

OUR LADY OF DOLOURS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWS IN BRIEF Term 1 Week 3 - 14 February 2017

OLD School Newsletters in 2017: (As outlined in the previous school newsletter),

- School newsletters issued to parents/friends in odd-numbered weeks will be titled **"News in brief from OLD"** (ie they will include important messages/reminders only).
- School newsletters issued to parents/friends in even-numbered weeks will contain more content and also include various attachments.

This week is an odd week (Week 3) so you are presently reading a "News In Brief" newsletter.

The decision to do this will facilitate smoother management in the School Office.

"Meet the teacher night" (Wednesday 15 February - 6pm)

- All parents K-6 with Philip + Staff 6:00pm in the School Hall
- Session 1 with teachers - 6:25-6:55pm
- Session 2 with teachers (repeat) 7:00-7:30pm

(NB: After Philip's address concludes – (6.25pm), Year 5 and 6 families only will stay in the hall for 5 minutes for a group meeting, then they will move to classrooms with teachers)

Staff Development Days 2017 – "Pupil Free Days":

In a bid to make a smoother return to school to start Term 2, OLD will be having their Spirituality Staff Development Day (SDD) on the first day of Term 2 (Monday 24 April). Term 2 will commence for students the day after ANZAC DAY on Wednesday 26 April.

Please note that Friday 28 April is also a SDD - (ie previously advertised in the school newsletter).

Staff Development Days are "Pupil Free Days".

Please note that OLD School adheres to the mandatory number of SDDs set by The Catholic Schools Office each year.

Parents and Friends' Meeting, Wednesday 22 February – 6:30pm (School Library).

It will be wonderful if you can attend the P+F Meeting 22/2 and learn more about parent engagement and the educational direction for OLD in 2017.

School Photos 2017: School Photos at OLD will be held on Wednesday 29 March.

School Assemblies: We will commence whole-school assemblies on Wednesday 15 February – (This Week)

Beginning School Mass : Friday 17 February at 9 am in the church. All welcome!

Kindy Blessing Mass : Sunday 19 March - 9 am. All welcome!

Reconciliation Sacramental Program : **Enrolments for the 2017 Reconciliation Preparation Program are now open** via the Trybooking system and will close on Monday 20 February, 2 days before our Reconciliation Parent Meeting date on Wednesday 22 February. A link to enrol via trybooking can be found on the Parish website. <http://www.chatswood.dbb.org.au/Sacraments/dsp-default.cfm?loadref=134>

Parent Meeting Wednesday 22 February at either 1.30 or 7.30pm in the Church.

Contact Angela (Parish) for any questions : Phone: (02) 9410 9033 Email: Angela@chatswoodparish.org.au

COMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

- Mon 6** All classes K-6 at school for full days
- Wed 15** Whole School Assembly - 9am
- Wed 15** "Meet the teacher night" (6pm - School Hall)
- Fri 17** Whole School Mass - 9am in the Church
- Wed 22** Parents and Friends' Meeting (6.30pm - School Library)

MARCH

- Sun 19** Weekend "Welcome Mass" 9am in the Church
- Wed 29** School Photos