OUR LADY OF DOLOURS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER Term 4 Week 8 – 30 November 2020

ACTING PRINCIPAL – Miss Kirsty Thorpe

Staffing news for 2020

2020 will be the final year for two of our beloved OLD staff members who will be finishing up at Our Lady of Dolours; Mrs Bernadette Antico and Mrs Jane Bertinshaw.

After contributing an extraordinary 17 years of dedicated teaching service at OLD Mrs Bernadette Antico is leaving after working at nine schools over the span of an amazing 38 year career. She has given her heart, soul and love of teaching to OLD over this 17 year period. We sincerely wish Mrs Antico all the very best for her new adventures may you enjoy your days jogging over the Harbour Bridge, traveling the world (when you can) and spending time with your family. Below is a message to the school community from Bernie;

After 17 very rewarding and fulfilling years teaching the delightful students of Our Lady of Dolours, I have made the difficult decision to resign my current job position. I would like to sincerely thank the school community



for what has been a joyful time in my teaching career. To the extraordinary and very special staff, many of whom have become dear friends, I would like to especially thank you for sharing your wisdom and diverse talents over the years. My teaching has certainly benefited immensely from your time and kindness. To our lovely parent community, my heartfelt thanks to you for your continued support and appreciation; I have so enjoyed teaching your precious children. I am looking forward to spending more time with my family while I consider my future.

COMING EVENTS

DECEMBER

Wed 9 Dec – Swimming Carnival

> Mon 14 Dec – Surf Skills, Stage 3

Wed 16 Dec – Last day of Term 4 2020

JANUARY 2021

Wed 27 Jan – Staff Development Day

Thurs 28 Jan – MAI Assessments 1:1 (Kindergarten – Yr 6)

Fri 29 Jan – Students Yr 1 – 6 commence Term 1

Fri 29 Jan – Mon 1 Feb – Kindergarten Best Start 1:1

Tues 2 Feb – Kindergarten commences Term 1

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

old@dbb.catholic.edu.au



Bernadette Antico

Mrs Jane Bereinshaw has been a dedicated and compassionate staff member at OLD for over two decades with a myriad of different roles. Not only has Jane been a passionate classroom teacher but she has also been a knowledgeable Learning Support Teacher and ESL teacher. With a career spanning over 40 years, we wish Jane all the very best with her new adventure. We hope she enjoys her days walking along the beach, spending time with her husband and daughters and renovating her house. Below is a reflection on her career and a special letter to the school community from Jane:

Dear OLD Community,

I wish to thank you, the wonderful students, dedicated staff and caring parents of OLD as I say good bye at the end of the year and start my retirement from Our Lady of Dolours.

It has indeed been a great privilege to work here, in many different roles for over twenty years. Not too many teachers are lucky enough



to work with entire generations of families from Kindergarten through to Year 6.

I will truly miss the love of the students and the cheery 'hellos" and "Good Mornings" I receive when I'm on morning duty.

I would like to make special and enormous thanks for the love, support and dedication of Mrs Christine Cook who has been the most amazing LSA to me and this school.

I wish every student, teacher, staff and their families all the very best for a safe, healthy and thriving future.

Take care, God Bless

Warmest Regards

Jane Bertinshaw

Learning Support Teacher

We also farewell Mrs Jane Baker at the end of 2020, who has secured a permanent teaching position in the Sydney Diocese. Mrs Baker has been a dedicated and passionate Stage 3 teacher throughout 2020, teaching 5/6G with Mrs Lauren Montgomery. Jane has also worked with our EAL/D and Year 6 students throughout 2019. We wish Mrs Baker all the very best for her new adventures at her new school and congratulate her for securing this role.

At the conclusion of 2020 we also bid Miss Scott-Fell a fond farewell who will be travelling around Australia throughout 2021. This anticipated trip was delayed throughout 2020, so we thank Miss Scott-Fell for so effortlessly teaching the OLD students in a myriad of different roles and for introducing the Creative Arts into the weekly timetable. We wish Miss Scott-Fell all the very best for her travels and future endeavours.

All leaving staff will be farewelled by the school community on Tuesday 15th December at a special assembly that will be zoomed home (link sent closer to the day).

Farewell Fr John and Fr Jim: This weekend the Parish will be farewelling Fr John who will be moving the Freshwater/Manly Parish as Assistant Parish Priest. Fr John has been an Assistant Parish Priest for a number of years at our Lady of Dolours and we always love having him pop in and visit the staffroom or classrooms at the school. We thank Fr John for always sharing his singing talents, great stories and warm smile with everyone at OLD. We wish him all the very best for his transition to his new beach-side Parish.

We have also received the very sad news that Fr Jim will also be moving on from the Chatswood Parish at the end of 2020. Fr Jim has had such an immense and invaluable influence on the Parish, introducing many engaging initiatives that have ignited the faith of the Chatswood community. Fr Jim has also dedicated much of his time to the evangelisation and catechists of our students and teachers. He will be greatly missed by all and we wish him all the very best with his move to the Epping-Carlingford Parish.

Our Lady of Dolours will welcome Fr David Ranson as the new Parish Priest of the Chatswood Parish.

<u>Year 6 Graduation ceremony (Friday 4th December 5pm)</u>: Tonight we are celebrating the graduation of our current Year 6 students. We are limited to the number of people who can attend the liturgy in the Church, however, everyone in the school community is welcome to watch this special occasion via zoom with family and friends and be part of this special liturgy and ceremony (Commencing at 5pm): <u>https://dbbcatholic.zoom.us/j/94360804395</u>

Farwell and thank you gift for Mr Ledlin: Please don't forget to log on and add your message and photo to contribute to this special gift for Phil. We would like EVERY family to contribute (it takes less than 5 minutes): <u>https://app.grouptogether.com/Ledlin</u>

<u>Students' Semester Two Reports</u>: Student Reports will be available on Compass from 3pm on Friday 11th December. Parents are welcome to organise an interview, if required, with their teacher by emailing the school office.

Please don't forget if you are leaving OLD at the end of 2020, you need to download all reports off Compass as you will no longer have access to them when your child leaves the school.

<u>Orientation to new 2020 classes:</u> Students Years K-3 will have 'Orientation to new classes 2021' Monday 14th December for 30 minutes in the afternoon. In this session, students will meet their teacher and class members for 2021. Students in Year 4 & 5 will have their 'Orientation to new classes 2021' on Tuesday 15th December for 30 minutes in the afternoon.

<u>Social Media reminder</u>: As we draw closer to the school holidays it is important to remind everyone about the regulations around social media use in Australia. Below is a link to a fantastic government website that is important for all parents to read about social media, the internet and smart-phones. <u>https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents/skills-advice</u>

Last school day of 2020: The last school day for 2020 is Wednesday 16th December. At 10am on the last day (16/12) we will have a whole school liturgy in the church that all families and friends are warmly invited to watch via zoom (link sent home closer to the day). After this liturgy, students are welcome to depart early. Parents must pick their children up via the front office so these partial absences can be recorded in Compass.

No student is permitted to go home with 'another' parent/carer unless written permission is provided via email to the school office. Supervision will be provided, as usual on Wednesday 16th December.

MAI Assessments 2021

Information about booking the MAI assessment will be communicated in Week 10.

Student Leadership Teams 2021

We wish to congratulate all our current Year 5 students who have been chosen to represent the school as leaders in their 2021 Leadership Teams. Next year is sure to be one full of innovation and initiatives that these future leaders envision. The new 2021 student leaders will be introduced during our end of year liturgy on Wednesday 16th December (parents can view via zom) and commissioned at the beginning school mass in 2021.

ICLT Team

Mark Balzer Samuel Nicholls Lexine Ang

Creative Arts Team Tatiana Grilo Serena Couto Alarcon Vana Midis Tessa Ang Lauren Keenlyside

School Captains

Erica Gregory Hannah Tsui

Environment Team

Rosebelle Sunjaya Jasmine Crichton Nicholas Lao Elise Fung

Literacy Team

Stephania Arana Sophia Stipo **Sport Captains** Nazareth - Airley Element and Troy Ghazarian Galilee - Mikayla Hiser and Cordelia Mensforth Cana - Hannah Williams and Ava Liu Bethlehem - Jun Soo Hwang and Liam Delarmente

Mercy Action Team Chloe Finch Annabel Smeulders Kaila Montealegre Alexandria Susanto

Message from Mrs Carmel Healey (Acting AP)

It cannot be emphasised too strongly that all clothing, lunch containers and drink bottles should be clearly labelled with the student's full name. All items of personal property which are CLEARLY labelled are easily identified & returned to the children.

If ALL personal property (clothing, lunch containers, hats, bags, etc) is labelled then there will be NO LOST PROPERTY. Personal property without a label is kept of several weeks & either disposed of (particularly in the case of drink bottles & food containers) or transferred to the clothing shop for resale.

Parents, please assist your child to look after their belongings by clearly labelling their property.

Please ensure your child does not bring any valuable items to school.

Library working bee: Miss Scott-Fell would like to hold a working bee in the library on *Wednesday 9th December; 1.30pm-3pm*. If you are able to assist by returning books and preparing the library for 2021, please email Miss Scott-Fell via the school email address. She would also like to invite all the parents who have assisted in the library this year to come along for a special afternoon tea in the Innovation Station at 1.30pm (please remember to wear your masks). Thank you!

REC – Miss Camilla Brown

End of Year Celebrations

We invite families to join us for our End of Year Celebrations in Week 10 via zoom. Please use this zoom link for **all** end of year events listed below.

ZOOM LINK: https://dbbcatholic.zoom.us/j/92950335152

Tuesday 15th

- Final Year 6 morning assembly (8.45am): Year 6 will come to the front of the school for a final farewell & lead our school in prayer.
- **Teacher Farewells (10:30am-11am)**. We will farewell the members of staff and the parish who are leaving OLD.

Wednesday 16th

• End of Year Liturgy (10am-11am). At the liturgy we will celebrate the year of 2020, our 2020 Year 6 leaders and handover to our 2021 Year 6 leaders. We will also share an end of year photo presentation at this liturgy.

Advent:

In this season of Advent, we remember to focus on the true meaning of Christmas - indeed, we are preparing for Christ's Mass! As we wait in joyful hope for the coming of Jesus, we take this time to be grateful for the blessings we have and remember to act in the way that Jesus taught us. We welcome any families who would like to share a photo of their prayer space or Advent wreath at home to celebrate the joyful season of Advent. Please send the photos via the school office to Camilla Brown.

Jesuit Refugee Service:

Thank you so much for the wonderful support for the Jesuit Refugee Service collection! We have received an overwhelming response from many families - thank you, thank you, THANK YOU! We welcome donations up until Wednesday next week, 9 December. All donations will be packed and picked up next Thursday, 10 Dec. So far we have received lots of rice, oil & milk. Other items we are in need for include:

- Food: Tinned tuna, beans, chickpeas, muesli bars
- Toiletries: Nappies, toothbrushes, shampoo, deodorant (male & female)

Christmas Pilgrimage

It brings me great joy to be able to share with you the Broken Bay Diocese "Advent/Christmas Pilgrimage". In Stop One & Two you will watch the Annunciation & the Visitation. There will be 9 more videos released over the next week leading up to Christmas.

Make sure you watched Video 2 to see Thomas (Yr 2) & Annabel and Hannah (Yr 5) from OLD!

The videos include many visuals of The Gospel, liturgical dances, a timelapse of an extraordinary Artwork of Mary being created to a lovely Christmas Carol, Prayer "CALL" and a response to the gospel, as well as videos of children talking about what they love about Christmas.

Please click on the following links to view: Vimeo Link:<u>https://vimeo.com/user123359418/review/485724603/bdf54d916b</u> Google Drive link:<u>https://drive.google.com/.../1h4cORfPsY2ztDm51...</u>

Jesuit Refugee Service

We invite all families to contribute to our JRS Christmas collection. Please choose from the items below and send in with your child. We will bag/box up all the items in Week 9 and send off to the Jesuit Refugee Service.





Book your school tour & enrolment interview today!



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CLASSROOM REQUIREMENTS 2021

As per COMPASS communications sent today classroom requirements for 2021 can now be viewed and purchased through COS.

Visit www.cos.net.au

Click on "School Packs" in the menu task bar

Enter Username: ourladyofdolours@cos.net.au and Password: Parents-21

Select Year level for 2021

If you have any issues with the ordering process please contact COS directly on 1300 792 785 or parentportal@cos.net.au



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.



Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Primary School 94a Archer Street, Chatswood NSW 2067 Phone: (02) 9419 2645 Fax: (02) 9413 1998 Email: <u>old@dbb.catholic.edu.au</u> <u>Website: www.olddbb.catholic.edu.au</u>

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:					
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PRINCIPAL:		_ CLASS TEACH	ER:					

CAMP AUSTRALIA



Find out everything you need to know about OSHC

Camp Australia is bringing to all new families our virtual information sessions - with all the great details about how Outside School Hours Care can help your family.

We've organised information sessions that are based locally in New South Wales to ensure you get the most relevant information for your family. These sessions will be run by local leaders in the OSHC community.







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Your sessions are:

Session 1: 25/11/2020 • 7:30pm (AEDT)

Session 2: 2/12/2020 • 12:30pm (AEDT)

If you would like more information regarding Camp Australia's services but cannot attend any of the above sessions, please feel free to visit your service and speak with your friendly Coordinator. Alternatively, you can send us an email at oshc@campaustralia.com.au and one of our friendly Customer Care representatives can answer your questions.





Summer in Holiday Club



Give your child an EPIC Summer with Holiday Club.

Children across Australia have shown their bravery and resilience this year, and Holiday Club is making sure that they have the best school holidays with a jampacked Summer program. Come on an exciting off-site adventure, experience something new when we're visited by special guests or get into project-based fun – there's fun for everyone.

Plus, we've enhanced our safety and hygiene measures, so you can have peace of mind knowing your children can focus on having fun.

Check out some of the experiences that are happening this Summer, exclusive to Holiday Club:



Science is Magic

Get in the know when we learn all about magic, and the science behind it.

These cool experiments will teach you all the *tricks* of the trade.



Visionary Creations

As we head into 2021, let's set some goals and get our creative energy flowing when we make vision boards. Plus, we're making snap bands for you and your friends.



Cinema Animated

Learn all about strobing images and animation by making your very own zoetrope – a pre-film animation device that produces motion via illusion!

Book now. To find out when these activities are on during the school holidays and to find your nearest service, visit: <u>www.campaustralia.com.au/holidayclubs</u>.

We look forward to seeing you at Holiday Club.

The Camp Australia Team



COOMUNITY NEWS

Q	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 Penez	Amy Chan		Yoyo Yau			
2 November 2020	Ann Bacsi		Branka Possa	Nicole Woods	Ani Wibisono			
9 November 2020	Nerinda Welch	Sonya Purches		Sheryl Maymand	Alison Henderson			
16 November 2020	Nancy Lo	'Yisyo 'Yau	Portia Yu	Nicole Woods	Ani Wibisono			
23 November 2020	Nerinda Weich	Seda Gulesserian	Xi Yu	Yeyo Yau				
30 November 2020	Noelle Wilkin-Smith	Branka Possa	Ann Perez	Nerinda Weich	Katle Zhang			
7 December 2020	Nancy Lo		Arry Chan		Alison Henderson			
14 December 2020	Debby Lui	Selvia Wijaya	Sia Macree	Holidays	Holidays			
21 December 2020	Holidays	Holidays	Holidays	Holidays	Holidays			

Above is the 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 !



- High quality tree stands also on sale (\$35)
- Delivery available (within 5km radius)

When: Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th

Where: Chatswood Brake and Clutch, 113

Fullers Road, Chatswood West.

Pick out your own tree or pre-order your tree online at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XX7HKPL

or email chatswood.scouts@yahoo.com

Thank you for supporting your local Scout Group 😊









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Holiday Camps



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 <u>robotics or coding class</u>. Apply through ServiceNSW for your child's voucher).

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









Online Coding Camps | Scratch, Java, Python

CODE, CREATE AND HAVE FUN!

Build your own animation in **Scratch**, code 2D project in **Java** or create your own logic game in **Python**. Campers use a free online educational platform, so they can save and share their projects with their family and friends.

ONLINE Zoom video conferencing sessions

11 - 21 January 2021
One-day camps
From 9:00 am till 12:00 pm

REQUIREMENTS Laptop | Internet | Chrome

\$50 per student per camp Free with Creative Kids Voucher

ENROL NOW: WWW.CODE4FUN.COM.AU/CAMPS

If you have any questions email us at info@code4fun.com.au or call 0452 525 453. Check out our website at www.code4fun.com.au for more details about our school.



Community News

DOUBLE PARKING

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

U TURNS

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

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PARKING / STOPPING NEAR INTERSECTIONS

is lilegal 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.

PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS AND CHILDREN'S CROSSINGS

- Slow down as you approach pedes 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. POINTS
- 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.

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 sloeve.





These thes and dement points apply in school zones and are current time of printing September 2020. Offerent penalties apply in other tocalities.

NO PARKING SIGNS

You can only stop in a No Parking zone



PARKING

Road Rule Reminders

The fines and dement points in this brachure apply in school zo

TIME RESTRICTED PARKING

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Parking signs with specified time limits allow drivers to park their vehicle for a

maximum period of time, e.g. 5 minutes,

If times of operation are shown on the sign

the restriction applies only at those ti

1 hour etc

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.



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 stap.







DRIVEWAYS AND FOOTPATHS

- When exiting or entering a driveway a vehicle must give way to pedestrians on the lootpath.
- 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

FINE

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- Aiways supervise and hold a child's hand near/crossing. driveways.
- It is likegal to park in or across any driveway or to block a footpath at any time.





- It is llegal to make or receive a call on your mobile phone while you are driving unless your phone is secured In a fixed mounting or does not require you to touch or manipulate the phone in any way.
- It is likegal 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.
- and incurs higher lines and demerit points in school.





Lane Cove Council

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR YEAR 7, 2023

LIMITED AVAILABILITY FOR YEAR 7, 2022





