

OUR LADY OF DOLOURS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWS Term 3 Week 1 - 23 July 2018

The Principal's Piece

At the end of last week, our Director of Schools (Diocese of Broken Bay), Mr Peter Hamill, shared the following relatively prophetic brief quote from Cardinal Guiseppe Versaldi, the Prefect for the Congregation for Catholic Education based in the Vatican. Cardinal Guiseppe's observation about the place of the student in schools is quite profound.

It is urgent to humanize education, focusing on the children and young people, giving them the autonomy and the principal role they need to play so they can grow from within, amid a community which is alive, interdependent, tied to a common fate and which leads us to the fraternal humanism. In this new scenario, and in order to educate using the capabilities and the uniqueness of each one, adults must step back, they need to say less and to listen more: listen to children and young people. Educating is so much more than teaching. We have to provide the conditions and the space for them to build together a project of change capable of transforming their real contexts. Let's trust them, without any fear... We'll be amazed.

(As an aside, the Congregation oversees 220,000 Catholic schools across the world which educate approximately 46 million students. Teachers and parents at OLD are indeed part of a significant enterprise.)

Welcome to OLD! Today we welcome 5 new students and their families to OLD; Lucas (KG), Tracy (1B), Prisha (2B), Neil (2B) and Sienna (5B). We thank the parents of KG, 1B, 2B and 5B who have further welcomed these families by organising playdates or catch ups in the holidays. We are very excited to have our 5 new families in the OLD school community.

Extraordinary News:

Life is a really interesting journey. We're all familiar with sayings like, "You've gotta be in it to win it!" ... "You'll never know unless you give it a try!"

Basically, there are thousands of opportunities 'out there' in life that we can choose to have a crack at.

Where is all of this leading?: I am very pleased to congratulate someone who's recently applied for a couple of academic scholarships; and this someone has successfully been granted the '2019 Premier's Mathematical Association of NSW Mathematics Scholarship' ... and this someone is Miss Kirsty Thorpe!

The scholarship might take Kirsty to Canada or the US to work with a couple of 'giants' in our world of school education; people like 'Positive Mathematical Mindset' innovator Jo Boaler and 'School Change' guru, Michael Fullan.

Congratulations, Kirsty.

COMING EVENTS

July

Thurs 26 Kindy & Year 1
Athletics

August

Thurs 2 Yr 2-6 Athletics
Carnival

Thurs 9 Soccer Gala Day

Fri 10 P & F Sports
Marathon

Mon 13 Book Week starts

September

Mon 24 Creative Arts
Festival

Fri 28 Term 3 Concludes

October

Mon 15 Term 4 Commences

Sat 27– Sun 28 Band Camp

Wed 19 Term 4 Concludes

KEEP CHECKING THE SCHOOL'S WEBSITE
UNDER 'NEWS & EVENTS - EVENTS FOR
POSSIBLE CHANGES TO DATES

www.olddb.catholic.edu.au

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The Principal's Piece - Cont.

The Big OLD Annual Fundraiser:

I know all families are getting behind the Big OLD Annual Fundraiser for 2018 that comes to a climax in a day of fun and exercise on **Friday 10 August**.

Thank you, sincerely, to the team driving this important event that effectively 'gifts' our students with:

- An exciting 'tinkering table' and interactive bench behind the play equipment
- Developments in the 'Growers Garden'/reflection area
- A 'shop-front' for students' play

Term 3 P+F General Meeting – Tuesday 14 August 6.30pm – Where are we at re the Advisory Group for 2019 onwards?

I hope many parents and friends turn out for our Term 3 P+F GM Tuesday 14 August 6.30pm.

Amongst other things, there will be a discussion opportunity regarding the Advisory Group that The Catholic Schools Office expects all schools to adopt from 2019 going forward.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL NEWS

Parents will be well aware of the relative angst last term when we had our Athletics Carnival washed out. Because we have to get selections finalised for the up and coming Athletics North Shore Cluster Carnival, we plan to manage the required events over two Thursdays at our local *Beauchamp Park*.

- Thursday 26 July (Week 1) for all Kindergarten and Year One students
- Thursday 2 August (Week 2) for all Year Two, Three, Four, Five and Six students.

On the students' respective day for their 'carnival', they will participate in their age groups at different times. These approximate times are:

Thursday 26 July: Week 1 KINDY & YEAR 1 ONLY

Walk from school - 9.00am - at least three parents are required to assist each class - please contact your child's class teacher if you can assist.

- o Kindergarten 60m races - 9.45am
- o Year One 60 m races - 10.00am
- o Novelty events by class - 10.15am

Walk back to school - 10.40am - parent helpers once again required to assist - please contact your child's class teacher if you can assist.

Students are reminded to bring the following on their respective carnival day:

- Full sport uniform (with hat)
- Water bottle
- Sun screen
- Puffer (if required)
- Medication kept at school will be taken to the oval
- Fruit break (in a paper/plastic bag clearly labelled with child's name and class)

Thursday 2 August: Week 2 Year 2-6 (details were emailed earlier today and a reminder will be in next week's newsletter)

(Please note that students do not require a permission note to walk to Beauchamp Park because this is covered by a general permission note signed by parents at the commencement of the year).

Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Primary School ATHLETICS CARNIVAL MAKE-UP DAY PARENT WALKING ASSISTANTS

***Please return this WALKING ASSISTANCE form to your child's class teacher
before the day of their Make-up Carnival day***

Parent's Name _____ Child's Name _____

Class _____ Colour House _____ Age (This Year)* _____

**(What ever age your child turns in 2018
is their age this year*

The Principal's Piece - Cont.

Soccer Gala Day - Thursday 9th August (Week 3) - 9.30am-2pm ... Venue - Montview Oval, Hornsby Heights

The Soccer Gala Day for OLD is on Thursday 9 August only for students in years 4, 5 & 6 only.

Co-ordinating this event each year sometimes brings a measure of angst for parents and students. The diocese has recommended a strategy for schools to adopt to ensure the fairest student selection method is adopted. The following notes might assist families to better understand the complexity of managing an interschool soccer gala day:

The biggest and most suitable oval with the most soccer fields in our North Shore region is Montview Oval, Hornsby. Unfortunately, this facility only offers 5 ovals; 2 of which are smaller than half-size ovals. Considering this, when you do the maths regarding the number of students keen to attend, you can see how difficult it is to have 14 schools (ie the North Shore Cluster) at an event that caters for everyone. This considered, the North Shore Cluster breaks into 3 Soccer Gala Day pools that compete on different days, simply to afford more opportunity for the keen soccer players. Even breaking the cluster into 3 groups is still a great problem with only 5 fields at Montview Oval.

To put all this into perspective, the netballers at their Netball Gala Day are blessed with up to 30+ courts at some venues ... 30+ courts naturally cater beautifully for all the keen netballers.

**We are able to take four teams - Junior Boys/Girls, Senior Boys and Two Senior Girls teams (small teams).
A nomination/ application form will be sent home this week.**

AWARD WINNERS Week 10



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Term 2 Gala Days During the last week of Term 2 all students in Year 4-6 (with some additional students in Year 3) participated in either a Netball Gala Day or Rugby League skills session. Throughout the day all students played against other schools and not only displayed developing skills but also a high level of sophisticated sportsmanship. We wish to thank all the parent helpers who supported our students – without your support these days wouldn't be able to go ahead. A special mention to the Year 4/5 boys netball team who remained undefeated the whole day – for some players in this team it was their second year of undefeated gala days.



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Save the date Our 2019 Creative Arts Festival will be held in the Concert Hall of The Concourse on 24th September at 7pm. All students will be performing on the same night – one night only! Tickets will be on sale later in the term and further information will be included in school newsletters.

The theme this year is:



Gymnastics at OLD

Thanks to the amazing work of our 'Grant application super team' (especially the P&F team) we have secured a second grant that allows our students to participate in gymnastic lessons led by professional coaches. Last term the students all thoroughly enjoyed their gymnastics lessons where they used a variety of equipment and developed a range of skills. More information about when these lessons will be held will be communicated through future school newsletters.

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HARMONY DAY POSTER PARTICIPANTS



Bishop's Art Competition finalists



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - Kathy Gray

SPIRITUALITY STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

On Monday the staff of OLD enjoyed a Mercy Pilgrimage. We began our journey at Monte Sant' Angelo Mercy College and we finished at St Patrick's church at the Rocks. The staff enjoyed walking in the footsteps of our schools Mercy founders.

Catherine McAuley had a vision and a dream of Mercy -

“We have the privilege of knowing it, The responsibility to understand it, The duty to protect it, The honour of living it”

SOCIAL JUSTICE—TERM 3

During Term 3 our Social Justice focus is looking after God's creation—the environment. Please see below an invitation from Willoughby Council to collect a free tree to plant at home. What a great way to kick start our Environmental focus and discussion at home!

CELEBRATE NATIONAL TREE DAY 2018

Date & Time: Sunday, 29 July 2018 10:00am to 2:00pm

Address: Warrane Reserve, Chatswood

Willoughby Council invites families from OLD to collect a plant for FREE to take home and help grow more greenery for our environment.

There will be an opportunity to participate in planting at the park (until 1pm), check out the Wildlife and Citizen Science Information Stall, and purchase a nest box for any families that want to welcome a flying visitor every now and again!

Our friends at Willoughby Council ask that anyone who wants to participate in planting at the park please wear a hat, covered shoes, a long sleeved shirt and long pants. Gloves, tools, watering cans and buckets will be provided on the day, but please bring your own drinking water.

Contact regina@saxoncole.com for any questions.

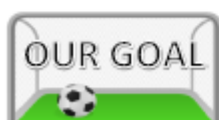


FROM THE P & F



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

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Name:

Class:

Total raised:

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Community News



Our Lady of Dolours Primary School

Term 3 Canteen Roster



	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
23 July 2018	PUPIL FREE DAY	Rosalie Keledjian Seda Gulessebian	Ofelia Delosreyes Kylie Sendlhofer	Michelle Go-Chin Melissa Chung	Selvia Wijaya Vivian Tang
30 July 2018	Jen Montealegre Jo Mannering	Ji-Yun Yi Stella Bae	Michael Corbett	Rachel Davidge-Hill Debbie Liu	Michelle Stanley Katie Crichton
6 August 2018	Tom Allen Glenn Desertine	Carlyn Linders Portia Yu	Jackie Fung Katerina Planska	Cynthia Lai Rachel Ullmann	SPORTS - A - THON
13 August 2018	Alison Henderson Alison Guthrie	Amy Chan Laura Hurrell	Natt Yusathaphorn Elaine Lin	Nicole Chow Mikhael Chammaa	Tina Tian Katie Zhang
20 August 2018	Rachel Mensforth Kate Stipo	Eva Martinez Ruby Yang	Ofelia Delosreyes Kylie Sendlhofer	Debbie Liu Joy Wang	Nicole Woods Tracy Li
27 August 2018	Michael Corbett	Rosalie Keledjian Seda Gulessebian	Christine Lee Sally Park	Joy Wang Melissa Chung	Selvia Wijaya Vivian Tang
3 September 2018	Katie Crichton	Marcia Corbett Laura Hurrell	Jackie Fung Katerina Planska	Rachel Ullmann Julie Hiser	Katerina Trani Michelle Stanley
10 September 2018	Tom Allen Glenn Desertine	Ruby Yang Jo Mannering	Michael Corbett	Lily Setiawan Soehan Wiraputra	Michelle Stanley Katie Crichton
17 September 2018	Ruby Yang Amy Chan	Ji-Yun Yi Stella Bae	Ofelia Delosreyes Marina Oganessian	Rachel Davidge-Hill Debbie Liu	Selvia Wijaya Vivian Tang
24 September 2018	Marilyn King Trish Seeto	Rosalie Keledjian Seda Gulessebian	Elaine Lin Kylie Sendlhofer	Michelle Go-Chin Cynthia Lai	Janelle Arena Zoey Cortese

Just a Friendly reminder the chess class is due to start Thursday, 26 July 2018, 12.40-1.40pm.



SYDNEY
ACADEMY OF CHESS

Level 1 30A George St, Burwood 2134
Office: (02) 9745 1170

CHESS!!

Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students at Our Lady of Dolours Primary School (Chatswood) is held on Thursdays from 12:40pm to 1:40pm, starting on 26 July 2018.


Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment. Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard, puzzle solving and fun practice games.

Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop.

If your child is interested in taking part, you can collect an enrolment form from the school office, or email enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au for a copy. For all enquiries, please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.

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OPTIONS FOR ALL SCHOOL PAYMENTS: LUNCH ORDERS, FEES AND SCHOOL EVENTS.

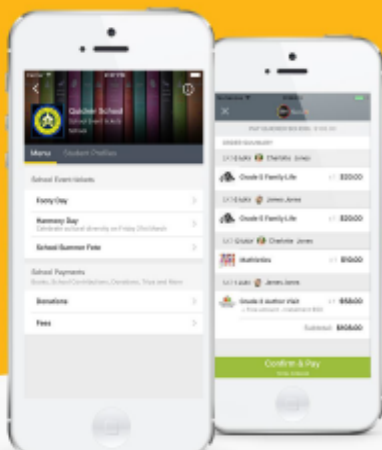


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Step 2 Register

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.

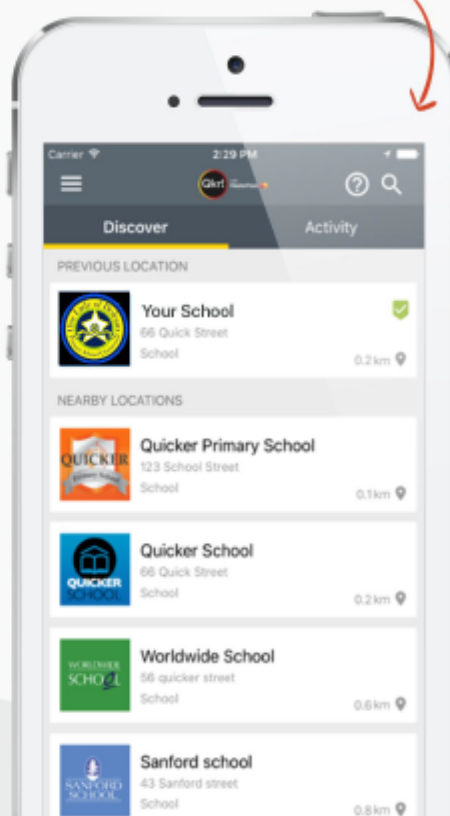
Step 4 Register your children

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

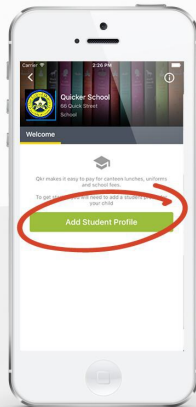


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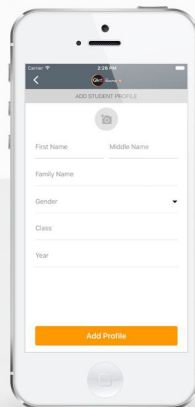


Add your children's details in Student Profiles

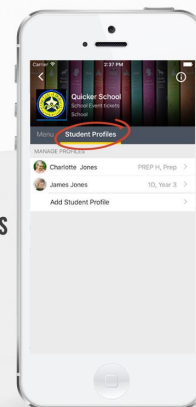
Select
'Add student profile'



Add each
child's details

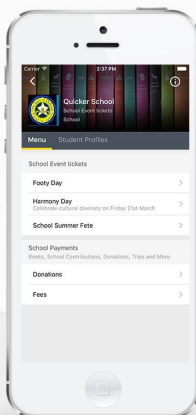


Manage each
child's details in
Student Profiles

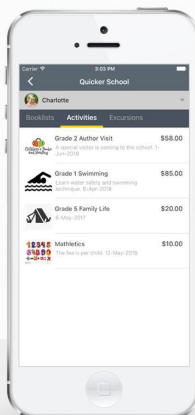


Purchase school items

Select a menu
from our school

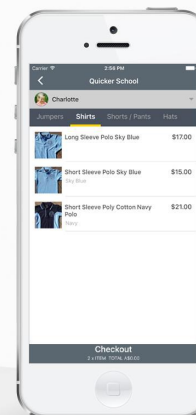


Select child
you are
ordering for



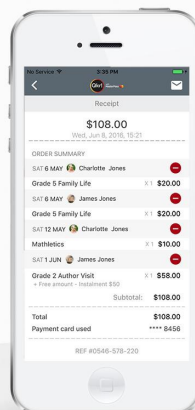
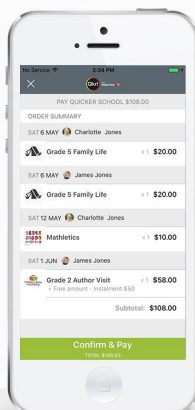
Select your items

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.



**DAYS TO
A HAPPIER
FAMILY**

Tuesday 31 July, 2018

7 pm for a 7.30 pm start

**Light of Christ Centre,
Yardley Ave Waitara**

Book your seat: www.brokenbayparentcouncil.com

Have you booked your seat for ...

21 Days to a Happier Family - Dr Justin Coulson

One of Australia's leading parenting experts

Tuesday 31 July, 2018 7.30 pm - Light of Christ Centre, Yardley Ave Waitara

Everyone wants their family to be happy. But so many things get in the way including include work stress, commitments, and our children's challenging behaviour.

This workshop equips parents with a fresh way of proactively developing the habits that will strengthen their family, combining cutting-edge insights from the positive psychology arena and classic psychological research underpinning relationships, parenting, and personal choices. Justin will speak in language that makes sense, with stories and research combined in an engaging, interactive, and fun style.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

- Every parent or caregiver, as well as teachers, grandparents, and anyone who looks after children.

PARENTS WHO ATTEND 21 DAYS TO A HAPPIER FAMILY WILL:

- Understand how their habits are creating their current family environment
- Learn the psychological principles that underpin personal and family happiness
- Experience insights that will genuinely impact on their family's happiness and functionality

ABOUT JUSTIN:

Dr Justin Coulson is one of Australia's leading parenting experts and is a highly sought-after international speaker and author. He and his wife Kylie are the parents of six daughters.

Broken Bay Catholic School Parents (CSP) provides seminars and workshops for all parents in schools across our diocese and are thrilled to be working with Dr Justin Coulson.

To secure your seat, go to the CSP website: www.brokenbayparentcouncil.com/dr-justin-coulson.html

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COULSON presents

**21 DAYS to a
HAPPIER
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For busy parents who want their kids to be better, themselves to be calmer, and their family to be happier.



Tuesday 31 July

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WEDNESDAY 8th AUG
9am - 11am

- Recognising our students needs are diverse, we constantly aim to develop courses and apply teaching strategies that accommodate different learning styles.
- Offering a comprehensive range of electives in addition to mandatory studies from Year 7, leading to the award of the Higher School Certificate credential in Year 12.
- Achieved outstanding results in the Higher School Certificate. Ranked in the top 16% of the State.
- Interested in the development of the whole person, we offer numerous opportunities for students to participate in co-curricular activities. Over 30 programs including a variety of Sport, Creative Arts and special interest clubs.
- Based on a framework of positive psychology, the College's well developed Pastoral Care structure allows support for student wellbeing. With specialised staff including the Director of Student, Wellbeing and the Youth Minister who work with students on a variety of projects including faith development, social justice and wellbeing.
- The College enjoys modern facilities and state of the art technology in classrooms.
- Located in the heart of Chatswood the College is a short walk to Chatswood Interchange where there are connecting buses and trains.
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