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REPRESENTATIVE PATHWAY SPORTS

Dear Year 4 and 5 Parents,

Sydney Catholic Schools Representative Sport Pathway opportunities will commence in Term 4 2024. Through representative pathways, many hundreds of Sydney Catholic Primary School students have progressed to the highest level of school sporting competition available to primary students across Australia. Have a thorough read of this information if you believe it may be relevant for your child.

There are approximately 120 Primary schools in Sydney Catholic Schools which are divided into 4 sporting conferences. St Patrick's is part of the Sutherland Network within Conference 3. The other network part of Conference 3 is the St George Network. For your information here are the other Sydney Catholic Primary School suburbs within Conference 3:

ARNCLIFFE, BEVERLY HILLS, BEXLEY, BLAKEHURST, BRIGHTON-LE-SANDS, CARINGBAH, COMO, CRONULLA, EARLWOOD, ENGADINE, GYMEA, HURSTVILLE, KINGSGROVE, KOGARAH, MENAI, MIRANDA, OATLEY, PENSHURST, RIVERWOOD, ROCKDALE, SANS SOUCI, SOUTH HURSTVILLE AND WOOLLOOWARE

The Pathway opportunities commence at a school level. If your child is playing at representative level or A grade in their retrospective sport outside of school while displaying a high level of skill development and talent, please nominate your child. Keep in mind they should be playing in regular competition outside of school. These selection trials are not a 'come and try' for students. **Our school can only send 4 students per sport** however some sports have a limitless number per school. Usually the sports without limitations commence from a Sydney level and do not start at a Conference level. Regardless, you will be contacted by Mrs Col to inform you of the process when the time is ready.

If you feel as though your child is within the selection criteria, please complete this [Online Form](#) by **Friday 20th September**. Only students who have completed the form will be eligible.

If our school has more than 4 students nominated for a sport, a school selection trial will be necessary to select our final students. These students will then progress to the conference trial with opportunities to progress to Sydney, MacKillop and NSWSSA levels. Final selections will be on demonstrated ability on the day. The school principal must be aware of all successful students who trial. If a student displays a reason for the principal not to support their representation, their submission will be relinquished. This can be due to behaviour, sportsmanship or application during class.

You will be notified via email or COMPASS whether a school trial is required otherwise details for the Conference Trial will be provided to you. The trial process for the following sports will be in Term 4:

- **AFL (boys only). Girls will progress straight to a Sydney Trial.**
- **Basketball (Boys and Girls). Girls will progress straight to a Sydney Trial with date tbc.**
- **Netball**
- **Tennis**
- **Touch Football Boys and Girls (Advanced Oztag players can be nominated)**
- **Cricket**

All other sports will commence as of Term 1, 2025. These include **rugby league, soccer, rugby union, rugby girl 7s, softball, diving, golf and hockey.**

For those students who do not trial in a nominated sport, there will be other opportunities to participate in Sporting Gala Days, Interschool Sport and Carnivals throughout 2025.

Any questions or concerns, please email me directly: amanda.col@syd.catholic.edu.au

Yours sincerely,

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