

Family Mass

Children's Liturgy every 9am Mass  
except in school holidays

P & F Meeting

8 March 7pm on the Infants Campus

St Patrick's Hall

Enquires and bookings please call the  
school office

Outside School Hours Care

E: [eastgosford.oshc@dbb.org.au](mailto:eastgosford.oshc@dbb.org.au)  
or phone 0408 165 671  
or visit the school website

The Uniform Shop

phone 0412 087 696

opening hours during school terms

*Tuesday*

8.30am – 10.30am

Also 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of every month

2.30pm – 4.00pm

The uniform shop can be contacted  
outside of business hours by email  
[stpatricksprimary@alinta.com.au](mailto:stpatricksprimary@alinta.com.au)  
payments can be made direct to

Alinta Apparel in the form of cash,  
credit card, or debit credit card

**NO CHEQUES**

uniform price list & online shopping

available at

<http://www.alintaapparel.com.au/alinta/>

Canteen

*Infants: Wednesday & Friday*

*Primary: Wednesday & Friday*

Rostered volunteers please give  
24 hours' notice if you are unable to  
attend

## Greetings

Love, peace and blessings to you and your families this Easter.

## EASTER SUNDAY

Women go to the tomb as dawn is breaking. The Power of Darkness which had Jesus unjustly sentenced, cruelly tortured and buried in the pitch blackness of the tomb, is conquered by the Son-Rise of all sun rises flooding our world and the whole of human history with Divine Light and Energy.

This is the heart of our faith as Catholic Christians, which we celebrate with bonfire (good fire) in darkness at the Easter Vigil. From that earthly element we light the Easter candle and sing: 'Be glad, let earth be glad as glory floods her, ablaze with light from her eternal King.'

The resurrection itself is nowhere described in the gospels, but we do have appearances of the Risen Lord Jesus. The first appearance was to a woman, Mary of Magdala. A title given to her by the early church was 'Apostle to the Apostles' because she was the bearer of the message which the male disciples initially did not believe.

Christ's body was transfigured by the energy of Divine Love and we can, by grace, participate in that resurrection life of Our Lord. A glorious destiny awaits us, as indeed it awaits the whole cosmos as it is to be transformed by that resurrection life recreating the whole of creation.

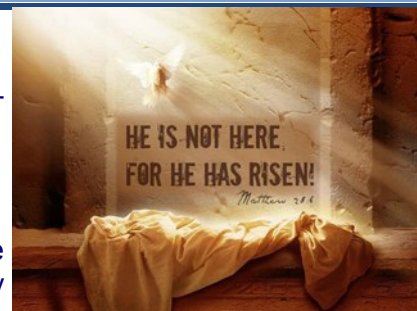
We could take a moment to pray that we, along with all that matters, are graced with the life-giving energy of the Risen Son and that we may join Mary of Magdala in spreading the Good News of Christ's victory over death. Alleluia!

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## The Year of Youth

This liturgical year has been identified by the Australian Bishops as the national Year of Youth. It invites the church into conversation about the importance and life-giving presence of young people in the Church and society – our children. It calls for discussion and active engagement focused on the reconnection and renewal of a new generation of young people in the life of the Church.

A Cross of Youth has been traveling through the Broken Bay Diocese, from parish to parish, to represent, celebrate, stir and inspire our youth to think about their connection with the Church.



On Wednesday, St Patrick's celebrated the Year of Youth in Liturgy with Father Tadeusz. We gave thanks for the children in our school and asked them to think about ways they could reconnect with the Church, make a difference as Catholic Disciples and be the face of God to others. The Cross was then processed down to St Joseph's and St Edwards Colleges to continue its journey.

### Easter Family Mass: Whole School

On Sunday the Parish has organised a special Easter Mass at 10.30am. This Parish Mass will also be celebrated as a Whole School Family Mass. We hope you can join us in celebrating the joy of the Risen Lord, Jesus the Christ! Thank you to all the parents and children who have volunteered to be part of that Mass. I will meet you at the front of the Church at 10.15am.

### Baptisms

Next Friday we will be celebrating Easter as a whole school with Mass at 9.00am. At this Mass Lily and Mia Walsh, called as children of God will be Baptised. Please keep them in your prayers in the lead up to this special occasion. We warmly invite you to join us for Mass on this day.

### What's on:

- W9: 30<sup>th</sup> March: Good Friday  
 1<sup>st</sup> April: Easter Sunday Family Mass, Whole School, 10.30am  
 W10: 2<sup>nd</sup> April: Easter Monday  
 6<sup>th</sup> April: Whole School Easter Mass, Friday 9.00am

Go gently with Christ

Jacqueline Nenadovic

Religious Education Coordinator



# School closed Tuesday 3 April For Staff Development Day



## ST PATRICK'S PARISH NEWS

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### GREETINGS & EASTER BLESSINGS FROM FR TADEUSZ

We are about to enter the most beautiful three days of the Church year with the Passion, Death & Resurrection of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. I encourage you to make as many of the services as possible, and if you missed the opportunity to make your reconciliation, please know that either Fr Sebastian or myself will be available at the Confessional both before and after the ceremonies of the Triduum.

I would like to thank the school for its organisation of the Family Mass at 10.30am on Easter Sunday which promises to be a very joyous celebration of the Risen Lord.

Lastly, I look forward to the school's Easter Mass at 9am on Friday April 6 at which 4 students will be baptised into the Church. We will joyfully welcome Mia, Lily, Jackson & Joshua! Congratulations!

### SERVICES OF THE EASTER TRIDUUM

Holy Thurs:

7.30pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Fri: 10am: Stations

Good Fri: 3pm: The Passion of the Lord.

Easter Vigil: 7pm: Mass ~ Service of the Light.

Easter Sun: Masses at 7.30am, 9am, 10.30am & 6pm

**Please join us for the Family Mass at 10.30am!**

Somersby:

Good Fri: 10am: Stations

Good Fri: 3pm: The Passion of the Lord.

Easter Vigil: 7pm: Mass ~ Service of the Light.



PINT  
 SIZED

PADDIES

Yrs 5-8,

**Friday  
 April 9  
 @ 7pm**

**Call Mel  
 on 0434  
 251 481  
 Only \$2!**

**FROM OUR PRINCIPAL MRS CHERYL WALSH.**

Dear Parents and students,

I must say how excited I am to be officially back at school, even though I am a little slower than before. Hopefully I will be back running around very soon.

Today the Year 6 students lead us in a very moving Holy Week Liturgy, taking us from Palm Sunday through to Good Friday. This is a beautiful way for us to commence this very significant time in our Church calendar.

Over the next few days there are many Holy Week activities planned by Father Tadeusz and the parish which hopefully you will be able to be part of, including our Family Mass at 10.30am on Easter Sunday.

**Pupil Free Day**

Just a final reminder that Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April is a pupil free day. The staff will be working with Sheena Cameron and Louise Dempsey at Waitara. This is the second professional learning day that we have been fortunate enough to part of.

**Kindergarten 2019 Information Evening**

On Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April is our Information evening for parents with children starting school in 2019. Please remember that the evening starts with school tours, led by our Year 6 Leaders, commencing at 6.30pm. The information Session will commence at 7pm. Please make sure this evening is in your diary. Enrolments are open from this date with all enrolment applications due in by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May. Applications cannot be accepted unless all required documentation is supplied at the time the application is returned.

Enrolment interviews will commence on approximately Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May.

**Parent and Friends and School Advisory Group**

I would like to thank the Parents who have volunteered for positions on our P & F. I am most grateful to you all for assisting in this way. Our community needs you!!

I was hoping to have a meeting with our newly formed School Advisory Group this Term. I was hoping to do this on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April commencing at 7pm in the LARC.

Thanks to the P&F for organising the Easter Raffle—a great success!!

I hope that you all have a happy and safe Easter

God Bless

Cheryl

**FOR YOUR FORWARD PLANNER...**

3 April	Pupil Free Day
9 April	Kinder Open Night
13 April	Last day Term 1
30 April	Term 2 begins
9 –10 May	Yr 6 Canberra
6 July	Last day Term 2
23 July	Term 3 begins
4 Sept	School Concert
28 Sept	Last day Term 3
15 Oct	Term 4 begins
21 –23 Nov	Yr 5 Camp
6 Dec	Yr 6 Grad Mass
18 Dec	End of year Mass

Send all Coles vouchers in ASAP as promotion finishes next week - they are being sent to Coles

Alinta Uniform shop is open on Tuesday 3 April  
(Pupil Free Day)

**ASTHMA /ALLERGY FORMS**

A reminder for any parents that have not returned current asthma or allergy forms  
please return them to school office ASAP.

## From the P&F Committee

Thankyou to all that helped with the Easter Raffle, wrapping prizes,74 prizes in total!! A big thank you to all families who donated Easter treats and of course those who purchased tickets. We raised \$ 1470 which will go towards Technology in the school.

Our helpers Emma, Lorraine, Suzanne, Tammy, Marie, Mehana, Katie & Rachael for the donating Easter boxes



### SRC News— Maureen Mandell and the members of the SRC

Our class councillors have attended a few meetings already this term where they are sharing some very interesting ideas put forward by the students in the various classes. The councillors are very enthusiastic at our meetings and willing to discuss ideas that we should put forward to the staff.

Some of the initiatives that are being considered or acted on already are:

To form a lunchtime Primary Dance Troop

To have one day where just girls can play soccer.

To have the basketball rings repaired or replaced on both the Infant and Primary campuses.

To purchase more basketballs and make the soccer goals available at lunchtime.

Discussion about play areas on primary side and placement of bins.

We look forward to sharing updates and further news throughout the year.

## SWIMMING CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Sandor T, Sam C, Bonnie B, Eva F, Natasha G and Emily Q who represented the Broken Bay Diocese at Polding Swimming trials held at Homebush last week. Whilst they didn't reach the next level, we are very proud of the effort they made to reach this level of competitive swimming.



## YEAR 6 DEBATING

Year Six students Seth, Stevie, Georgia and Abby completed in their first debate against Holy cross last Friday.

A close result with St Pat's narrowly taking second place. All debaters did a marvellous job and had a great time.



## LOST

Sophia Stingmore has lost her hat (name inside) if found please return to the office.

## Infants Cross Country Fun Run

We finally had the Infants Cross Country Fun Run on Tuesday- it was a great morning!! Thank you to all the volunteer helpers and for the wonderful participation of the Infants Children. Here are the results for the run.



### Kinder Boys

1. Aadi G
2. Eddie O'S
3. Hamish H
4. Tex B
5. Patrick L

### Kinder Girls

- Grace P
- Scarlett V
- Claire R
- Chloe P
- Amelia N

### Year 1 Boys

- Ambrose P
- Michael H
- Freddie F
- Hugo S
- Luka D T

### Year 1 Girls

- Carys D
- Zara W
- Teddie N
- Kowhai B-J
- Jessica C

### Year 2 Boys

1. Robbie F
2. Cooper S
3. Jasper H
4. Eli H
5. Will H

### Year 2 Girls

- Amelia H
- Chloe M
- Yeju C
- Sienna C
- Scarlett L





**ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

**OPEN EVENING**  
**MONDAY 9 APRIL 2018**

**ENROL NOW  
FOR 2019**

**School Tour 6.30pm - 6.50pm Information Session 7.00pm**

Offering diverse curricula activities initiated by a caring and dedicated team where combined with parent involvement offers excellent learning opportunities.

**Come along and see what a Catholic education can offer your child.** School tours can also be arranged by appointment.

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