

# Our Lady of Dolours News

## *From the Principal*

As first term draws rapidly to a close we will again be preparing for a well-earned break for all staff, students and parents. We have accomplished so much in Term 1 and it has been a very positive start to the year.

Our new Kindergarten classes have settled in well, new staff have been welcomed, programs are up and running and the school is busy providing learning for all students. With COVID-19 restrictions easing even further, we look forward to more opportunities to come together and continue to welcome parents onto the site.

I am sure everyone is looking forward to the holidays and I wish all in our OLD community a safe, relaxing break. I will look forward to seeing all our bright, happy children back at school on Tuesday 26th April.

### **An Easter Message**

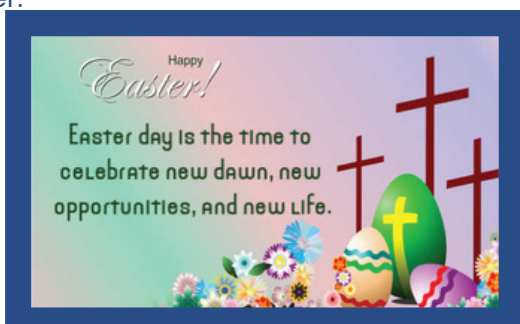
When you ask most children what Easter is about what do you think their answer would be?

A lot of them would probably say Easter bunnies, eggs, chocolate, getting their Easter baskets etc. It is hoped that many of our children at OLD would say that Easter is about Jesus and His death and Resurrection. After all, this is the true meaning of Easter.

Easter is the most important date in the Christian Calendar. The mystery of the Resurrection is not easy for us to get our minds around, let alone try to explain to young children the amazing gift of new life that Jesus has given us.

From Easter Sunday, leading to Pentecost Sunday, we will journey with the apostles and they come to understand that Jesus continues to be with us in a new way. The Easter Season follows on from the Easter Vigil and continues for fifty days until Pentecost. It is a time of rejoicing in Christ's resurrection and Ascension and a time of great hope.

The OLD teachers and staff wish you a happy and holy Easter.



## Upcoming events

### April

Mon 4- School Photos

Tues 5 - 8.45am Palm Sunday Liturgy

Fri 8 - 10am Holy Week Liturgy in the Parish Church

Fri 8 - Last Day Term 1

Tues 26 April - Term 2 Commences

### May

Fri 6 May - Mothers Day Mass

Fri 13 May - Save the Date. Parent Wine and Cheese Night

Tues 24 May - Athletics Carnival

### Dates of note

Fri 15 April - Good Friday

Sun 17 April - Easter Sunday

Mon 25 April - Anzac Day

School calendar click [here](#)



## Kindy Blessing Mass

Thank you to all our families who joined us for our Kindy Blessing Mass! Fr David read a beautiful story called 'the Giving Tree' to help the children learn more about loving one another like Jesus taught us. After Mass we celebrated a lovely morning tea on the school playground. Thank you to the parish and our Kindergarten Teachers for their support and organisation!



## Sacrament of Reconciliation



### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Congratulations to Luke, Micah, Floyd, Emma, Simon, Mathew, Freya, Emily, Curtis, Pieux, Margaret, Kye, Aarjun, Thomas, Leanne, Nicholas, Brigitta, Brianna, Conor, Amaya, Alexander, Brodie, Michael, Sophia, Deanne, Grace, Francis, Isabella, Ethan T and Ethan R for receiving their first Sacrament of Reconciliation. This Sacrament celebrates the forgiving and loving presence of God.

If you would like to know more about our Parish Sacramental Programs, please contact Angela at [angela.hague@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:angela.hague@bbcatholic.org.au)



Next week, OLD will commemorate the significant events of Holy Week. Holy Week is the week between Palm Sunday and Easter. It is a special time devoted to the Passion of Jesus. Holy Week leads up to the celebration of Jesus' Resurrection on Easter Sunday (celebrated during our school holidays). The Resurrection reminds us of God's unconditional love and gives us a great source of hope for our future with God!

Pope Francis reminds us "Let us start over from amazement. Let us gaze upon Jesus on the cross and say to him: "Lord, how much you love me! How precious I am to you!" Let us be amazed by Jesus so that we can start living again, for the grandeur of life lies not in possessions and promotions, but in realising that we are loved."



Kindergarten will begin our Holy Week Liturgies with Palm Sunday on Tuesday morning. During this Liturgy we remember that Jesus

entered Jerusalem on a donkey, with crowds of people welcoming him with palms. They proclaimed 'Hosanna!' which means 'The Lord saves us!'

**When:** Tuesday 5th of April

**Time:** 8:45-9:00

**Where:** Outside assembly (or in the hall if wet weather)  
The wearing of masks is encouraged.

On Friday the whole school will congregate for a reflective Holy Week Liturgy. This will include small groups acting out The Washing of the Feet (Year 1), The Last Supper (Year 2), The Garden of Gethsemane (Year 3), The Arrest of Jesus (Year 4) and The Stations of the Cross (Year 5/6).

**When:** Friday 8th of April

**Time:** 10am-11am

**Where:** Our Lady of Dolours Church

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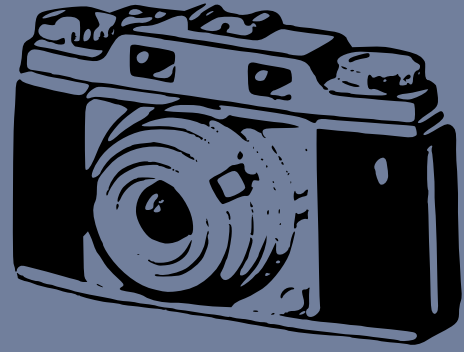
This coming Easter, we wish you a happy and Holy Easter in which you feel the beauty and grace of God's love.





Interviews for Kindergarten 2023 have now commenced.

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](#)



Just a reminder school photos will be next Monday 4 April. We ask for all students to be at school by 8.45am, 8.15am if they are having sibling photos taken



### Season of Lent & Project Compassion

What are you grateful for today?... this week? ..... this past year?. Gratitude allows us to reflect on how God is revealed to us in our family, school life, friends, parish. It also calls us to reflect on how we can act so we may be drawn closer to God.

Please send in your Project Compassion by Monday Week 11 (April 4) to allow the office time to collect and count our donations. Remember to fill in the details on the box if you would like to receive a receipt. If you did not receive a box, you can send in your donations in a labelled envelope. We thank you for your generosity!



### OUR LADY OF DOLOURS Chatswood Catholic Parish

### ***Our Lady of Dolours Parish News:***

We invite you to read the Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Church [Parish Bulletin](#) and [Sunday Extra](#) These readings provide scripture reflections, prayers, information about upcoming events, Sacramental programs and ways to engage in social justice initiatives!





# Congratulations to our Award Recipients



Week 10







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Diocese of Broken Bay

## PARENTING PROGRAMS

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**Fridays**

29 April - 3 June 2022  
11.00am - 12.30pm



via Zoom

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A 5 week course to discover emotionally intelligent parenting. Learn how to communicate more effectively with your teenager, understand them better and how to help them manage their emotions

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**Wednesdays**

27 April - 25 May 2022  
10.00am - 12.00pm

**Artarmon Family Centre**

Suite 404 Level 4  
44 Hampden Road

### TUNING INTO KIDS

\$20

A 5 week program for parents of primary school children on how to develop your child's emotional intelligence.

Register here:

<https://form.jotform.com/220520892488865>

**Wednesdays**

4 May - 1 June 2022  
10.00am - 12.00pm



via Zoom

## CONTACT US:

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# Community Corner

**12 WEEK COMPETITIONS**

**KIDS & YOUTH FUTSAL**

COMPETITIVE & SOCIAL COMPETITIONS IN A FUN ENVIRONMENT

**COMPETITIONS**

APRIL: Ages 7 - 10  
 • Wednesday 5:00PM - 7:00PM

SEPTEMBER: Ages 4 - 14  
 • Saturday 9:00AM - 11:00AM  
 • Wednesday 5:00PM - 7:00PM

**WHERE**

THE WILLIS RECREATION AND SPORTS CENTRE  
 325A Eastern Valley Way  
 Middle Cove

**REGISTER A TEAM OR JOIN A TEAM**  
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**KIDS & YOUTH FUTSAL HOLIDAY CAMPS**

0420 392 992 | @5v5AU | michael@5v5.com.au

**Join the fun!**  
 (Boys and girls, ages 4-14)  
 Camp-goers will be grouped by age and ability to allow every child to maximise their development by playing and socialising with their peers for the duration of the holiday camp.

**When?**  
 Camp 1: April 12 - 14  
 Camp 2: April 19 - 21

**What to bring?**  
 Camp-goers must bring lunch and snacks. All other equipment will be provided by us. Snacks are available to purchase from the kiosk.

**SIGN UP TODAY**  
 Spaces are filling fast! Get in quick. Have fun, learn and make friends.

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 • Half Day: \$120 ~~\$150~~  
 • Full Day: \$176 ~~\$220~~

Half Day 9:00AM - 12:30PM  
 Full Day 9:00AM - 3:00PM

**Schedule**

Time	Activity	Half Day	Full Day
9:00AM	SESSION 1: SKILLS AND DRILLS	✓	✓
10:30AM	RECESS BREAK	✓	✓
11:00AM	SESSION 2: MINI GAMES*	✓	✓
12:30PM	HALF DAY FINISH / FULL DAY LUNCH	✓	✓
1:00PM - 3:00PM	CHOICE OF INSIDE GAMES OR MORE FUTSAL!	✓	✓

\*Skills & Drills from Session 1 are applied in Mini Games.

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**19 - 22 APRIL**  
**26 APRIL**

**HALF DAY \$50**  
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