

Our Lady of Dolours News

From the Principal



What a spectacular way to end the term with our first OLD Musical. Thank you to Miss Olivia Smith, our Director, Miss Camilla Brown, our Assistant Director, Mrs Donna Hoy, our Musical Director and Mrs Virginia Parker our Choreographer, Mrs Kelly Clouston Logistic Manager you have worked tirelessly throughout the term with our students and created a night of enthralling entertainment. To the students, your joy and enthusiasm radiated off the stage, you should be extremely proud of your amazing performance. For all the staff, thank you, you have shown how blessed we are at OLD to have such a dedicated, passionate team. To our parents and community, thank you for supporting us and we hope you enjoyed the evening as much as we enjoyed putting it together for you. To Willoughby City Council for providing us with a Community Grant and supporting us in our endeavour. And finally thank you to our major sponsor for the evening, Steve & Daniel Cakmak from Raine & Horne Willoughby. We are appreciative of their sponsorship which assisted us greatly in producing a high quality production.



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May you all have a safe and restful holiday break and we will look forward to being back in the classroom on Tuesday 11 October.

Staff News

I take this opportunity to wish Mrs Alix McKittrick all the best as she begins her maternity leave and awaits the birth of her third child. Alix has supported the Stage 3 Blue students so beautifully this year and we welcome Maggie Hull to the staff as she will be teaching Stage 3 Blue for the remainder of the year. We thank Alix for her professionalism and focus on all the students in her care, and I particularly thank her for the contributions she has made in her leadership role and school library administration. We wish Alix and her family love and happiness during this precious time.



Students not returning in 2023.

Just a reminder that it is an NSW educational requirement to notify the school if you will be changing schools. Please complete this [survey](#) to notify the school of your intentions for your child/children for 2023 - this needs to be completed for all students.

Term 4

Term 4 will commence on Tuesday 11 October. Students will return in summer uniform. Uniforms can be purchased through LOWES Top Ryde and also LOWES online, our preloved uniform stall will have their first sale on Thursday 13 October from 8.15am in front of the Innovation Station.



Upcoming events

October

Mon 10 Oct - Staff Development Day/Pupil free Day

Tues 11 Oct - Students return for Term 4

November

Wed 9 Nov - 2pm Band Instrument Demo performance

December

Fri 2 Dec - Save the Date Year 6 Gradutaion

School calendar [click here](#)



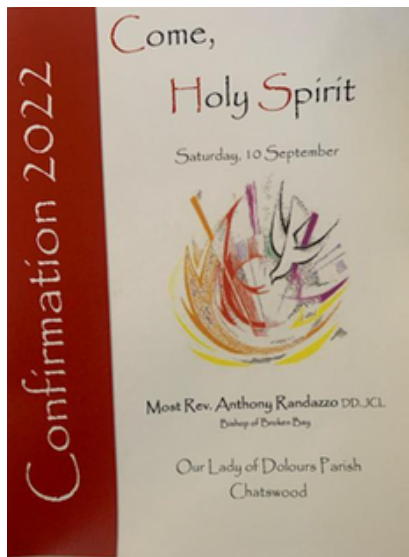
Our Lady of Dolours Feast Day

Last week we celebrated our Our Lady of Dolours Feast Day. 'Our Lady' is Jesus Mother, and 'Dolours' means sorrow. When we reflect on the sad and lonely times Mary suffered, we celebrate Mary's grace and strength. Mary reminds us that God will always support us.

Stage 3 led our school in a beautiful liturgy reminding us of Mary's great strength, gentleness and love.



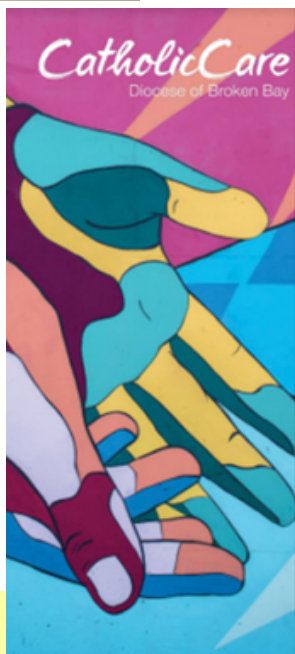
Confirmation



Congratulations to our students in Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 who received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Bishop Anthony reminded us that the gifts we receive at Baptism are renewed, reignited and reestablished in our Confirmation. With the power of the Holy Spirit within us, the Sacrament of Confirmation invites us to go out into the world and use our gifts, such as wisdom, courage and understanding, to bring the love of Jesus to others.



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OUR LADY OF DOLOURS
FOR RAISING \$510.00

For CatholicCare's Homelessness Week fundraiser 2022.
Your support will help people who are homeless or transient access services at Mary Mac's Place and move forward with their lives.

Tim Curran
Executive Director
September 2022



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13 September 2022

Thank you for supporting CatholicCare's Homelessness Week Fundraiser

To the school community at Our Lady of Dolours Chatswood,

I would like to express my sincere thanks for supporting CatholicCare's Homelessness Week fundraiser in August.

Your school raised a total of **\$510.00**, which will allow us to continue supporting some of the most vulnerable people in our Diocese.

Mary Mac's provides people who are homeless or transient a place to connect with others over a meal, have a shower, wash their clothes, and access pathways to homelessness support services and health assistance.

Your support helps our companions to move forward. Many are only a pay cheque away from financial difficulty and it's so important to have somewhere like Mary Mac's to go during these difficult times.

Mary Mac's Place does not receive any formal funding. The work continues through the generosity of the community in providing donations and grants.

We are incredibly thankful for the support of your school. Without your generosity CatholicCare would need to turn many people away.

Yours in Christ,



Tim Curran

Executive Director
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Socktober - Catholic Mission Month



This coming October is Catholic Mission Month. This 2022 Socktober, students and their families across Australia will raise funds to support families in Ethiopia facing malnutrition and food insecurity. Our projects on the ground will help sustain and enrich the lives of vulnerable children who are in need of our support. You can read more about Neela's family, who face this reality every day, by [clicking here](#).

Our Lady of Dolours is calling on YOUR support to keep the Socktober mission project running! We extend a warm invitation to register your child/ren for Socktober online [HERE](#). Please register under the school (not class). All proceeds will go towards supporting the basic needs of vulnerable children in Ethiopia.



Holiday Challenge:

Try [making a Sockball](#) at home using recycled materials! Try out Mrs Sargent's '[Sockball Sporting Challenge](#)' and send some photos of you in action!



Spring Festival

Last Saturday 10th September, Our Lady of Dolours senior band students together with 2 other school bands performed at the Concourse for a full house of audience! This combined concert band performed at a Spring Festival arranged by Northern Sydney Wind Ensemble. The performance went really well, and students were super excited about the experience, well done our talented musicians!



Athletics News

Destiny (Stage 3 Gold), Emma (4G) and Henry (2G) recently represented Broken Bay at the Polding Athletics Championships at the Hunter Valley. This is an extraordinary achievement by these three talented athletes to even qualify for this carnival as there are 36 primary schools in Broken Bay. Emma competed strongly in her Under 10 Girls 100 metres race and came 5th in her heat. Henry qualified for the Under 8 Boys 100 metre final and came 5th. A special congratulations goes to Destiny for coming 3rd in the Under 12 Girls Shot Put and qualifying for the upcoming NSW All Schools Athletics Championships. I'm so proud to be sharing these recent fantastic achievements across a range of sports from future OLD superstars!



Rugby News



Rachel (Stage 3 Gold) recently competed at the NSWPSA Rugby Union Girls 7s tournament at Maitland representing the Polding Girls Team. She competed against the best female rugby players in NSW Public and Catholic Schools in a round-robin style format. This is another wonderful elite level OLD sporting achievement! Rachel is a fantastic rugby player who also plays for the Chatswood Rugby Club against the boys on the weekend.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Freya and Rachel in 4B and Adam in Stage 3 for being awarded second place in the CSBB Religious Education creative arts competition based on bravery. Rachel and Freya composed a duet on the piano and Adam created an incredible artwork!



THANK YOU!

Thank you to the amazing
Prac students we have had
with us this term.

Thank you for your
dedication, enthusiasm and
contribution to the school.
We look forward to you joining
us for casual days soon.

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September 23



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Thank you Willoughby City Council for your support of our Musical production.



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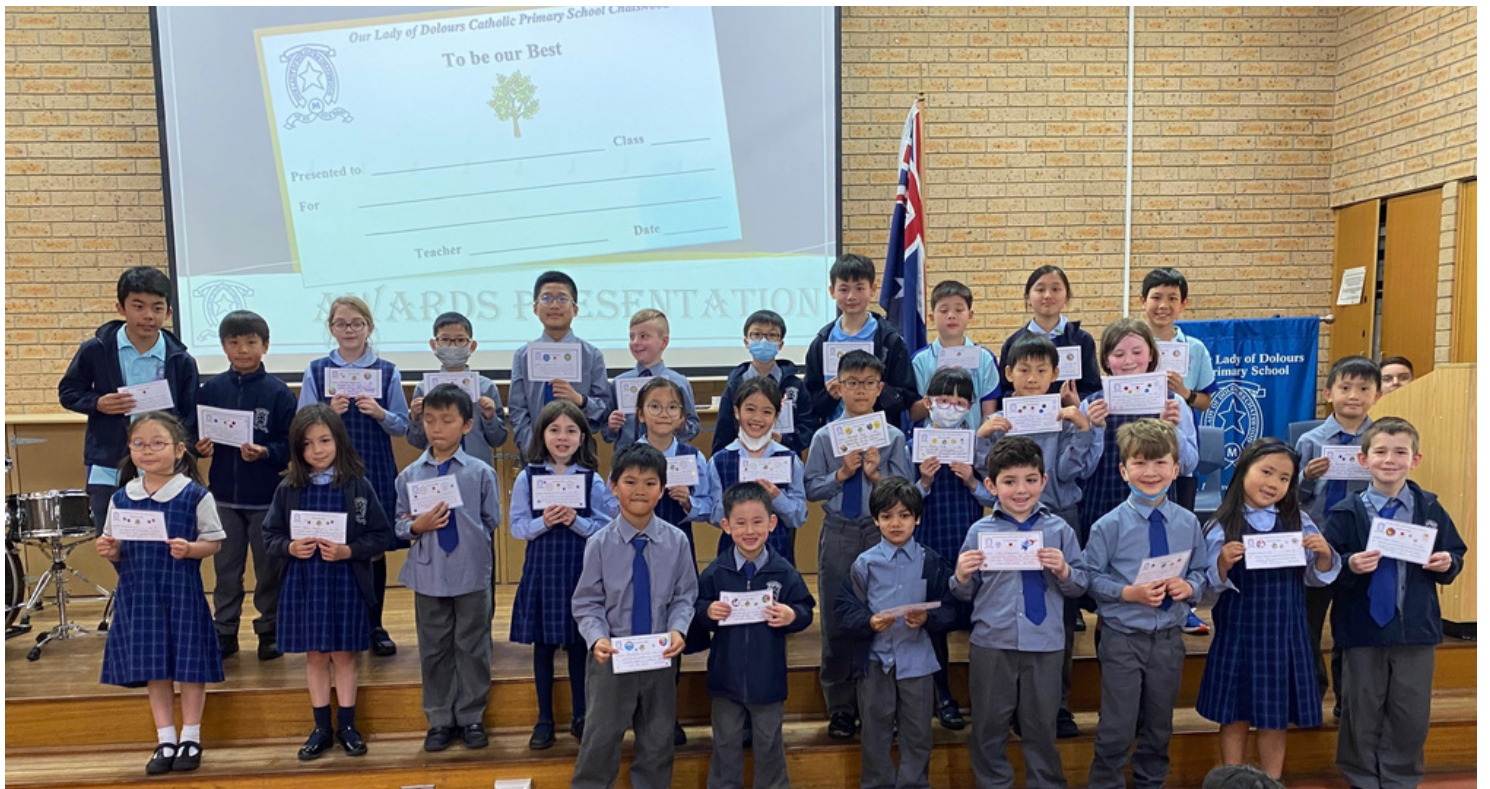
A big shout out of thanks to our Year 6 Parents for the fabulous morning tea you spoilt us with on Musical day!!



Awards Week 9



Awards Week 10

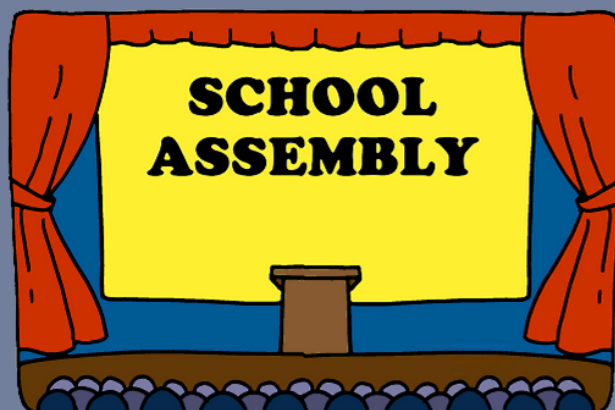




Interviews for Kindergarten 2023 have now commenced with classes now filling.

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.



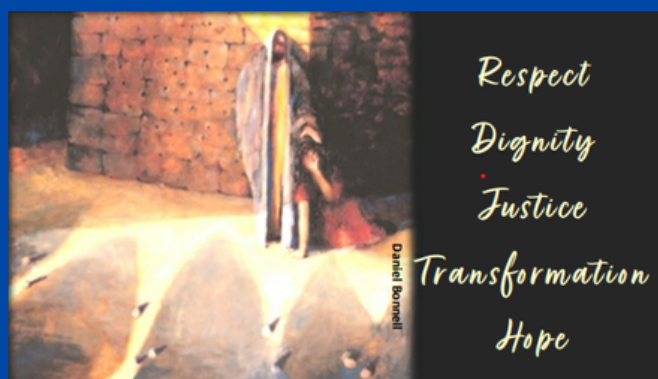
Raine&Horne
The Cakmak Brothers

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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!



PARENTING PROGRAMS

Please note you do not need to be Catholic to access our programs.
CatholicCare welcomes staff and clients from all different backgrounds and beliefs.



TUNING INTO KIDS

A 5 week program for parents of primary school children on how to develop your child's emotional intelligence. Learn skills to assist your child in understanding and managing their emotions. Explore how to deal with frustrations and conflict and how to develop good social skills and positive behaviours.

Online via Zoom

Wednesdays

19 October – 16 November 2022

10.00am – 11.30am

\$20.00

Register here:

<https://form.jotform.com/221660852499869>

BRINGING UP GREAT KIDS PARENTING ADOLESCENTS

This 4 week program supports parents as their children embark on the journey through their adolescent years and emerge as adults. The program enables parents/carers to understand the adolescent brain in the context of behaviour and nurtures the parent/child relationship.

Waitara Family Centre

29 Yardley Street, Waitara

Wednesdays

26 October - 16 November 2022

10.00am - 12.00pm

\$20.00

Register here:

<https://form.jotform.com/221660141100839>

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