Our Lady of Dolours News

From the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have had a wonderful week. It is s delight coming in each day seeing the students so settled in their learning. Please enjoy the newsletter.

Remembrance Day Liturgy

Thank you to our Mercy Action Team for leading our Remembrance Day Liturgy. Our students displayed reverence and respect for this significant event and learned a little more about the significance of Remembrance Day.

Thank you to Mrs Maguire and Mrs Clouston who represented our school at the Chatswood Remembrance Day Service and laid a wreath on behalf of Our Lady of Dolours.

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





<u>School Banking Program Update</u>

Earlier this month we received notification from the Commonwealth Bank that after 90 years, the School Banking Program (Dollarmites) will be ceasing operation. This follows a review by the corporate regulator and decisions made by state and territory governments.

We have decided that as restrictions end, we will not be continuing with accepting deposits through the school; however, parents can continue to make deposits online or through branches.

A number of students may have Dollarmite reward tokens – these can still be used to receive rewards but rewards must be ordered no later than Friday, 19 November 2021. If you are unsure of how many tokens your children have or would like to place an order, please reach out to Philip Munro (drphilip.munro@gmail.com) with your child's name and class. A rewards item slip is available from the Commonwealth Bank website. In addition, all students who made at least one deposit through the school this year will receive a 'bonus' reward.

Gentle Reminders

A gentle reminder if your child will be leaving OLD at the end of 2021 please ensure you have let the office know and you have completed a leavers form. For students not returning in 2022 please remember to download all school reports from COMPASS prior to 15 December.

If you could please also complete the "Tell them from me survey" - the link is available in COMPASS.



Upcoming events

November

Wed 17 - Kindergarten 2022
Orientation Morning
Mon 22 - Parent Group Meeting
via Zoom 6pm

December

Fri 3 - Year 6 Graduation Liturgy
and Function.
5pm Liturgy
6pm - 9pm Function - more
details to come
Wed 15 Dec - last day term 4

Staff Development Days

Thurs 16 December Friday 17 December

School calendar click <u>here</u>



From the classroom

It's been a delight to see how quickly and seemlessly our students have settled back into their learning routines.

3B have been working hard exploring number patterns in Maths.











As COVID restrictions ease and we all start to find the groove of our new normal it was wonderful to hear some of our students are able to get back in and enjoy some weekend sport.

Four of our OLD students have been participating in the mixed U11 3x3 basketball competition at Willoughby.

We look forward to hearing how they are progressing in their competition



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Activities coming up

- Develop a comic
- Write a drama
- Practise for your talent week

A Message from the Coordinator

Hello Parents.

We had some wonderful conversations on the importance of recycling this week. Next week, the theme will be creative writing.

We will be celebrating 'Your Talent Week' from 22nd to 26th Nov 2021' and planning to finish it with a talent show. We would be grateful if you can join us on 26th Nov 2021 around 4.45 pm to encourage children to showcase their talents. Thank you.

What's on the menu

- Fresh fruits
- Fresh vegetables
 - Rice noodles

Visit our blog

New articles are added every week for parents and cover various topics to help families

Visit our blog



BOOKINGS NOW OPEN FOR MISSION IV

www.campaustralia.com.au/rocketeers



It's free to register

To attend our program you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campaustralia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.

From the Parish

OUR LADY OF DOLOURS

Chatswood Catholic Parish



Please find here the links to 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 <u>here</u> to find out more.

<u>Supporting the Parish</u> 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



X-MAS PHOTO BOOTH, COOKIE JARS, MINCE PIES, CHRISTMAS CAKES, SHORTBREAD, BROWNIES,

GINGERBREAD, JELLIES, HAMPERS,

CUPCAKES & more!

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO MAUBARA ORPHANAGE (TIMOR LESTE) AND BOURKE & BREWARRINA PARISHES

Drop offs: 10 Dec 8:30am-3:30pm OLD Primary School

11 Dec 2pm-5:30pm St Paul's meeting room 12 Dec - anytime before 9am Mass

Please label all goods with ingredients
No drop offs of perishables on Friday please

Contact Noelle 0401331326 with any questions or if you would like to volunteer for this event.





Year 6 Graduation Liturgy
Friday December 3
5pm - followed by a
Graduation celebration at
school.

Godly Play Kits - Helpers Needed!

Our school Religious Education Curriculum has some new and exciting changes coming in 2022! As part of the Early Learning Curriculum, we are looking for helpers to assist us with painting our Religious play materials.

If you are interested in assisting us with painting some figurines (see the pictures below) please contact Miss Camilla Brown via the office at old@dbb.catholic.edu.au









Catholic Mission Month & Socktober

This Catholic Mission Month. Pope Francis calls us to 'Rise up from the couch – with your boots laced - and turn your hands into signs of love...'

We extend a warm invitation to register your child/ren for <u>Socktober</u> online <u>here</u>. Please register under the school (not class). All proceeds will go towards supporting the basic needs of vulnerable children in Thailand.

How our fundraising can help.....



\$35

Can help towards the cost of school supplies for one child for one year



\$100

Can help towards the meals and snacks for one child at the kindergarten for a year.



\$300

Can help purchase milk for all the children at the kindergarten for two weeks



\$4500

Could purchase one school uniform for all 59 girls at the kindergarten for one year.

At home challenge.....

Try making a Sockball at home using recycled materials!
Try out Mrs Sargent's <u>'Sockball Sporting Challenge'</u> and send some photos of you in action!





Thank you for helping us this Socktober!



