 1 – 5

Would your child like to learn a musical instrument, as part of our Instrumental Music and School Band Program.

Instruments taught are:-

Woodwind
Brass
Percussion

Flute, Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, Tenor Saxophone
Trumpet, Trombone, Euphonium, French Horn, Tuba
Snare Drum & Auxiliary Instruments e.g. Triangle, Tambourine

All music lessons are 30 minutes long and held in school hours, on-site at school.

Please email for further information
studio21band@gmail.com

Yours musically
Helen Jacobsen
Instrumental Music / Band Teacher



Why Chess?

- Create Brighter Thinkers
- Improve Student Focus
- Achieve Academic Success

Combines learning with fun!



Educational Benefits:

- Improves concentration and focus
- Develops logical thinking and problem solving skills
- Enhances memory
- Encourages creative and lateral thinking
- Promotes discipline
- Accelerates emotional development
- Expands visualisation and spatial awareness
- Demonstrates actions and consequences
- Rewards correct decision making
- Increases self-confidence
- Provides opportunities to make new friends from diverse backgrounds

St Patrick's Primary School (Asquith) Chess Classes, 2024 Fridays 1:15PM - 1:55PM

Term 1	Cost: \$132	16th Feb - 12th Apr*
Term 2	Cost: \$165	3rd May - 5th Jul
Term 3	Cost: \$165	26th Jul - 27th Sep
Term 4	Cost: \$148.50	18th Oct - 13th Dec

*No chess on 29th March (Public Holiday)

To enrol please pay online with your credit card at www.sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/payment

Enter the code **IS2E1A3WI8** and fill in the electronic form, with your child's details.

**There are no credits or refunds for missed classes, clashing activities, sickness, school excursions, staff development days, teacher strikes or change of mind. Any missed classes can be made up at one of our online chess classes. Please visit <https://sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/online> for more information. Payment must be made the day before attending the first lesson of the commencing term. The participant will not be allowed to join the class until payment has been received. Joining midway through the term is welcome. Use the payment code above and follow the online instructions.*

OPTIONAL EXTRAS (prices exclude delivery)		
To enhance your child's learning experience these items are available for purchase online at the time of enrolment		
Workbook 1 – Cost: \$25 [For Beginner/Rookie Players]	Workbook 2 – Cost: \$25 [For Intermediate Players]	Workbook 1 & 2 – Cost: \$40 [SPECIAL OFFER]
Exploration in Chess Beauty – Cost: \$33 [For Advanced Players]	Chess Set & Roll-up Board – Cost: \$25 [Recommended for All Ages]	Chess Clock DGT1002 Bonus – Cost: \$55 [Recommended for All Ages]

Pay for four terms in advance and receive a free chess set or workbook 2. Offer expires 31st March, 2024.



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JOIN THE FUN

A NEW OFFICIAL KIDS PROGRAM OF CRICKET AUSTRALIA LAUNCHES THIS YEAR!



JUNIOR BLASTERS

AGES 5-7 | 60 MINS

- Learn new skills including catching, throwing and teamwork
- Make new friends or organise a group to learn together
- Wear the colours of your favourite Big Bash heroes in a personalised t-shirt
- All equipment supplied, parents join in the fun



SIGN UP NOW TO GET YOUR JUNIOR BLASTERS PACK!

Includes t-shirt with your name on it and bucket hat in your choice of Big Bash team colour, bat & ball, personalised bat sticker sheet & progression tracker.



CRICKET AUSTRALIA



Asquith Rugby League Cricket Club

11-37 Alexandria Parade, Waitara NSW 2077

www.asquithcricket.org

REGISTER NOW:



CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK®2024



MEET THE AUTHOR R.A.SPRATT

Celebrate Children's Book Week 2024 and its theme; Reading is Magic

Discover why reading is magic with R.A. Spratt at the Children's Book Council of Australia's Book Week 2024. R.A. Spratt is the bestselling author of dozens of absurd and witty books including *Friday Barnes*, *The Adventures of Nanny Piggins*, *The Peski Kids*, and the *Shockingly* and *Astonishingly Good Stories* collections.

This event will be followed by a book signing and there will be books available to purchase at the Library.

When: Wednesday 21 August, 4.30pm–5.30pm

Where: Hornsby Library

Cost: Free

Ages: 5+

Bookings: Bookings essential. Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library or at any Hornsby Shire Library Branch. Children 10 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Bookings are essential. For booking details and further information on this event and more events in your library visit hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library

HORNSBY SHIRE
LIBRARIES



PARENTING IN A TECHNOLOGICAL AGE

Exploring how to parent wisely in a rapidly changing world.

Seminar Details

7.30-9.30pm

Tuesday 13 August

St John's, 6 Royston Pde Asquith

\$10 per person

www.stjohnsasquith.org.au/events



St John's
Asquith