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

**NEWSLETTER** Term 3 Week 8 - 9 September 2019

# The Principal's Piece

# A special message from Miss Kirsty Thorpe and Mr Philip Ledlin



After school one day last week, I plonked myself in front of the TV and happened to land on a really inspiring programme. Interestingly, Miss Kirsty Thorpe (OLD AP) 'happened' on the programme too. I told Kirsty that I was so inspired by the three recommended things we need to do in life to ensure we have the best physical and mental wellbeing as we edge on in life. These three recommended things are:

Exercise

Read and keep the mind active

Keep busy with an active social life

When Kirsty and I were chatting about the programme, she ventured to rather prophetically suggest that there is perhaps a 4<sup>th</sup> recommendation that she'd like to add ... Kirsty's #4 is:

Visit your parents and/or grandparents

So what is the TV programme?

#### Old people's home for 4 year olds - on ABC iView.

"I think you'll love it! ... They combine a preschool and retirement village living ... If you haven't yet seen this amazing show on iView, I highly recommend it! ... It's a show that really makes you think about life!" (Miss Thorpe)

https://iview.abc.net.au/show/old-people-s-home-for-4-year-olds

#### Thank you:

You can see a dedicated group of Y3 mums in action. Thank you, Elizabeth, Angel, Sally, Suzanne, Sheryl, Christine, Arlene-Ani, Rosalie



# **COMING EVENTS**

TERM THREE SEPTEMBER

Sun 15 Our Lady of Dolours Feast
Day 10.30am Mass followed by
lunch

Mon 23 Creative Arts Festival 6.30pm

Fri 27 Last Day Term 3
OCTOBER

Mon 14 First Day Term 4
NOVEMBER

Sat 2 Bunnings BBQ managed by OLD

**DECEMBER** 

**Wed 4** Swimming Carnival

Wed 18 Last Day Term 4

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

**Our Lady of Dolours** 



# The Principal's Piece cont.

# A pretty exciting day last Friday:

Last Friday, we flicked the switch on the water misting system for the students to enjoy on the hot day. The photo below says it all!



#### Save the date:

We have finally set a date for the "Thank you for our improved school grounds celebration". This is, of course, a thank you regarding the NSW State Government Grant that has effectively helped to facilitate a good deal of the wonderful school improvements we've seen at OLD this year.

When: Friday 8 November 9-10am

#### <u>Feast of Our Lady of Dolours - Parish celebrations this coming weekend:</u>

Parents and friends are warmly invited to attend our Parish feast day celebrations this coming weekend.

Sunday 15 September 10.30am Mass - following by lunch in the gymnasium at St Pius X

# The Principal's Piece cont.

# Year 6 Bake Sale:

Well, this year's bake sale was bigger than ever. Thank you and congratulations to all of Year 6 and all their families ... Interestingly, this year we also need to acknowledge the wonderful contribution of several other families in the school in grades other than Y6 who also baked to support the special event.

Thank you to the bevy of parent helpers assisting at the sale on Friday!

Fabulous co-ordination, Mrs Gray and Year 6!

And finally, I enjoyed pineapple jam on my toast for breakfast on Saturday morning ... I also enjoyed banana cake with my wife at 'little lunch' on Saturday too ... Very yummy. <u>Below are a few pics to celebrate the wonderful event:</u>



# **ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL—Miss Kirsty Thorpe**

<u>Absentee notes</u> Last Friday more than 40 families received a letter about the number of days their child has been absent from school from the beginning of the year up until last week. These letters are part of the new initiative from the Catholic Schools Office to increase the overall attendance rates across our diocese. Overall, we have a fairly good attendance rate at OLD, however, every day at school counts and the more days your child misses from school, the more academic, social and emotional learning they are missing out on from both their teachers and peers. If you are having difficulties getting your child to attend school, please make a time to meet with your classroom teacher to discuss ideas or helpful hints. There is a great video on the school's Facebook page with information about attendance.

# Sport day swaps for Week 9 only (16th September):

Following are the sport days for next week only:

# Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September:

KG, KB, 1G, 2G, 5B, 4B, 4G

# Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September:

1B, 2B, 3B, 3G, 6G, 5G

**Event details:** This year's CAF is being held on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2019 at 6.30pm at The Concourse, Chatswood.

- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September (*Day* of the performance):
- O During the school day on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September the students will be having a rehearsal on the stage at the theatre and are permitted to be picked up at 2pm to go home early however, this is optional for families. Teachers will continue to supervise the children.
- O Students are to wear sports uniform on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September.
- O Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September (*Night* of the performance):
- O When students arrive back at school for the performance Kirk Street Gate or Ferguson Lane gate must be used (Archer Street gates will not be open)
- O Members of the school band and choir are to arrive at the school at 5.15pm (meet on the COLA) notes will be given to these students by their band and choir teachers.
- O Band and choir will leave the school at 5.30pm to warm up.
- O All other students are to arrive at school and go directly to their classroom at 5.45pm and be signed in by their parents.
- O All students must be signed in by a parent
- O The Concourse doors open at 6pm.
- O The CAF will conclude at approximately 9pm.
- O Kinder-Year 5 will be assigned specific pick up areas within The Concourse where parents must pick up their child and sign them out details will be in future newsletters of specific pick up areas.
- O Year 6 will be picked up by parents at the Ferguson Lane gate (leading into Pius/near Harrington Hall) at

**9pm or 15 minutes after the conclusion of the concert** (they will be assisting the teachers carry equipment back to the school).

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September – children may have a sleep in and arrive at school at 10.30am. Again this late start is optional for families and teachers will supervise students as per usual.

<u>Tickets</u>: Don't forget to buy your tickets for CAF before it is too late! Tickets are still on sale from The Concourse box office or by clicking on the link: <a href="https://premier.ticketek.com.au/shows/show.aspx?">https://premier.ticketek.com.au/shows/show.aspx?</a> sh=OURLADYD19&fbclid=IwAR2zo DzHOrHSG5sYHDrQcFl48Cw5Mto0yYkiyjtmkTfujvpTMYi9TPxGRk

<u>Creative arts Festival Recording:</u> Our CAF will again be recorded by Shaun Groves (who recorded last year's CAF) and be available online to download and transfer to your own USB or to save on your computer. You can purchase a password protected link for only \$10 from QKR starting tomorrow and available to purchase until the end of Term 3 (reminders will be in newsletters throughout the next few weeks). The recordings last term were of a very high quality and I know it is a purchase you won't regret...children always love to watch their performances and show friends and family.

# AWARD WINNERS Week 6



# **STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS**

# **Camp Australia Award Winners**

Kathleen (Year 2) and Liam (Year 4)





Helen Padarin, Padarin Health - ADHD & Gut Health

& Hope for health Fundraiser

Tuesday 24 September 2019 @ 6.45pm



lan Wallace, Psychologist - Dealing with uniquely Challenging Children

Tuesday 22 October @ 6.45pm



Dr Samantha Hornery - Getting it Done - Organisation & Mortivation Strategies

Tuesday 19 November 2019 @ 6.45pm



All speaker events at Pittwater RSL, Mona Vale

For more information & ticket reservation visit:

www.adhdsupportaustralia.com.au

Email: vivian@adhdsupportaustralia.com

Facebook Page: ADHDSupportAustralia







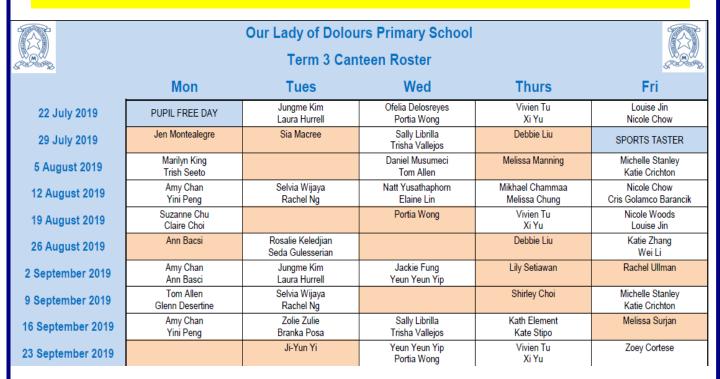
# Year 6

Bake Sale: Thank you!

Thank you to the many families who worked together to prepare delicious goods for our Year 6 Annual Bake Sale. Also, a huge thank you to the generosity of our customers: the students! The school community support of this event was amazing. We raised over \$2000! This money will be a big help towards our Graduation Dinner celebrations. Thanks again!

Year 6

# **COMMUNITY NEWS**



#### JESUIT MISSION INDIAN BAZAAR

Come and join in the fun and festivities at Jesuit Mission's Indian Bazaar this year. The Indian Bazaar supports Jesuit Mission's work in some of the most marginalised communities in the world, in places like Timor Leste, Cambodia, Myanmar, India and Malawi. Your support of the great work of Jesuits immersed in these communities enables families in the poorest parts of the globe to have access to the basics of life: clean drinking water, food, healthcare and education.

The Jesuit Mission Indian Bazaar is graciously hosted by St Ignatius' College, Riverview. There will be rides, stalls, entertainment, wine auction, food and more. All funds raised support the work of Jesuit Mission.

Saturday 14 September 2019

9am - 5pm

St Ignatius' College, Riverview - 1 Tambourine Bay Rd, Lane Cove

https://jesuitmission.org.au/indian-bazaar/

https://www.facebook.com/events/926093744402699/





STAGE ARTZ

PRODUCTION OF

Disney of CAMERON MACKINTOSHS

THE BROADWAY MUSICAL

28 SEPT - 5 OCT GLEN ST THEATRE TIX: 9975 1455 OR GLENSTREET.COM.AU

A MUSICAL BASED ON THE STORIES OF P.L. TRAVERS AND THE WALT DISNEY FILM

LICENSED EXCLUSIVELY BY MUSIC THEATRE INTERNATIONAL (AUSTRALASIA), ALL PERFORMANCE MATERIALS SUPPLIED BY HAL LEONARD AUSTRALIA.

PROUDLY SUPPORTING THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL AT WESTMEAD





# BLAST OFF INTO THE WORLD OF SCIENCE

AT MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY

Join our exciting science programs for Years K-6 during the school holidays Science classes offered at Blair Wark VC Community Centre, West Lindfield. Robotics classes offered at Cheltenham Girls' High School.

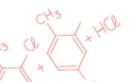
- · Class topics include learning about dinosaurs, volcanic eruptions, DNA, how to analyse blood for diseases & why animal poop is so fascinating!
- · Our courses are designed to teach scientific concepts through experiments, art, drama, physical activity, craft & other hands-on activities.
- · New courses are always added & all-time favourites are rotated each school holidays.

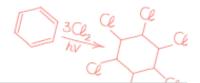


Creative Kids vouchers (value \$100) can be claimed for any robotics class. Apply through ServiceNSW for your child's voucher.

| Drop off   | 8.30am - 9.30am |
|------------|-----------------|
| Activities | 9.30am - 4.30pm |
| Pick-up    | 4.30pm - 5.30pm |
| Cost       | \$126.50        |

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





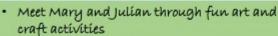








# Program



- Get close to God's Creation through artmaking and a local artist's exhibition
- Lots more fun.....







Tuesday 1st October - Thursday 3rd October, 2019

7-11 Mount St, North Sydney (enter via Museum Reception)

\$10 per child (includes all materials). Bring morning tea

10am - 1.30pm Age: 5-12 years Bookings essential educator@mmp.org.au or Ph (02) 8912 4883

DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY

# Come and Sing!



# CHILDREN'S CHOIR GAMES

Hosted by Kuring-gai Chase Catholic Parish

# At St Patrick's Church, Asquith 22 September 2019

12:30pm Registration 1:00pm Workshops

3:00pm Choir Games Afternoon Tea

Open to any young person from Year 2 to Year 12 Registration fee: \$5.00



St Patrick's Church, 1 Royston Parade, Asquith RSVP: 13th September Places Limited! ph: 9456 2450 email: parishkccp@bbcatholic.org.au



Office for Evangelisation CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF BROKEN BAY

# From the Parish

#### PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

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 Streets

Saturdays 10 - 11 am 21 September; 9 November

MEETING FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Saturdays 26 October 11am

# 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

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