

# Our Lady of Dolours News

## *From the Principal*

### Welcome Back to Term 2

Welcome back to a new and exciting term. We are looking forward to learning with our students as we continue to open the school and welcome back a number of activities that were placed on hold due to COVID restrictions. Rest assured that the school has an active COVID Safety Plan in place and that we are reinforcing regular hygiene and safe practices. The school is still being disinfected daily by our specialist hygienist as well as the daily cleaning schedule each afternoon.

I hope everyone enjoyed the break and had an opportunity to celebrate Easter as a family. Holidays are a great opportunity to spend time with family and friends and to take a break. Easter is also a time for renewal and new life, where we are able to take time to develop our own spirituality in a way that is meaningful to us and as a community.

With all that is happening around the world at the moment, especially with what is emerging in India, we take the time to pray for those in need and offer devotions to Our Lady of Dolours to care for those who are suffering. There would be families in our school community that would have loved ones affected by the crisis and as a community we offer our prayers.

This term we have a number of major events most importantly with our Grade 3 and 5 students who will be participating in NAPLAN Online. We wish them well in their preparation and that they perform the best they can on the day. We also have a number of sporting events with our Cross Country Team participating in the Diocesan Carnival last week and our own Athletics Carnival later on in the term.

Stage 3 will be going on Camp after the heavy rain postponed this event from Term 1 and many other activities throughout the term.

We are also looking forward to our Parent Social Event on 4 June, please save the date with more details to come. I hope you can join us at our new assembly time on Friday mornings in the school hall.

Wishing you a wonderful start to the Term  
Marco Ianni  
Principal



## Upcoming events

### May

Thurs 6 May - Mothers' Day  
Stall

Fri 7 - Mothers' Day Breakfast  
7.45am

Fri 7 - Mothers' Day Liturgy  
8.45am

Tues 11 May - NAPLAN begins  
Wed 26 May - Athletics  
Carnival

### June

Thurs 3 - School photos  
Fri 4 - Parent Social Function

## Staff Development Days

Fri 25 June

Fri 17 September

Thurs 16 December

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[School calendar click here](#)

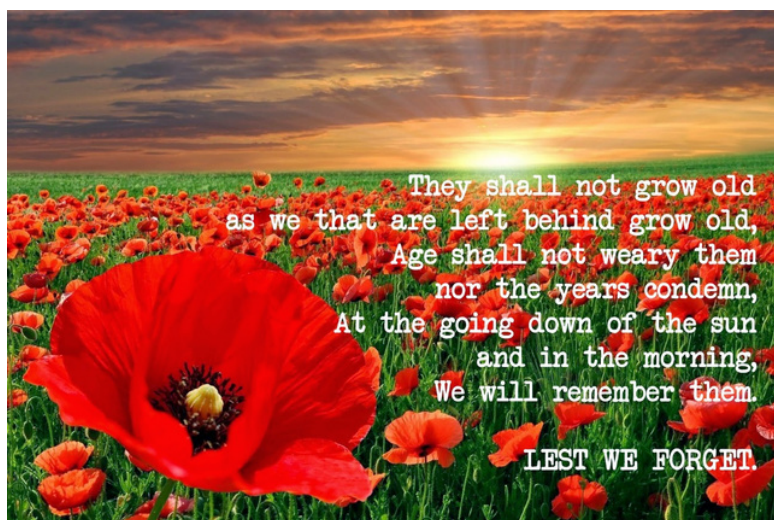


## ANZAC DAY LITURGY

Thank you to all our staff and students for preparing and participating in our moving ANZAC Day Liturgy on Monday.

We are very proud of the way our students engaged in the Liturgy and participated in classroom activities leading up to the day as we remember those who have gone before us.

LEST WE FORGET



### What's happening in Term 2

- School Assemblies  
Friday mornings in the hall  
all welcome
- New learning spaces are active for Music and Diverse Learning
- Stage 2 class coding lessons
  - Junior (stage 2) & Senior (stage 3) Band
- Keyboard and Piano lessons
  - Coding Club
  - Chess Club

### Save the Date

- 24 May 200 Yrs Catholic Education Mass
- 26 May Athletics Carnival
- 27 May @ 6.30pm Parent Engagement Meeting
- 3 June School Photos
- 4 June Whole School Parent Function
- Wed 9 - Fri 11 June Stage 3 Camp to Milson island
- 18 June band Workshop Day



Pray the Holy Rosary

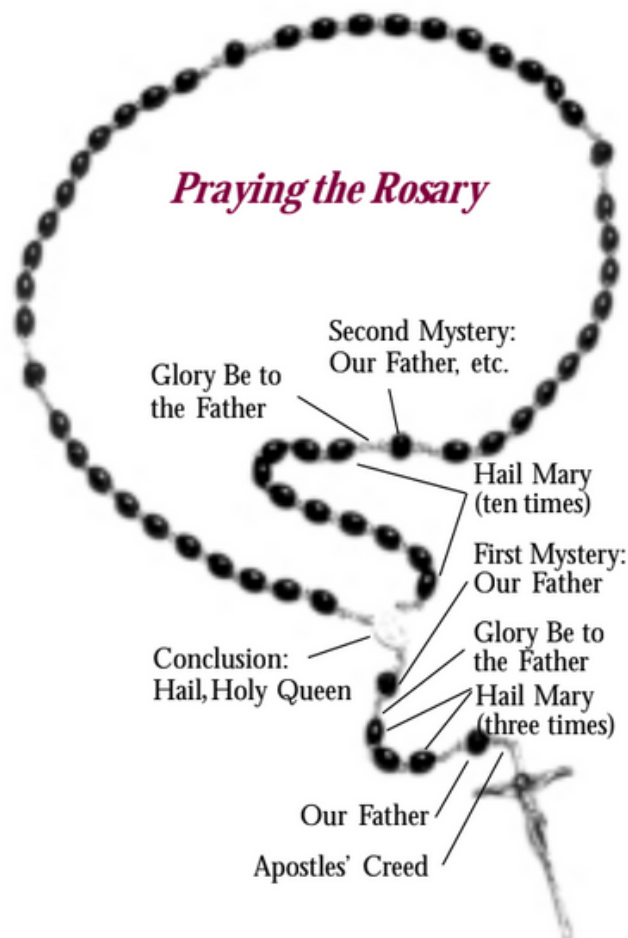
"I want to encourage everyone to rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary in the month of May."

Pope Francis

We are encouraging all families to pray the Rosary during this month of May. Our Lady of Dolours Parish and Primary School are named in honour of 'Mary' and the tradition of saying the Rosary is a way of uniting us in prayer as a community.

Students will be praying the Rosary at school and we hope you can use this devotion to bring your family closer spiritually and support the needs of those closest to you and around the world.

Click [here](#) for more on how to pray the rosary.



# Mothers' Day 2021

We warmly invite you to our Mother's Day Breakfast and Liturgy on Friday the 7th of May. Please see the invitation attached for more information.

As part of a school tradition, we would like to create a Mother's Day slideshow to share with our school community. We invite our families to send a photo of their child with their mother or mother figure. If you would like to include your photo in this presentation, please upload a photo onto this Google Slide [link](#).

Please choose a blank slide and click 'insert' - 'image' - 'upload from computer' and choose your photo. We kindly ask you to only upload ONE photo onto ONE slide.

Please note, this Google Slide [link](#) will be shared publicly with the parents & carers of OLD. We kindly ask you to NOT forward this link to anyone outside our school community. The slide will be active for parents to view & upload photos until **3pm on Thursday the 6th of May**. Please upload your photo before this time.

We look forward to celebrating our wonderful mothers with you and our school community!

Kind Regards,

Camilla Brown - Religious Education Coordinator



## MOTHERS' DAY FRIDAY 7 MAY

We would like to invite our Mothers, Grandmothers, and other significant women in our lives to join us as we celebrate and thank you for all you do for us.

Our Special Mothers' Day breakfast will commence at 7.30am under the COLA. This wonderful welcome will then be followed by our Mothers' Day Liturgy at 8.45am adjacent to the COLA.





# NAPLAN

Throughout Week 4 our students in both Year 3 and Year 5 will undertake the 'National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy' (NAPLAN). These assessments are used to identify trends and patterns within the school, as well as providing a tool for monitoring student growth. External, standardised assessments such as NAPLAN are a useful tool for measuring student achievement, however, please note this is just a snapshot of our student's learning on one particular day. Our teachers also have a deep knowledge of where each student is at through their day-to-day assessments and observations in class. We are very proud of our Year 3 and Year 5 students and wish them every success.

NAPLAN Assessment dates will be as follows:

Tuesday 11th of May: Writing

Wednesday 12th May: Reading & Conventions of Language

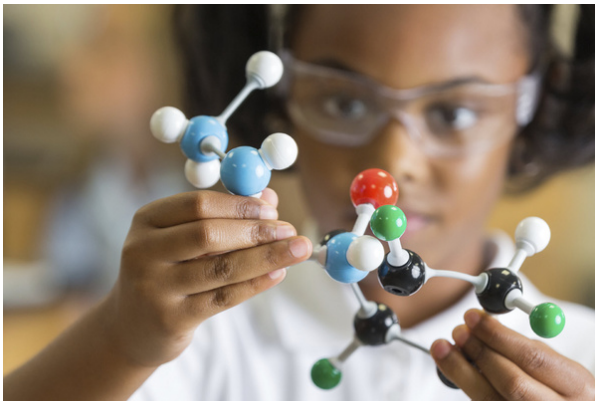
Thursday 13th May: Numeracy

All NAPLAN will be online for Year 5 and all NAPLAN will be online, except for writing, in Year 3.

We are unaware of the exact time NAPLAN results will be returned to us, but expect to receive it by late Term 3. Please ensure your child has a restful weekend before NAPLAN and has a good night's rest every evening.



# NAPLAN



## **Science Enrichment Program**

Yesterday some of our students from Years 4 - 6 participated in a Science Enrichment Program at Mercy College. These students met their Year 9 'mentor' and enthusiastically participated in science experiments and began working towards creating their own research projects to be shared with the OLD community later in the term.

We are immensely proud of our students and the way they respectfully participated in the day's learning.



## Enrolling now for 2022



Interviews for Kindergarten 2022 have now commenced and places are filling fast. For those of you with younger siblings at home ready for school next year remember to collect your enrolment pack from the front office or online from the school [website](#)

## Child and School Zone Safety

Click [here](#) for great tips from Willoughby Council on road safety around schools



## Winter Uniform

A reminder with the commencement of term 2 students will change over to their winter uniform. Please ensure all uniform items are labelled especially jackets and jumpers so if they are misplaced they can be returned to their owners.



## COVID-19 Update

It has been wonderful welcoming parents back into the school as COVID restrictions gradually ease.

Moving forward, with further restrictions easing, will see us able to have both entries to the school - via the front office and pedestrian gate from Kirk Street - open for morning drop off from the start of Term 2.

We do ask however, that as the situation is fluid, that you keep a close eye on COMPASS notifications for any changes that need to be made.

We appreciate your co-operation and understanding as we move through the continual changes and challenges that COVID sees us all facing.



OLD *Preloved*  **UNIFORM** POP-UP SHOP

OPEN - Friday 30 April  
2.45pm - 3.15pm in the Parish  
Carpark

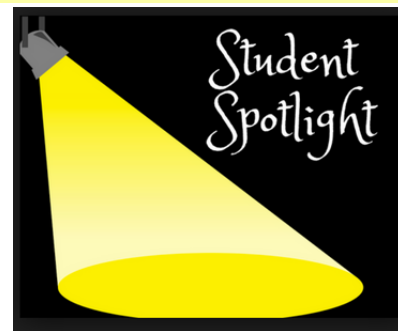
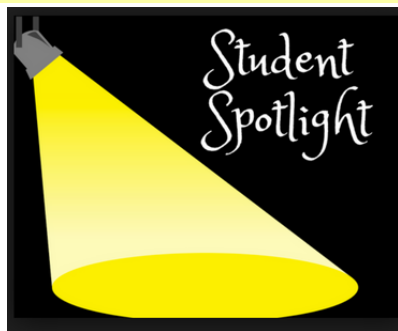
Cash only  
Items \$5 - \$20

## **Awards Week 1**

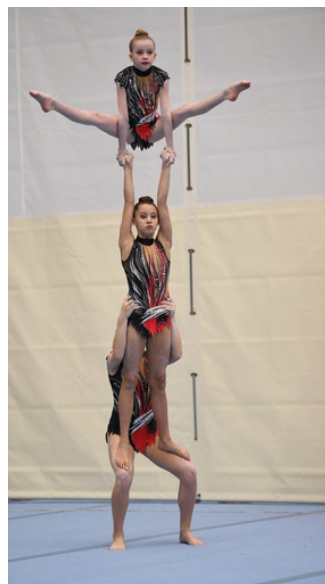


## **Awards Week 2**





Congratulations to Mikayla who has been selected in the Polding Soccer Team. She played some outstanding soccer against some very talented players and was chosen as the centre back for the team. She will now trial for the NSW team in June. Outstanding effort.



During the school holidays Cordelia competed in the Gymnastics NSW State Championships and won. She achieved 1st in Balance, 1st in Dynamic and 1st Overall, in the International 11-16 Women's Trio Division. Cordelia's trio was also selected as part of the NSW team to represent their state at the National competition in Queensland in May. Congratulations Cordelia and best of luck at Nationals.

## North Shore Representative Cross Country

Tuesday saw 42 children represent OLD at the North Shore Representative Cross Country Carnival at Rofe Park Hornsby. All children participated with a determined attitude to finish their lengthy races and the sportsmanship they displayed was admirable. A special congratulations to Emma, Anastasia, Ryan, Rosebelle and Liam who qualified for the next carnival. A highlight of the day was certainly Hannah's incredible act of kindness and support as she walked hand in hand helping a struggling runner from another school to finish her last 100 metres. Well done Hannah, your actions didn't go unnoticed by the staff and parents from the other school.



# HOW WE STARTED TERM 2



They shall grow not old,  
as we that are left grow old;  
Age shall not weary them,  
nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun  
and in the morning  
We will remember them.

Mr Ianni Celebrated his  
birthday  
We commemorated ANZAC  
Day  
Many students represented  
OLD in the Cluster Cross  
Country  
Science Enrichment Program  
began



# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Can you help in the Canteen?

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
19 April 2021	Xi Yu	Yuen Yuen Yip	Melissa Surjan	Cris Baranick	
26 April 2021	Kate Elips	Xi Yu	Melissa Chung	Abbie Adayen	Yuen Yuen Yip
3 May 2021	Sanya Purnhas		Eva Yan	Yuen Yau	
10 May 2021	Ann Bacci	Selva Wijaya	Branka Posca	Nicole Woods	Daniela Rubies
17 May 2021	Eva Yan	Sanya Purnhas	Rachel Urmann	Sheral Maynard	Cris Baranick
24 May 2021	Nancy Lo	Yuen Yau	Fory Guin	Nicole Woods	Ann Pared
31 May 2021	Amey Chan	Selva Gulesserian	Amey Chan	Yuen Yau	Nicole Wilson-Smith
7 June 2021	Xi Yu	Branka Posca	Eva Yan		Katie Zhang
14 June 2021	Nancy Lo	Xi Yu	Eva Yan	Rosalia Kaledjan	Alison Henderson
21 June 2021	Debby Loh		Sia Mawma	Ann Pared	Holidays
28 July 2021	Holidays	Holidays	Holidays	Holidays	Holidays

Above is 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 12.55pm till 1.40pm.  
 Please unpack boxes of stock (if any) and refill fridge/freezer, etc..  
 The kids thank you for your assistance!

## ☒ Mother's Day ☒

With less than 2 weeks to go till the Annual Mother's Day Stall opens, the very last of our products are arriving & we have some great gifts on offer for Mum's & Grandma's!!

Pre-payments will be via the QKR app.  
Only - NO CASH PAYMENTS

This year we have :

Mums Mystery Bag  
Beautiful Clutches  
Umbrellas  
Travel Mugs  
Gym Bottles  
Funky Socks  
Gorgeous cosmetic purses  
Hand creams  
Jewellery  
Keyrings

Pamper Packs and much more  
Pricing will start from \$5 to \$20

## Save the Date

Parent Social Function

4 June Further details to come

## Learn Music on Keyboard or Guitar at School (Enrolment for Term 2)



- Convenient at-school venue
- Small group, 45 min weekly lesson
- Competitive rate
- Instrument not required initially
- Fun introduction to music
- Keyboard K-y6, Guitar y2-y6



To enrol: [www.learnmusicatschool.com.au](http://www.learnmusicatschool.com.au)  
(02) 9411 3122

VIP Music acknowledges awareness & compliance with the health advice regarding COVID-19.



Great songs! Musical activities!  
Cool music knowledge!

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