OUR LADY OF DOLOURS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER Term 4 Week 5 - 11 November 2019

ACTING PRINCIPAL—Miss Kirsty Thorpe

Today and throughout this week our prayers and thoughts go to all the people battling the bush fires and who have been effected by these fires. We thank all the brave fire fighters who put their lives on the line to help save lives, properties, animals and our bushland. We ask all our families to take any precautions necessary to ensure the safety of themselves and their families. If you need any assistance during this period of natural disaster please don't hesitate to contact the school.

Grand opening of our playground I wish to extend yet another enormous thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of our whole school event last week: The opening of the school playground. Our special guests were absolutely thrilled to watch the Kindergarten students lead us in prayer, listen to the choir sing so beautifully, be presented with special gifts by students in all grades and watch butterflies being released. A special thank you goes to our Year 6 leaders who greeted everyone at the door, spoke so insightfully and eloquently during the ceremony and lead interesting and entertaining tours for our special guests and who served at the morning tea. We again, thank our Grants Committee who organised the amazing gifts (tote bags and cookies with images of our murals printed on them), the delicious morning tea and so much more that contributed to the event being so special. Your hard work and dedication is definitely appreciated.

I would like to apologise and amend an error from last week's newsletter when I wrote about the 'Government grant' that the grants team were able to secure. In fact the playground additions were also thanks to financial support from a *Chatswood RSL grant, the 2019 P&F Levy and additional funds, and the Bunnings BBQ fundraiser*

I'd like to share some of the words spoken by our school captains, Porscha and Beatrice:

On behalf of our school, we want to give a massive thank you to all our sponsors. Your kindness and generosity towards our school have really made it a happy, hospitable place for everyone here at Our Lady of Dolours. Your compassionate grants have made a substantial impact on our school playground, and the community.

These sponsorships have had a huge change on our school, such as the wellbeing of our students and the "wardrobe" of our playground. Your charitable donations have not only made our students gleeful but our teachers and parents happiness have increased as well. Parents and senior students have really seen the growth of our school playground and I assure you we can tell.

This playground has made so much progress we can't even begin to think about how far we've come! With our new bubblers, water pump, volleyball court, beehive, murals and ANZAC memorial, the playground flourishes with Our Lady of Dolours spirit!

We'd like to thank our sponsors for their hard work and effort to accomplish these dreams for Our Lady of Dolours! You have helped our school to ignite, innovate and

COMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

Mon 18 Stage 3 2020 Meeting 6.30pm

Mon 25 P & F AGM 6.30pm

Fri 29 Year 6 Graduation Liturgy
10am

Fri 29 "Thank you afternoon Tea" for all parent and friend 'helpers' 2.30pm

DECEMBER

Wed 4 Swimming Carnival

Sun 8 Year 6 Mass

Fri 13 Community Christmas
Carols

Tues 17 Stage 3 Beach Safety
Day

Wed 18 Last Day Term 4

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CHANGES TO DATES
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Our Lady of Dolours





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<u>Remembrance Day</u>: Thank you to the Year 5 students and teachers for leading the beautiful Remembrance Day liturgy that was held yesterday. It was so special to be able to reflect on, pray for and thank all the brave and courageous ANZACs in front of our new ANZAC memorial. We also thank Anthony (Year 9) from Pius College for playing The Last Post and The Reveille.



<u>Preparing for 2020:</u> Over the coming weeks, teachers will be carefully and strategically ensuring classes K-5 are divided evenly and fairly to ensure the best possible outcomes for students' social, emotional and academic development in 2020. I respectfully ask parents not to request teachers for their children and not to request placement with specific students in a specific class. I cannot stress to parents more strongly that the collective wisdom of the school staff is what best divides the classes in the fairest and best way possible. Even moving just one child from one class to another can upset the balance.

This considered, if there are extremely serious circumstances the school needs to be aware of, I ask you to discuss this with me over the coming week. Thank you.

On Monday 16th December in the afternoon, students will have 'Orientation to classes for 2020'. In this session, students will meet their classroom teacher for 2020.

More information about classes and staffing for 2020 will be communicated in future newsletters.

Don't forget there is an important meeting for all parents of children in Stage 3 2020 on Monday 18th November at 6.30pm in the school library to discuss exciting changes happening in 2020!

Sport at OLD; Gymnastics! Tennis! Swimming! Today our **Gymnastics** program started with 6G, 5B, 3G and 2G enjoying their first lesson and this week we also have Andrew from Chatswood **Tennis** Club, joining our PE lessons, so the students can learn the skills of tennis from a professional coach (Thank you Mrs Sargent for organising this). Don't forget for Kinder- Year 4 **swimming** lessons start again this week after a break last week - make sure every item of clothing is labelled and you have your bags packed with everything you need. These different sport lessons are such great opportunities for the students to learn new skills and try a new sport.

Semester 2 Students Reports will be emailed home to parents and available on Compass on Friday 13.12.18

Christmas Carols led by OLD School Choir and Year 1 at Kmart - Chatswood Chase - 14.11.18 (This Thursday); 10am

Everyone is warmly invited to come to Kmart, Chatswood Chase, Thursday 14 November 10am to see our school choir and Year 1 students sing and help 'open' the Wishing Tree Appeal.

Mayor Gail Giles-Gidney and other prominent community leaders will be present at this exciting occasion.

ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL—Miss Camilla Brown

School Assembly - Tuesday morning for Week 6

Please note that due to Kindergarten Orientation on Wednesday Week 6, we will have our Whole School Assembly on Tuesday morning (weather permitting).

Public Speaking Finals

Currently all classes K-5 are preparing for our annual public speaking competition! This is an opportunity for students to practise their speech writing, display their creativity and consolidate their public speaking skills. Classroom teachers will notify you the day your child's speech will be presented in class. From these presentations, each class will select three finalists to go through to the finals. Parents will be notified if their child is a finalist for the public speaking competition.

All are welcome to attend our Public Speaking Finals in Week 6. The finals will run from **9am-11am on Monday and Tuesday morning.**

Week 6: Monday 18th November – Kindergarten, Year 2 & Year 4 finals Week 6: Tuesday 19th November – Year 1, Year 3 and Year 5 finals

Remembrance Day – 11th November

Thank you to Year 5 for your beautiful and reverent Remembrance Day Ceremony.



HATS! HATS! HATS!

As we are now in November it is so important that EVERY student at O.L.D. is wearing their hat every day. Not only is the hat an important part of the school uniform, but it is also extremely important for skin safety. Please ensure your child is wearing their hat in the morning when they come to school as well as when they are walking home in the afternoon. It is compulsory for students to wear their hat at recess, lunch, during sport lessons or during any outdoor lessons. If a child is not wearing their hat they will only be allowed to play in the shade. Please assist the school by checking your child has their hat packed every day. Thank you!

<u>Library books and Home Readers:</u> Can everyone please check if they have any school library books or home readers in their bookshelves at home and return them to school ASAP. We have invested a lot of school funds into the beautiful books that your children read but if they go missing our resources will dwindle. When classes have their daily Guided Reading lessons the teachers use a set of 6 books to read with the students – if one of these books are missing, the set is no longer usable. We thank you in advance for helping us retain the wonderful resources we have for your students.

Sporting News

On the 9th of November Ava (Year 4) and Caitlin (Year 6) competed in the NSW State Gymnastics Championships. To be in the Championships they had to pass a trial to qualify. The girls did very well and received a gold achievement and came 4th overall for the Women's Pair in Level 1 (we heard they were beaten for 3rd place by 0.4 points).

Natalie (Year 6) also competed in a trio for Level 1 acrobatics. Her team placed 1st overall. They performed both dynamic and balance routines in the competition



ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL—Miss Camilla Brown

Donating Hampers to our Aussie Farmers!

Currently many families in in the rural areas of Australia are suffering the devastation of drought and bushfires. A generous family in the Northern Beaches are organising hampers to support these families in their time of need. We invite you to donate any of the items listed below and deliver to your classroom teacher to collect. Mrs Jane Bertinshaw will be delivering these Hampers in Week 7.

- Olive Oil
- Sunscreen 50 SPF+
- Aerogard Tropical Strength
- Moisturizer
- Hand Sanitizer
- Non- perishable food (vegemite, jam, canned veggies etc.)

Community Dinners - Every Saturday evening at 6:30pm!

Our Lady of Dolours Catholic parish (run by volunteers) welcomes you ALL to come along to for a free community dinner in a relaxed family-friendly environment. Please see the information below.... **ALL WELCOME!**

Year 5 and Year 6 Parish Mass

Please the invitation below to our Year 5 and Year 6 special parish Mass. ALL WELCOME!

Year 5 – Sunday 17th November at 9am (free fairy floss provided after Mass!)

Year 6 – Sunday 24th November at 9am (free beach volleyball arena to play with after Mass!)

From Stage 3

Stage 3 Market Day: THIS FRIDAY!!!

Come and join the fun on Friday afternoon!

On Friday afternoon, Year 5 and 6 students will be running their own Market Day at Our Lady of Dolours. Profits in Year 5 will go towards their 2020 Year 6 shirts. In Year 6, one half of their profits will go towards a charity of their choice and half will go towards something fun to finish off the year (of their choice). The aim of this experience is to help the students learn about Financial Literacy.

We invite the school community to send along some money with their child/children to spend at these exciting stalls. Prices range from 50 cents to \$10. Examples of products for sale are: lolly bags, rubiks cubes, tee-shirts, metal straws, scrunchies, bath salts, slime and there will be lucky dips as well!

Please note, because of the seriousness of allergic reactions that some OLD children can have to some food products, we ask

that all purchases made on the day are NOT eaten at school ... ie <u>all purchased food items must be taken</u> home and consumed at home – Thank you.

The Market will be open from 1:40 to 3:30. Parents welcome to join in the fun after school. Miss Thorpe will also have her Market stall set up to raise money for the children in Cambodia. Come a long and buy some early Christmas presents. See you there.



AWARD WINNERS Week 4



FROM THE OFFICE

Exciting news - our Compass Kiosk has arrived!

As you enter the office you will see our new Compass Kiosk has arrived. You will need to use the Kiosk if you are signing a student in who is late, leaving early or if you are volunteering in the school. Please note that students must be signed in by their parent/guardian.

You will receive an email later this week with details on loading the parent Compass App and necessary password.

<u>Please note</u> due to the new system the Kirk Street gate will now be closed when the morning bell rings at 8.45am, so all students arriving after this time will need to enter via the front office.



Leaving Students—end 2019

If your family is moving from OLD school at the end of 2019 (except Yr 6 families), please be sure to alert OLD via the form attached in this newsletter.



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STUDENT LEAVING SCHOOL FORM

Parents are asked to complete the form below, and attach a letter advising us of the reason their child/ren are leaving Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Primary School. Return this form to the school. If you are leaving Australia you need to provide documents to prove your child will be studying overseas.

PLEASE PROVIDE ONE FORM FOR EACH OF YOUR CHILDREN ATTENDING THIS SCHOOL

CLASS: CHILD'S NAME: PARENTS NAMES: LAST DAY AT SCHOOL WILL BE: NAME OF NEW SCHOOL: ADDRESS OF NEW SCHOOL: __ HOME ADDRESS IF NEW: NEW CONTACT TEL: DATED: SIGNATURE OF PARENT: IS LETTER OF ADVISE ATTACHED: Y HAVE DOCUMENTS BEEN SUPPLIED TO SCHOOL IF NEW SCHOOL IS OVERSEAS: Y \square N \square SCHOOL USE ONLY STUDENT CODE: FAMILY CODE: **DOCUMENTS ATTACHED: YES / NO** STUDENT LEFT: SIGNATURES REQUIRED: PRINCIPAL: _____CLASS TEACHER: ____

LEARNING SUPPORT—Mrs Bertionshaw



ADHD Support Australia offers support for parents of children/teenagers with ADHD via monthly speaker evenings.

The group provides a safe & supportive environment to discuss and learn more about ADHD.

Suitable for adults with ADHD, professionals working with ADHD/ASD or anyone interested in the topic.

2019 Events



Parenting Children with ADHD- 6-week course-Warriewood

Term 3 - Friday 3 September - 22 October 10am - 12.30pm Term 4 - Wednesday 23 October - 27 November - 10am - 12.30pm



Louise Remond, The Kidman Centre, UTS-Collaborative & Proactive Solutions
Tuesday 27th August 2019 @ 6.15pm
followed by FREE bonus screening of
KIDS WE LOSE
a documentary film by Ross Greene
8.00-9.30pm



ADHD Parent Coffee Meet Up Morning Thursday 5th September 2019 @ 10.30am The Newbort



Helen Padarin, Padarin Health - ADHD & Gut Health & Hope for Health Fundraiser Tuesday 24th September 2019 @ 6.45pm



lan Wallace, Psychologist - Dealing with Uniquely Challenging Children
Tuesday 22nd October 2019 @ 6.45pm



Dr Samantha Hornery - Getting it Done - Organisation & Motivation Strategies
Tuesday 19th November 2019 @ 6.45pm



Attending talks at ADHD Support Australia will contribute 1 hour 30 minutes of NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) Registered Professional Development addressing 6.2.2 from Australian Professional Standards for Teachers towards maintaining Proficient Teacher Accreditation in NSW

All speaker events @ Pittwater RSL, Mona Vale



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Community Dinners

Saturday nights at 6.30 pm - 7.30 pm WHEN

WHERE Harrington Hall - Chatswood Catholic Parish

A free meal for you, your family & friends. ENJOY

Join us for nice food, conversation & company

in a relaxed family-friendly environment.



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OUR LADY OF DOLOURS Chatswood Catholic Parish

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WHAT IS THE COMMUNITY DINNER?

We host a hot meal each Saturday night, free of charge for those living in Chatswood and surrounding areas.

WHO IS PROVIDING THE DINNER AND WHY?

The community dinners are hosted by Our Lady of Dolours Catholic parish (run by volunteers) to provide opportunities to bring people together and build community.

WHY COME TO A COMMUNITY DINNER?

- Great company, meet people (if you like) and enjoyable conversation.
- Saves cooking at home!
- Very casual, no formalities, just enjoy the food and good company!

WHERE IS THE COMMUNITY DINNER HELD?

Harrington Hall, Chatswood Catholic Parish (Our Lady of Dolours). Access via the church or Ferguson Lane. For directions, see the map on the reverse page.

WHO CAN COME TO THE MEAL?

Everyone at every stage in life is welcome to join us for dinner. There are no prerequisites to join us. We have room for 100 people and are a child-friendly venue. Children and families are very welcome. We are an alcohol and smoke-free venue.

WHEN DOES THE MEAL START?

Dinner is served between 6:30pm - 7:30pm.

DO I HAVE TO BELONG TO THE CHURCH TO COME ALONG?

No, this meal is for everyone in the Chatswood and surrounding areas.

DO I NEED TO REGISTER OR BRING ANYTHING?

No, please just come as you are.

DO I HAVE TO PAY?

No, the dinner is free of charge with a range of tasty food options.

HAVE QUESTIONS?

Please call the Parish Office on 9410 9000



COMMUNITY

ALL families are invited to this <u>FREE</u> event which is being hosted by the O.L.D. P&F. The event will start with the children performing carols (which they are already practicing for) followed by movies, food and Christmas activities! We look forward to seeing you all there!



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Look at what we have planned for National Recycling Week at your OSHC

We are excited to celebrate National Recycling Week happening this week at your OSHC service at Our Lady of Dolours.

National Recycling Week is all about helping children connect with our wonderful world by teaching them how they can take care of the environment through recycling. It's going to be an awesome week and we want to share with you all the fun-learning activities we have planned with the children, see below:

Monday 11 th	Tuesday 12 th	Wednesday 13 ^h	Thursday 14th	Friday 16 th
Create-A-See-	Create our own	Recycled	Nature Bracelets!	Recycled Material
Through-Compost-	Recycling Signs!	Instruments!		Dream Catchers!
Container!				

A Special Visit from the Willoughby Fire Department!.

This Week also see's OSHC getting a special visit from the Willoughby Fire Department! This visit will occur on Friday afternoon, the 15th of November during out ASC Session. This will be a great chance for the kids to learn about fire safety and prevention from professionals! All of the staff and kids are super excited, so don't miss out on this special opportunity!

More Program Details

For more information about our program and fees at your school, visit our service and chat with our qualified Educators. Alternatively, you may visit our website at www.campaustralia.com.au or contact our friendly Customer Care Team on 1300 105 343 who are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week - except National Public Holidays.

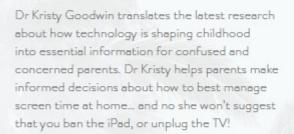
We look forward to seeing you and your family soon!

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Raising Your Child in a Digital World





Parents will understand the latest risks to kids' online safety (including cyber-safety threats, pornography exposure, introduction of phones



and social media), as well as the health and learning implications of young kids (4-12 years) growing up in a world of screens. Dr Kristy will share her simple formula to calculate healthy screen time limits and will arm parents with a host of strategies. She will explain how technology is impacting kids' learning, sleep, social, language, play, physical skills and their vision, hearing and posture and will arm parents with practical strategies.

SEMINAR DETAILS

DATE: Tuesday 12 November

TIME: Registration: 6.30pm Seminar: 7pm

LOCATION: Willoughby City Council, Council Chambers, Level 6, 31 Victor St, Chatswood

TICKETS: \$5

CONTACT: childserv@willoughby.nsw.gov.au

REGISTER NOW: at EVENTBRITE or www.willoughby.nsw.gov.au



Dr Kristy Goodwin is a leading digital parenting educator, researcher, author and former teacher (and mum who deals with her kids' techno-tantrums). She has spoken at and consulted with schools throughout Australia and Asia. She's regularly called on by the media for her expert opinion.

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COMMUNITY NEWS



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- have good communication skills
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Above is the the centeen 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 crange highlighted spots, please write your name in on that day.

COMMUNITY NEWS

School Travel

Stay up to date with Opal and ticketing changes for school travel

2020 school travel applications now open



To assist with any enquiries you may receive regarding student travel applications, we have provided some information below.

Applications for student travel in 2020 opened on Friday, 11 October 2019.

Students progressing to year 3 and year 7 no longer need to re-apply if they:

- are continuing at the same school
- are residing at the same address

have not been sent an expiry notification from Transport for NSW.

Where a student meets the new distance eligibility, the system will automatically update their entitlement. If they do not meet the new eligibility, they will receive an expiry notification via email.

Students who have an entitlement approved under a medical condition which is due to expire will receive a notification advising them to re-apply.

Term Bus Pass holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

If students need to update their information or re-apply, they should go online to https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails

Applications need to be submitted before 31 December 2019 to ensure student entitlements are updated and their current entitlement/card is not cancelled. If their application is submitted after 31 December 2019, the system will automatically cancel an entitlement/card and a new one will need to be issued.

Students in the Opal network applying for a SSTS or Term Bus Pass entitlement for the first time will receive their card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out from January 2020.



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