

Our Lady of Dolours News

From the Principal

Students from our school have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students participated in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy. The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$30 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

I thank our staff for their commitment to our students in embarking on this trip. A full account of their activities can be found further on in the newsletter.

A reminder to parents that Semester 2 reports will be available on COMPASS on Friday 24 June with Parent teacher interviews to follow in week 10.



Upcoming events

June

Fri 24 June - Semester 2 reports

Mon 27 June - Parent teacher
Interviews

Tues 28 June - Year 3-6 Netball
and Rugby Gala Days

Wed 29 June - Parent Teacher
Interviews

Thurs 30 June - Last Day Term 2

July

Fri 1 July - Pupil Free Day

Mon 18 July - Term 3 commences

August

Advisory Council

The School Advisory Council met on 6 June 2022. Topics covered included:

- Enrolments
- School budget, including upcoming repair and maintenance works
- Putting the school uniform out to tender given the closure of Lowes Chatswood store
- Pick up and drop off procedures
- New rules on disposable plastics affecting school canteens
- School community's use of social media - proposed guidelines follow in the newsletter. Comments or feedback are welcome - please contact the school office.

About the Advisory Council

The Council advises the Principal on topics such as:

- Finance
- Enrolment
- Promoting the school
- Facilities
- Annual Plan

Meetings are held once a term. The members in 2022 are:

Marco Ianni
Kelly Clouston
Camilla Brown
Cassie Cook

Fr. David Ranson (Parish Priest)

Parent representatives
Nigel Carpenter
Bernadette Donovan
Kath Element
Tamara Munro

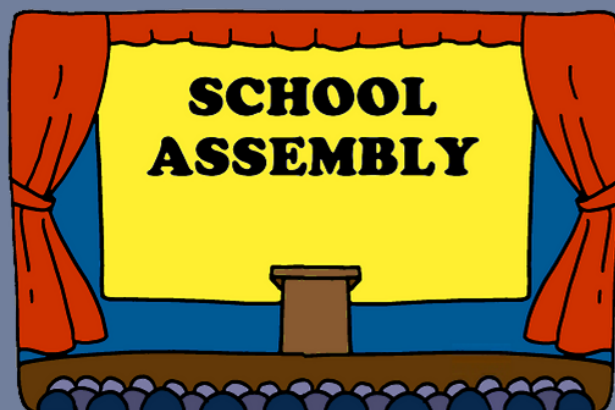
School calendar [click here](#)





Interviews for Kindergarten 2023 have now commenced with first round letters of offer being sent soon. 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](#)

A reminder school assembly is held each Monday afternoon at 2.40pm in the hall. All are welcome to attend.



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Our Lady of Dolours Social Media Guidelines for Parents

Social media can provide an enjoyable way to socialise online and keep connected with what is going on in your school community. It can be valuable for coordinating parent volunteers and facilitate a sense of belonging and engagement.

Social media can mean discussions reach a far wider audience than ever before. As parents, you are a role model that your children look up to. Comments about your school community can have a greater impact than expected and have real consequences for the reputations of individuals, including teachers, principals, other parents, students and yourself.

When using social media with other members in your school community:

- Be respectful
- Reflect the same standards of honesty, sensitivity, and consideration that you use in face-to-face interactions.
- Keep comments calm and polite
- Avoid posting negative comments
- If you don't get it right, be sure to correct any mistake immediately. If the situation warrants it, apologise.
- Keep in mind that school staff are not permitted to make or accept invitations to or from parents or students to join social media sites.

If you have a concern, please speak directly to the school rather than going online. If you have any concerns about interactions between parents, including social media, please contact the school. The school will always deal with concerns raised by parents in a professional, confidential and appropriate manner.

What is social media?

Social media includes numerous websites and applications that enable users to create and share content, or to participate in social networking. It includes (but is not limited to):

- Social networking sites (eg: Facebook, Instagram)
- Video and photo sharing websites (eg: YouTube)
- Blogs, including those hosted by media outlets (eg: comments or have your say features)
- Microblogging (eg: Twitter)
- Wikis
- Forums, discussion boards (eg: google groups, Whirlpool)
- Podcasting
- Online multiplayer gaming platforms (eg: World of Warcraft, Fortnite)
- Electronic messaging (eg: email, text messages, WhatsApp)

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!



Stage 3 Camp

Wednesday

At 6:30 am, Stage 3 set off on a coach and a minibus to arrive at Canberra. Following the 4 hour trip, including a brief break along the way, we arrived in freezing Canberra and headed straight to the National Gallery of Australia. The National Gallery of Australia consisted of paintings and statues from all around the world including Indigenous art. A highlight was the extraordinary 'Blue Poles' by Jackson Pollock. After the National Gallery, the students and the teachers had lunch and then headed to the National Museum of Australia. We saw amazing artefacts that helped to explain the history of Australia. Stage 3 then went up to Mount Ainslie, one of the greatest viewpoints in Canberra for a short while until going back down to go to the War Memorial. The War Memorial was a solemn and reverent occasion as we heard stories of Australia's heroic fallen soldiers. We concluded our visit with a special 'Last Post' ceremony where Ryan and Elena laid a wreath on behalf of our school. Following this, we arrived at our accommodation and had a quiet night as we were all exhausted.



Thursday

After a long and fun day on Wednesday, we woke up bright and early to set off for the journey ahead of them. In store for the morning was The Royal Australian Mint and a bus drive-by tour of all of the foreign embassies. The Australian Royal Mint is the sole producer of all of Australia's circulating coins. We learned a variety of different things such as how Australia coins originated. We then hopped on the bus for a tour of all of the Embassies such as the Philippines, Brazil, China, the USA and more. Following this, we had a quick lunch and excitement was building amongst the group as we knew it was nearly time for Questacon. We arrived and sensibly ran up the stairs to visit the first gallery. We played a variety of interactive science games and we even watched an incredible exhibition about light. We had to buy some souvenirs on the way out to remember this special time.



On the next bus ride, we went to the Australian Institute of Sport. We were introduced to a few young and fit athletes and we played a range of simulation sporting games like soccer, bike riding, skiing, basketball and more. We then went back to the hotel, had some relaxing time in our rooms with our friends and went to sleep ready for one last big day tomorrow.



Friday

We woke up nice and early despite being tired from the previous two days as we had our last and most important day. We visited Parliament House which is where the government decides on some of the most important decisions for Australia. We saw both the House of Representatives and the Senate and we were lucky enough to do a roleplay situation where we practised passing a bill about climate change. After this, we moved on to the National Electoral Education Centre and learnt about the history of voting and how to vote. After a quick lunch break, Stage 3 moved on to the Old Parliament House where we received an interesting tour. This marked the final visit in Canberra and we were ready to head back to Sydney with a very important McDonald's stopoff along the way. Eventually, we arrived back at school to greet our excited parents at 7pm and head home for some much needed sleep.

Finally, we would like to say a special thank you to all the teachers who gave up their time to join us at camp. We honestly can't thank you enough for all that you did to make this memorable camp go-ahead. Special thanks to Mr Rowland, Mr Palamara, Mrs McKittrick, Miss Baynie and Miss Brown for all of their hard work as well as the lovely staff at the Ibis Styles Hotel.

Joseph, Henry and Sean



Awards Week 7



Well Being Week



Community Corner

Highschool pathways

At Our Lady of Dolours we are a top performing NAPLAN school with students excelling in all academic areas. We continue to achieve excellent NAPLAN results in Year 3 and 5.

We are proud to be a school United in Faith, Nurturing a Vibrant Learning Community, Celebrating our Cultural Diversity who is Journeying Together To Be our Best.

OLD is part of the Priority Feeder School Program for St Leo's Catholic College, St Paul's Catholic College and Mercy Catholic College, where OLD students

receive priority enrolment for Year 7 with no application or acceptance fees from these secondary schools. In partnership with these high schools OLD students experience a range of joint co-curricular activities throughout the year, as well as the opportunity to develop familiarity with a high school environment to provide a seamless transition to Year 7.

While children can move to St Pius X College in earlier grades, OLD students are offered a guaranteed placement in Year 7 at St Pius X College. This pathway gives OLD students the opportunity to learn in a nurturing, co-educational and excellent academic environment before moving to high school in Year 7.

Camp Australia

Unfortunately Camp Australia will NOT be operating these school holidays due to shortage of staff in the area. Families will be notified directly by CAMP Australia and offered a place at another nearby service of theirs.

Many thanks for understanding.



Your
OSHC.



Camp Australia acknowledges Traditional Owners of Country throughout Australia and recognises the continuing connection to lands, waters and communities. We pay our respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and Elders, both past and present.

Our Lady of Dolours Primary School SY 2022, Term 2 Canteen Roster				
Week commencing:	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs
25 April 2022	HOLIDAY			Fri
2 May 2022	Selvia Wijaya / Sharon Yap	Branka Possa /	Rubina Grigoryan / Melissa Chung	Cris Barancik /
9 May 2022	Ann Bacsi /	Angela Cakmak /	Rubina Grigoryan /	Yang Kun /
16 May 2022	Rubina Grigoryan /	Xu Yu /	Melissa Surjan	Jarrad Nolan
23 May 2022	Rubina Grigoryan /	Angela Cakmak /		Xi Yu / Lisa Giacomelli
30 May 2022	Ann Bacsi /	Rubina Grigoryan /		Yang Kun /
6 June 2022	Rubina Grigoryan /	Branka Possa /	Angela Cakmak /	Lisa Giacomelli
13 June 2022	Rubina Grigoryan /	Noelle Wilkin-Smith /	Melissa Chung /	Cris Barancik /
20 June 2022	Ann Bacsi /	Rubina Grigoryan /	Angela Cakmak /	Amy Chan /
27 June 2022	Amy Chan /	Yang Kun / Noelle Wilkin-Smith	Julie Bernard /	Rubina Grigoryan / Julie Bernard
4 July 2022	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS			

HURRAY! We are back to two persons per shift!

The canteen is open Mon-Fri from 12:55pm till 1:40pm (service to stop by 1:30pm)

If you are available to fill any of the **orange highlighted spots**, please message Cris via 0478019838.

Please unpack boxes of stock (if any) and refill fridge/freezer, etc. .

The kids thank you for your assistance !

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