Sport at St Patrick’s

Students wear their sport uniform to school on Thursday and Fridays of each week. This applies to all year levels. From Monday to Wednesday students wear formal school summer/winter uniform.

The Diocese of Wagga Wagga is able to offer students from Year Three (3) to Six (6) the chance to develop their skills and talents in sport as part of their all round academic, social and physical development.

The Wagga Wagga Diocese is a member of the New South Wales primary Schools Sports Association through our affiliation with the New South Wales Catholic Primary School Sports Council. As part of the NSW CPSSC we participate in MacKillop (Southern NSW Region) sporting trials.

**SELECTION PROCESS.**

**SCHOOL CARNIVAL TRIAL**

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**DIOCESAN**

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**MacKILLOP**

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**NSW PSSA**

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**SCHOOL SPORT AUSTRALIA**
Diocesan Sport

**SWIMMING / ATHLETICS**
Schools hold their own carnivals and then teams are selected to participate in one of the five Deanery Carnivals (Wagga Wagga City, Wagga Country, Albury, MIA and South West.) From these five carnivals squads attend the Diocesan Carnival and from there, successful students may go onto MacKillop and NSW State PSSA Carnivals.

**CROSS COUNTRY**
Cross Country is held at the school level. From here children are selected for the Diocesan Carnival leading onto MacKillop, NSW PSSA and School Sport Australia Exchange.

**TEAM SPORTS TRIALS.**
For Year Six (6) and some Year Five (5) students who show exceptional talent in a particular sport, we also hold sporting trials on a Diocesan level in:-

- **Summer Sports** – Cricket / Tennis / Basketball / Softball.
- **Winter Sports** – Rugby League / Netball / Australian Football / Football (Soccer) / Hockey /Touch.

From these Diocesan Trials teams / squads participate in MacKillop Trials for possible selection to attend NSW PSSA State Championships. In Sports like Diving and Rugby Union where there are not many participants, schools are asked to nominate students to the Diocesan Sports co-ordinator who will organise a trial if necessary or alternatively send nominations onto the MacKillop Convenor.

**COSTING.**

A. Each school pays an Affiliation to the NSW CPSSC levied on the number of students from Years Three (3) to Six (6).

B. Participants who attend Deanery / Diocesan Carnivals or Trials will be asked to pay a small fee (approximately $7.00/$8.00). This goes towards the running costs of the event. This may vary if the Deanery uses electronic timing etc. Please check with hosting Deanery Convenor.

C. Students selected to participate in a Diocesan Squad or Team at a MacKillop Trial will pay a levy usually around $40.00/$45.00. This covers the MacKillop Event, Levy, Administration, Carnival Costs and entry etc. Parents will also have to pay for transport and accommodation costs for the child. This varies depending on where the MacKillop Trial will be held.

D. Students selected to participate in MacKillop Teams at NSW State Championships (these can vary from one to four days) will also pay a further levy, again depending on venue, sport and length of carnival.

E. From NSW State Championship Carnivals, State Teams are selected to participate in School Sport Australia Exchanges. Levies for these vary depending on which State the event is to be held in, length of Carnival and the sport itself.
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TRANSPORTATION
This is usually left up to the family.
Schools do co-ordinate some travel to Deanery / Diocesan Carnivals and Trials.
If group transport is organised you will be informed of this at the time of your child’s selection.

ACCOMMODATION
Most Deanery / Diocesan Carnivals do not require overnight accommodation.
MacKillop and NSW PSSA Carnivals can require overnight stays and this is left to parents to arrange.

FURTHER INFORMATION
Upon your child’s selection at the various levels an information package will be sent home.
This will outline the information you will need to know about your child’s next carnival / trial.

Diocesan Team information can be obtained from the Diocesan Sports Co-ordinator or the appointed Team Manager.

MacKillop and NSW PSSA Team Information can be obtained from the relevant Team Manager / Co-ordinator – this information appears on the selected students Information Packages.

UNIFORMS
Parents of students selected will be asked to buy Diocesan uniforms for their respective sports.

Insurance

THE WAGGA WAGGA DIOCESE RECOMMENDS THAT FAMILIES LOOK INTO THE POSSIBILITY OF TAKING OUT THE CCI STUDENTS INSURANCE POLICY (OR SIMILAR POLICY) IF THEY ARE INVOLVED IN ANY FORM OF SCHOOL EXCURSION.

THE PHONE NUMBER FOR C.C.I. INSURANCE IS: 1300 655 005.
St Patrick’s Primary School is committed to developing and increasing community awareness of the importance of healthy lifestyles. Our teachers know that when individuals are well informed on health issues and have a sense of control about the decisions they make, they are more likely to experience positive relationships, improved quality of life and less illness. Personal Development Health Physical Education (PDHPE) programs play a unique role at St Patrick’s Primary School, in the development of our students’ knowledge, understandings and practical skills that lead to better health. Throughout the school year each class follows the PDHPE Key Learning Area programme to give the students a graduated learning programme throughout their time from Kindergarten to Year Six. Activities increase gradually in complexity as students gain more skills and as their physical growth allows.

**School Sport**

**Term One and Two –**

Activities begin with preparation for Carnivals in:-

- Swimming –(to improve skills all Year Two students participate in a subsided program by the P&F)
- Cross Country and Athletics

Classes work on skills in sprint and long distance running, Field Events – High Jump, Long Jump, Shot Put and Discus. Longer distance running is introduced building up to 2000m for students ten years and under / 3000m for eleven and twelve year students.

**Terms Three and Four**

- Year Two Swimming Programme
- Games and Sport
- Students are involved in movement skills for various bat/ball games that develop hand/eye skills and observation of rules.
  
  Rules are developed as are skills as students get into older age levels.

Dance and Gymnastics have also been a part of the programme whereby use is made of outside presenters with appropriate skills.
Sporting Programs

Inter School Sport Gala Days

St Patrick’s involves itself with other local schools in Gala Days that are offered in several sports at local venues and can lead to competition with schools from other towns/cities.

School House System

We are currently evaluating our school house system. Our intention is that all students up on enrolment will be allocated a house. Our four school houses are McAuley, Brendan, Patrick and Marcellin.

Representative Sport

As a member of the Wagga Diocesan Representative Sporting programme we participate in sports approved as Pathway Sports that can lead to Diocesan, MacKillop (NSWCPS) and NSWPSSA representation.

These normally start with:-

Swimming / Athletics /Cross Country at the school level, then onto Deanery and Diocesan Carnivals.

Successful students can then progress to MacKillop, NSWPSSA and SSA Carnivals.

Team sports such as Netball, Soccer, and Hockey (seventeen in all) are offered, normally beginning with Deanery or Diocesan Trials leading into MacKillop and NSWPSSA Carnivals.
House Polo Shirts for 2014
This year the school introduced House coloured sports shirts for the students to wear to school. Students will have the opportunity to wear the House Shirt on Fridays and the normal blue sports shirt on Mondays. With the new enrolments in Kindergarten, Mr Bill Ross has allocated every student and staff member across the school a sporting house.

The sporting houses are Marcellin (Blue), Brendan (Red), McAuley (Yellow) and Patrick (Green). This year our students and staff will meet fortnightly for House Meetings. Healthy competition is vital for character building and each student has an opportunity of becoming involved in his or her house activities whilst having lots of fun.

Our aim also is to not only build house spirit across the school but to enhance a healthy attitude towards sport and competition.

Parents in all year levels above Kindergarten have been encouraged to purchase the House Shirt from GB Sports on Yambil Street, Griffith. The Botany polo shirt will retail at $24.00 each with the School Logo and House Name. All enquiries can be made at the front counter, at GB Sports Store in Yambil Street.

Staff Sports Uniform
All staff are encouraged to wear the new school sport uniform. The complete uniform including two styles of hats and staff back packs are only available from GB Sport’s Shop. The address is Yambil Street Griffith.

Address: 161 Yambil St, Griffith NSW 2680
Phone:(02) 6964 1466

Monday - Friday 8:30 -5:30pm
Saturday  8:30 am - 12:30 pm
School Corporate Uniform

Staff at St Patrick’s wear a summer and winter Corporate uniform to work. The uniform is available from Hunters in Wagga. Carrie Spokes has information about the order forms and the forms can be found on the teachers drive under Staff Uniform. T:\Staff Uniform

Hunters Clothing

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