

OUR LADY OF DOLOURS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER Term 3 Week 3 – 3 August 2020

ACTING PRINCIPAL – Miss Kirsty Thorpe

Public speaking finals: Next Monday and Tuesday we will be holding our annual finals for the OLD Public Speaking competition. We will hear from 6 children in each grade who have been chosen by their classroom teacher to compete (these families will be notified. One parent from each finalist is permitted to come and watch, we would ask that those coming into the school please wear a mask). This year we have two experienced adjudicators who will evaluate the speeches and choose a winner and runner-up for each grade; we welcome back Mrs Kylie Scarf and Mrs Antico's sister; Mrs Francesca Boyer.

The Winner and Runner-Up for Year 6 will go on to represent the school at the North Shore public speaking competition.

We will aim to commence at 9am each day and run the zoom throughout the finals - I estimate each grade will take between 10-15 minutes but I can not guarantee the time for each grade.

Monday 10th August - Kindergarten, Year 2, Year 4, Year 6

Tuesday 11th August - Year 1, Year 3, Year 5

Due to large group restrictions the children will be the live audience for their own grade and one other. Classes are also able to watch the finals via zoom.

We will be live zooming all grades using this link:

<https://dbbcatholic.zoom.us/j/94942041719>

We hope many of you are able to join us - don't forget to share the link so extended family members are also able to join us!

School readiness meeting: This coming Wednesday the Kindy teaching team and I are holding a special zoom meeting for all families with a child starting in 2021 to hear some helpful hints and tips to prepare their child for school. To register for this event please email the school.

LEAP into Learning playgroups: We invite all families with a child starting school in 2021 to join us for our 5 special LEAP into Learning playgroups. Please check out our website for more information and to register for one or more of these sessions, limited numbers available so get in quick!

<https://www.olddb.catholic.edu.au/is-your-child-ready-for-kindy-in-2021/>



**LEAP
into
LEARNING**

UNLOCK YOUR CHILD'S
LEARNING POTENTIAL
BEFORE THEY START
SCHOOL

Welcome to OLD: This week we are again excited to welcome another student and family to the OLD family. Zoe is in KB and has come all the way from Holland to join us. We are so proud of how well Zoe has settled in and already made many new friends. We warmly welcome Zoe and her parents, Joram and Nathaly to our school.



August BBN

Please find below the link to the August version of the BBN magazine

https://issuu.com/bbcatholic/docs/broken_bay_news_august_2020

COMING EVENTS

AUGUST

Monday 10 Public speaking finals K, 2, 4, 6 (audience via zoom)

Tuesday 11 Public speaking finals 1, 3, 5 (audience via zoom)

Wednesday 12 Getting ready for Kindergarten 2021 (virtual session 6.30-7.30pm)
Book via school office

Tuesday 25 Towards 2025 zoom meeting 6-7pm

Thursday 27 LEAP Session 1
9-10am

SEPTEMBER

Thursday 3 LEAP Session 2
9-10am

Thursday 10 LEAP Session 3
9-10am

Thursday 17 LEAP Session 4
9-10am

Thursday 24 LEAP Session 5
9-10am

Friday 25 Last day for term 3

OCTOBER

Monday 12 Students return for term 4

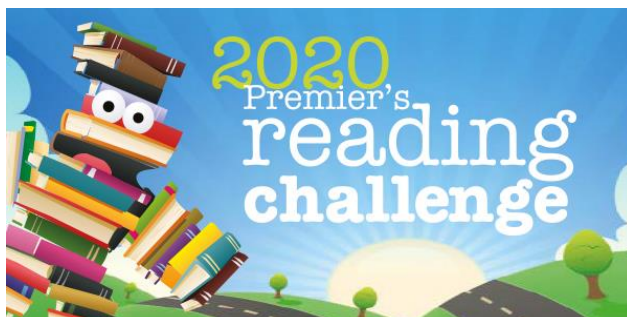
Monday 12 School photos (Summer Uniform)

Keep checking the school website under 'calendar' for possible changes to dates

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Date for your diary - OLD Parent meeting: On the 25th August, 6-7pm, I will be holding a parent meeting via Zoom to discuss the new Diocesan 'Towards 2025' strategic plan and the positive implications of this on schools; including some new initiatives at OLD. If you would like to join this zoom please save this date (a zoom link will be sent out closer to the meeting).



Premier's reading challenge: Congratulations to the following students who have completed the Premier's Reading Challenge for 2020:

Neel	Lucas	Michael
Deanne	Alfred	Abigail

AWARD WINNERS

Week 3



St Mary of the Cross - Mary MacKillop Feast Day



Today each class gathered to recall how Mary MacKillop accomplished God's work. Mary worked tirelessly to improve the lives of many young children who lived in the Australian bush. She gathered others around her to help her in this work and she found joy in making others happy. She showed us by her example how to treat others. May we strive to live like she did, treating others with love, compassion, tolerance and forgiveness.

I encourage you to say a prayer tomorrow for St Mary of the Cross and think about how you will strive to live by her words ***'never see a need without doing something about it'***.

Attached is a list of quoted from Mary Mackillop's life that you may wish to reflect on.

Parent Volunteers needed:

I am hoping to find some parent helpers who can help source some Religious Education Resources at places like Bunnings, Spotlight etc. I am looking to find small pieces of wood or canvas that can be painted OR little felt boards to use in scripture storytelling.

If this is something you might be interested in volunteering to create, please let Miss Brown know.

For example, see the 'creation story' examples below.



Stories from the Gospels:



Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop
8 August



Prayer is our great weapon. (1907)
God will provide for the future. (1907)
I must only trust in the mercies of God. (1867)
God loves each one of us notwithstanding our faults. (1874)
With God on our side what need we fear? (1890)
Lean more on God and less on ourselves. (1877)
God's ways and ours are so different. (1878)
Never is God nearer to us than when danger threatens. (1880)
If men and women forget, God does not. (1884)
Courage, trust in God who helps you in all things. (1874)
God will draw good out of evil. (1874)
When I could not see my way, God kept my heart full of trust to make all come right. (1874)
God's love is too deep for words to express. (1874)
A certain sense of God's wonderful love strengthens me. (1873)
God wants us to take fresh courage. (1877)
God understands us better than we understand ourselves or each other. (1877)
God is good and merciful. (1870)
Trust in God. (1874)
God helps us walk on water like St. Peter until he began to fear. (1890)
I can never think of God but as one of such tenderness that cannot be cast off.
(1890)
God's will be done. (1898)
Be calm and full of hope. (1871)
Let not your crosses make you unhappy. (1890)
We must look before us; do what we do well and refuse undertaking too much. (1898)
Our courage needs to rise with difficulties and obstacles. (1890)
Try always to be generous. (1882)
Keep young as long as you can. (1874)
Let us all have courage. (1874)
Of ourselves we can never be sure that all that looks good is really so. (1875)
Never be ashamed of work done for God and for God's poor. (1874)
Work with constancy and courage. (1876)
No duty is too little to be done well. (1873)
Be faithful in the least as well as the great. (1873)
Do all you can to work on in unity. (1882)
Let not weakness make you discouraged. (1876)
We must take things quietly and just do what our good God enables us to do. (1875)
No matter what your shortcomings you shall certainly succeed in the end. (1874)
When a duty is clear to me it must be done at any cost. (1899)
True happiness depends on ourselves not on those around us. (1907)
We must teach more by example than by word. (1867)
Gratitude is the memory of the heart. (1907)
There where you are you will find God. (1871)
So great is the strength we possess in our unity. (1874)
Keep your mind in peace whatever happens. (1890)
Let us never admit grades of distinctions we are all humble followers of Christ.
Be eager in your desires but patient in their accomplishment.
Never see a need without trying to do something about it

National Science Week 2020



Monday	See Two Pictures As One - Senses
Tuesday	Build a Banjo - Sound and Music
Wednesday	Discover the Needs of Seeds - Growth
Thursday	See Plants Drinking - Water and Liquids
Friday	Baking Cookies - Senses

Our Lady of Dolours OSHC

By popular demand, National Science Week is coming to OSHC!

From Monday 17th August – Friday 21st August, National Science Week is back in OSHC. Science week is all about connecting your child with the wonders of science, the magic of cause and effect, the excitement of experimentation and, above all, the importance of teamwork.

See [what's](#) planned for National Science Week:

[It's](#) FREE to Register. (and if you want to use OSHC, you first need to register).

Register at pp.campaaustralia.com.au/account/login. Once registered, [it's](#) easy to make and manage your bookings online via our Parent Portal.

Visit our [blog](#) for helpful information and fun activities.

New articles are added each week for parents and cover various topics to help families. Visit the blog here: <https://campaaustralia.com.au/blog>



GETTING READY FOR KINDERGARTEN

IS YOUR
CHILD
STARTING
SCHOOL IN
2021?

JOIN OUR
ZOOM
SESSION
FULL OF
HINTS & TIPS
TO HELP
PREPARE YOU
& YOUR
CHILD FOR
SCHOOL

TO
REGISTER
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edu.au](mailto:old@dbb.catholic.edu.au)

WEDNESDAY
12TH
AUGUST
6.30-7.30 PM



HEAR
FROM OUR
ACTING
PRINCIPAL
AND
KINDY
TEACHERS



IS YOUR CHILD READY FOR KINDY IN 2021?



LEAP

into our free 1 hour play-based morning sessions designed and run by teachers to help your child be school ready.

LEARNING EXPLORING ACTIVE PLAY SESSIONS

LEARN



Is your child curious and creative? LEAP sessions make every day play a fun and exciting learning experience.

EXPLORE



Every session begins with an adventure through story. Then together take part in hands-on activities to develop new skills.

ACTIVE



LEAP into learning is an exciting and busy place for children and families to enjoy quality time together whilst making new friends.

PLAY



Play is a natural way for children to explore, so get messy and go where your child's imaginations can roam!

DON'T MISS OUT, LIMITED NUMBERS AVAILABLE BY SESSION – VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO REGISTER!

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COMMUNITY NEWS



Learn Music on Keyboard or Guitar at School Enrolment for Term 3

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Our Lady of Dolours Primary School SY 2020, Term 3 Canteen Roster



	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
20 July 2020		Ann Perez	Melissa Cheung	Janelle Johnson	Cris Barancik
27 July 2020	Kate Stipo	Yoyo Yau	Debbie Lui	Rosalie Keledjian	Alison Henderson
3 August 2020	Sonya Purches	Ann Perez	Amy Chan	Debbie Liu	Nerinda Welch
10 August 2020	Ann Bacsi	Seda Gulesserian	Sheryl Maynard	Nicole Woods	Ani Wibisono
17 August 2020	Nerinda Welch	Sonya Purches	Amy Chan	Sheryl Maynard	Alison Henderson
24 August 2020	Nancy Lo	Yoyo Yau	Portia Yu	Nicole Woods	Cris Barancik
31 August 2020	Nerinda Welch	Ann Perez	Amy Chan	Rosalie Keledjian	
7 September 2020		Yoyo Yau	Nerida Welch	Carlyn Linders	Katie Zhang
14 September 2020	Nancy Lo	Ann Perez	Amy Chan	Kate Stipo	Alison Henderson
21 September 2020		Yoyo Yau	Nerida Welch	Carlyn Linders	Selvia Wijaya
28 September 2020	Holidays	Holidays	Holidays	Holidays	Holidays

Above is the the canteen roster. **Until further notice, it's one person per shift.**

Please let us know if you can fill in for the empty slots.

If you are listed on, please let us know if you are unavailable ASAP.

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

Please unpack boxes of stock (if any) and refill fridge/freezer, etc. .

The kids thank you for your assistance !

Keeping Our School Safe!



Student hygiene practices



1. Use of non-contact greeting methods
2. Clean hands with soap when entering the school and regularly during the day

3. Do not share personal items (school supplies or toys brought in)
4. Games where students touch each other directly or indirectly (through a ball) will be discouraged.



5. Avoid touching your face and cover your coughs and sneezes - use hand sanitiser after sneezing or coughing.

6. Students will not mix with students in other grades - we will have staggered break times and dismissal times. There are also designated areas of the school for each grade during break time and dismissal times.
7. students must use drink bottles that can be refilled rather than bubblers.

Whole school practices

1. A hygienist has been employed to be at the school during the day (additional to our regular cleaners) to:

- Disinfect surfaces like doorknobs, desks, chairs, and railings regularly.
- Clean highly touched surfaces in the toilets after each break time.



2. Increase ventilation in classrooms by opening doors and scheduling outdoor lessons throughout the day
3. There will not be whole school events until further notice (such as assemblies or sporting events) where students from different grades mix.
4. At this point in time the canteen & 2nd hand clothing stall remain closed.

Keeping our parents safe: We must still restrict parents entering the school grounds. Please adhere to social distancing measures at all times, as well as the dismissal arrangements. There are marks on the floor that we recommend you use for social distancing when picking up your children. Please follow the signs on our gates so we can keep everyone as safe as possible.

All students and teachers must stay at home if...



- they have symptoms of COVID-19, a cold or flu (students will be sent home if they exhibit any of these symptoms)
- they have a sick family member at home
- an additional sick bay has been created for students exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19
- temperature checks will occur for any child exhibiting illness at school



Take care of your emotional and mental well-being

Outbreaks are a stressful and anxious time for everyone. We're here to support you! Reach out to old@dbb.catholic.edu.au if you need any support.

Please visit our website for information about financial support or fee relief.

We appreciate your support with these health and safety measures.