

OUR LADY OF DOLOURS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWS Term 2 Week 4 - 21 May 2018

The Principal's Piece

Plenary Council 2020 and the Diocese of Broken Bay:

The weekend that has just passed (Pentecost – The Birthday of our Church) signified the commencement of something very special for the Catholic Church of Australia:

(PLENARY COUNCIL 2020—Listen to what the Spirit is saying) - Pope Francis has approved the Australian Bishops' decision to hold a Plenary Council in Australia in 2020 and 2021. It is a significant moment for the Church in Australia to make decisions about the future. To prepare the agenda for the Plenary Council, all of God's people are invited to reflect on the question: *"What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"*

Find out more about the Plenary Council 2020 at the new website, now online: <http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/>

A bit of 'out-of-school' engagement:

Well done to the dads and students of Year 1 (and a few others) who extended themselves over the past weekend. I've heard stories from quite a few of our Year 1 students; they'll have memories of that fantastic weekend forever!

If any other grades have a 'whole grade'/'open to all' event, please be sure to let me know so we can publicise a group snap or similar!



In light of the vital importance of 'engagement' that humans effectively need to be fulfilled, the reflection/link below just might inspire all of us to live our lives a little bit differently (I thank Mrs Greenwood for sharing it at staff prayer last week):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vPaS85IA6oY>

COMING EVENTS

May

Tues 29 Discussion re
Advisory Council 6:00pm

Tues 29 Term 2 P & F
General Meeting 6:30pm

June

Mon 11 Queen's Birthday

July

Fri 6 Term 2 concludes

Mon 23 Pupil Free Day

KEEP CHECKING THE SCHOOL'S WEBSITE
UNDER 'NEWS & EVENTS - EVENTS FOR
POSSIBLE CHANGES TO DATES
w.olddbb.catholic.edu.au

[Our Lady of Dolours](#)



The Principal's Piece - Cont.

The following letter was emailed to all our families Monday 21 May:

At the commencement of this year, we embraced our new School Vision that accompanies our new Strategic Plan 2018-2020. Our new School Vision, “**Ignite, Innovate** and **Include** in Mercy”, will critically be within everything we strive for and within all we do over the coming years.

I am excited to announce that we are now called to use the lens of our new School Vision to do some long-range imagining of how the entire Chatswood Parish precinct (ie Chatswood Parish, Mercy College and OLD School) could be developed to create a facility that **ignites** our faith and provides an **innovative**, 21st Century educational setting.

Our Parish Priest, Fr Jim, has written a letter to all parishioners about the Chatswood precinct, and this letter was distributed to the wider parish over the weekend that has just passed. At this early stage, a Chatswood Precinct Working Party will soon meet to discuss development possibilities.

In the spirit of **inclusion**, I invite parents and friends of our OLD community to write to me or talk to me about your thoughts at this important, early stage of planning.

To help facilitate the early sharing of information, I invite parents and friends to our Term 2 P&F General Meeting, **Tuesday 29 May from 6pm onwards**. At this meeting, the Chatswood precinct will be an agenda item for discussion; I will outline relatively general information as we commence the introductory stage of something potentially very special for all Chatswood Parish families.

Advisory Council Discussion and Term 2 P+F General Meeting – Tuesday 29 May:

Don't forget the up and coming meetings – 1: to discuss an Advisory Council for OLD ... and 2: our Term 2 P+F General Meeting:

Advisory Council Discussion: Tuesday 29 May 6pm

Term 2 P+F General Meeting: Tuesday 29 May 6.30pm

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - Kathy Gray

First Holy Communion



Congratulations to the following students who experienced the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on the weekend:

Kiara, Serena, Lexine, Tessa, Stephanie, Madden, Caleb, Farid, Wills, Nickolas, Ryan, Jasmine, Liam, Jake, Airley, Erica, Tatiana, Ruby, Nikolai, Lauren, Jason, Ava, Jacob, Kalan, Cordelia, Kaila, Kyla, Alexander, Rocco, Roman, Alexander, Joshua, Timothy, Aden, Brandon, Jayden, Sophia, Rosebelle, William, Zachary, Hanna, Callum, Hanna W and Michael

It was a lovely ceremony being celebrated on Pentecost. Fr Jim cleverly tied in the theme of the Holy Spirit being a part of the communion experience. He spoke about Pentecost being the first time that the disciples realised that the Holy Spirit was in them and not just in Jesus. They knew they had a job to do with this special gift of the Holy Spirit – discipleship! Just as our children are now blessed with the Holy Spirit and now being full members of the church in Communion...hopefully they too can be disciples of Jesus.



Many thanks go to the parish team, families and teachers for preparing our children for this important Sacrament. Their knowledge was deep! Well done! Thank you also to Angela for running the Communion Retreats here at school for the Year 3s. It was an expert presentation!

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Knitting

The second knitting club was a huge success! Many students have made wonderful progress with their scarves. They need to be completed by Friday of Week 7 (Friday 15th of June). Then we will make cards at school for our friends and walk up in Week 8 to give our gift.



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - Kirsty Thorpe

Numeracy at OLD

The staff at OLD love to learn and continuously expand their expertise in teaching and their own content knowledge. Each Friday afternoon many teachers are giving up their own time to attend optional meetings about Mathematics and Numeracy. We spend the afternoon discussing teaching strategies, questioning techniques and learning experiences that can challenge every student in our class. We also have plenty of fun and lots of laughs challenging ourselves by playing the games that our students will soon play. This has allowed us to share our successes, develop a strong collegial network and learn from each other. We are continuously building on the repertoire of deep thinking tasks that promote problem solving, critical and creative thinking and excitement in our students. Have a go at this tasks with your family (the amount of possible answers is endless!).

There are 32 wheels in the carpark (you can change the number of wheels based on your child's age and ability), what possible vehicles could be in the car park? (The picture is just a stimulus to get your thinking flowing...there could be other types of vehicles)



FROM THE OFFICE



School Hours

Please remember school hours are 8.15am to 3pm. If you could please ensure children are not dropped before 8.15am as there is no supervision. We have a fantastic before and after school care facility if you are in need of care before or after school hours. Please contact Camp Australia for further information 1300 105 343 or www.campaustralia.com.au

Children's lunches

We understand that mornings are a very busy time in households when you are juggling children getting ready for school, ensuring everyone has a fulfilling breakfast, parents trying to get to work and ensuring everyone gets out the door on time. However, over recent weeks it has been brought to our attention that many children are arriving at school without lunch. If you could please ensure your child has lunch each day and, to help you, lunch orders can be placed until 9am via QKR. Don't forget those forks and spoons either if you've packed your child some delicious lunch delights.

We do not encourage parents or carers to come in during the day with food for their children, therefore we recommend using a lunch block with a frozen ice block in it if needed.



Enrolments for K2019

We would like to bring to your attention that the enrolment process has commenced and if you are looking to apply for enrolment for K2019 now is the time to lodge your application forms. Enrolments for 2019 will close on 31 May 2018, with our first round offers being sent on Friday 1 June for the 2019 academic year.

Should you require any additional information relating to the enrolment process, please don't hesitate to contact our school office on (02) 9419 2645 or via email at old@dbb.catholic.edu.au

Headlice

As parents, I'm sure you're all aware Headlice are an unfortunate part of primary school life. We can all help work towards being a headlice free school by regularly checking our children's hair and treating as necessary if you find anything. If headlice are found at any stage, please let the school office know—your child will be kept anonymous but it will enable us to notify your child's year so that all parents can be aware and check their own children's heads.

Thank you in advance for your co-operation.

Community News

Get your winter woollies...

OLD
Pre[♥]loved
UNIFORM
POPUK SHOP

Open this Friday!
2.45 pm - 3.15 pm
outside the library
Nothing over \$10

| Our Lady of Dolours Primary School | | | | | |
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| Term 2 Canteen Roster | | | | | |
| | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thurs | Fri |
| 30 April 2018 | | Seda Gulessevan | | Michelle Go-Chin Melissa Chung | Selvia Wijaya Vivian Tang |
| 7 May 2018 | Jen Montezagre | Ji-Yun Yi Stella Bae | Ofelia Delosreyes Kylie Sendhofer | Rachael Davidge-Hill Debbie Liu | Michelle Stanley Katie Crichton |
| 14 May 2018 | Tom Allen Glenn Desertine | Carlyn Linders Portia Yu | Jackie Fung Katerina Planska | Lily Setiawan Soehan Wiraputra | Selvia Wijaya Vivian Tang |
| 21 May 2018 | Alison Henderson Alison Guthrie | Amy Chan Laura Humell | | Nicole Chow Mikhael Chammas | Tina Tian Katie Zhang |
| 28 May 2018 | Rachel Mensforth Kate Stipo | Eva Martinez | Natt Yusathaphom Elaine Lin | Debby Liu Joy Wang | Nicole Woods Tracy Li |
| 4 June 2018 | | Rosalie Keledjian Seda Gulessevan | Ruby Yang | Rachael Davidge-Hill Melissa Chung | Selvia Wijaya Vivian Tang |
| 11 June 2018 | QUEENS BIRTHDAY | Marcia Corbett Laura Humell | Ofelia Delosreyes Marina Oganessian | Rachel Ullmann Julie Hiser | Katerina Trani Michelle Stanley |
| 18 June 2018 | Tom Allen Glenn Desertine | Ruby Yang | Christine Lee Sally Park | ATHLETICS CARNIVAL | Michelle Stanley Katie Crichton |
| 25 June 2018 | Ruby Yang Amy Chan | Ji-Yun Yi Stella Bae | Elaine Lin Kylie Sendhofer | Rachael Davidge-Hill Debbie Liu | Selvia Wijaya Vivian Tang |
| 2 July 2018 | Marilyn King Trish Seeto | Rosalie Keledjian Seda Gulessevan | | Michelle Go-Chin Cynthia Lal | Janelle Arena Zoey Cortese |

Above is the the canteen roster & we have a few spots to fill this term.

The canteen is open Mon-Fri from 12.40pm till 1.40pm, so just an hour of your time is all thats needed.

If you are available to fill any of the orange highlighted spots, please write your name in on that day.

The kids thank you for your assistance !

Community News

Willoughby Council are very excited to announce our first 'Community Speaker' for 2018.

A Parent Toolbox for Wellbeing

Youth Suicide is the number one cause of death for Australians aged between 15-24 years. Suicide rates are the highest they have been in over 10 years. The statistics are stark and it shows that despite all of the wonderful advancements in the World, our young people are struggling. We obviously need to be doing more...

Presented by Jacqui Jones in this 1.5 hour session you will learn:

- How to talk to your child about developing their mental strength;
- Tools & strategies that you can use immediately within the family home;
- The 4 key ways to help your family flourish!

This session has been developed in conjunction with the Greatfulness program, founded by Jacqui Jones. Greatfulness is a recommended Kidsmatter program and also endorsed by the NSW Education Standards Authority. Jacqui was recently featured on Channel 7's 'The Daily Edition' talking about the importance of mental health & her work delivering this program.

<https://au.news.yahoo.com/the-daily-edition/video/watch/39430778/how-to-teach-young-kids-about-mental-health/>

When:

13th June 2018, 7pm

Where:

St Philip Neri Learning Centre

Cost:

\$12.50 per adult.

<https://www.trybooking.com/379274>

Please note the ticket price has been subsidised by Willoughby Council Community Grant.

This event is open to ALL parents and friends in our Willoughby Council Community, so please ensure you purchase your tickets to avoid missing out as there are limited seats available.



BIRTHDAY ICEBLOCKS PURCHASE FROM CANTEEN



As you are aware, there is no sharing of lollies, cakes or any food treats at school for birthdays.

If you would like to purchase ice blocks for your child's class on their birthday this can be arranged through the school canteen only.

Please email your order **with at least one weeks notice** to Janelle Arena or Zoey Cortese at olodcanteen@yahoo.com.au

Your choice of ice blocks are Quelch Sticks 50c, Icy Twists \$1 or Mini Calipos \$1

Payment is to be made on the day or before to the school office in an envelope marked **Canteen Birthday Ice Blocks** with your child's name and class.

Community News

total canteen solutions

MEAL DEAL 1

\$5.00



**6 CHICKEN NUGGETS
&
JUICE CUP**

total canteen solutions

MEAL DEAL 2

\$5.00



**SPAGHETTI OR LASAGNE
&
JUICE CUP**

total canteen solutions

MEAL DEAL 3

\$5.00



**CHICKEN BURGER
&
JUICE CUP**

total canteen solutions

MEAL DEAL 4

\$4.50



**HOME MADE PIZZA
&
JUICE CUP**

Lower North Shore Volunteer Expo

12pm – 3pm, Thursday 31 May
Dougherty Community Centre
7 Victor Street, Chatswood

Free
Event



Enjoy the many benefits of volunteering - make friends, learn new skills, and make a real difference in your local community.

Come along to find out about opportunities to get involved with a range of organisations; from delivering Meals on Wheels, helping on bus outings, assisting with community lunches or lending a hand with disaster recovery.

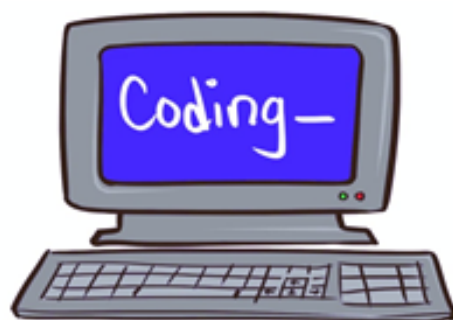


For further information,
please contact 9777 7815 or email lns-volunteer@willoughby.nsw.gov.au



Family &
Community
Services

The Commonwealth Home
Support Programme provides
funding for these services.



Exciting news - Chatswood Library are starting a new Code Club: CoderDojo

CoderDojo is a worldwide club for programming enthusiasts between the ages of 10-15.

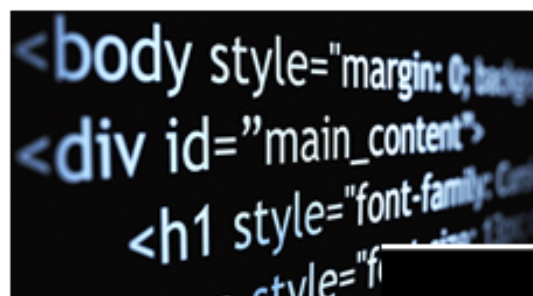
The Dojo will meet fortnightly to explore and share the skills required to start building websites, apps and games, in a fun and informal environment.

Please note:

- Participants must bring their own laptop.
- Children under the age of 12 must have a parent or guardian present in the Library during each session.
- CoderDojo will run fortnightly from 4pm to 5.30pm on Tuesdays 15 & 29 May, and 12 & 26 June.

Due to the popularity of our programs, we ask that you ensure you can commit to the fortnightly workshops before you book.

To register for our CoderDojo, book here <https://www.willoughby.nsw.gov.au/EventDetails.aspx?PageID=1892&eventid=5416>



CODING
IT MAY BE THE CLOSEST THING
WE HAVE TO A SUPERPOWER

