OUR LADY OF DOLOURS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWS Term 3 Week 10 - 24 September 2018

The Principal's Piece

A wonderful celebration of all things great about OLD:

The 2018 Creative Arts Festival was, again, an absolutely wonderful tribute to our school and community; indeed, it was truly a celebration all things great about OLD.

As per my speech to the community last night, I first and foremostly thanked and congratulated our school staff who effectively 'made it happen'; the dedication, creativity and enthusiasm of our school staff over so many weeks is something I am enormously proud of.

I wholeheartedly congratulate the students for not only performing so beautifully, but also for the way so many students influenced the content and back drops etc.

Importantly too, I wonder how many parents know about the creative giftedness of our music teacher, Mrs Donna Hoy, who sequenced and wrote a substantial amount of the festival content. Equally, I wonder how many parents know about the abounding creativity of our contracted choreography teacher, Natalie! Furthermore, how lucky are we to have Mari as our School Band leader!

To all the parent helpers in each grade/class, I need to stress that your assistance was invaluable – I particularly know that many parents were responsible for so many of the costumes.

Behind every organisational twist, turn, and every imaginative manoeuvre, OLD staff were rallied and led by Miss Kirsty Thorpe; yes, Kirsty was effectively the linchpin within the entire festival.

I think the entire OLD community deserves 4 cheers!

And, how about last Friday! - The opening of The Community Garden!

Last Friday, our community gathered to celebrate the opening of our Community Garden - (now named "Our Lady's Lane" by Year 6 students). The ceremony commenced with a Smoking Ceremony performed by Mr Dave Ella (Catholic Schools Office). Fr John then gave the community a special blessing with a holy water sprinkling – (I just love the following photo (PTO) that sums up the joy within the celebration).

After the blessings/liturgy, we moved to Our Lady's Lane and officially opened the garden. Mayor Gail cut the ribbon with students and we declared the garden open. And yes, I boldly picked the first fruit from the community garden (ie a solitary mulberry) and I ceremoniously ate it.

Special thanks, again, go to Chatswood RSL, Silkari Hotel, Bunnings, and our very own Rob from 'Ground Ink' who sponsored the project and/or ensured everything came to fruition.

Special thanks also go to the parents in the background who prepared a fabulous morning tea, stunning gifts for our special guests and the wonderful photo displays.

Finally, congratulations to the Year 6 students (and Mrs Gray) who led the celebration.

COMING EVENTS

September

Wed 26 Mini Junior band performance 2.45pm

Thurs 27 Yr 5 Book presentation—school library

Fri 28 Term 3 Concludes

October

Mon 15 Term 4 Commences

Summer Uniform Change over

Sat 27– Sun 28 Band Camp

December

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.



<u>Readers might enjoy a snippet from an email sent to me after the garden opening ceremony – From Christina of</u> <u>Chatswood RSL:</u>

"Hi Philip

I am writing to sincerely thank you for having me at the Opening Ceremony of the Community Garden today. The ceremony was one of the best community events I have ever attended. The Aboriginal culture, Australian culture, religious belief, social justice and social values embedded in the event were so powerfully moving. Significantly, the educational components built into the ceremony were equally impressive ..."

<u>Invitation to see our Year 5 students present their published children's books for the wider Chatswood Community – this</u> <u>coming Thursday 27 September 9.30am – NB VENUE IS NOW OUR SCHOOL LIBRARY!</u>

Come and enjoy a showcase of five published books and accompanying dramatisations. All books have been published by the Year 5 students at Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Primary School, Chatswood, and they were specifically created and designed to appeal to the Special Needs students at St Lucy's School, Wahroonga, during Book Week 2018. The 2018 theme for Book Week is, "Find your Treasure" and, rather paradoxically, the Year 5 student publishers indeed found 'treasure' within their presentations they made for the beautiful St Lucy's students.

27.9.18 - 9.30pm - VENUE - OLD SCHOOL LIBRARY

Suggestion for families to consider regarding cyber-safety:

Following my letter in last week's newsletter regarding the computer game 'Fortnite' and other internet safety matters, one of our OLD parents contacted me to recommend the following. I note that this parent recently contacted Mercy College ICLT and the following was recommended:

The cyber-safety monitoring programme is called "Family Zone", and a subscription allows parents to control their children's devices (at home and away). "Family Zone" is only \$6.95 total per month for all home mobile devices (you can get 1 month free trial), and it provides filtering as well as time of day access (eg it switches off wifi/internet access at sleep time, and controls play time Vs study time access). It takes a little bit of time to set up but they have good phone support.

This parent also commented, "My girls are not able to access 'Fortnite', and even if they manage to download any new apps (which appear all the time), we get a notification with a rating/recommendation so that we can then review them and decide whether to block them or not."

The Principal's Piece cont.

Congratulations, again, to Dominic:

As per my notes in previous newsletters, Dominic is proving to be a first class discus throwing champion. Following is his winning journey that's not over yet:

- North Shore Cluster champion
- Diocesan champion
- Polding (ie NSW Catholic Schools) champion
- AND NOW HE'S OFF TO THE "All NSW Schools" championships!

Best wishes, Dominic!

The photo below shows Dominic with his Polding medal.



AWARD WINNER⁹ Week 9



The Assistant Principal's Piece

Due to the whole school rehearsal for Creative Arts on Monday sport and library days have changed for this week only. Please see below for when your child needs to wear sports uniform and bring their library bags.

Sports:

The following days are when your child must wear their sports uniform in Week 10:

Monday: Everyone for rehearsals

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

Thursday: 1B, 4B, 4G, 5B, 6G

Friday: Everyone for class sport

Library:

Tuesday: KG, 1B, 1G, 4B, 4G, 5B, 6G Thursday: KB, 2B, 2G, 3B, 3G

Purchasing your recording of the Creative Arts Festival

We have hired an amazing videographer to record the performance this year. Shaun Groves from Video Power, filmed and created our new OLD promotional movie on the website – it looks great! We are confident Shaun will do an amazing job of this year's concert.

This year we will not be selling DVDs (as many families no longer have devices with a CD included), instead families will purchase a link to the recording. This link can then be saved to a USB, a hard-drive or burnt onto a DVD – your family can choose the media to use to watch the performance. You can watch it online but we *highly* recommend families save copies for safe keeping.

We are very happy to share with you that families can purchase the recording for an amazingly low price!!!

This price for the link will be \$10. You can start to purchase your link now on **QKR**.

Families can purchase their link until <u>Thursday 18th October</u>. On <u>Friday 19th October</u> (end of Week 1, Term 4), all families who have purchased a recording will receive a *password*. This password will be to access our special OLD recording on the website 'Vimeo' – all instructions will be included in the letter sent home in Week 1. Shaun has kindly offered to edit the concert into 'chapters' – this means you can save the whole performance but skip to watch your child's class over and over again.

This is an amazing offer so we all need to ensure every family purchases the recording so we can celebrate this event over and over again...especially for those students who will be performing in their very last Creative Arts Festival!

Religious Education—Mrs Kathy Gray

The Sacrament of Confirmation Celebrations:

In the Church this Friday 28 September at either 5.30pm or 7.30pm

We keep the following children in our prayers as they prepare to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation this Friday:

Cruz, Lara, Brandon, Rachel, Lucas, Camila, Shenali, Javien, Yuin, Tristan, Ivy, Joshua, Alex, Justin, Justin, Destiny, Joshua, Nate, Xavier, Lizzy, Abigail, Kyla, Noelle, Luca, Michaela, Sienna, Nathaniel, Sofia, Cooper, Anthony, Sean, Jonathan, Kristof, Vicky, Luca, Mia, Vincent, Lucy and Harry.



Confirmation is one of the seven sacraments of the Catholic Church. It is the one of the three sacraments of initiation into the Catholic Church, the other two being Baptism and Holy Communion. The Sacrament of Confirmation symbolises being sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, strengthening students in their faith and daily life.

THANK YOU – Catholic Mission

Pizza Lunch

To raise awareness about food packaging, recycling and NUDE FOOD we had a Pizza Lunch last week.

All monies raised from the Pizza Lunch will go to CATHOLIC MISSION and I am happy to let you know that we raised \$400 for this worthy cause.

Catholic Mission is the international mission agency of the Catholic Church in Australia. Compelled by the message, life and love of Jesus Christ, Catholic Mission forms Australians for mission and raises funds for mission—in Australia and around the world.

Many thanks to Regina and her team for organising the Pizza Lunch.



Religious Education—Mrs Kathy Gray

A Parent Retreat Day

'Ancient Wisdom, Contemporary Lives'



Rest Refresh Renew



'Come away to a quiet place by yourselves and rest a while.'

Mark 6:31

Friday 2nd Nov 2018. 9am-4pm St Joseph's Spirituality Centre 8 Humphrey's Rd, Kincumber South

Cost: \$20 suggested donation (pay on the day) Bookings: <u>Sallyanne.butel@dbb.catholic.edu.au</u> RSVP: 20th Oct

Guest speaker: Rabbi Gad Krebs

Followed by Workshops & Walks by the Water.

How do we tap the deep wisdom of our life experience, family ancestry and faith tradition, and pass on to our children what is most precious to us? Join us for a restful day of 'soul food' and reflection in a beautiful natural environment, on sacred ground where St Mary MacKillop, and indigenous Australian ancestors, once walked. [Details overleaf]

2nd November is

All Souls Day

Join us in a Mass of remembrance for our loved ones at 2pm.



Camp Australia OOSH News



What we've been doing in OSHC at Camp Australia!

Our students have had a great time at Camp Australia over the past few weeks. They've enjoyed making slime, weaving and playing with our new board games including "The Game of Life" and "Cluedo,"



The most popular activity last week involved using cotton-tips to dot paint onto dragonfly templates. The children commented on how they would have liked to decorate other insects and animals too, including scorpions; this is something we plan on programming for in the future. Another popular activity involved making characters out of craft tubes. Each creation was so different, one girl even decided to make an alien dog!

We've got more great activities planned next week - as well as a lot of fun we don't even know about yet! Our timetable looks like this:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Dodge Ball	Tile Painting & Cooking Lessons	Bubble Fun	Up! Themed Art & Treasure	Balloon Creations

Hope to see you soon!

-From Melissa and your OSHC Team

For bookings, cancellations and general enquiries, please contact the Camp Australia Customer Care Team on 1300 105 343 - they are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

If you wish to speak directly to your OSHC Team, please contact us using the Our Lady of Dolours OSHC Service Mobile: 0424 596 763.

visit www.campaustralia.com.au

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JOIN US FOR OUR OPEN AFTERNOON

WEDNESDAY, 17 OCTOBER 4.00-5.30PM

Now Enrolling Girls and Boys For Year 7, 2021



Get your summer uniform ready for term 4

EVERYTHING* \$5

Thank you to everyone who has donated goods and shopped at the OLD Preloved Uniform Pop-up Shop. It has raised close to \$1,000 for our kids so far this year.

Fri 21st & Fri 28 Sept 2:45 - 3:15 pm

OLD Prel ved UNIFORM POP-UP SHOP

* Excludes microfiber jackets & bags - \$|0

Job Vacancy—Are you a confident public speaker? Are you looking for flexible ongoing or part time work? Will you share the stories of suffering Christians? Aid to the Church in Needs is recruiting for a number of Diocesan Outreach Assistants who will deliver monthly presentations in parishes across Sydney. For all details visit, https://www.aidtochurch.org/work

OLD Parents and Carers,

You may have noticed something exciting happening on Friday mornings! We have recently enlisted the services of 'Find My Coach' and NSW Basketball Coaches Timothy Hill and Alek Horenko to begin developing some our keen basketball talent! Find My Coach has been kind enough to donate two brand new Spalding Portable Basketball Systems alongside 30 brand new basketballs. The program will be starting up again in Term 4! With limited spots, we ask you please register your <u>interest by</u> <u>emailing Timothy and info@findmycoach.net.au</u>

Kind Regards, Tim



	Our Lady of Dolours Primary School Term 3 Canteen Roster					
	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	
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.

Community News—Camp Australia OOSH



At Camp Australia we believe that healthy kids are happy kids. So we can to spring into the holidays, we have put together some fresh activities for the upcoming school holidays that promote wellness inside and out.

Some of the featured activities include:

Jamie Oliver's Learn Your Fruit And Veg

Jamie Oliver's Learn Your Fruit and Veg Program aims to inspire and teach children what seasonal food is, how to prepare it, and importantly, what it can do for their bodies.

Kite-Tastic

Catch the breeze when you build, decorate and fly your very own working kite.

Build-A-Farm

Build your very own LEGO-compatible farms from your choice of two special kits.

Zen Kids

Take relaxation to a whole new level when we design our very own yoga mats and make calming wind chimes.

My Green Garden

Grow your very own vegetable garden with a greenhouse that you have built yourself.

At The Movies: Smallfoot

We're off to the movies to see the cool new flick Smallfoot.



To view what's on these school holidays and to make a booking, visit: www.campaustralia.com.au/holidayfun. Or you can call our friendly Customer Care Team on 1300 105 343 - 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

We look forward to seeing you and your family this school holidays.

The Camp Australia Team

SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS



Think Club Australia provides experiential workshops for the inquisitive, problem-solving, creative and capable primary school child. Our one day, hands-on workshops are enjoyable, fun and interesting.

> For more information on our workshops or to book please visit our website: www.thinkclubaustralia.com



MONDAY 8TH & TUESDAY 9TH OCTOBER 2018

9am - 3.30pm, Sydney Boys High School, Moore Park, Sydney

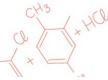


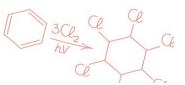
SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS AT MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY - mq.edu.au/about/holidays

- · 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







SYDNEY'S BEST SCHOOL HOLIDAY BASKETBALL CAMP

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