#### **OUR LADY OF DOLOURS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL**

NEWS Term 1 Week 4 - 18 February 2019

#### The Principal's Piece

Dear Parents and Friends,

The following invitation is so important that I've placed it 'front and centre' at the start of our school newsletter. Please feel warmly invited to an evening where we'll simply celebrate with a spirit of welcome:

"Parents and Friends' Annual Welcome Night – The Big Night Out"

Friday 8 March 7.30pm

Venue: "The Avenue" - (located above Chatswood Station)

Details further on in this newsletter

Countdown: 17 Days!

## "123 Magic" is back again for 2019 ... Attention everyone, particularly all Kindergarten families:

Last year, OLD hosted the wonderful parenting programme, "123 Magic", and it's coming back again for 2019

This year, we are particularly targeting all our new Kindergarten families, but anyone and everyone is most warmly welcome.

The programme runs over 2 mornings and, put simply, I view it as one of the best parent education initiatives I've ever participated in.

Please contact/email the school office to register ... And yes, it's free ... And yes, it's at OLD School!

Session 1 of 2: Wednesday 20.3.19

Session 2 of 2: Wednesday 27.3.19

#### Wonderful additions to our play-spaces at school:

Over the coming weeks, students, staff and parents will see a myriad of new games and toys on the playground. The purchase of these new resources was made possible thanks to the P+F funding directed to the school at the end of 2018. On behalf of the students, I sincerely say, "Thanks!"

The photo below shows Ms Tygh busily organising the new resources with the help of Kiara and Grace. Parents will see many of the new resources 'rolled out' at our whole school assembly tomorrow (Wednesday 20.2.19) at 9am.



#### **COMING EVENTS**

#### **FEBRUARY**

Tues 26 General Parent
Information Session 6pm
P & F General Meeting 6.30pm

#### **MARCH**

**Thurs 7 School Open Day** 

Fri 8 OLD Welcome Night (P & F Social) 7.30pm

Wed 20 1-2-3 Magic Session 1
9am

Wed 27 1-2-3 Magic Session 2 9am

#### **APRIL**

Fri 5 Staff Development Day
Fri 12 Last Day Term 1

Mon 29 First Day Term 2

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.

#### The Light is On:

The Light is On is an initiative where Catholic churches are open for quiet prayer and Reconciliation on certain evenings during Lent. In Lent 2019, parishes of the Diocese of Broken Bay will be open during Lent for prayer and Reconciliation on Fridays 7pm - 8pm on 8, 15, 22, 24 March and 5, 12 April 2019.

#### Year 6 Students Leaders 2019:

In the last 'comprehensive' newsletter, I inadvertently omitted 2 of our new 2019 Y6 Leaders from the group list – Alana and Kate are now included below.

Congratulations to each and every one of the following who were commissioned last week at our Opening School Mass:

**School Captains:** 

Beatrice

Porscha

Galilee Sport Leaders:

Matthew W

Olivia

Cana Sport Leaders:

Alyssa

Sienna

Nazareth Sport Leaders:

Aneliese

Ruby

Bethlehem Sport Leaders:

Aaron

Chloe

Mercy Action Leaders:

Alana

Caitlin

Kathy

Natalie

**ICLT Leaders:** 

Adrian

Anton

Leo

Samuel

Library Leaders:

Kate

Aditya

Dominic

Matthew L

#### The Principal's Piece cont.

Creative Arts Leaders
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**Emily** 

Grace

**Environment Leaders:** 

Caleb

Liana

Nelson

#### A 'shout-out' of thanks to the following volunteers who are assisting with Sacramental Programmes in our Parish:

I was chatting to Angela Hague (Parish Sacramental Co-ordinator) last week, and I was so impressed with the way Angela spoke about the 'parent leaders/facilitators' from OLD School who are a key to the success of the programmes. Thank you to the following Reconciliation Group Leaders:

Albert Jantong; Fiona Lines; Jaclyn Kalcher; Michelle Keygan; Camilla Diaz; Fifi Chong

#### Clarification regarding Nut and Egg products at OLD:

In a bid to clarify a few things regarding Nut and Egg products at OLD school, I hope the following assists to clarify the school's position:

- OLD School strenuously encourages parents to never send Nuts or nut products to school ... The school, of course, understands that there are some food products that state on the wrapping: "may contain traces of nuts" ... Regarding products that state this, we ask parents to use appropriate discretion and always remember that we have students at school who can have severe/life threating allergic reactions to nuts and nut-based products.
- OLD School strenuously encourages parents to never send whole egg or foods that are predominantly egg-based to school. Again, we have students at OLD who are susceptible to severe allergic reactions to egg and egg-based products.

#### St Pius X College Enrolments for Year 7 2023 (for Catholic boys presently in Year 3 at OLD)

Parents are reminded about the special 'priority enrolment' privilege that OLD School enjoys with St Pius X College that allows Catholic students at OLD entry into Year 7. This privilege gives parents a clear choice to keep their child at OLD School until the end of Year 6 allowing them to benefit from important leadership opportunities and a myriad of pastoral and educational advantages.

In order to secure this 'priority enrolment' privilege, parents with Catholic boys presently in Year 3 at OLD School must fill in an enrolment form at St Pius X College during the month of March this year. Details can be found on the St Pius X College website.

#### St Pius X College Enrolments for Yr 7 2021 (for Catholic boys presently in Year 5 at OLD)

Similar to the conditions above, parents can also access the 'priority enrolment' privilege for OLD Catholic families if they enrol their child in the month of March this year. However, because this is effectively a 'later enrolment' parents need to feel confident that St Pius X College will put a priority on their application, but they must also be aware that there is no guarantee of securing a place in Year 7 2021.

#### The Assistant Principal's Piece



Little Athletics coming to OLD! Thanks to our wonderful P&F led fundraising, the students will be participating in a 10 week Little Athletics course. This course will be run each Friday starting later in Term 1 and run into Term 2, in preparation for our Athletics Carnival in late Term 2. The infant classes will participate in classes at school, whereas the primary classes will walk up to Beauchamp Park. The course will be run by professional coaches from Little Athletics Australia and will cover skills such as discus, sprinting, relays, modified javelin and shot-put. The P&F are also investigating purchasing some 'scissor-kick' high jump mats that will be owned by the school and can be used for gymnastics too. This will be such an exciting skill building opportunity for all the children and we extend our thanks to the P&F for this initiative.

New exciting additions to our playground! Throughout this term we will be getting a new large 'grassed' area in our

playground for the children to play a range of sports on. In the area between Pius and the Year 5/6 classrooms there is currently a patch of very hot, asphalt playground. Currently, there is a small sandpit and two movable basketball hoops. This area will be completely covered with synthetic grass (like our mini soccer field) and will be marked with lines for the children to play a range of sports. We will be putting permanent basketball hoops that can be converted into netball posts and also be used to hang tennis and volleyball nets onto. We will also be looking into options for shade over this area. We are able to do these renovations thanks to a grant we secured called 'Project Playspace'...a HUGE thank you to our Grant committee who secured this grant that is going to make some wonderful changes to our playground that the children will love. If you would like to learn more about how the grants and P&F funds will



be spent throughout the year please come to the P&F meetings and keep an eye on the school newsletter!

Maths Parent Education Session I highly recommend any parents that were unable to attend these sessions last year to consider attending the Parent education opportunity as it will give you a really good understanding of how and why we teach Maths the way we do it at OLD. You will go home with a range of games (for all grades) and tips on how to help your children at home. Due to time restraints, I won't be going over how we teach every single concept but you'll get an idea of the research behind our teaching methods. Please see the information sheet for more information and fill in the form below or email the school to register for this event. Looking forward to working with you all!



Bead string party!! Parents, we need your help! We have purchased thousands of beads that need to be made into bead strings (of 120 beads in groups of 10). These are such important maths resources used in every grade from Kinder –Year 6. We had some students make them last year but unfortunately they are not accurate and of course for a Maths resource, we need them to be correct! Why not organise a group of parents to stay a little after drop off or come a little before pick up, sit in the air conditioning, put on some background music, nibble on some snacks (we would happily supply something for you to snack on) and have a good chat while making the bead strings...very therapeutic! If you can come in within the next week or two and make some bead strings or take a bucket home please let me know via the school email address. THANK YOU!

## Numeracy Parent Education



With the creating of our vision 'Ignite, Innovate and Include in Mercy' I wish to

invite all parents to participate in a two part education program for Mathematics and Numeracy. I will be running these sessions with the assistance of some classroom teachers. In these sessions you will learn about the educational philosophy behind how we teach maths (not only at OLD but in every diocesan school) and how this may have differed from your school years. By participating in Parent Education you can become an empowered, informed and active partner in your child's education. Through the Parent Education sessions you will be able to learn how to assist your child at home, understand how the teachers at OLD teach maths and you may even become a more confident mathematician yourself.

Please note these sessions are the same as the 2018 Parent education sessions.

Each session will include many hands on games and activities that you can use at home, plus all participants will be given some fun maths equipment to take home and use with their children.

I highly recommend that you sign up to both sessions to gain a comprehensive understanding and get the 'whole picture'.

When I have run this course in the past some of the participants have said:

"I finished school in '84 and I realise now that I never understood the concepts of what I was being taught and I'm thrilled teaching has changed."

"Same things I'll take ewey from the Perent Education sessions are some great learning tools and games. I now know that Maths can be FUN!!"

"You should do it! It's important to understand how our children are being taught so we're best able to help them produce and enhance their skills."

"If there is anly ane educetian course you can do, do your children a favour and go!"

Please return the form or email the school by Friday 1st March.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the first session,

Kirsty Thorpe (Assistant Principal and Numeracy Co-ordinator)

Name:	Child's class:				
I understand that by registering	for this Parent Education, I am committing to the two sessions.				
Session 1: Tuesday 5th March, 6	i.30-7.30pm				
AND					
Session 2: Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March,	5.30-7.30pm				
Signature:					

# AWARD WINNERS Week 2



# AWARD WINNERS

Week 3



#### Religious Education—Miss Camilla Brown

Thank you to all who came to our Beginning School Mass! It was wonderful to welcome our new Kindergarten students and families. We look forward to working together to *ignite, innovate and include in Mercy!* 

In the spirit of inclusion, all parents, carers and members of our school community are welcomed to take part in the 2019 'Adult Faith Formation' program. Lead by Bishop David Walker, Fr Jim McKeon and Gail Gill, the program provides meaningful experiences to help enrich your relationship with God, with each other and with the world. Please contact gail.gill@bbcatholic.org.au or 94109021 for more information.

Relationship with God
Relationship with each other
Relationship with the world
Relationship with the world
Relationship with the world

## 2019 ADULT FAITH FORMATION

#### Sacramental Dates 2019

A reminder of the 2019 Sacramental Dates for our parish:

- Sacrament of Reconciliation: Mon 25th March at 4pm and 6:30pm
- Sacrament of First Eucharist: Saturday 21 & Sunday 22 at all Parish Masses
  - Sacrament of Confirmation: Saturday 22nd June 10am and 12pm

Please keep an eye on the Parish Website for details: www.chatswoodparish.org.au

OR contact Angela Hague for any questions: <a href="mailto:angela.hague@bbcatholic.org.au">angela.hague@bbcatholic.org.au</a>

Kindy Blessing Mass: Sunday 17th March at our 9am Family Mass.

## **Kindy Blessing**



The Catholic community of Chatswood *invites all* the Kindy children and their families to our:

'Kindy Blessing Mass'
On Sunday 17 March 2019
At our 9am Family Mass

A family-friendly celebration at
Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Church
94 Archer St. Chatswood

During this Mass we will celebrate their 'starting school' with a special liturgical **blessing**.

After Mass please join us at Our Lady of Dolours Primary School playground where we will have morning tea and a jumping castle!

Please bring a plate to share!

All welcome!



# ENROLLING NOW FOR 2020

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# Our Lady of Dolours Parents Night Out The Avenue

Book the babysitter and come have a night out with parents and friends of O.L.D

There will be food, music and some great lucky door prizes!!

Where: 465 The Avenue 465 Victoria Ave, Chatswood

When: Friday, 8th March 2019

> Tíme: 7.30pm tíll late

Cost: \$25 per person

Cost includes cocktail food Drinks to be purchased separately

> RSVP Qkr! - 4th March 2019

Q	Our Lady of Dolours Primary School  Term 1 Canteen Roster								
	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri				
28 January 2019					Zoey Cortese				
4 February 2019	Jen Montealegre Jo Mannering	Selvia Wijaya	Alison Henderson Kate Stipo	Cynthia Lai	Katle Zhang				
11 February 2019	Tom Allen Glenn Desertine	Carlyn Linders Joianta Willetts	Portia Yu	Debble Llu	Michelle Stanley Katle Crichton				
18 February 2019	Ann Bacsi Yini Peng	Amy Chan Laura Hurrell	Natt Yusathaphorn Elaine Lin	Nicole Chow Mikhael Chammaa	Vivian Tang Reena Ma				
25 February 2019	Rachel Uliman Ann Bacsi	Eva Martinez Branka Posa	Ofelia Delosreyes Portia Wong	Debble Llu	Nicole Woods Louise Jin				
4 March 2019	Rachel Mensforth Kate Stipo	Selvia Wijaya Rosalle Keledjian	Christine Lee Sally Park	Cynthia Lai	Katle Zhang Wel Li				
11 March 2019	Amy Chan	Jo Mannering Rachel Ng	Jackie Fung	Lily Setiawan	Katerina Trani Rachel Uliman				
18 March 2019	Tom Allen Yini Peng	Amy Chan Laura Hurrell	Ofelia Delosreyes Yeun Yeun Yip	Melissa Chung Shirley Chol	Michelle Stanley Katle Crichton				
25 March 2019	Amy Chan	Zolle Zulle Branka Posa	Sally Librilia Trisha Vallejos	Debble Llu Kath Element	Vivian Tang Reena Ma				
1 April 2019	Alison Henderson Alison Guthrle	Selvia Wijaya Rosalie Keledjian	Yeun Yeun Yip Portla Wong	Cynthia Lai	PUPIL FREE DAY				
8 April 2019	Marilyn King Trish Seeto	Sia Macree Rachel Ng	Branka Posa	Sonya Purches	Janelle Arena				

Above is the the canteen roster & we have a few spots to fill this term.

The canteen is open Mon-Fri from 12.40pm till 1.40pm, so just an hour of your time is all thats needed.

If you are available to fill any of the orange highlighted spots, please write your name in on that day.

The kids thank you for your assistance!

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Program consists of 3 x 2 hour sessions, working through a parent resource booklet.



This is a FREE workshop Brought to you by the Parent Education Team, Catholic Schools Office.



Session 1; 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019, 9-11am Session 2; 27<sup>th</sup> March 2019, 9-11am

RSVP to the School Office or email old@dbb.catholic.edu.au by December 15th 2018

Parent workbooks are available for purchase on the day for \$10

YES!	I will	be	attending	the"	1-2-3	Magic"	workshop
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Name(s) Child's Class

# Commit to your child's **online safety**



Children are exposed to online content in their preschool years. Behaviours like cyberbullying begin at primary school. Peer pressure can cause poor online decisions for many teenagers.



Hear from the Office of the eSafety Commissioner on empowering young people, parents and carers to manage online issues.

•)) Commit to your child's online safety by attending this presentation from one of Australia's leading online safety experts.

### eSafety is important for every child from ages 1 to 18

#### Learn how to:

- Reduce accidental exposure to inappropriate content
- Initiate conversations about online stranger danger
- Identify age appropriate apps and websites

1-7



- Deal with online stranger contact
- Have a conversation about online issues including cyberbullying
- Manage apps and privacy settings
- Support your child using online safety resources

8-12



- Report serious cyberbullying and image based abuse
- Manage screen time and excessive use
- Have a conversation with your child about their online brand

13-18



Where: St Pius X College

When: Tuesday, 19 February 2019

Time: 7.00-8.30pm

Bookings:: https://www.trybooking.com/453005





# **OPEN DAY**

Sunday, 3 March 2019 11am-2pm

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## 2019 ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Chatswood Catholic Parish Our Lady of Dolours www.chatswoodparish.org.au

For further information and bookings please contact Gail Gill gail.gill@bbcatholic.org.au | 9410 9021

#### THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

Bishop David Walker will lead these sessions of exploration of the Gospel of Luke. This is a wonderful opportunity to deepen your understanding of the Gospel that is proclaimed during 2019. Each session will conclude with guided *lectio divina* of a passage from Luke.

#### Parish Room Two

Tuesdays 10 - 1130am. 12, 19, 26 February & 12, 19, 26 March Parish Room 3 Thursdays 7 - 8.30pm 14, 21, 28 February & 14, 21, 28 March

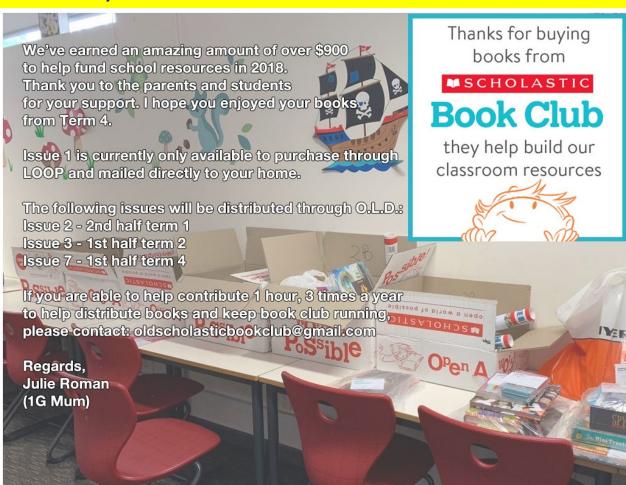
#### WHERE THE HELL IS GOD?

Written by Fr Richard Leonard SJ, the book Where the Hell is God?, emerged from the experience of family tragedy and explores the question of how to hold on to belief in a loving God in the face of suffering. You're invited to engage in small group shared reading and discussion of Where the Hell is God? Cost of the book will be \$20. (Fr Jim McKeon & Gail Gill)

#### Parish Room Two

Mondays 10.30 am - 12pm 18, 25 February & 4, 11, 18, 25 March Wednesdays 7 -8.30 pm 27 February, 6, 13, 20, 27 March & 3 April Thursdays 1.45 - 3pm 21, 28 February & 7, 14, 21, 28 March

Secret Men's Business: Every fortnight a group of dads from our school and men from our parish get together to talk and pray together about how to be a good man, a good husband, a good father, a good brother, a good friend. On Saturday March 9<sup>th</sup> they're having a breakout day here at the parish where they'll cook a BBQ and have a couple of talks about how to be "an authentic man" and they'd love you to join them. If you're looking for a place where you can talk about something more than just the cricket then this is for you. To RSVP or to find out more call or text Dave (father of Rosebelle in 4G and Max in 2B) on 0401 560 693 or Albert (father of Tristan in 3G) on 0439 130 656.







# Attention ALL SOCCER PLAYERS...

Would your child like to play soccer this year?

Over the years Our Lady of Dolours soccer has proven to be heaps of fun and a great way for children (and families) to form and establish wonderful friendships.

The 2019 soccer season kicks-off soon and we're looking for players in all age groups for 2019!

For more information, please email expressions of interest as soon as possible to the school Football Co-ordinator, James O'Donnell

ourladyofdolourssoccer@gmail.com

#### **Basketball News**

Meet to OLD Suns who won their first game by over 40 points with only 4 players! They are looking for players born in 2010 and 2011 to join their winning streak! All abilities welcome and comp finishes before winter soccer starts! Contact Cris for details! <a href="mailto:cgb0912@gmail.com">cgb0912@gmail.com</a>



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#### ASC 3-DAY CAMPS

#### AFL Football

15, 16 & 17 April 15, 16 & 17 April AFL Football Camp, Daceyville Netball Camp, Ryde

16, 17 & 18 April AFL Football Camp, North Ryde

15, 16 & 17 April Basketball Camp, Moore Park

16, 17 & 18 April Basketball Camp, North Ryde

15, 16 & 17 April Hockey Camp,

15, 16 & 17 April

15, 16 & 17 April Rugby Union Camp, Daceyville

16, 17 & 18 April Rugby Union Camp, Hunters Hill

15, 16 & 17 April Soccer Camp, Daceyville

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15, 16, 17 & 18 April Tennis Program, Chatswood #1 23, 24 & 26 April Tennis Progran Chatswood #2

15, 16, 17 & 18 April Tennis Progran North Ryde #1

23, 24 & 26 April Tennis Progran North Ryde #2

16 & 17 April Rowing Program,



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