



## **Our Lady of Dolours Stage 2 Student Reflections & Prayers**

"Mary is the mother of Jesus. Mary helps guide us to being a better person. Mary helps us to be aware of other people and how they are feeling. Mary guides us to be more compassionate, kind and show love to others." - Alexander

"Dear Mary, Thank you for your miracle Jesus, thank you for bringing help to the world. I have learnt you are kind. Thank you for the miracles you have done. It is nice to stick up for people who need our help and to visit people" - Micaela

"Sorrow means: distress caused by loss, affliction, disappointment, etc.; grief, sadness, or regret. Mary helps us in our lives today by giving us the courage to be closer to God and Jesus. This also includes : to make the right choices and be kind to one another." - Michael

"Dear Mary, Thank you for your miracle Jesus, thank you for bringing help to the world. Thank you for teaching me to love and listen to the Lord. Please help me live with patience and love. AMEN"- Thomas

"I learned that names signify everything that represents someone's orientation in life. This is why people change their name when they follow God. Our Lady of Dolours means Our Lady of Sorrows. I think "sorrow" means intense sadness and grief. Together we Pray- Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death" Amen" - Freya

"Our school is named after Dolours which means sorrows. In the Old Testament, names meant the person's orientation in life. Being named a certain way, brings a certain vocation.As an Our Lady of Dolours school, we are called to follow Mary" - Ethan

"Dear Mary, mother of God. You suffered but still stayed strong, you went through 7 sorrows but still stayed strong. You show us the right thing to do in our hearts and show us to be a better person. Amen" - Nicholas

"Dear Mary, please help us to be the best person we can be. Help us throughout our lives and help those who are in need. Heal us from the pain we suffer on the inside. Heal other poor people to find their way back to God and Jesus. We hope that you can really help us. And we know that you will take care of us." - Alfred

"Dear Mary, Please help lead us through these trying times that we face during this pandemic. We ask that you help those in need and show us the way to be more successful in our Christian lives, so that we can help spread God's word across the world." - Massimo

"Dear Mary, Please help us to be better people and kinder to one another. Please guide us through the hard and painful times, and forgive us when we sin. Help us to have hope and faith even when it seems like there is only despair. Please bless our hearts and help us to become more like you. Amen" - Pippa

# Socktober - Catholic Mission Month

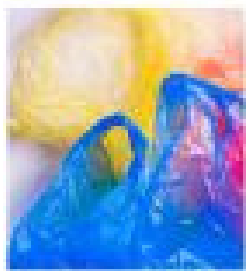


This October Our Lady of Dolours will be engaging in The Catholic Mission event 'Socktober', a mission-based learning program designed to help students to learn about our call to mission and social justice around the world. Watch this [video](#) to learn more about Socktober.

Throughout Socktober, students will be invited to learn more about supporting vulnerable children in Thailand (click [here](#) to learn more). Students will also be invited to participate in our OLD Socktober Challenge where students design & make a 'sockball' and use their ball for a range of sporting activities e.g. soccer shootouts, knee ups, shooting a basketball hoop and so on!

We invite you to register your child/ren for Socktober. Please click [here](#) to register your child (please note, registering does not require you to make any payment). Then, simply share the page and encourage family and friends to get behind your child/ren's Socktober journey. All fundraising will go towards supporting the basic needs of vulnerable children in Thailand, including access to food, clean water, healthcare, and education. Setting up your child's page takes only a few minutes. We are acutely aware of the challenging times we are facing. Your participation in Socktober is completely voluntary - there is no obligation, just invitation!

## What Materials Do You Need?



Recycled Plastic Bags



Old socks or other fabric



String or Twine

Over the holidays you are invited to start collecting old clothes, rags, materials and recycled plastic. This will allow the children to make a 'sockball' for a home-based project next term. Check out this [video](#) for how it will look! Thank you for your support and for helping your child 'sock it to poverty!'

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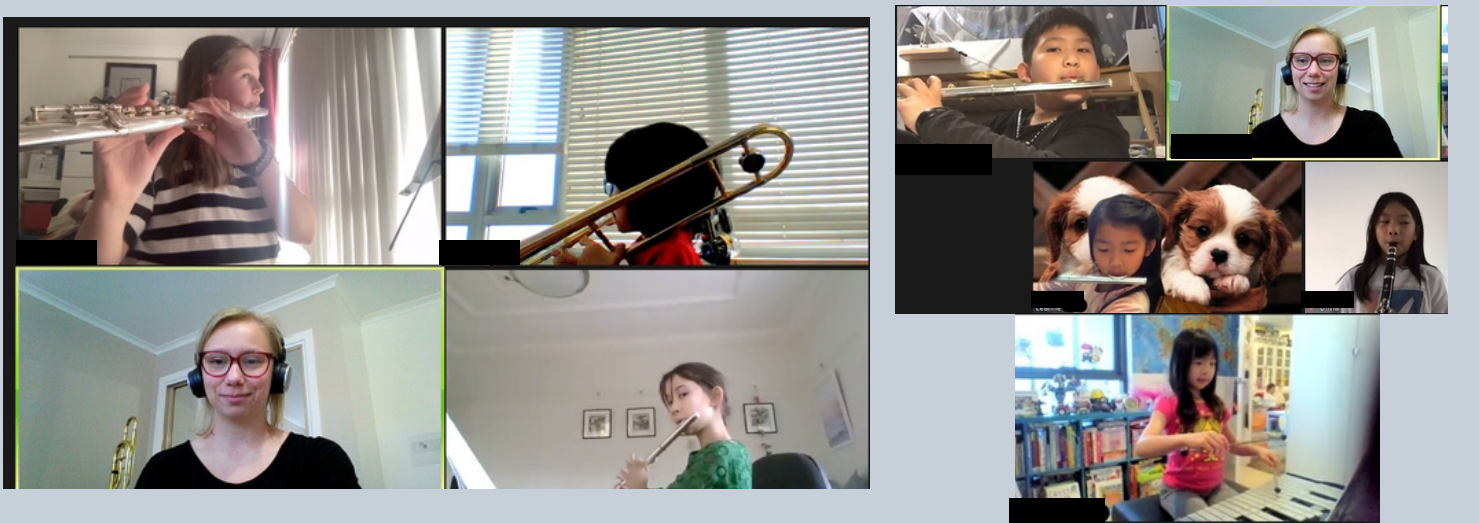
Yours sincerely,

Camilla Brown - Religious Education Coordinator



## Home Based Learning Highlights

This week we get to see the Band in action! What a great example of how Zoom can bring us together to still enjoy the things we love.



## OLD Video Hits Disco

It was wonderful to see all of our OLD students enjoying the OLD Video Hits Disco this week. A big THANK YOU to Mrs Cook and Mrs Sargent for organising.



## 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.

## Sing and Story Time

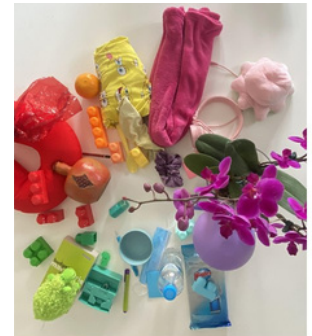
Thank you to Miss Smith who has been running Sing and Story time during HBL.





## From Year 4

Year 4 have been very busy making their own colour wheels using items they were able to find around the house. Some of their amazing end results can be seen below.



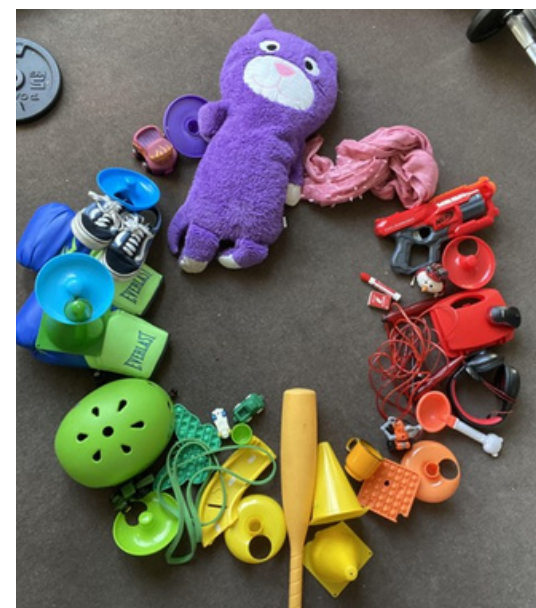
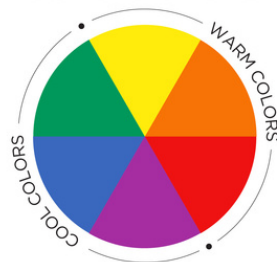
### Make your own **COLOUR WHEEL!**

Your task today is to make your own colour wheel (see example picture!)

You need to go on a treasure hunt around your house, or even around the garden, to find objects of each colour.

See if you can arrange them to make a rainbow colour wheel. Be as creative as you can!

### COLOR WHEEL





# 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 \(bbcatholic.org.au\)](#) 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.



## [EXPLORING THE FAITH 2021-2022](#)

Have you ever thought: Why is the Old Testament so important to our Faith? What really is the Good News? How can we be so confident in the Resurrection? Why do we need prayer? What takes place when we receive the Sacraments? How do we fit in the universal Church?

Exploring the Faith is a 30 week course that explores these questions and more, starting Wednesday 22 Sept 2021 (7.15pm–9.00pm) through to 1 June 2022. There are no prerequisites or obligations to joining. The course will initially start online and shift to in person at Our Lady of Dolours Parish once restrictions are lifted and it is safe to do so.

For further information please find the course outline on the O.L.D. parish [website](#) or to register, please contact Anthony (email) [exploringthefaith@gmail.com](mailto:exploringthefaith@gmail.com) or (m) 0414364522



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## **Chess classes @ Our Lady of Dolours Primary School (Chatswood) - Term 4, 2021**

Due to the current COVID lockdown, we will be conducting our chess class online. When restrictions are lifted and children return to school, we intend to return for face to face coaching as soon as we are given the green light by the school.

Our online chess classes will be held before and after school Monday – Friday from 8:00am–9:00am, 3:15pm–4:15pm, 4:30pm–5:30pm and 5:00pm–6:00pm. Your child can attend as many of these online classes as he/she wishes until we return to face to face lessons. See the link on this page for more details:  
<https://sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/online-classes-2021>

To register your child in the class, go to <https://sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/payment> and enter the following code:  
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