



ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL, EAST GOSFORD

THE PERFECT PLACE FOR YOUR CHILDREN TO LEARN, GROW AND THRIVE

WHAT MAKES US UNIQUE:

- Welcoming and supportive community
- 1/3 of our students come from backgrounds other than English and we provide extra support to these students
- Commitment to student wellbeing
- School Band – run in conjunction with Central Coast Conservatorium of Music
- Specialist Music teacher and School Choir
- School discos each term
- Extensive sporting program
- Combined Parish and school celebrations
- Strong Parish connections with Youth Groups
- Air-conditioned classrooms
- Modern learning spaces and resources
- Multiple play areas including playground
- Before & After School Care and Vacation Care onsite

EXTRA CURRICULAR:

- Premiers Reading Challenge
- Book Fair
- Debating
- Public Speaking
- Sporting opportunities
- Guitar, keyboard & band tutors
- Lunch Time Clubs – gardening, craft, drama, dance, games
- Tournament of Minds
- Playgroups for pre-school aged children

LEARNING SPACES:

- Recently renovated classrooms designed to enhance learning opportunities
- Modern technology
- Flexible seating & break-out areas
- Close walk to local parks for sporting and lunchtime use

ACADEMIC:

- Consistently strong student academic, NAPLAN & sporting achievements
- Weekly Music lessons
- Kindergarten Transition Program for students starting Kindergarten
- Public Speaking for Kindergarten to Year 6
- Debating
- School iPads
- Laptops for Primary students
- Google Classrooms for learning and homework
- Weekly Library lessons

CURRICULUM:

- English
- Maths
- Religious Education – Mass, Reconciliation, Adoration, The Sacraments
- PDHPE
- Creative Arts (art, music, drama)
- Science & Technology
- HSIE – History/Geography
- Maths Olympiad

GIFTED & LEARNING SUPPORT:

- Inclusive education for all students at all levels
- Individualised program for students with learning needs/G&T
- Aboriginal Support Officer (AEW)

EXCURSION PROGRAM:

- School Camp for Years 5 and 6
- Excursions related to learning for Kindergarten – Year 6 throughout the year

PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR TO BOOK A TOUR:

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WELLBEING:

- School based counsellor support available
- Year 6 Kindergarten Buddy Program
- Recognition and celebration of Indigenous culture
- PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning)
- Student Awards e.g. PBL, Principal, Academic
- A safe and nurturing environment for your child
- Student wellbeing program
- Pastoral care program

STUDENT LEADERSHIP:

- Year 6 transition program to St Edward's and St Joseph's
- Year 6 and Kinder buddy program
- Year 6 School Captains & Sports Captains
- Year 5 Leadership Camp
- Student Representative Council
- Mini Vinnies Student Group

PARENT ENGAGEMENT:

- Parents & Friends Group (P&F)
- Governance – Parent Advisory Team
- Volunteering opportunities
- Fundraising Events, including student discos
- Liturgies – each term and special occasions – Mother's & Father's Day, St Patrick's Day, Grandparents Day
- Open Classroom opportunities
- Little Shamrocks Playgroup for pre-schoolers

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Do you have to be of Catholic faith? No, St Patrick's welcomes families of all faiths and cultural backgrounds, we only ask that you support us in our teaching of the Catholic faith.

Are the school fees expensive? While St Patrick's is a fee paying-school, it is often more affordable than many families realise. Financial support is available for all families, and in some cases, annual fees can be less than the cost of childcare.

How are playground issues handled? Embedded in our school rules is the Positive Behaviour for Learning, a whole school program where every child is accountable for their own behaviour. In the classroom we teach social and emotional intelligence, and a growth mindset.

SPORT:

- Weekly sport/PE lessons
- Gala Days Years 3 – 6: soccer, netball, touch, cricket
- Surf Safety Days Years 3-6
- Intensive swimming program in Years 1 & 2
- Concert – Dance
- Gymnastics/Tennis
- School Athletics, Cross Country & Swimming Carnivals
- Progression to representative sports in Polding (State), Diocesan and Central Coast sports carnivals
- Broken Bay Team Sports (soccer, hockey, cricket, league, union, AFL, baseball, netball)

MISSION:

- Minni Vinnies Social Justice Program
- Student St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeals and Christmas Hamper Appeals
- Participation in Remembrance Day, ANZAC Day & NAIDOC week
- Class Liturgies
- Project Compassion (fundraising)
- Liturgies and Masses throughout the year
- Sacramental Programs - Reconciliation, Confirmation and Communion

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