



Thursday, 28th October 2021

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Re: Our Patch – Outside of School Hours Care (OSHC) 2022

During Term Two a survey was sent to parents and guardians of primary aged children to gauge interest in offering OSHC. Based on that interest and general enquiries St Mary's is pleased to announce that the College is partnering with 'Our Patch' to provide before and after school care onsite for primary students as from 2022.

Our Patch - Education and Care with Impact

From the *Our Patch* website

"Together we will create a patch for every child to grow."

"Our Patch is a fresh provider in the education and care space, which has been meticulously designed from the ground up by Rosa Piteri and Daniel Mundy. It spouted from a dream to create entirely unique spaces that gives children voice and offers them a safe place of wonder in which to GROW.

Rosa's unparalleled experience across 25 years in childcare, in every sector and hundreds of schools all around Australia, grounded Our Patch and informed its design. Working diligently alongside Rosa has been anzuk Education founder and CEO, Daniel, who brought his extensive knowledge and skills to the project, as well as a partnership with anzuk – which has been a well-respected, reliable and leading education staffing service provider in Australia, New Zealand, UK and America, for more than 17 years.

Our Patch was seeded in programs that provide children with endless opportunities to build confidence and resilience. It is our aim to grow and develop grounded and respectful children, brimming with confidence, who are true to themselves, and have a keen commitment to each other and shared community values. Our vision is that all children will want to come to Our Patch and experience a true sense of ownership, because they love being in a space specifically designed for them – not because it is the only choice they have. Making an impact every step of the way."

Our Patch is hosting a GoogleMeet **Parent Information Session on Thursday, 11th November at 6.30pm** using the following link: <https://meet.google.com/sxm-hpiz-nba>

For more information about *Our Patch* please visit: <https://ourpatch.education/home>

Included is information on the Childcare Subsidy and a Parent Information Booklet. If you are considering and or are going to enrol your child(ren) with *Our Patch* for 2022, it is important to attend the Information session.

Best wishes

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