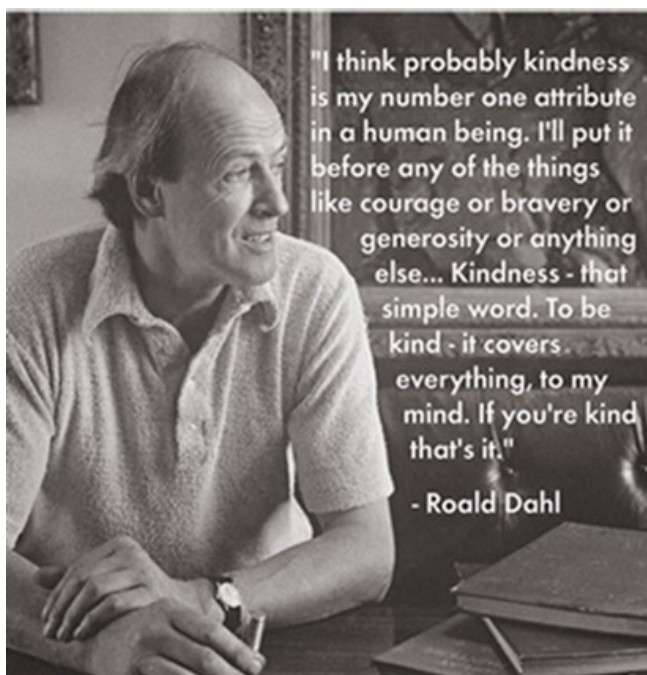


OUR LADY OF DOLOURS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWS Term 2 Week 8 - 18 June 2018

The Principal's Piece

Last week, the Mercy value promoted at OLD was 'Compassion', and Year 3 takes responsibility for promoting this value. Ms Tygh found the inspiring image/quote below that has profoundly touched us at school ... So simple, yet so powerful!



2 demonstrations of kindness/compassion 'in the making' and 'on the horizon':

- ♦ 80 students have been busily making scarves as an act of kindness for residents in two local retirement homes. These lovingly made scarves will be presented/ gifted to the residents by our students next week.
- ♦ Yr 5 students are presently writing story books for the special needs students at St Lucy's School, Wahroonga. These books will be presented in Book Week next term when Yr 5 will be visiting St Lucy's School.

And the tireless kindness just kept coming at last Friday's Working Bee:

Thank you, sincerely, to the army of parents, students and staff who carted bucket load after bucket load of soil for the gardens at school that had an extraordinary make-over last Friday afternoon. Check out the stunning new look in the garden strip that faces Ferguson Lane!

I hate to single people out, but I need to put in a big 'shout-out' to Rob Loughman who managed the entire Working Bee. He was there all day ensuring the afternoon Working Bee was a success ... and he was last to leave the site long after the sun had set. Furthermore, Rob pulled two staff members from his office for the day, Nelson and Max, to assist with the entire affair.

Finally, I make special mention of Silkari Hotel across the road from us; Silkari provided all the plants, all the soil and plenty of hired help to make it all 'happen' ... Thank you, Markus!

COMING EVENTS

June

Wed 20 Band Performance
3.15pm

Thurs 21 Athletics Carnival

Fri 22 Bishop's Religious
Visual Arts Prize. Parents
invited to view art in
classrooms 2.30-3pm

Mon 25 School Interviews
commence

Tues 26 OLD Public Speaking
Comp from 9am

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

[Our Lady of Dolours](#)



The Principal's Piece - Cont.

Below are a few snaps of some of the working bee helpers ... I also acknowledge/thank the working bee helpers who slipped secretly past our Working Bee photographer, Kathy!



The Principal's Piece - Cont.

Whole School Review – Summary Report from the Chair of the Review Panel, Miss Anne Duncan:

Last week, OLD School participated in the final stage of a comprehensive Whole School Review process, and the excellent summary report follows – (NB The previous major Whole School Review was in 2012).

Chair's Overview Report

The leadership team, staff and school community are to be congratulated on the reflective manner in which they engaged in the school review process. Panel members visited classrooms, spoke to students, parents, staff and the Parish Priest. It was evident that the whole school community was aware of their school improvement journey and was able to identify significant achievements and challenging future directions.

It was also evident to the panel that the School is engaged in a significant period of renewal. With the change in leadership of the School and Parish over the last eighteen months, there has been a reinvigorated approach towards school improvement. The new School vision (created 2017) of 'Ignite, Innovate and Include in Mercy' provides a strong foundation for future growth and improvement.

The range of strategies implemented since the School's last review were substantial. It was evident that these strategies resulted in improvements across the School. The panel affirms this work and commented that the School is now well placed to focus on assessing the level of impact any strategy implemented has on both student and teacher outcomes.

In conclusion, the directions, goals and suggested strategies outlined in the report strongly affirm the education being offered at the School.

On behalf of the panel I congratulate the Principal, leadership team and staff on the quality of the self-evaluation process. The panel particularly commends the quality of educational experiences offered by this school's highly professional and committed teachers. We thank the school staff, students and parents for the warm welcome and hospitality extended to us during the visit.

The panel leaves in the assurance that the School meets regulatory requirements and that the School is strengthening practice as a result of self-reflection and discernment and informed by the findings of the panel.

(Anne Duncan: School Review Chair and Schools Consultant, Northern Beaches Cluster)

Long Service Leave – Philip Ledlin:

I will be taking two weeks of Long Service Leave in Week 10 this term and Week 2 in Term 3.

I'll be keenly spending 'down time' with my wife and family in Week 10 Term 2 - extending into the July School Holidays. I add that I am very excited my daughter, Holly, is returning from London in 2 weeks' time ... She's been there for two long years!

In Week 2 Term 3, I'll be engaged in Family Dispute Resolution Practitioner work. I note that I am formally trained in this area, but my work, on the side, is not for profit.

I also note that I do not work with families I know to avoid a conflict of interest. This considered, I am available to provide a professional service for families/couples removed from the OLD 'family'. Please feel free to contact me any time into the future if you think I can be of support to someone you may know who requires mediation assistance. (FYI: By law, couples seeking mediation and dispute resolution - ie re child custody, 'parenting plans' and financial/property settlement etc – are not permitted to go directly to The Family Court of Australia without first attempting 'settlement' with the support of a qualified Family Dispute Resolution Practitioner).

OLD School Band performing TOMORROW 20.6.18 – 3.15pm:

Dear Parents,

I invite all families and friends to attend Our Lady Of Dolours **Chamber Music Afternoon this Wednesday, 20th June, starting at 3:15pm**. Our fabulous musicians have been practising chamber music pieces with their instrumental groups and are ready to show off their skills!

Both bands, junior and senior, will perform in this concert.

The concert will take place in the hall and will take around 45min. The students will perform in full school uniform.

Note also: There will not be any lessons in Week 10.

Let me know if you have any questions.

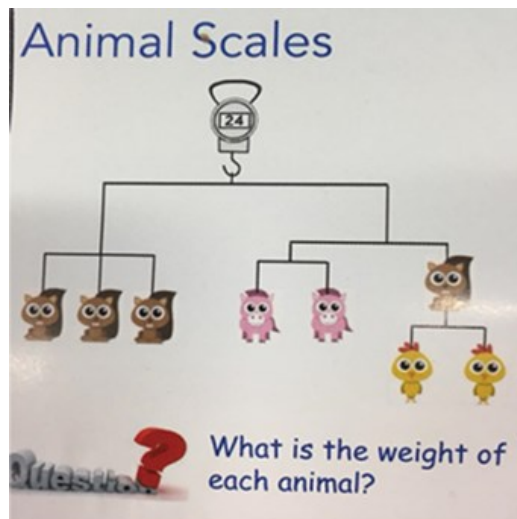
Kind regards,

Mari Jaatinen – (Band Director)

The Principal's Piece - Cont.

Thank you, Miss Thorpe:

Parents may not be aware, but each Friday afternoon after school (recently), Miss Thorpe hosts a 30 minute professional learning session on Mathematics for staff. The sessions are voluntarily attended and in addition to this, Miss Thorpe, places a maths challenge in the weekly staff newsletter. I wonder if you'll enjoy this week's challenge below:



AWARD WINNERS Week 7



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - Kirsty Thorpe

Teacher Faith and Mission formation

As teachers, an important part of teaching in Catholic schools and being part of Catholic Education is the development of our own faith and mission. Throughout the year numerous teachers will be participating in two day seminars to grow their own faith and to rejuvenate their mission as Catholic Education teachers. Next week, Mrs Kathryn Gray and I will be attending a two day seminar called 'With You Always' which is designed specifically for RECs and APs to explore the basis of their faith and how they can continue to explore it through the vocation of teaching.

High Tea for a Cause

On a more personal note, I will be hosting a High Tea which is a fundraiser for the two organisations I work for in Cambodia (Free to Shine and Child Rescue Inc) and I would like to extend the invitation to anyone in the school community who would like to join us. Both of the organisations I work with support the education of rural children and the proceeds of the High Tea will be taken directly to these children when I return to Cambodia these coming holidays. The High Tea is on the 1st July, 11am-2pm at Glasshouse, Manly and tickets are \$70. Tickets include a glass of bubbly on arrival and a 3 course sit-down High Tea. During the High Tea there will also be a silent auction, raffle and an opportunity to purchase goods from my fundraising market stall. Unfortunately there are only 15 tickets left, so please let me know ASAP if you would like to attend. For more information check out: <https://www.facebook.com/events/379574272549779/>

And to get a preview of the silent auction and to start bidding visit: <https://www.32auctions.com/hightea>

Quick Reminders:

- Semester One reports will be emailed home this Friday
- Parent Teacher interview times are now available during Weeks 9 and 10. Please see the registration information in this newsletter.
- ICAS English and Maths exam registration closes this Friday at 10am
- School Photo Day is next Wednesday: payments to be made ASAP (Full winter uniform will be worn by every child)
- Next Tuesday is our Public Speaking Competition finals – all parent welcome and invited (more information from Mrs Scarf included in today's newsletter)

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - Kirsty Thorpe



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BOOKINGS FOR TERM 2 PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS ARE NOW OPEN

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are now accepting bookings for this term's parent/ teacher interviews. An online facility has been set up for you to choose your preferred time and date. Each interview will run for 15 minutes.

TO MAKE A BOOKING, PLEASE FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW

Step 1: Go to website: www.schoolinterviews.com.au

Step 2: Type in the **EVENT CODE: brbb3**

Step 3: Fill in the information including your email address, your name, the number of students you are booking a teacher interview for, and the children's name/s.

Step 4: Select your child's teacher

Step 5: Choose your interview time

Step 6: Check for your confirmation email/s from the website. After you complete your booking you will receive confirmation to the email address you supplied.

****Please check your Spam or Junk folder if you cannot see the confirmation email.***

Kind regards,

Kirsty Thorpe
Assistant Principal

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - Kathy Gray

Knitting

The final Knitting Club was held last Friday. Once again... a huge thank you to our wonderful team from the parish and school communities who have come along each week to support our students with their knitting skills. All of these students are expert knitters now!

We have arranged dates and times to walk these scarves up to the care facilities so that the students can personally give their scarf to an elderly friend, in an effort for the children to personally see the effect of their knitting on the life of someone else.

Dougherty Centre – Wednesday 27th leaving school at 1:30 for a 2 o'clock at the Dougherty Centre

and

Willowood Aged Care – Thursday 28th leaving school at 1:15 for a 2 o'clock at Willowood, (this is a longer walk).

Anyone who has supported the knitting club is most welcome to come along for the walk and enjoy the act of giving to our elderly friends.

We are amazed by the student's involvement in this act of Social Justice. Thank you to all involved for brightening the lives of others.

Broken Bay Bishop's Religious Visual Arts Prize:

Invitation for Parents to View Art in Classrooms: 2:30 Friday 22nd of June

Time is running down for the Bishop's Art Competition. All students have been busily preparing their artworks for the school walk-through planned for NEXT Friday, Week 8 at 2:30pm. Parents are invited to pop in and visit all classrooms at this time to view the artworks which have the theme of *Scripture from The Old or New Testament*.

A team of teachers will then be the judges and choose three finalists per stage to send into the actual *Broken Bay Bishop's Religious Visual Arts Prize*. Classroom teachers will then select the next top two artworks to receive an Honourable Mention. These students will all receive a certificate at our Week 9 School Assembly.

Prizes are offered for the artworks sent into the Diocese. The Diocesan first prize for the winning entry from each stage (Early Stage 1 to Stage 5) this year will be \$100. There will be two honourable mention awards given to students from each stage, with prizes of \$30 art supplies each provided by our sponsor, Eckersley's Art and Craft. But the biggest prize of all is the honour of winning this prestigious prize! Good luck!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - Kathy Gray

OLD Social Justice Initiative:

Refugee Sundays: June 17 & June 24

All items to school by Friday 22nd June: extended for one more week!

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

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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.

It is always important to educate our students about the underlying social justice behind any collections. It would be great if you could have these discussions as a family. Year 6 will also do presentations to Kindy to Year 6 about "Who is a refugee? Who is an asylum seeker? What is happening in Australia? How can we help?"

Thank you for your support.



PUBLIC SPEAKING NEWS

PUBLIC SPEAKING NEWS UPDATE!!!!

Throughout the last two weeks, Kindergarten and Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 presented their excellent speeches. They did not disappoint us! They were all fabulous to watch. Each year I think I have seen it all with the level of skill our students have here at OLD when speaking to an audience. But this year the standard was even higher! Our Public Speaking Final Competition will definitely be something not to miss!!! Tuesday 26 June from 9am.

Unfortunately the teachers and I can only choose a very select number of children to proudly represent their classes. It is so terribly hard for us to find these winners as the standard now, is so high. Finally we did choose... and the successful finalists to represent their classes in the school Grand Final Competition (except Kindergarten) are:

Year KG:

Isabelle and
Catherine

Year KB:

Kina and
Isabella

Year 1B:

Kathleen and
Charlie

Year 1G:

Jack and
Pippa

Year 2G:

Jonathan and
Anya

Year 2B:

Nate and
Shenali

Year 3G:

Ryan and
Roman

Year 3B:

Alexander and
Airley

Year 4G:

Marianne and
Chloe

Year 4B:

Sara and
Antony

Year 5:

Porscha ,
Beatrice,
Caitlin and
Kathy

Year 6:

Lara ,
Lindsay ,
Gwenaelle and
Sophia

PUBLIC SPEAKING NEWS

It looks like we have some "Public Speaking Families" in our school!

Congratulations children and good luck in the finals!

Don't forget, the **Grand Final Public Speaking Competition** will be held on **Tuesday the 26th of June, from 9am to 11am**. The timing of the judging will be different this year as it will be conducted ***straight after the speeches of each Stage***. This allows the parents to organize any work or other commitments in order to see their children present on the day:

Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2) will present first and then be judged when finished (approx. 9.00 – 9.30am)

Stage 2 (Years 3 and 4) will present second and then be judged when finished (approx. 9.30 – 10am)

Stage 3 (Years 5 and 6) will present third and then be judged (approx. 10.00 – 10.45 am)

(These times are very approximate as it all depends on what occurs on the day)

All parents and friends are most welcome to attend.

Come and be entertained and impressed by our school's most talented speakers!

It's a wonderful occasion and not one to miss!

Ms Kylie Scarf

EALD/Literacy Support Teacher



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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/>

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 6th 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.



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



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Fri, 22nd June



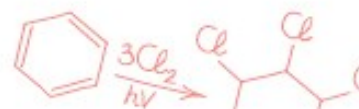
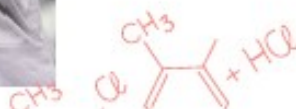
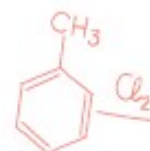
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SCIENCE ACADEMY

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS AT MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY - mq.edu.au/about/holidays

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- 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





MOSAIC MULTICULTURAL CENTRE



July School Holiday Program

Happy Multicultural Toddlers

Wed 18 July, 10am-11.15am at MOSAIC

Sing-along, craft activities and storytelling.
An information talk for parents on changes to
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Free for children aged 0-5, accompanied by
a parent/carer. Morning tea provided.
Bookings essential.



Aboriginal Culture

Wed 11 July, 10am-12pm
5 years and over, \$5

Learn about tools, weapons, plants, face
painting with okra, dancing & art work



3D Cat Card

Thurs 12 July, 10am-11am
5 years and over, \$5



Bollywood Dance

Fri 13 July, 10am-11.15am
5 years and over, \$5



Minions

Thurs 19 July, 10am-11.15am
5 years and over, \$5



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Saturday	July 14 th	2pm & 8pm

TICKETS

Adult	\$25.00
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