OUR LADY OF DOLOURS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER Term 2 Week 8 - 17 June 2019

The Assistant Principal's Piece

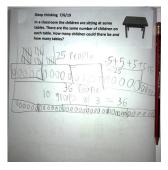
Thorpey's Tuesday Thoughts: Last week I worked with the Year 1 teachers to launch a new Maths program called EPMC (Encouraging Persistence, Maintaining Challenge). This program is designed to develop important learning behaviours, such as resilience, risk-taking, embracing and learning from mistakes, talking about our thinking, working collaboratively and making effective decisions about equipment used. All of these learning behaviours are being developed by giving the students Mathematical freedom to make decisions about their learning. Last week I wrote about Mathematical freedom and this is what is looks like in practice – students making decisions about the strategies used to solve problems, how to record their thinking and what equipment (if any are used). The tasks we present the students are referred to as 'low floor – high ceiling' which means everyone can access the task without teacher intervention but they are open enough for every child to be challenged. Students are able to think critically and deeply about the Maths concepts while becoming creative thinkers. *Every child is developing their confidence and self-belief as mathematicians*.

Please note; At this early stage of the program we are focusing on developing the Year 1 students' ability to independently read, comprehend and investigate problems. We praise them for being able to think of their own solutions and strategies without teacher intervention. You may notice some answers being incorrect or numbers reversed, however, the teachers work with students verbally to discuss their answers by asking questions such as 'can you prove this?' 'can you explain what story you are telling here?' 'can you show me your thinking in another way?' - as this is new learning for the students we don't mark their work with red pen corrections - rather we encourage verbal discussions with peers if there is an error. Accuracy is important, and will become increasingly encouraged as the program continues but marking a child's work wrong (work that they have worked so hard on and quite possibly the first time independently) can be irreversibly damaging at this early stage of developing the learning behaviours mentioned previously. We hope by sharing these photos of the amazingly creative thinking, you too will appreciate how much the children are developing in their problem solving skills and at the same time developing the ability to record their thinking without being procedurally instructed by the teachers. Because as Jo Boaler states 'students who memorise Math are the lowest achieving in the world. The highest achieving students are the ones who think about the big ideas in mathematics'...and this is exactly what our Year 1 students are doing!

Deep thinking 7/6/19

In a classroom the children are sitting at some tables. There are the same number of children on each table. How many children could there be and how many tables?







COMING EVENTS

JUNE

Sat 22 Sacrament of Confirmation 10am or 12pm

Tues 25 Athletics Carnival

Sat 29 Launch Meeting for Fr Jim's Community Meal Initiative 6.30pm Harrington Hall

JULY

Mon 1 School Photos

Fri 5 Last Day Term 2

TERM THREE

Mon 22 Staff Development Day

Tues 23 First Day Term 3

AUGUST

Sun 18 Year 2 Mass

SEPTEMBER

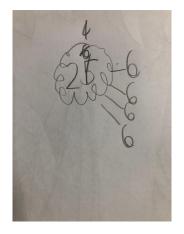
Mon 23 Creative Arts Festival 6.30pm

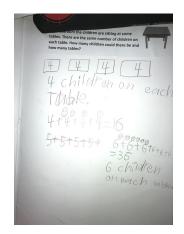
KEEP CHECKING THE SCHOOL'S WEBSITE
UNDER 'CALENDAR - FOR POSSIBLE
CHANGES TO DATES
www.olddbb.catholic.edu.au

Our Lady of Dolours



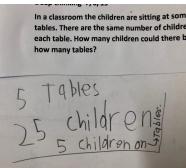
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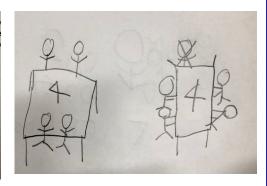














<u>Winter reminders:</u> We have noticed a large number of children not bringing jumpers and rain gear to school. Please ensure your child has their jumper every day of winter and a raincoat or umbrella when rain is forecasted so children are not coming to school or leaving school wet.

<u>Drama Club:</u> Throughout Term 2, the Drama Club has been on for the Years 3, 4, and 5 students as an extra activity during Monday lunch times. This club was an initiative from the Creative Arts Year 6 Leadership Team and is run by us as well. During the sessions, we have been teaching the students how to improvise by playing games and letting them be creative while thinking outside the box. This activity helps everyone develop their confidence and creativity which will be important for high school and public speaking. We would love it if your child would attend with us and Miss Brown for some great fun! Next term we will be running the club for different grades so make sure you read the school newsletters to find out more!

-Emily and Grace (Year 6 Creative Arts Leaders)

Cambodia stall: Thank you to everyone who shopped so generously at my Cambodia stall last week. I received a number of queries if the store will continue as their child missed out, so for this week only I will have the stall again at lunchtimes for the children (Tuesday, Thursday and Friday). Already the school raised over \$850 which will be able to purchase either 400 picture books for the school or 20 ceiling fans for the classrooms (as they currently have no electricity and every day it is between 35-40+ degrees!). I will be sure to post updates when I arrive in Cambodia in the school holidays so you can see the amazing impact of your generosity, compassion and kindness.



The Principal's Piece

Scarf Giving and OLD School Choir at The Dougherty Centre:

Congratulations to the 'scarf gifters' and our School Choir who were remarkable ambassadors for OLD last Friday at The Dougherty Centre.

The following photos are a powerful acknowledgement of the kindness of children.



Something to look forward to ... School Disco ... Thursday 4 July!

Date: Thursday, 4 July 2019

Theme: "Futuristic"

Location: School Hall (parents are invited to join the P&F for nibbles)

Timings:

 Kindy & Year 1 3.15pm to 4.30pm

 Year 2 & Year 3 4.30pm to 6.00pm

 Year 4, Year 5 & Year
 6.00pm to 7.30pm

Tickets Available via QKR: \$10.00 this will include a slice of pizza and a bottle of water (additional slices of pizza are available to order at \$2 per slice). Please note: Pizza toppings will be Cheese, Pepperoni or Hawaiian—children will have a choice on the day, subject to availability, and CANNOT be selected in advance for this event. Please notify the school if your child has any relevant food allergies.

Calling out for Volunteers at the School Disco - please sign up using the following link - https://signup.zone/JL7DcqFt5wTrRebc4

Reminder: an extraordinary invitation to minister intimately in our Chatswood community:

Fr Jim, our Parish Priest, is preparing to launch a most remarkable initiative to support the needy in our Chatswood community. He is leading preparations that will ultimately support a weekly meal each Saturday evening for people in need of 'relationship', 'community' and a nutritious meal.

Fr Jim will launch the initiative with a meeting to discuss the initiative and to create 'meal teams'; indeed, he will also be there to keenly answer questions on <u>Saturday June 29th, 6.30pm at Harrington Hall</u>. At this meeting we will determine if we have sufficient volunteers to go forward and to launch the dinners in September this year.

For more information see Fr Jim – 9410 9022 jim.mckeon@bbcatholic.org.au

REC— Miss Camilla Brown

Ocean Action Pod Incursion









Did you know that 8 million tonnes of rubbish end up in our oceans each year?

Unfortunately the increasing use of single-use plastic is having disastrous effects on our oceans and marine life. However, action groups like the 'Ocean Action Pod' are travelling around schools to share a positive environmental message to look after our planet! With a focus on reducing single-use plastic such as plastic spoons or straws, the Ocean Action Pod opened our eyes to how even the 'little things' can make a big difference.

'The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and keep it'- Genesis 2:15

'The heavens are yours; the earth also is yours; the world and all that is in it, you have founded them'- Pslam 89: 11 As disciples of Jesus, we are called to be stewards of the earth that God created. In the spirit of our school vision **to ignite, innovate and include in mercy** I encourage you to be creative and help save our oceans!

Some simple SWAP suggestions include:

Plastic/ cling wrap/ foil	Swap for ->	Containers, bees-wax wrap
Plastic spoons/forks from the canteen	Swap for ->	Leave a small metal spoon in your child's lunch box that they can use instead of plastic spoons
Single-use chip/popcorn packets	Swap for ->	Bulk buy food such as popcorn or crackers and send to school in a container
Plastic straws	Swap for ->	No straw or use a metal straw
Single-use plastic water bottles	Swap for ->	Reusable and durable drink bottles
Food scraps in the bin	Suggestion for the enviro warriors!	If you have a compost bin at home, include a small container in your child's lunch box for them to take home banana peels, apple cores etc.

REC— Miss Camilla Brown

SOCIAL JUSTICE

The House of Welcome- Thank you for your continued support!

Kindergarten- Cooking Spices

Year 1- Toothbrush/Toothpaste

Year 2- Canned tomatoes, canned chickpeas or lentils

Year 3- Deodorant (roll on)

Year 4- Jams/Honey

Year 5- Tea/Coffee

Year 6- Dish-washing Liquid

Staff- Shampoo/Conditioner

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION





Godly Play

Godly Play is a method of telling Bible stories, parables and liturgical lessons about religious traditions using simple materials. It invites children to connect faith stories with personal experience through wondering questions and open-ended response.

A Godly Play session in Broken Bay Catholic schools includes time to:

Experience Scripture using simple materials

Explore the story with questions "I wonder ...?" to create a space to 'think big'

Respond to the story with a free choice activity to allow students to build understanding and make connections Play with the materials

Why Storytelling?

Jesus was a storyteller. He knew how to tell a story and his stories have passed the test of time. Story can make the link between the sacred inner world of the child which holds feeling, emotion, creativity and imagination to the outer world that they must

We look forward to further exploring Godly Play here at Our Lady of Dolours.

PARISH NEWS

Sacrament of Confirmation: THIS Saturday 22nd June 10am & 12pm

Children from Year 2 and Year 3 will be receiving the **Sacrament of Confirmation** this Saturday the 22nd of June at 10am & 12pm. All are welcome to come support this special and scared occasion

Tuesday morning Mass

This term, we invite students to come to their special allocated week. This is an <u>optional</u> and beautiful way to start the morning. Please note children from every grade are *always welcome*, however we especially encourage students to come to their class week.

Week 9, St Pius chapel — Year 1 (accompanied by a parent)
Week 10, Mercy chapel (Pius on holidays) — Kindy (accompanied by a parent)

Year 3 Class Mass:

Thank you to all the children and their families who came along to our Year 3 special Mass to celebrate the Trinity and celebrate our Year 3 children. (The fairy floss was a big success!)

Awards

AWARD WINNERS

Week 6



Well being week fun



From the Parish

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

PRIMARY SCHOOL

As part of the enrolment process for any Catholic primary school, parents are invited to participate in a workshop facilitated by Fr Jim McKeon, Bernadette Ho and/or Gail Gill. The workshop will provide details of the spiritual support offered in the parish for parents and their children.

 $RSVP\ to\ Bernadette\ Ho\ bernadette. ho@bbcatholic.org. au$

Magnificat Room

Corner of Kirk and Archer Sts

Saturdays 10 - 11 am 13 July; 21 September; 9 November

FIRST SPIRITUAL EXERCISES

Using the creative guide to St Ignatius' First Spiritual Exercises written by Fr Michael Hansen SJ, these sessions offer the experience of a four week retreat in daily life. Cost of the book is \$30. Each group will be limited to 12 participants. (Fr Jim McKeon, Sam French & Gail Gill)

St Peter Room Sundays 6.30 - 8pm 11, 18, 25 August, 1, 8 September

St Peter Room Mondays 1.30 - 2.45pm 5, 12, 19, 26 August, 2 September

St Peter Room Thursdays 10.30am - 12pm 8, 15, 22, 29 August, 5 September

St Peter Room Saturdays 6.30 - 8pm 3, 10, 24, 31 August, 7 September

ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Bishop David Walker will lead these sessions on the companion volume to the Gospel of Luke. The Acts of the Apostles describes the life and work of the early church as it continues the mission of Jesus empowered by the Holy Spirit and witnesses to the life, death and resurrection of Jesus.

Magnificat Room Tuesdays 10 .30- 12pm 20, 27 August & 3, 10 September Thursdays 7 - 8.30pm 22, 29 August & 5, 12 September

For further information and bookings for all programs (except the school enrolment workshops) please contact Gail Gill

gail.gill@bbcatholic.org.au Or 9410 9021

SPORTS TASTER

(formerly known as Sports Marathon)



Positions vacant

Key Roles

OVERALL CO-ORDINATOR

- Liaise with different teams below
- Liaise with school to confirm times and set up for day
- · Ensure clear communications to school, parents and providers

CO-ORDINATION OF SPORTS PROVIDERS

- · Write to providers and invite them to the event
- Identify new providers that may enhance the event
- Confirm logistics and any set up requirements for them
- · Follow up one week out to confirm attendance
- Arrange how they will be promoted to the school community: newsletter, flyers at end of day or any special events they are running they'd like us to promote.
- Arrange a thank you for providers on the day and after the event (drinks and sausage sizzle on the day, perhaps certificate of appreciation, follow up email from Phil)

CO-ORDINATION OF FRUIT BREAK

Provided at no cost last year by Fruit Ezy

CO-ORDINATION OF VOLUNTEERS

- Recruit and organize the helpers on the day
- · Define roles and times people are required

CO-ORDINATION OF SAUSAGE SIZZLE

- Set up Qkr!
- Order food and gas
- · Arrange BBQ to be transported to and from Beauchamp park
- · Coordinate with volunteers

If Interested volunteers could please respond to Catherine Moores at Catherine@peopleintelligence.com.au by Wednesday 19

June



A Night You'll Never Forget





Come to the 2019 School Disco!

Times:

Kindy and Yr 1: 3:15

- 4:30

Yr 2 and Yr 3:

4:30 - 6:00

Yr 4, Yr 5 and Yr 6:

6:00 - 7:30

Theme: Futuristic!



Tickets are available via QKR - \$10.00 for Pizza and a Water Bottle (additional slices cost \$2.00)

Location: Harringon Hall



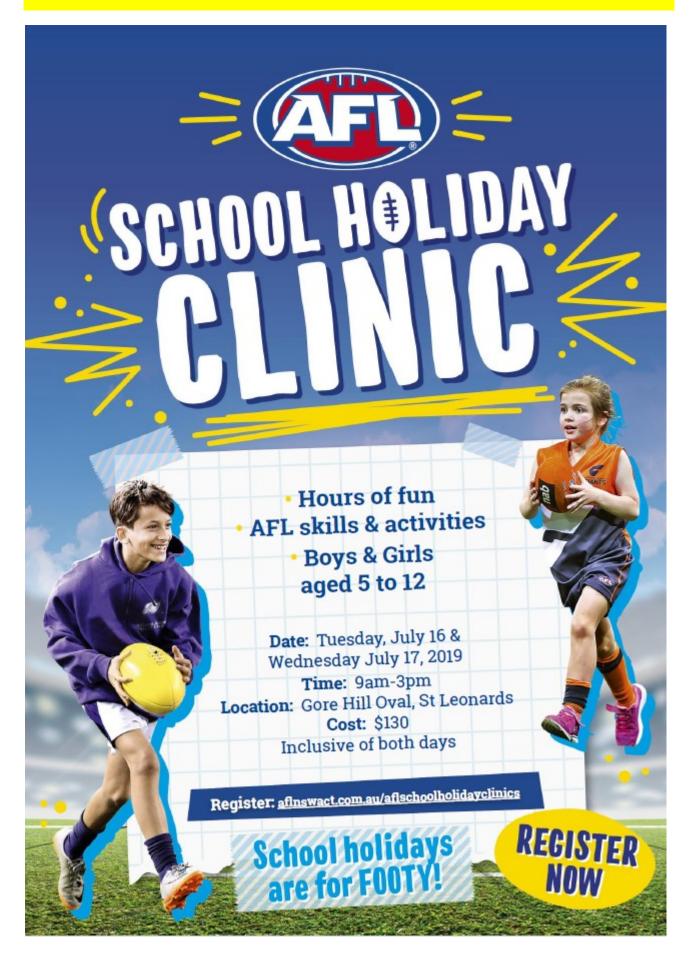














MOSAIC MULTICULTURAL CENTRE



Winter School Holiday Program

Happy Multicultural Playtime

Wed 17 July, 10am-11.15am at MOSAIC

Sing-along, storytelling & craft activity for pre-schoolers. Morning tea provided. Bookings essential. Free of charge.



All children are to be accompanied by their parents/carers at all school holiday activities held at the MOSAIC Multicultural Centre.

Geometry Challenge Wed 10 July, 10am-11am Kindergarten to Year 6, \$5







FOR INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION
MOSAIC Multicultural Centre, 12 Brown Street Chatswood
9777 7952 | mosaic@willoughby.nsw.gov.au
www.willoughby.nsw.gov.au

Cultural Appreciation Courses 2019



16-WEEK COURSES FOR BEGINNERS

\$41 or \$31 for seniors (Additional activity costs may be incurred.)

Korean

Wednesday 11.30am-12.50pm Commencing 31 July



Mandarin

Thursday 10am-11.20am Commencing 1 August



Spanish

Friday 1pm-2.20pm Commencing 2 August



Italian

Friday 2.30pm-3.50pm Back in February 2020



- Basic language skills for everyday use and travelling
- . Special cultural activities: cooking, singing, movies or tours

FOR INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION



MOSAIC Multicultural Centre 12 Brown Street Chatswood 9777 7952 mosaic@willoughby.nsw.gov.au www.willoughby.nsw.gov.au



TRYTIME RUGBY

SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMPS - CHATSWOOD

WHO: Rugby players aged between U6-U14yrs (age group split sessions)

DATE: Wed 17th & Thurs 18th July 2019

TIME: 9am - 3pm (both days) Drop off available from 8am

After-Camp Care also available (see registration website for details)

VENUE: Beauchamp Park, Nicholson St, Chatswood

WHAT: Players of all levels are encouraged to attend this camp. Specialist coaches will work with all players to further enhance their specific skills, whether they are new to game or have played for a number of years.

Players receive:

- Trytime training top & hat (if new to Trytime camps)
- Specialised team and individual positional coaching from highly qualified coaching staff
- Nutritious morning & afternoon tea (please supply lunch for your child)
- A great enjoyable and fun experience

For more information and to register, please go to:

www.trytimerugby.com/camps

Mike Cross 0416 142 451

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SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS AT MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY

This winter, your kids can fire up their imaginations and keep their hands and minds busy at our popular school holiday programs.

Holiday gymnastics and swimming programs

Kids can bounce, balance and tumble around the gymnastics hall, or jump in the pool with our swimming classes which range from learn-to-swim to more advanced levels (4 to 15 years of age). Individual and group lessons/clinics are available.

Vacation care

Our vacation care program has something for everyone: indoor and outdoor activities and excursions, arts and crafts, drama, cooking and games. It's hands off devices and hands-on fun.

Junior Science Academy

Switch on their curiosity at our Junior Science Academy with fun, hands-on experiments in classes for students from kindergarten to Year 6.

RoboCamps

Build robots and learn to drive them with the Thunder Down Under robotics team. Fun, educational and professionally run, these classes are ideal for children in Years 1-6. Creative Kids vouchers (value is \$100) can be claimed for any robotics or coding class. Apply through ServiceNSW for your child's voucher).

Want more information? Visit our website: mq.edu.au/about/holidays



Catholic Care

OUR TERM 3 PROGRAMS 2019

catholiccaredbb.org.au/brochures

WOMEN'S WELLBEING SUPPORT GROUP

Through activities such as arts, cooking, yoga, mindfulness and music we provide a space for women to explore self-care, emotions, relationships and

KEEPING KIDS IN MIND

For separated parents experiencing ongoing conflict. Gain a greater understanding about the impact of conflict and how best to support your children.

DAD'S INFANT MASSAGE

Learn how to massage and soothe your baby and support your babies development. Northern Beaches Family Centre.

TUNING INTO KIDS

teach your child to deal with

1-2-3 MAGIC

Learn how to manage behaviour without arguing or shouting, stop unwanted behaviours and increase cooperation. For parents of 2 – 12 vear olds.

26 July - 20 September 2019 10.30am - 12.30pm

Wednesday's 31 July - 28 August 2019

6.00pm - 8.30pm

Saturday's

3 August – 24 August 2019 10.30am – 12.30pm

Thursday's 22 August - 26 September 2019

10.00am - 12.00pm

Naremburn Family Centre

Thursday's

29 August – 12 September 2019 10.30am – 12.30pm

Naremburn Family Centre 40 Merrenburn Avenue

Free (donations welcome)

Naremburn

Brookvale

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Northern Beaches Family Centre

116/20 Dale Street Brookvale

40 Merrenburn Avenue Naremburn

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Northern Beaches Family Centre 116/20 Dale Street

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TUNING INTO KIDS

A six week program exploring emotionally intelligent parenting.







This group program for parents of primary school children will show you how to help your child develop emotional intelligence.

You will learn how to:

- Be better at talking with and understanding your .
- Help your child learn to manage their emotions . Have better concentration at school
- Prevent behaviour problems in your child
- Teach your child to deal with conflict.

Children with high emotional intelligence:

- Have greater success with making and keeping friends
- · Are more able to calm down when angry or upset
- Tend to have fewer childhood illnesses.

BOOKINGS **ESSENTIAL**

Naremburn & Northern Beaches Family Centres P: (02) 8425 8700 E: intakefs@catholiccaredbb.org.au Note: Childcare is not available

catholiccaredbb.org.au



WOMEN'S WELLBEING SUPPORT GROUP

A space for women to strengthen their wellbeing and build new relationships







This group is for women over 18 years of age, coming together in a safe, welcoming and comfortable environment. Through various activities like arts and craft, cooking, yoga, mindfulness and music the group will provide a space for women to explore self-care, managing emotions, exploring relationships and building strong support networks.



BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL

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HGS 201.9





Hornsby Gang Show: 120 local Scouts and Guides on stage in a musical variety show!

Barker College, Leslie Theatre: 91 Pacific Hwy, Hornsby

Tickets: Adult \$25, Child (under 16years) \$15, Concession \$20, Famly (2 adult & 2 children) \$70 Plus booking fee

SHOW DATES 2019

5 July Friday 8pm

6 July Saturday 2pm & 8pm

7 July Sunday 3pm 10 July Wednesday 8pm

12 July Friday 8pm

13 July Saturday 2pm & 8pm



BOOKINGS: WWW.GANGSHOW.COM