

# OUR LADY OF DOLOURS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

**NEWS** Term 2 Week 7 - 11 June 2018

## The Principal's Piece

Dear Parents,

As a community of families from so many diverse cultures in our world, I am proud to remind all of us that this coming weekend is Refugee Sunday. Last week, my daughter, May, sent me an Australian YouTube clip that really rocked me. I was keen to share it with OLD families, but it contained a swear word and I therefore deemed it inappropriate for our newsletter - (please contact me if you would like to see the link because it punches a powerful message). For this newsletter, I have found a one minute 50 second clip to inspire us to action. \_

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jvHTiZ9-BPo>

(Please refer to more information in Kathy Gray's REC notes)

### Whole School Review 2018:

I am absolutely thrilled to report back to the community that the Catholic Schools Office (CSO) has delivered wonderful praise within their preliminary report re our Whole School Review 2018. I note that this praise came for absolutely every aspect of school and community life at OLD.

I particularly single out the entire school staff who have worked tirelessly in recent months to ensure everything about OLD showcased so well. I also thank the students who received remarkable praise from the review panel last week. And finally, I thank our supportive parent body, many of whom were interviewed by the review panel last week.

When the formal report is presented to OLD, I will keenly be sharing it with everyone.

The conclusion of the review process signals the reworking and polishing of our Strategic Plan 2018-2020 ... Stay tuned!

### Athletics ... OLD SCHOOL CARNIVAL – THURSDAY 21 JUNE – VENUE: BANNOCKBURN OVAL, PYMBLE :

Don't forget to complete the OLD School Athletics Carnival forms sent home last week. And it will be wonderful if parents and friends can consider committing to the various jobs we need support with too ... and indeed, what about considering the race for parents!!! ☺

### P+F Fundraiser this coming Friday ... "Gold coin Friday" – 15.6.18

Parents are reminded that this coming Friday – 15.6.18 - is "Gold Coin Friday". The funds from this day will go to the P+F and contribute to the exciting playground developments that will happen later this year ... (ie the sensory garden, the 'tinkering table' behind the play equipment and the shop front where the sand-pit presently is)

### Delivery of plants and soil:

On Friday 15 June at 6.30am (approx), a few tonnes of soil and plants will be delivered to the small OLD carpark. Therefore, this carpark will not be able to be used all day. After school on 15.6.18, we'll move the lot at our working bee!

## COMING EVENTS

### June

**Fri 15 Working Bee 3-5pm**

**P & F Gold Coin Friday**

**Sun 17 Yr 1 Weekend Mass**

**Thurs 21 Athletics Carnival**

**Wed 27 School Photos**

### July

**Fri 6 Term 2 concludes**

**Mon 23 Pupil Free Day**

**Tues 24 Students return T3**

### August

**Fri 10 P & F Sports**

**Marathon**

**Mon 13 Book Week starts**

### October

**Sat 27– Sun 28 Band Camp**

KEEP CHECKING THE SCHOOL'S WEBSITE  
UNDER 'NEWS & EVENTS - EVENTS FOR  
POSSIBLE CHANGES TO DATES  
[www.olddb.catholic.edu.au](http://www.olddb.catholic.edu.au)

[Our Lady of Dolours](#)



## The Principal's Piece - Cont.

### Working Bee at OLD – Friday 15 June 3-5pm:

We need to call on the conscientious muscle of OLD at a Working Bee Friday 15 June 3-5pm approx'. This Working Bee links to our Stage 3 classes learning and the Community Garden that's developing at school. I note that this project is funded thanks to the generous 'Clubs Grant' we secured from the Chatswood RSL last year.

All parents K-6 are warmly invited, but only students in Years 5 and 6 can attend due to important safety reasons.

At this working bee, students will mainly be moving potting soil to the numerous planter boxes scattered around the school. If you can bring the following to the Working Bee, this will be helpful:

- 2 buckets
- Gloves
- Shovel

Thank you!

### SPECIAL NOTES FROM OUR P+F LEADERSHIP TEAM:

Dear Parents and Friends,

#### VOLUNTEERS AND CALL-OUT FOR DONATION OF PRIZES

Thank you to all those who have put their hand up to assist with the annual major fundraiser this year, "**The Sports Marathon**" (renamed and revamped) – Friday 10 August.

If you were unable to attend the recent planning meeting, but want to get involved in co-ordinating the event, it is not too late. Simply send me an email: [webster\\_janine@hotmail.com](mailto:webster_janine@hotmail.com)

As a part of "**The Sports Marathon**" event, we are looking for prizes to be donated for a raffle and or silent auction.

If you have a business that might be able to support the event with a donation/prize ... or perhaps you might like to simply donate a prize ... please let us know by emailing [webster\\_janine@hotmail.com](mailto:webster_janine@hotmail.com), and I will pass things on.

Thank you!

Janine (on behalf of the P+F Leadership Team)

### Project Playscape ~ inspiring the imagination and delighting the senses ~

This year, all P&F fundraising initiatives will support the upgrades to our playground. Supporting the vision and goals of the schools strategic plan, **Project Playscape** aims to reinvigorate some 'tired' aspects of our school playground, transforming the landscape into a fun, multi-purpose recreation and learning area.

**The playground** is vitally important to children for their fun and relaxation as well as for their good health and well-being. It provides the context for learning functions, ranging from gross motor skills to negotiation and compassion. It's the valuable time where kids can engage in much-needed child-directed free play.

Focussing attention on the importance of outdoor spaces, this unique and exciting space will allow students to use their creativity while developing their imagination, dexterity, and physical, cognitive, and emotional strength.

The project comes with **ambitious** fundraising targets!

#### ● **Priority**

**Area 1: Sensory/Growers garden - \$10-15K** (with native beehive) including musical instruments and benches: designed to stimulate the senses/encourage children to whimsically create activities and explore, guided by what they can see, touch, hear and smell

#### ● **Priority**

**Area 2: Meditation/Spirituality Space - \$1-2K**, a quiet space encouraging contemplation

#### ● **Priority**

**Area 3: Wall Mural - \$15K** inspire imaginations through art and colour in the playground

Currently planning is underway to kickstart our fundraising efforts, including this year's major fundraiser Sports-a-thon. Stay tuned for more information. If you are keen to be involved or have a great fundraising idea please get in touch!

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - Kathy Gray

### Knitting

Knitting Club is again the place to be on a Friday! Thanks to our wonderful parents, grandparents and friends from the parish and all of the students who are expert knitters now!

Remember:

*The scarves need to be completed by Friday of THIS Week 7 (Friday 15<sup>th</sup> of June).*

Students and teachers will be walking up to either the *Dougherty Centre* or *Willowood Aged Care* to personally give their scarves in Week 9. They will make a card for their scarf recipient in class this week. We are amazed by the students' involvement in this act of Social Justice. Thank you to all involved for brightening the lives of others!

### Year 1 Parish Mass: THIS SUNDAY!

See below for details...9am Family Mass, Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> of June.

All families of Year 1 are especially welcome to join in the family parish Mass THIS Sunday, especially for Year 1 students.

## AWARD WINNERS Week 6



# Social Justice Initiative: Refugee

## Sunday June 17<sup>th</sup>

**All items to school by Friday! One week only!**

In partnership with the parish, the school community is going to be involved in supporting asylum seekers living in the local community and collect items for the 'House of Welcome.'

The House of Welcome's vision is for a society in which there is full recognition of the **dignity, equality, human rights and humanity of all** people living in the community no matter their age, gender, sexuality, nationality or religious affiliation, and no matter how they came to be in Australia.

They campaign with other asylum seeker organisations across Australia for **the right to work for all asylum seekers**, for an end to mandatory detention and for a nation of welcome and justice for all.

The 'House of Welcome' runs a Food Bank which supports people and families with limited or no income. They can access familiar and nutritious food which helps supplement a limited weekly budget.

We would greatly appreciate the donations of items as follows:

**(Please note: send items to your child's classroom teacher):**



Kindergarten	Basmati Rice
Year 1	Sugar
Year 2	Canned Tuna in oil.
Year 3	Canned Chick Peas
Year 4	Plain Flour
Year 5	Cooking Oil 1L
Year 6	Laundry detergent
Staff	Shampoo and Conditioner

**IMPORTANT:** In the spirit of looking after God's Creation...please bring items in a recyclable shopping bag with your name on it and we will return your bag to you once the parish has picked up the goods.

Thank you for your support!



# Year One Class Mass



The Catholic community of Chatswood invites  
**Year One children** and their families to a special Mass  
for Year One at the

## 9am Family Mass

Sunday 17 June 2018

A family-friendly celebration at  
**Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Church**  
94 Archer St Chatswood

**The Year One children will receive a special blessing,**  
followed by **morning tea** on the forecourt.

*Please to bring a plate to share.*  
**All welcome!**



## Community News

The Athletics Carnival will be a big day! To help the children carry lighter bags and help parents have one less thing to think about, we are offering the option of a sausage sizzle lunch.

Payments can be made by our QKR app or via cash using the order form below.

### **ATHLETICS CARNIVAL SAUSAGE SIZZLE** **THURSDAY, 21 JUNE 2018**

We will definitely be working up an appetite at this year's Our Lady of Dolours Athletics Carnival. Order form below for a sausage roll for \$3 each.

Pay online with  OR Using the order form below



Order forms must be placed in the P&F box (located in the school foyer) enclosed in an envelope with exact money **by TUESDAY, 19 JUNE, 2018**

Athletics Carnival Sausage Sizzle order form. Sausage in a roll for \$3 each.

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_ Qty \_\_\_\_\_

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Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_ Qty \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL cash enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Community News

Dear Parents,.

As of 6 June some of the older versions of the Qkr app will no longer work, and families must update their app. Most people have auto update enabled in their phone settings so this will happen seamlessly for them. If you have an app that has stopped working, you simply have to download the current version from the app store.

And if you still have issues, there is always the website to offer as a backup for people with older phones that may not be able to upgrade.

<https://qkr.mastercard.com/store/>

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Title: Action Required: Important Changes to the Qkr app

The Qkr team make continued updates to the app, so that it is more stable and easier to use for everyone.

The team is making some important changes to the Qkr app and in order to continue using Qkr, it's critical that you update to the latest version of the app in the Google Play store or Apple App store, as some older versions of the app will no longer be supported after the 6<sup>th</sup> of June 2018.

**Android Users:** Version 4.9.2 and older versions on Android will no longer be supported. (The Current version on Android is 4.9.3)

**iOS users:** on 5.3.2 and older versions on iOS will no longer be supported. (The current version on iOS is 5.3.3)

However, if you download the latest version of the app, you can continue to use as normal.

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**Job Advertisement – (Brought to OLD's attention by one of our parents who is the 'Operations Manager')**

If you're keen to be considered for a Maternity Contract Role, the position below may interest you.

<https://www.seek.com.au/job/36304792?type=standout>

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### 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](mailto: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



**CREDIT CARD** Your School is in the **LOOP!** When you order and pay by **LOOP**, do not fill in the order form or return anything to school. Your order will be electronically linked to the rest of your school's order. Visit [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://scholastic.com.au/LOOP)

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**Fri, 22nd June**



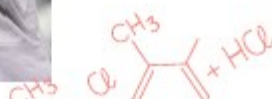
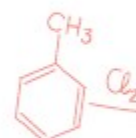
**Junior**  
SCIENCE ACADEMY

### SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS AT MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY - [mq.edu.au/about/holidays](http://mq.edu.au/about/holidays)

- Children are introduced to science concepts and skills in a safe and supervised environment.
- Courses teach the concepts through experiments, art, drama, physical activity, craft and other hands-on activities.
- Students are provided with experiences and activities that help them to understand a concept or gain knowledge in an active way.
- Courses are added and rotated each school holidays, and drop off and pick-up times are designed for the working parent.
- The Junior Science Academy is for children in Years K-6 in primary school.



Drop off	8.30am - 9.30am
Activities	9.30am - 4.30pm
Pick-up	4.30pm - 5.30pm
Cost	\$122







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# HOLIDAY CLINICS

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**[www.nsfa.asn.au/xlr8](http://www.nsfa.asn.au/xlr8)**

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OR FACEBOOK TO  
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## Community News

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### MEAL DEAL 1

\$5.00



**6 CHICKEN NUGGETS  
&  
JUICE CUP**

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### MEAL DEAL 2

\$5.00



**SPAGHETTI OR LASAGNE  
&  
JUICE CUP**

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### MEAL DEAL 3

\$5.00



**CHICKEN BURGER  
&  
JUICE CUP**

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### MEAL DEAL 4

\$4.50



**HOME MADE PIZZA  
&  
JUICE CUP**