OUR LADY OF DOLOURS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWS Term 3 Week 3 - 6 August 2018

The Principal's Piece

Dear Parents,

Tomorrow is the feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop - (Australia's first saint).

Whenever I think of Mary MacKillop, I am reminded of her awesome quote that so powerfully provides us with a compass to travel the best way to Jesus ... What might this quote be?

"Never see a need without doing something to remedy the situation"

Last week, I read about a relatively simple initiative to inspire all of us to action in such an easy way. It's an initiative titled, "Take 3 for the Sea". This initiative simply encourages everyone to take three pieces of rubbish each time we leave a park, a beach area or similar. Readers might like to learn more at: <u>https://www.take3.org/</u>

And finally, to stretch us a bit more regarding Mary Mackillop's inspirational advice, I will leave you with a final quote from one of the world's most famous country-music singers who I'm inclined to listen to – usually when my family is not around!

"If you see someone without a smile, give them yours"

(Dolly Parton)

NEW Date for the P+F General Meeting – Wednesday 15 August 6.30pm:

Due to unforeseen circumstances, I have to change the date for our up and coming P+F General Meeting from 14/8 to *Wednesday 15 August 6.30pm*.

I will explain to everyone present at the General Meeting why it was important for me to make the decision to change this date.

<u>DON'T FORGET</u>: Amongst other things, there will be a discussion opportunity regarding <u>The Advisory Group for OLD</u> that The Catholic Schools Office expects all schools to adopt from 2019 going forward.

After the T3 P+F GM (15/8), I will be issuing a survey for the community re the OLD School Advisory Group and P+F Leadership as we go forward into 2019

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 all families who have generously been securing sponsors.

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' area
- A 'shop-front' for students' play

COMING EVENTS

August

Thurs 9 Soccer Gala Day

Fri 10 P & F Sports Marathon

Mon 13 Book Week starts

Wed 15 Feast of Assumption Mass Yr 3-6 9am

Mass K-2 12:15pm

Wed 15 P & F General Meeting 6.30pm

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.olddbb.catholic.edu.au

Our Lady of Dolours



The Principal's Piece cont.

Important Changes at OLD to support Mercy Catholic College:

Towards the end of this term (Term 3), OLD school will be supporting Mercy College with several 'spare' classrooms and also our Music Room for the remainder of the 2018 year. I note that the Catholic Schools Office (CSO) will support OLD with temporary refurbishing requirements in our school library and also the hall; this is a vital part of the arrangement to ensure learning/teaching at OLD is not compromised.

Student enrolments at Mercy College have expanded considerably in recent years, and the CSO is working closely with our Chatswood Parish leaders to develop the Rotunda Site (ie corner of Kirk St and Archer St) to support a 2 storey demountable project. It is anticipated that Mercy College will be able to commence learning/teaching in the new facility day-one 2019.

I particularly thank the staff at OLD for working so generously with Mercy College/CSO to support Mercy through the development period for the remainder of this year.

I will keep parents informed during this process.

The Assistant Principal's Piece

<u>ICAS exams</u> Due to a very busy couple of weeks there have been changes to when the English and Maths ICAS exams will be held. The Year 3 & 4 students have already completed their English exam when Stage 3 were on an excursion. Stage 3 (Year 5 and 6) will complete their English ICAS exam this Wednesday after lunch with Mrs Gray supervising. Students registered for the Maths ICAS exam will complete it in Week 4 (Thursday or Friday).

<u>Soccer gala day</u> If your child is attending the Soccer Gala Day this Thursday, please see Mr Martin as soon as possible if you are able to assist on the day. We thank our parent volunteers in advance as without parent volunteers we will be unable to send students to such events.





Religious Education—Mrs Kathy Gray

Humanity Award Nominees



Fred Hollows Humanity Award

The school has nominated three Year 6 students for the "Fred Hollows Humanity Award."

We have nominated Lucas and Ryan for raising awareness and funds for leukaemia. We have also nominated Hope, for raising awareness and funds for animal welfare. These students initiated these actions themselves and have demonstrated Mercy values through their acts of social justice.

The Fred Hollows Humanity Award recognises Year 6 students who follow in Fred's footsteps by making a positive difference in their community. It celebrates students who show compassion, integrity and kindness in their everyday lives, just as Fred did.

Since 2012, the Award has recognised more than 1000 primary school students across Australia. In 2017, the Award expanded nationally for the first time with students from all states and territories eligible for nomination.

Religious Education—Mrs Kathy Gray

Reminder: Confirmation Enrolment Closing Soon.

The Parish is now enrolling for the Sacrament of CONFIRMATION.

Confirmation Enrolment: Via the Parish Website. Opened Thursday 26 July and closes **Thursday 9 August** 2018.

http://www.chatswood.dbb.org.au/Sacraments/dsp-default.cfm?loadref=134 Celebration: In the Church on Friday 28 September at either 5.30pm or 7.30pm

Mary of the Cross Feast Day – Wednesday 8th of August

This Wednesday is a solemnity in the Catholic Church celebrating Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop, Australia's first saint. A solemnity is a feast day of the highest rank in the liturgical calendar of the Roman Rite, celebrating a mystery of faith such as the Trinity, an event in the life of Jesus, his mother Mary, or another important saint, such as; Mary MacKillop.

The Year 6 Litugy Leaders will be offering a prayer presentation in many classrooms on the feast day. Other classes will participate in a liturgy to celebrate this wonderful woman in the church's Australian history.

I will share with you a exert from "The Little Brown Book – Mary MacKillop's Spirituality in Everyday Lives:"

Life has a way of teaching us that no relationship is perfect. Storms can envelope us without warning. Who is there for us? Where is God? Storm clouds can block out everything, including, we sometimes feel, even our God. Perhaps it is then, when things are really tough, that we need to heed Mary's words, "God's love is best shown in times of aridity (1870)."

Isn't that what faith is all about? God is there, we believe, even though we still feel down and almost out for the count. We still trust in our good God, even though we feel his absence.

The great Jesuit poet, Hopkins, gives us the same message: "I greet Him the days I meet Him and bless when I understand." Mary describe beautifully her own experience of finding peace in the chaos that enveloped her –

"A quiet and slow healing process, re-discovering a calm after the storm that had been my life for the past few years (1903).

"Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for Him." (Ps 37.7)

Fathers' Day Whole School Mass – Friday September 11th at 9am

Save the date in your diaries for this wonderful parish and school community event to celebrate our father figures.

We also invite you to send in a photo of your children with their dad to use in the Father's Day Mass as the reflection after Communion. One photo per family please. Send photos to:

jill.greenwood@dbb.catholic.edu.au

Many thanks to Mrs Greenwood who has kindly offered to put the Father's Day Photo Reflection together for us this year.





OLD Bringing National Tree Day to Life



Rosebelle (3B) and Maxwell (1B) doing their bit for the environment as part of National Tree Day.

Public Speaking News

The Lower North Shore Catholic Schools

Public Speaking Competition 2018

Throughout last week, our Year 6 students presented their prepared 3 minute speeches on one of the topics selected in the Lower North Shore Catholic Schools Public Speaking Competition for 2018. They presented to their class, Mrs Gray and I. Trying to choose the 5 special speakers to compete in the next stage, the impromptu speeches, was truly IMPOSSIBLE as they were all extraordinary. I must admit in all the 12 years I have been conducting this program I have never been so impressed. This class is truly talented! As we couldn't choose 5 speakers, we had to pick 7 as they were so close in ability and talent. Those "Magnificent Seven" were:

Mikaela, Lara, Sophia, Charlotte, Lindsay, Gwenaelle and Gabby.

Today (Monday) these talented seven speakers were briefly instructed on how to write and deliver an impromptu 1 minute speech. They then returned to their class and presented their speeches. WOW! <u>All</u> of these girls strongly competed. All were top class. Unfortunately, Mrs Gray and I then had the terrible task to choose the special 2 students to represent our school....and we did....they are:

Gwenaelle and Charlotte.

I would so like to commend these fabulous girls on their skill and composure in presenting such a high standard of public speaking in our school. I congratulate them and I know they will do our school proud. Good luck girls!!!

Ms Scarf

EALD/Literacy Support

Teacher



From The LIBRARY - Louise Murphy

Book Week 2018 – 13th August-17th August

Theme: Find Your Treasure

Book Week Program

Monday 13th August : David Legge Author / Illustrator visiting K-6 David is an award winning author who has illustrated over 70 books.

BOOK WEEK PARADE TUESDAY 14 AUGUST—WEEK 4

Tuesday 14th August – Book Week Costume Parade.

All children in K-6 are asked to 'dress up' as their favourite book character. The idea behind the parade is to celebrate a love of books. Please note this is not a competition, anything in the cupboard or borrowed will be fantastic. Parents are welcome to stay and watch.

Library Classes: Please note there will be a change of Library days for some classes for this week only to accommodate all the events above.

Tuesday: 3G, 5B, 4G, 1G and 6G

Wednesday: 3B, 2G, 2B, KB, 4B, KG, 1B.

Book Fair: We would be delighted if all families could donate a book to our school Library. I have bought a fabulous selection of popular titles that the children can select from. This year we are making it really easy to pre-purchase a book through QKR. All books are priced at \$15, \$20 or \$25. Although the preferred method is QKR, the library will accept cash for the Book Fair. To bring in cash, please put it in an envelope clearly marked 'BOOK FAIR' with your child's name and class and hand it to their class teacher. The QRK app will open for book purchase next Monday 6th August. The children will come to the Library, select their book then their name will be written in it as the donor. The book can be borrowed for a week.

Looking forward to finding the 'Treasure' in books.

Louise Murphy

Teacher Librarian.







From The LIBRARY - Louise Murphy



FROM THE P & F





2018 Sperts Marathen

Friday 10 August at Beauchamp Oval, Chatswood



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



Students are encouraged to fundraise for the day with all funds raised supporting the development of <u>"Project Playscape".</u>



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



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

<u>Top Year Prize:</u>



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

Pay as you go through Qqr

FROM THE P & F

Name:

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SPORTS MARATHON SAUSAGE SIZZLE Lunch on Friday 10th August 2018

Back by Popular Demand BBQ Sausages at Our Lady of Dolours will be available for purchase at the Sports Marathon. Order form below for a Sausage in a Roll for \$3 Each, and a Popper for \$1 Each.



Order forms must be placed in the P&F Box (located in the school foyer) enclosed in an envelope with exact money before 3pm Thursday 9th August.

| | | | Sausage in a Roll @\$3 | Poppers @\$1 | Total \$ |
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Total Cash Enclosed: \$.....



Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Primary School 94a Archer Street, Chatswood NSW 2067 Phone: 9419 2645 Email: old@dbb.org.au



SPORTS MARATHON FRIDAY 10TH August 2018—Week 3—Term 3 BEAUCHAMP PARK CHATSWOOD

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our Sports Marathon will take place this Friday 10th August 2018! The Sports Marathon is our major school fundraiser and this year we have set an ambitious goal to raise \$20,000 to upgrade and refresh our playground! We have set a target for families to try to raise \$100 each!

Event Details:

The Sports Marathon will be held at Beauchamp Oval between the hours of 9.30am and 2.30pm this Friday, 10th August 2018. The children will be walked to the oval by their teachers and parent volunteers. At the oval they will circuit through a variety and different sporting activities. The activities will be run by the following sporting organisations, who have generously volunteered their time to support our fundraiser:

- Northern Suburbs Basketball Association
- Northbridge Knockouts (skipping)
- VT1 Martial Arts
- Willoughby Netball
- NRL (Rugby League)
- SXL Gymnastics
- North Sydney Baseball

The children will be given time throughout the morning for a fruit break (proudly sponsored by Fruit Ezy, Chatswood Chase) and recess break. Lunch will be at the park between 1.30 and 2.30pm. The children will be walked back to school at 2.30pm for school pick-up.

Sponsorship:

Sponsorship forms have been sent home with each child and spare copies can be found in the newsletter and at the school office. The children are encouraged to seek sponsorship for their participation in the day from family, friends and the wider community (your work colleagues, neighbours, sporting teams, businesses etc). There are great prizes on offer for the highest individual thanks to the generosity of Rebel Sport Chatswood.

We will have a special presentation on **Thursday, 9 August** recognising students who have achieved \$50 sponsorship and \$100 sponsorship or more. For children to receive this recognition, their sponsorship monies in excess of these amounts will need to submitted by **Wednesday, 8 August at 3 pm**.

Final cut off for receipt of sponsorship monies will be Friday, 17 August and the prize winners will be announced in Week 5, Term 3. Sponsorship can be paid via Qkr or in cash into the P&F Box. Student are encouraged to pay sponsorship monies as they receive these, rather than waiting until after the event so that we can provide progress on our fundraising efforts!

What to Bring:

The children are to bring the following with them on the day:

A small backpack or school bag (clearly labelled so your child can identify it)

Recess (Recess needs to be in a separate bag or container - Clearly labelled with their name)

Lunch if not purchasing a sausage sizzle (Please note: Bags will be left outside during the day and may be in the sun)

A water bottle with plenty of water (labelled with your child's name)

Sunscreen (Please ensure your child has applied sunscreen before coming to school - teachers are unable to apply sunscreen to the children)

Hat (it is compulsory for children to wear a hat)

All medication which is normally kept at school, will be taken to the Sports Marathon on the day. **If your child needs an additional asthma puffer,** please make sure it is in his/her bag.

The children are to wear **full sports uniform** on the day of the Sports-a-thon. The teams will be based on PBL groups which they have been in all year based on their sports colour house. The children are aware of their PBL group.

Parent Volunteers:

We need your help! If you are able to assist on the day please contact Regina (regina@saxoncole.com).

Thank you for your support of this major fundraiser.

Kirsty Thorpe (Assistant Principal) and the Sports Marathon Organisation Team!

| | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thurs | Fri |
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| 23 July 2018 | PUPIL FREE DAY | Rosalie Keledjian Seda Gulessevian | 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 | Debby Liu Joy Wang | Nicole Woods Tracy Li |
| 27 August 2018 | Michael Corbett | Rosalie Keledjian Seda Gulessevian | 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 Oganesian | Rachel Davidge-Hill Debbie Liu | Selvia Wijaya Vivian Tang |
| 24 September 2018 | Marilyn King Trish Seeto | Rosalie Keledjian Seda Gulessevian | Elaine Lin Kylie Sendlhofer | Michelle Go-Chin Cynthia Lai | Janelle Arena Zoey Cortese |



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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Providing excellence in teaching and learning since 1890. OPEN MORNING 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.
- Fees starting from \$5490.10 p.a (2017) plus \$940 building levy and student elective costs for Years 9 – 12.

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14 Aug – Pasta play
21 Aug – Fun with bubbles
28 Aug – Outside play
4 Sep – Window art with shapes
11 Sep – Soapy sensory jars
18 Sep – Frozen fruit painting
25 Sep – Bubble pop & games

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST OR JUST TURN UP: Naremburn Family Centre P: (02) 8425 8700 SMS: 0481 602 083 E: intakefs@catholiccaredbb.org.au

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KU Children's Services have launched a series of 'Parent Workshops' covering a range of topics relevant to families with young children.

Our Parent Workshops provide parents with relevant information about a range of parenting topics, including health and nutrition, play-based learning, child safety, transition to school and much more.

CHILD'S PLAY

Who should attend this workshop?

Current and prospective parents and carers who want to enrich their child's early learning at home.

What will I learn?

We will demonstrate 5 easy and engaging activities that will encourage your child to explore, be creative and problem solve.

Who are the presenters?

This workshop will be presented by KU's very own specialist educators

Can I bring my children?

All sessions are for parents or carers only. Please make alternate child care arrangements. Wednesday 15 August 6:30pm – 7:30pm

KU Greenwood Children's Centre Cnr Blue Street and Pacific Highway within Greenwood Plaza

Cost: Free

Do I need to book? Yes, book online at ku.com.au/parentworkshops





JUNIOR SUMMER 5-A-SIDE COMPETITION 20th OCTOBER 2018 – 9TH MARCH 2019 No matches scheduled during summer holidays SATURDAYS – Mixed Competition U6's-U11's The Willis Recreation & Sports Centre, Castle Cove 2 x Synthetic Pitches

Min.7 players per team

Medals to be won for finalists

Referees, Pitch Hire & Insurances all included in cost.

COST - \$185 per player

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or when all age groups are full

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Nippers Registration

SUNDAY 9TH & 16TH SEPTEMBER 2018 10.00M - 12NOON NARRABEEN BEACH NIPPERS IS OPEN FOR REGISTRATIONS. YOU ARE WELCOME TO FOLLOW ON LINE REGISTRATION PROCESS VIA SLSA MEMBER PORTAL (INSTRUCTIONS AT WWW.NARRABEACH.ORG.AU/NIPPERS /REGISTRATION-FOR-NIPPERS/ OR YOU CAN COME ON DOWN SUNDAY 9TH OR 16TH SEPTEMBER TO REGISTER.



NARRABEEN NIPPERS REGISTRATION

SUNDAY 9TH & 16TH SEPTEMBER 2018 10.00AM - 12NOON



Thinking of joining nippers? Well don't wait any longer! Getting involved with the Narrabeen Beach SLSC is a great way to meet new friends and interact with the community. Nippers encourages confidence, learning and having fun whilst being in a safe and controlled environment.

"The youth of today are the future of Surf Life Saving tomorrow". What to Bring on Registration Day: Birth

Certificate (new members) and a smile. Nippers starts 21st October 2018

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