

# Our Lady of Dolours News

## From the Principal

### Father's Day

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Father's Day liturgy today. I would like to take this opportunity to wish all the Fathers, Grandfathers, Step dads and other significant men in our students lives a very happy Father's Day for this coming Sunday. While this year the way we celebrate will be a little different to normal, I hope all families are able to connect with the special men in their families lives and to let them know that while they may not be able to be connected physically that they are loved and cherished as integral parts of our families, no matter the distance or challenges that may keep us apart.

### Home Based Learning Progress

It has been a busy couple of weeks with our students celebrating book week, participating in well being week activities, finding their creative flair in the creative arts challenge and immersing themselves in science week activities. Congratulations to students and staff alike for their dedication and enthusiasm.

Last week also saw the official launch of a top secret project Mr Ianni has been working on - OLD TV! Excitingly we are now able to broadcast OLD TV to our wider community enabling us to enhance our connections with students while they are at home and with students from the wider community that will join us in 2022 and beyond. If you have a budding TV presenter at home why not make a short recording with them and send it in to the office to potentially be included in future broadcasts.



Thank you, again, Parents and Carers for your support and dedication to your children as we continue to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic and HBL. We all, no doubt, were excited last week with the Premier's announcement that Face to Face learning is due to resume in the second half of term 4. Our teachers are especially excited about being able to be with their students again. We will be communicating in the coming weeks how the transition back to school will look for our community.

### Students Wellbeing

In supporting student wellbeing Gina Paleologo, our School Counsellor has provided the following links to support families. If you are concerned about your child's wellbeing please feel free to reach out to the school and we will see what supports are available.

Parent and carers toolkit

Helping children cope during COVID-19 pandemic - Emerging Minds  
What can I do to stay mentally healthy?

### COVID Fee relief

For those families requiring fee relief please refer to the CSBB website for information about fee relief for 2021 - we want our school community to be as strong as ever, and would never want to lose one of our precious families due to financial difficulties.

### Not returning in 2022?

If you already know that your child will not be returning to Our Lady of Dolours in 2022 can you please contact the school office for a leavers form so we can start planning classes and offering places to students on our waiting lists. Year 6 families will receive a leaving form closer to graduation

## Father's Day

TODAY WE HONOUR AND THINK OF  
THE SEASONED VETERAN DADS  
**THE NEW DADS**  
THE MEN WHO ARE WAITING TO BECOME DADS  
THE STEP DADS AND FOSTER DADS  
THE AMAZING SINGLE DADS  
THE DADS WHO HAVE LOST CHILDREN  
THE DADS WE HAVE LOST  
THE MEN WHO WILL ONE DAY BECOME DADS  
THE AMAZING WOMEN THAT PLAY BOTH MUM AND DAD

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## Upcoming events

### September

Thurs 16 September - Last day  
Term 3

Fri 17 September - Staff  
Development Day

### October

Tues 5 October - Term 4  
commences



## Staff Development Days

Fri 17 September

Thurs 16 December

Friday 17 December

**School calendar click [here](#)**



## Home Based Learning Highlights



Did you know Golden Mushrooms existed?  
What a spectacular find while walking in a local park.

## A word from Families

There has been a theme around nature in our HBL highlights this week.

Exploring nature on walks with our families, being inspired by nature to be creative and replicate what we see as we play and just being and enjoying the wonderful weather with our families.

With Spring now upon us we hope all our families will be able to enjoy the wonderful weather and the benefits nature holds.



## Positive stories from HBL

Do you have a positive moment from HBL you would like to share with the school community? If so please email Jane - [old@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:old@dbb.catholic.edu.au) - with an image, short video or quote to be included in the next newsletter publication.

Remember this time will pass and we can all only do our best to get through. We must actively look after ourselves to enable us to look after others so take care and be kind to yourself.

## ATTENDANCE

The NSW Government and CSNSW have reminded us that parents must keep children of all ages across Primary and Secondary schooling, home if they can. Our school will ensure that our students are supported to learn from home during this time and have adopted HBL as our primary form of teaching. If your child needs to attend our school we are open and will provide the supervision needed.



The Green - Is inspired by the traditional Bonsai Tree  
The Pink - Is inspired by the Japanese Cherry Blossom Tree.

Has nature inspired you this week?





# RECIPES

*Quick and easy meals, from our home to yours.*



Do you have a quick and easy family dinner recipe that you'd like to share with the O.L.D. community?

We're putting together a recipe "book" full of family-favourite recipes that can be easily prepared in between Zoom meetings, home learning, and everything else that life is throwing at Mums and Dads at the moment!

Please send your recipe (typed or handwritten) and photos if you wish, to:

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

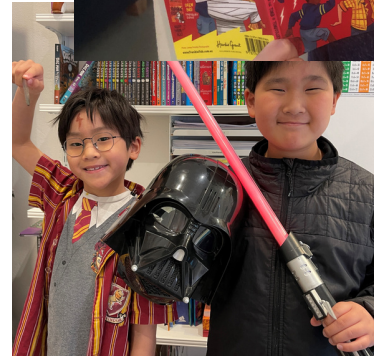
with RECIPE in the subject line,  
by Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> September.

I'm hoping to have something ready to publish by the end of the holidays.

*Mrs. Greenwood*



Click [here](#) to access  
"A Little Drop of Kindness"





# From the Parish

OUR LADY OF DOLOURS  
*Chatswood Catholic Parish*



Please find here the links to [Fr David's Father's Day Message](#), [Fr David's Sunday Homily](#), [The Parish Bulletin](#) and the [Sunday Extra](#).

I encourage you to take a moment to read Fr David's messages of hope and encouragement during lockdown. The Parish also has several online gatherings you are able to select to participate in during this time of lockdown, please click [here](#) to find out more.

Supporting the Parish Our Lady of Dolours now has the capacity to contribute to our parish planned giving program online. The link is [Online Giving - Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay \(bbccatholic.org.au\)](#) Through this link you can give to the First Collection, the Second Collection and the Pastoral Works Fund. Of course, we desperately do need your financial support. Our parish continues on so many different levels, but without congregations joining us every weekend, our income is severely depleted. So if you can assist us in the same way as if you did before the lockdown that would be so greatly appreciated. And now the easiest way to do this is to go online and use the link. With our deep gratitude -

From Fr David.



## Do you run a local small business?

We know this is a tough time for all at the moment and it is a particularly hard time to be running a small business. We would like to help the members of our school community by offering the option of free advertising in a Community Connect e-newsletter we will be putting together. If you would like to take advantage of this please email your advertisement to [old@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:old@dbb.catholic.edu.au) - attention Jane

**CatholicCare**  
Diocese of Broken Bay

### EMERGENCY RELIEF SUPPORTS

Times are tough. You might have lost work due to the lockdown, or you might be finding it hard to put food on the table, or pay the bills. CatholicCare can help with Coles or Woolworths vouchers. Call 1800 324 924 or email [info@catholiccaredbb.org.au](mailto:info@catholiccaredbb.org.au) for more information. CatholicCare are here to help school families.



### HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT THE FAMILY CONNECT & SUPPORT SERVICE?



### FAMILY CONNECT & SUPPORT

Family Connect & Support is a free service which helps children, young people and families with parenting challenges, family breakdown, mental health, financial stress, substance use, domestic and family violence supports and more. This is a joint initiative of Barnardos and CatholicCare. Call 1800 066 757 or visit <https://www.barnardos.org.au/our-centres/family-connect-and-support/> for more information.



## Book Club Update

HOME DELIVERY NOW AVAILABLE FOR ANY NEW ORDERS.

In response to the extended lockdown Scholastic have added the temporary option for you to be provided with either school or home delivery for any new book club orders you place. This home delivery option will be available online to parents. Please note the home delivery option will be at a cost of \$7.50.

For any questions, please reach out to Mrs McKittrick via the school office at [old@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:old@dbb.catholic.edu.au)

Click [here](#) for catalogue

