

OUR LADY OF DOLOURS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWS Term 2 Week 10 - 2 July 2018

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - Kirsty Thorpe

Welcome to the final week of Semester 1, 2018. What a wonderful semester of learning we have all had at O.L.D. Our Kindergarten students have *almost* been at school 100 days, our Year 6 students have blossomed into compassionate leaders and all students in between have embodied our Mercy values each and every day. It is amazing to consider it was only in the past two terms that we welcomed Mrs Greenwood, Miss Bliss and Mrs Zahra to our staff and welcomed back Mrs Antico. A wonderful addition they have all made to the school already.

As we prepare for the school holidays, it is important to remember how vital this time is for our students (and staff) to rest, recuperate and relax after a very full-on 10 weeks of school. Cherish the time you have with your children and have lots of fun. Mr Ledlin has taken some leave this week to spend time with his family and welcome back his daughter, who has been living in England for the past couple of years. I am very excitedly counting down the days until I head back to Cambodia to spend time with my 'second family' over there. It's been a long six months since I last spent time with the children and I can't wait to be with them all again (and be back in the tropical climate!).

As we are about to part for two weeks I wanted to share with you a speech written by Gwenaelle in Year 6. This speech is about the three wishes she would want granted by a genie, please take the time to read it as her very wise words are a timely reminder for us to reflect on what our three wishes would be in life and what we can do to ensure they become a reality. Thank you for sharing these words with us Gwenaelle.

What are you supposed to say to a genie when they ask you for your three wishes? I know that may seem like a silly question to ask, but what would you say?

When I was a little younger, I always wondered what I was supposed to do if I ever met a magical genie. Where would it come from? Would it pop out of nowhere? What kind of wishes would I ask for? Well, I kinda knew that one. Or at least I thought I did. I wished for billions of dollars, a mansion with a swimming pool and a pet unicorn, obviously. But as I got older, I started to think more about the wishes and what they really meant.

So then, I changed my three wishes to world peace, good health for all and world prosperity. These wishes would be a betterment for humanity.

If I wished for world peace, there would be no more wars and fights that broke up people's friendships, instead we could spread love! Good health for all would mean no more starvation and everyone would live a longer life. And if the world had prosperity, it would mean everyone would be able to financially support themselves and their families. All in all, this world would be perfect. Too perfect.

With all this perfection, it leaves the world with no faults. If you think about it, life is all about making mistakes and learning from those mistakes. And that's when I realised, it is not my sole responsibility to fix the world. It is all our responsibility. So by changing myself, I can change the world. So these are my three wishes:

COMING EVENTS

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

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To know myself completely.

To know another completely.

And for another to know myself completely.

You might think, "What a waste of three wishes!" But I believe that these three wishes are the most powerful wishes one could grant to self. These three wishes are the wishes that can help me to grow as a person and help others grow. By knowing others, it creates a sense of love and care for each other. But it is only when you truly know yourself, you can start to completely know others. There is a saying, 'If you know a grain of sand completely, you will know the world in its entirety.'

Don't wait for a magical genie to come, because the real genie is inside of you. The real genie is you. The only person that can make all your dreams, goals and aspirations come true is you. You may not realise it, but you might already have accomplished your dream. So be careful and be mindful, because whatever you wish for, it **will** come true.

Always remember, as Gandhi once said 'You must be the change you wish to see in the world.' So what would you wish for?

Reminder – Staff Development Day Monday 23rd July:

Students will return to school on Tuesday 24th July.

Monday 23rd July is a Staff Development Day where all the O.L.D staff will be participating in a spirituality day; an annual day where staff develop their own faith and make their continued commitment to Catholic Education. Students will not attend school on this day.

Sport Days Term 3 (Teacher: Miss Adeline):

Monday – KB, KG, 1G, 2B, 2G, 3G, 3B

Tuesday – 1B, 4B, 4G, 5B, 6G

Friday – All classes

Sports Marathon:

Yesterday all students received a sponsorship form and information about next term's sports marathon (it is also attached at the end of this newsletter). This is an exciting event that will help raise funds (hopefully \$20k or more) to inject money into 'Project Playscape'. This is an innovative project that will see the playground transform to allow for more creativity, fun and inclusion of all students. Let's all work together as a community to get sponsors and raise funds that will go directly to help the children's social, emotional, physical and cognitive development at school. Thank you to the amazing team of organisers!

Holiday maintenance projects at the school:

Last holidays our wonderful maintenance extraordinaire, Steve McDonald, was project manager when the school was painted. This holidays he will be busy planting the remaining trees in our new pots around the playground. There will also be major works with the electrical circuits and wires. We wish to thank Steve for all the background work he does to make sure the school is safe and inviting for the students.

Fun games to play in the holidays

I know many parents want to ensure their child maintains the learning gains they had throughout the term and often ask teachers what can they do in the holidays. Please view these suggestions as just that...suggestions! Often the best learning experiences in holidays are all the experiences you have with your family – visiting museums, art galleries, a new place or country, speaking to new people, doing art and craft activities or trying a new sport or musical instrument. However, below are a few fun ideas for reading, writing and maths.

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Reading: Encourage your child to read daily, especially if they are a beginning or emerging reader. Please also read regularly to your child too – even our Stage 3 students. Modelling the behaviours that adults do when reading is essential in a students' reading development (please read in any language you speak at home!).

Writing: Your child could also write a journal of their holiday to share with the class, or write a story for their teacher and friends. You can also encourage your child to write everyday items such as birthday cards, shopping lists, emails to family members or post cards if you are travelling.

Maths: Playing board games and card games are a great way to practise maths skills. If you are playing monopoly or a board game with an older student why not play with two dice – multiply to add the number and that's how many space you move. You can play snap with friends of 10 or doubles or make up your own bingo or concentration games.

Life skills: Holidays are a great time to learn and practise some important life skills that are used every day at school; tying shoe laces and school ties; taking on and off your jumper, shoes and socks; packing your own school bag; taking off lunch box/ fruit break container lids and putting them back on; taking off drink bottle lids and filling up the bottle; using money at the shops to purchase products and count the change.

Parents we also ask you to take the time in the holidays to re-label all your child's belongings – jumpers, lunch boxes (and lids), drink bottles, school bags, hats etc. This will prevent your child from losing their belongings that we know cost a lot of money. Thank you!

Kindergarten news!

Something very exciting is happening in Kindergarten during our first week back next term and it is going to be a day they will remember forever (so will their parents and teachers!!). We don't want to give too much away but see if your children can work out how many days kindy will have been at school? Kindergarten parents will receive more information later this week from their teachers.



- The total amount of toes on 20 feet
- The total amount of legs on 25 dogs
- The total amount of wings on 50 birds
- The total amount of cents in \$1
- The total amount of runs a cricketer gets in a century
- The total amount of noses on 100 witches
- The total amount of dollars in two \$50 notes

SCHOOL BANKING

School Banking

It's hard to believe that we're already halfway through the school year. Twenty weeks of school banking down; 20 to go (not that anyone's counting).

Thank you to all the families who have been participating in the school banking program this year. It's been great to see that we have yellow wallets come in from every class in the school each week.

Reward tokens - a reminder that the Commonwealth Bank's 'Youth App' can be downloaded (on iPhones). This app allows you to keep track of balances - and the number of reward tokens your child should have. For more information: <https://www.commbank.com.au/digital-banking/youth-app.html>

Enjoy the holidays, and don't forget banking starts up again in week 1 of term 3.

-School Banking Team

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - Kathy Gray

Knitting

The children made us very proud in the manner in which they gave their scarves to the elderly. We really appreciated not only in the effort of knitting the scarves but also the kind manner in which the scarves were delivered. Our students were very gracious, well-mannered and respectful to the elderly.

Many children were able to meet their given elderly friend and personally give them their scarf. Unfortunately, some students were not able to personally give their scarves to their allocated friend due to various circumstances. Please be assured that the elderly will eventually receive your scarves and experience the joy of your gift and kindness.



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Broken Bay Bishop's Religious Visual Arts Prize:

We hope you enjoyed the Religious Art viewings in classrooms last Friday. The artworks were amazing, creative and beautiful.

Winners will be announced in Week 10.



OLD Social Justice Initiative:

Thank you again for your generosity in supplying goods for the "House of Welcome." The parish is very grateful for your generous contribution. Mrs Wilson, from the parish, came and collected the items today and her car was FULL! Thanks again.



PUBLIC SPEAKING NEWS

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GRAND FINAL PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION 2018

What an amazing Public Speaking Competition we had last Tuesday!

The finalists (Years 1-6) were ***so extraordinary*** that it made the experienced adjudicators' jobs terribly difficult.

Here are our fabulous finalists:

K	Kina KB Isabella KB	Isabelle KG Catherine KG
1	Kathleen 1B Charlie 1B	Jack Treder 1G Pippa 1G
2	Nate 2B Shenali 2B	Jonathan 2G Anya 2G
3	Alexander 3B Airley 3B	Ryan Chung 3G Roman Paredes 3G
4	Sara 4 Antony 4B	Marianne 4G Chloe 4G
5	Kathy Beatrice	Caitlin Porscha
6	Lara Sophia	Lindsay Gwenaelle

The adjudicators believe, each year, it gets harder to choose winners as the level of excellence gets higher and higher.
However they finally did decide...

and these are the talented winners and runners up of our 2018 competition:

Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2)

Winner: **Jonathan** (2G)

Runner up: **Kathleen** (1B)

Stage 2 (Years 3 and 4)

Winner: **Sara** (4B)

Runner up: **Roman** (3G)

Stage 3 (Years 5 and 6)

Winner: **Lara** (6G)

Runner up: **Beatrice** (5B)

Congratulations to **all** the finalists who presented in last week's Grand Final Competition.

Children you were all outstanding!!

Also a very big THANK YOU to our extraordinary Year 6 presenters,

Gabby and Charlotte

who confidently ran the competition on the day. Well done!

Ms Kylie Scarf

EALD/Literacy Support Teacher

PUBLIC SPEAKING NEWS

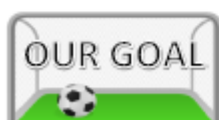


FROM THE P & F



2018 Sports Marathon

Friday 10 August at Beauchamp Oval, Chatswood



OUR GOAL

We have an ambitious fundraising target of **\$20,000.**



WHAT FOR?

Students are encouraged to fundraise for the day with all funds raised supporting the development of **"Project Playscape".**



HOW?

Become a Three Star Hero!

- ★ Get sponsored from 5 people outside of your home;
- ★ Get sponsored by a business; and
- ★ Achieve more than \$50 in sponsorship (white star = \$50, gold star = \$100)

Individual Prizes:



\$200 Rebel Voucher & 4 person ticket to Taronga Zoo



\$100 Rebel Voucher



\$50 Rebel Voucher

For every **\$50** raised, students will be entered into a weekly draw to win Rebel Sports gear.

Top Year Prize:



The year that raises the highest average amount will have a **Mufi Day**

Pay as you go through Qqr

FROM THE P & F

Name:

Class:

Total raised:

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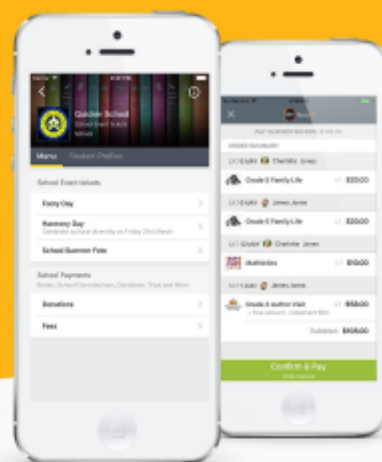


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Step 2 Register

Select your Country of Residence as 'Australia' and follow the steps to register

Step 3 Find our school

Our school will appear in 'Nearby Locations' if you're within 10km's of the school, or search for our school by name.

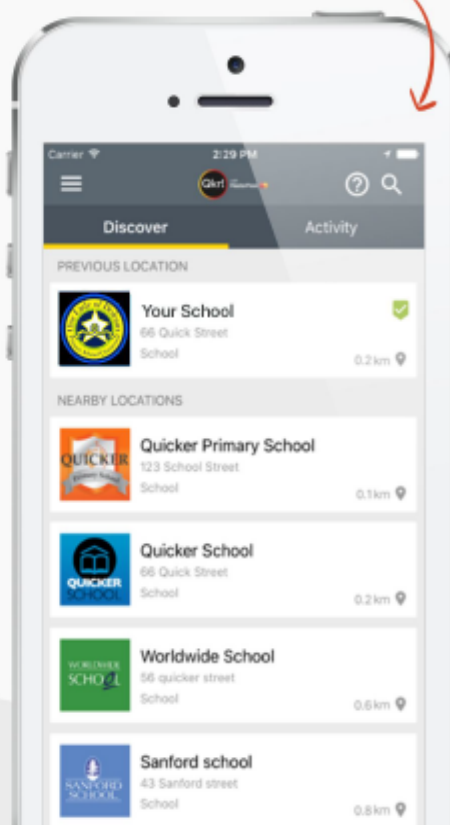
Step 4 Register your children

When first accessing our school you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child. This allows you to make orders and payments for them.

If you have made a purchase you can select our school from 'Previous Location'

If you're within 10 kms of the school, you can select our school from 'Nearby Locations'

Search for our school name

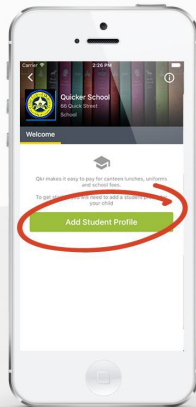


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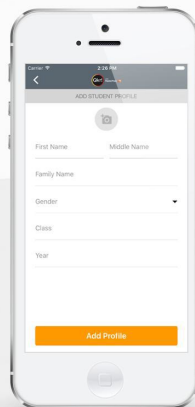


Add your children's details in Student Profiles

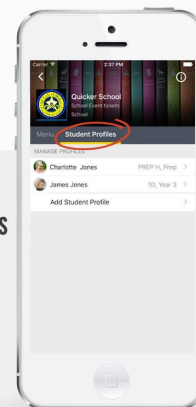
Select
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Add each
child's details

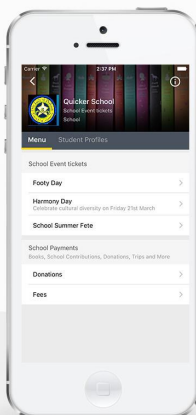


Manage each
child's details in
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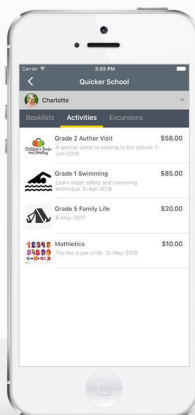


Purchase school items

Select a menu
from our school

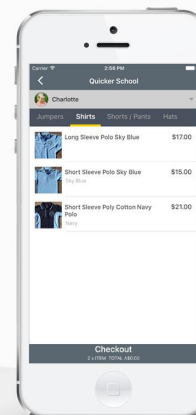


Select child
you are
ordering for



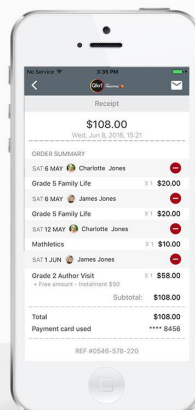
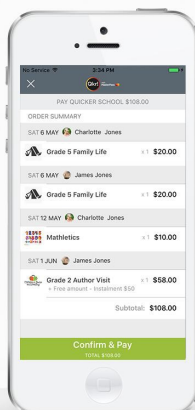
Select your items

Tap 'Checkout'
then confirm and pay



Making payments

Add up to 5 cards to your wallet



At checkout select which card to
pay with.

Pay with any cards accepted
by the school.

Once your payment is approved you
can continue to the home page, or
view your receipt.

Community News



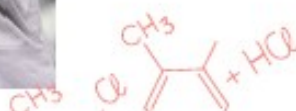
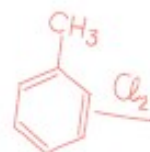
Junior
SCIENCE ACADEMY

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS AT MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY – 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



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.

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Friday	July 6 th	8pm
Saturday	July 7 th	2pm & 8pm
Sunday	July 8 th	3pm
Wednesday	July 11 th	8pm
Friday	July 13 th	8pm
Saturday	July 14 th	2pm & 8pm

TICKETS

Adult	\$25.00
Child	\$15.00 (under 16 years)
Concession	\$20.00
Family	\$70.00 (2 adult + 2 child)

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