

OUR LADY OF DOLOURS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER Term 4 Week 5 – 9 November 2020

ACTING PRINCIPAL – Miss Kirsty Thorpe

Remembrance Day

By Jonathan (Year 4)

Some that are young,
Some that are old,
All soldiers need
A helping hand to hold.

No matter how tall,
No matter how small,
All soldiers need
That comforting call.

Those that are strong,
Those that are weak,
All of the soldiers
Are climbing their peak.

Some that are glad,
Some that are sad,
All of them know
They could lose their best lad.

But, for all of the soldiers
Who fought in the war,
We will remember them,
Now, and forevermore



VIP Fee Relief - Term 4: Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic a decision has been made to automatically extend Term 2 and 3 COVID Fee Support arrangements to Term 4. If you currently receive COVID Fee Support you will receive an email from the School Fees Unit to confirm this arrangement and when the support will be reflected on your statement. If a balance remains on your account, and your circumstances are as such that payment of these fees will add further stress to your family, please contact The School Fees Unit at the Catholic Schools Office on 9847 0728 or schoolfees@dbb.org.au. We are here to assist you in any way we can.

If you have not applied for COVID Fee Support and you are experiencing financial hardship, we have a number of fee relief options available. These may be accessed via the Parent Hub section of the Catholic School Broken Bay's website csodbb.catholic.edu.au or via our Fee Liaison Team at schoolfees@dbb.org.au.

COMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

Wed 18 Nov 9am - 10.45am Transition to school Kindy 2021

Wed 18 Nov School Captain 2021 Speeches

Wed 25 Nov Sports Captain 2021 Speeches

Mon 30 Nov 6pm-7pm MAI Assessment information session via Zoom (Email the school office to register)

DECEMBER

Wed 9 Dec – Swimming Carnival

Mon 14 Dec – Surf Skills, Stage 3

Wed 16 Dec – Last day of Term 4 2020

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

old@dbb.catholic.edu.au



Preparing for 2021: 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 2021. 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 14th December in the afternoon, students in Kindy-Year 3 will have 'Orientation to classes for 2021'. Students currently in Year 4 and 5 will have their sessions on Tuesday 15th December as the current Stage 3 children and teachers are participating in their beach safety day on the 14th.

In this session, students will meet their classroom teacher for 2021.

More information about classes and staffing for 2021 will be communicated in future newsletters

Semester 2 Students Reports will be available to parents on the Compass portal on Friday 11th December.

Please ensure you print all your reports from COMPASS if you are leaving OLD at the end of 2020 as you will no longer have access to COMPASS after 16 December 2020.

Year 5 Leadership program: We are coming up to some very exciting weeks for our Year 5 students as they apply for leadership roles for 2021. Next Wednesday we will hear speeches from the students applying for school captain and the following week, we will hear from the students applying for sports captains. We have a great leadership program, whereby all students are part of a leadership team - Environment, ICLT, Mercy/Liturgy, Creative Arts, Library or Sports Leaders. We will announce our 2021 Leaders to the school community in the Week 9 newsletter.

Parent Information Session: The MAI assessment: Monday 30th November; 6-7pm (Via zoom), I will be holding an information session to explain the MAI assessment. The MAI (Mathematical Assessment Instrument) is a one-on-one assessment that ALL children will participate in on the first day of the 2021 school year (as they have done so for the past 8 years at OLD). During this session I will explain the purpose of this assessment; what kind of data it provides teachers and the school; what the assessment is teaching us about your children; how teachers use the data. This is a very important assessment as it does not inform us of how fast your child can recite Mathematical facts, such as their times tables, but what strategies they use to problem solve.

Please email the school to register for this session and receive the zoom link.

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 need to sit in the shade. Please assist the school by checking your child has their hat packed every day. Thank you!

Library books and Home Readers: 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.



Book your school tour &
enrolment interview
today!



CONTACT OUR SCHOOL OFFICE
SCHOOL TOURS DAILY @ 3.30PM
ENROLMENT INTERVIEWS: ONLINE DAILY

AWARD WINNERS Week 4 & 5



DOUBLE PARKING

Do not double park at any time. Double parking is illegal and dangerous especially around schools. It reduces visibility and blocks the road for other motorists.

FINE EXCEEDS \$349 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS

U TURNS

- Performing U turns or 3 point turns in school zones is extremely dangerous.
- Performing U turns across unbroken centre lines is illegal and is particularly dangerous around schools.

FINE EXCEEDS \$349 + 3 DEMERIT POINTS

PARKING / STOPPING NEAR INTERSECTIONS

It is illegal to park or stop less than 10 metres from an intersection with no traffic lights as this blocks visibility for turning drivers and creates a hazard for all motorists.

FINE EXCEEDS \$464 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS

PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS AND CHILDREN'S CROSSINGS

- Slow down as you approach pedestrian crossings and children's crossings.
- Do not proceed if the road beyond the crossing is blocked.
- Do not stop or park in the No Stopping zones on either side of the crossing as this blocks visibility.
- At a children's crossing you must stop at or before the stop line if there is a pedestrian about to cross or already on the crossing.
- Do not proceed through a children's crossing until all pedestrians have completely cleared the crossing.

FINE EXCEEDS \$464 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS

HOLDING HANDS IN TRAFFIC

- Children need assistance in the traffic environment until at least the age of 10. They are not equipped physically or developmentally to make the crucial decisions to keep themselves safe.
- All children need to be actively supervised in and around moving vehicles, footpaths, shared paths, driveways, car parks, at traffic lights, pedestrian crossings, on quiet streets and busy roads.
- Make sure you always set a good example around traffic and talk to your children about why you are stopping at the kerb and what you are watching and listening for. Explain where and when it is safe to cross and why.
- Hold hands with your children around traffic. If your hands are full, make sure your child holds onto your bag, pram or even your arm or sleeve.



CONTACT DETAILS

A community road safety resource created and shared by Lane Cove Council



These fines and demerit points apply in school zones and are current at time of printing September 2020. Different penalties apply in other locations.

PARKING SAFELY IN SCHOOL ZONES

Road Rule Reminders

NO STOPPING
8.00am - 9.30am
2.30pm - 4.00pm
MON - FRI



BUS ZONE

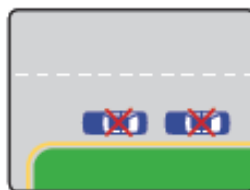
The fines and demerit points in this brochure apply in school zones.

NO STOPPING ZONES

No Stopping signs mean you must not stop here at any time. If times of operation are shown on the sign, the restriction applies only at those times.

An unbroken yellow kerb line is a no stopping line. You must not stop for any reason.

FINE EXCEEDS \$349 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS



BUS ZONE SIGNS

A Bus Zone is a No Stopping zone for vehicles other than buses. If times of operation are shown on the sign, the restriction applies only at those times.

You must not park your vehicle less than 20 metres before or 10 metres after a bus stop.

FINE EXCEEDS \$349 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS



NO PARKING SIGNS

You can only stop in a No Parking zone while picking up or setting down passengers or goods. You have a maximum of 2 minutes from the time you stop and must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle at all times.

If times of operation are shown on the sign, the restriction applies only at those times. This is not a waiting zone.

FINE EXCEEDS \$194 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS



TIME RESTRICTED PARKING

Parking signs with specified time limits allow drivers to park their vehicle for a maximum period of time, e.g. 5 minutes, 1 hour etc.

If times of operation are shown on the sign, the restriction applies only at those times.

FINE EXCEEDS \$116



DRIVEWAYS AND FOOTPATHS

- When exiting or entering a driveway a vehicle must give way to pedestrians on the footpath.
- Driveways are not playgrounds. Be aware that children can go unnoticed in front and behind your vehicle. Do not solely rely on reverse sensors or cameras in your vehicle.
- Always supervise and hold a child's hand near/crossing driveways.
- It is illegal to park in or across any driveway or to block a footpath at any time.

FINE EXCEEDS \$349 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS



USING MOBILE PHONES

- It is illegal to make or receive a call on your mobile phone while you are driving unless your phone is secured in a fixed mounting and does not require you to touch or manipulate the phone in any way.
- It is illegal to use the other features of a mobile phone such as texting, emailing etc unless your car is legally parked and the ignition is switched off.
- Using mobile phones is a major distraction for drivers and incurs higher fines and demerit points in school zones.

FINE EXCEEDS \$464 + 5 DEMERIT POINTS





SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS AT MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY

This summer, 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 1-7. **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?

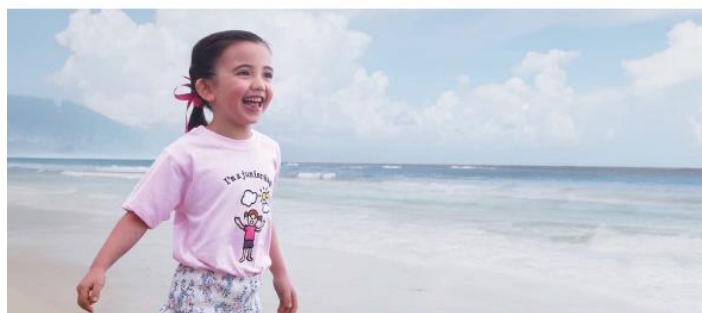
Visit our website: mq.edu.au/about/holidays



AUSTRALIAN GIRLS CHOIR



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Is this your daughter?

Look no further than the Australian Girls Choir because we encourage, challenge and inspire girls as they learn to sing, dance and perform.

JOIN US AT OPEN DAY
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 21 OR 28



AUSTRALIAN SCHOOL OF PERFORMING ARTS

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An experience that goes far beyond the stage!

We believe in growing girls through the hidden elements of our curriculum; your daughter will develop confidence, public speaking and presentation skills, resilience and friendships that will last a lifetime.

Over 200 girls recently shared the stage with Hugh Jackman in *The Man. The Music. The Show. Arena Tour* to sold-out audiences around the country. We're proud to have represented Qantas in the 'I Still Call Australia Home' advertisements and at live events for the past 20 years.

Now accepting 2021 enrolments for our rehearsal venues in Balgowlah, Beecroft, Kellyville, Leichhardt, North Parramatta, North Ryde, St Ives and Waverley.



Join us at our free **OPEN DAY** on November 21 or 28

Register now at ausgirlschoir.com.au/openday2020 or phone 1800 338 142



AUSTRALIAN SCHOOL OF PERFORMING ARTS



STUDENTS LEAVING

Students leaving a the end of 2020

Please remember if your child is leaving OLD at the end of 2020 we require the below form to be filled in and returned to the school office as soon as possible. This will enable us to finalise classes for 2020 and offer places to those on waiting lists.



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94a Archer Street, Chatswood NSW 2067
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Fax: (02) 9413 1998
Email: old@ddb.catholic.edu.au
Website: www.odddbb.catholic.edu.au

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

CHILD'S NAME: _____ CLASS: _____

PARENTS NAMES: _____

LAST DAY AT SCHOOL WILL BE: _____

NAME OF NEW SCHOOL: _____

ADDRESS OF NEW SCHOOL: _____

HOME ADDRESS IF NEW: _____

NEW CONTACT TEL: _____

SIGNATURE OF PARENT: _____ DATED: _____

IS LETTER OF ADVISE ATTACHED: Y ☐ N ☐

HAVE DOCUMENTS BEEN SUPPLIED TO SCHOOL IF NEW SCHOOL IS OVERSEAS: Y ☐ N ☐

SCHOOL USE ONLY

FAMILY CODE: _____ STUDENT CODE: _____

STUDENT LEFT: _____ DOCUMENTS ATTACHED: YES / NO

SIGNATURES REQUIRED:

PRINCIPAL: _____ CLASS TEACHER: _____

School Travel for 2021



2021 school travel applications are now open

Applications for student travel in 2021 opened from Monday 12 October 2020.

Students who require a School Opal card or travel pass for 2021 can now [apply](#) online. A new application should be submitted if a student is applying for a school travel pass for the first time or requesting an additional pass as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation (e.g. joint custody).

Students who have changed school/campus, changed address, repeated a year or received an expiry notification from Transport for NSW for their school travel entitlement should [re-apply or update their details](#).

*Applications must be completed by the student's parent or legal guardian if the student is aged under 16 years. Students 16 years and over must complete the application form themselves.

Where there is a change of distance eligibility based on a student's grade, the system will automatically update a student's entitlement if they meet the new criteria. If they do not meet the new [eligibility criteria](#), 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 a student needs 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 2020 to ensure that current student entitlements are updated and their current entitlement/card remains valid. If their application is submitted after 31 December 2020, 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 2021.

Students residing in Rural and Regional (R&R) areas should receive their travel pass at the commencement of the new school year from their nominated operator, this may be distributed via the school or sent direct to their address. Note: some R&R operators do not issue travel passes. Students/Parents should confirm with their nominated operator if they do not receive a pass.

New Concession Entitlement Cards

Transport for NSW will be replacing the below cards with Transport Concession Entitlement Cards (TCEC) from October 2020:

- Senior Secondary Student Concession Card (16 years and over) – also used by Mature Secondary Students (18 years and over), Distance Education Students and Home School Students
- Proof of Age card (when a student under 16 years of age looks older)
- Boarder Rail Pass.

All previous cards will be valid until they expire. Students who require a Transport Concession Entitlement Card should speak with their school administration staff.

Enquiries regarding school student travel can be submitted to Transport for NSW at:

<https://transportnsw.info/contact-us/feedback/passes-concessions-feedback>

Our Lady of Dolours Primary School SY 2020, Term 4 Canteen Roster					
	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
12 October 2020		Ann Perez	Branka Possa	Janelle Johnson	Cris Barancik
19 October 2020	Kate Stipo	Yoyo Yau	Melissa Chung	Rosalie Keledjian	Alison Henderson
26 October 2020	Sonya Purches	Ann Perez	Amy Chan		Yoyo Yau
2 November 2020	Ann Bacs		Branka Possa	Nicole Woods	Ani Wibisono
9 November 2020	Nerinda Welch	Sonya Purches	Amy Chan	Sheryl Maynard	Alison Henderson
16 November 2020	Nancy Lo	Yoyo Yau	Portia Yu	Nicole Woods	Ani Wibisono
23 November 2020	Nerinda Welch	Seda Gulesserian	Amy Chan	Rosalie Keledjian	Kate Stipo
30 November 2020	Noelle Wilkin-Smith	Yoyo Yau	Carlyn Linders	Nerinda Welch	Katie Zhang
7 December 2020	Nancy Lo	Ann Perez	Amy Chan	Kate Stipo	Alison Henderson
14 December 2020	Debby Lui	Yoyo Yau		Nerinda Welch	Selvia Wijaya
21 December 2020	Holidays	Holidays	Holidays	Holidays	Holidays

Above is the canteen roster. **Until further notice, it's one person per shift. Please wear a mask when entering school premises (bring your own).**

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 !