

# Our Lady of Dolours News

## From the Principal

As you enter the school at the moment you may be aware of building works that are currently being carried out. We thank Catholic Schools Broken Bay for their support and organisation of these essential works. Our students and staff are beginning to enjoy the benefits of freshly painted learning spaces, new carpet and general repair work that should be completed soon.

Next Tuesday we look forward to welcoming our newest school community members, our Kindergarten 2023 class. Our newest students will be joining us for the next three Tuesdays as part of their transition to school program. I'm sure you will join me in welcoming them and their families to our wonderful school.

We have several events taking place in the coming weeks that we hope you will join us for. Next Monday Year 6 will be holding their annual Cake stall to raise funds for their graduation. We welcome parents and carers to join us in the school playground from 2.45pm to purchase some of the delicious goods that will be on offer.

Thursday 17 November we will be holding our last parent group meeting for the year, thank you to all those that have joined us for these meetings during 2022.

Our annual swimming carnival (Yr 2 - 6) will be taking place on Monday 21 November at the Ku-ring-gai Fitness and Aquatic centre. After 2 interrupted years with covid we look forward to this fabulous event. Kindergarten and year 1 will be enjoying a splash day at school - more information to come shortly.

December will see us finish the year with more fabulous events with our year 6 graduation and liturgy, our end of year liturgies and our first ever Christmas Fiesta, more details can be found further on in the newsletter.

I look forward to the school community coming together for these events.

## Celebrating Father David

We congratulate Father David who will be celebrating his 30th anniversary of being an ordained priest on Saturday 3 December. Congratulations on this reaching this milestone.

Please join us in celebrating with  
**Fr David Ranson** on the  
*30th Anniversary*  
of his ordination to Priesthood &  
his installation as the Parish Priest of  
**Our Lady of Dolours  
Chatswood Parish**  
DECEMBER  
SAT | 03 | 5:30 PM  
2022  
Mass with Bishop Anthony Randazzo  
at 5:30pm



## Upcoming events

### November

Mon 7 Nov - Year 6 Cake and  
Craft Stall

Wed 9 Nov - 2pm Band  
Instrument Demo performance

Thurs 17 Nov - Parent Group  
Meeting 6pm

Mon 21 Nov - Swimming Carnival

### December

Fri 2 Dec - Save the Date Year 6  
Graduation

Fri 9 Dec - Save the Date OLD  
Christmas Fiesta

Fri 16 Dec - Last day for students  
for Term 4

Mon 19 Dec - Staff Development  
Day

Tues 20 Dec - Staff Development  
Day

**School calendar click [here](#)**





## *Year 1 visit to the Taronga Zoo*





# *Kindergarten visit to the Calmsley City Farm*





## *Year 4 visit Ferndale Park*

Year 4 enjoyed a short walk to Ferndale Park. The purpose of the excursion was to learn more about the features and characteristics of a tall forest.

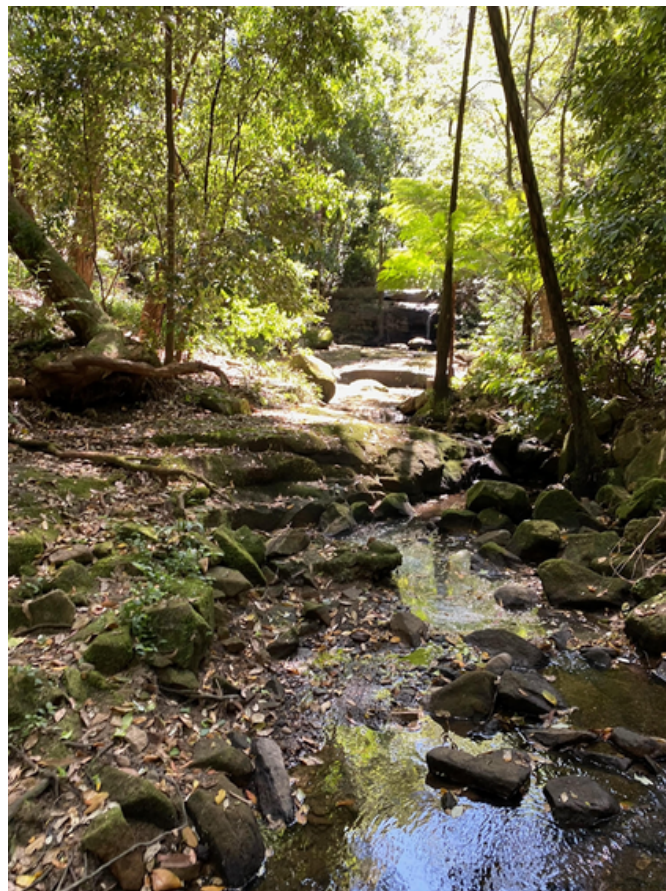
Year 4 were guided by Willoughby Council Bushland Community Officers, who shared their knowledge and expertise with Year 4. Year 4 saw many different fauna and flora on their walk like frogs, dragonflies, ferns and more.

Some facts learnt were:

- To be a rainforest, you need have at least 90% of sunlight and sky blocked by canopy
- It takes 80-100 years for a tree to produce a hollow
- It is called Ferndale Park due its large range of fern species
- Year 4 walked over 7000 steps!

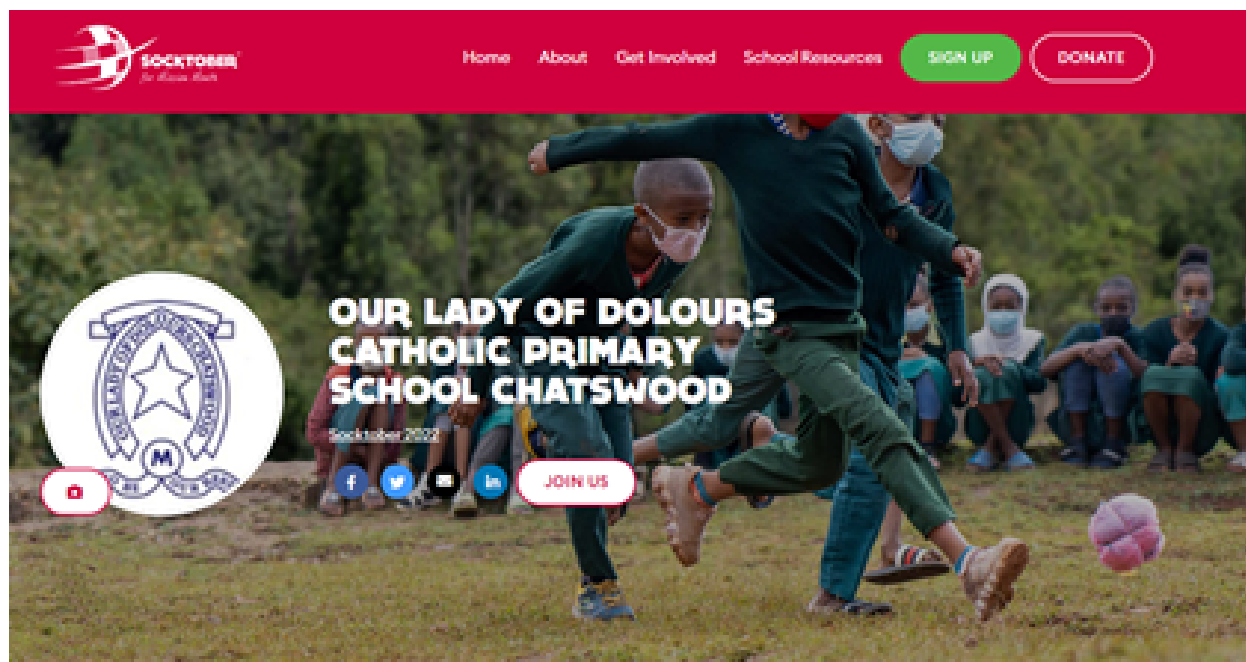
Year 4 enjoyed a fun play at Chatswood Park on the way back.

Thank you to our parent helpers and prac student helpers!





# Socktober - Catholic Mission Month



Thank you to all our families for generously donating to our Catholic Mission month initiative 'Socktober!' Our silly sock fundraiser raised over \$650 for Catholic Mission. Congratulations to Dominic in Year 5 who has personally raised over \$320 for Socktober and Emily Ma who raised over \$117! As our top fundraiser, Dominic was nominated as 'student captain' when playing in the Year 5 vs Students Soccer Game. The students won 3-2. It is not too late to donate - we extend a warm invitation to register and donate to Catholic Mission [HERE](#). All proceeds will go towards supporting the basic needs of vulnerable children in Ethiopia





## All Saints and All Souls Day

On November 1st, the Catholic Church celebrates All Saints Day. This is a special day in the Church in which we commemorate all saints who have attained the beatific vision in Heaven. We pray thanks for these Saints, thank God for their presence and pray to live by their example. Year 3, Year 5 and Year 6 attended Mass in the church to celebrate this special day.

On November 2nd we celebrated All Souls' Day. All Souls' Day is a day to remember the souls of all who have died. This feast is a special day to fondly remember loved ones who are no longer with us. This day may bring a feeling of sadness, but also a time of joy in which we celebrate the special people in our lives who now live with God in Heaven. We extend our prayers to the souls of those close to our OLD community, family and friends.

Let's pray  
for our  
departed  
loved  
ones.

Eternal  
rest, grant  
unto them  
O Lord,  
and let  
perpetual  
light shine  
upon them.  
Amen.

## Helpers Needed

This year Catholic Schools Broken Bay implemented the new Religious Education Kindergarten Curriculum. This new approach to teaching and learning has promoted a sense of wonder and awe about the Catholic faith and belonging to a Catholic community.

We are excited to continue this new approach to learning in Year 1 2023! OLD are in need of some helpers who can assist with painting some RE materials for our students. The paintings are simple, so please do not worry if you are not a confident painter. If you are interested in assisting us with painting figurines (see the pictures below) please contact Miss Camilla Brown via the office at [old@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:old@dbb.catholic.edu.au).





## *November 20 – Year 6 Mass*

The Catholic community of Chatswood invites all Year 6 children and their families to a special Mass for Year 6:

9am Family Mass

Sunday 20 November 2022

Our Lady of Dolours Catholic Church

94 Archer Street, Chatswood

During this Mass each Year 6 student will be presented with a small gift as part of our end of year celebration to mark the end of their primary years.

If you plan on coming and if your child would like to be involved in the celebration by reading a prayer – Please RSVP Angela at [Angela.Hague@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:Angela.Hague@bbcatholic.org.au). After Mass we will have morning tea in the primary school playground. Please bring a plate to share. All are welcome!

## Awards Week 3







## Student spotlight

Congratulations Destiny from Year 6. Destiny recently participated in the NSWPSA Athletics Championships coming 35th out of 40 students, an achievement to be very proud of.



Destiny has also recently received the most valuable player award for Northern suburbs Under 12s State Titles championship netball team. Well done Destiny!



## Student spotlight



## Interested in Band?



### Looking to join the Band 2023?

Come and learn about instruments and band program at OLD on 9th November 2:00pm. The OLD Senior band will be demonstrating the instruments and showing their talents for the year 2-5 students and interested parents.



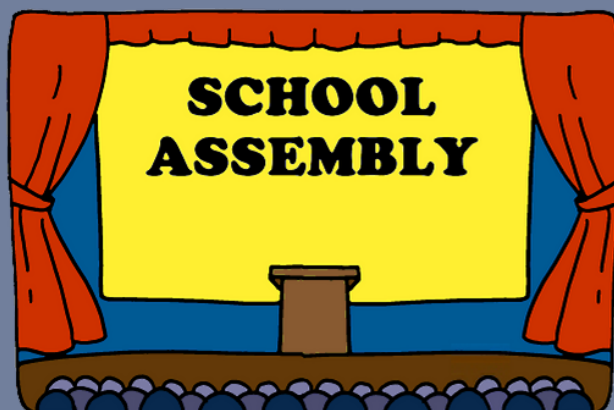




Kindergarten classes 2023 are almost full.

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.



**CHURCH FORECOURT**  
94 Archer Street, Chatswood  
FROM 8:30AM

**X-MAS PHOTO BOOTH, COOKIE JARS, MINCE PIES**  
**CHRISTMAS CAKES, SHORTBREAD, BROWNIES,**  
**GINGERBREAD, JELLIES, HAMPERS,**  
**CUPCAKES & more!**

All proceeds go to support our parish youth participating in *World Youth Day Lisbon 2023*

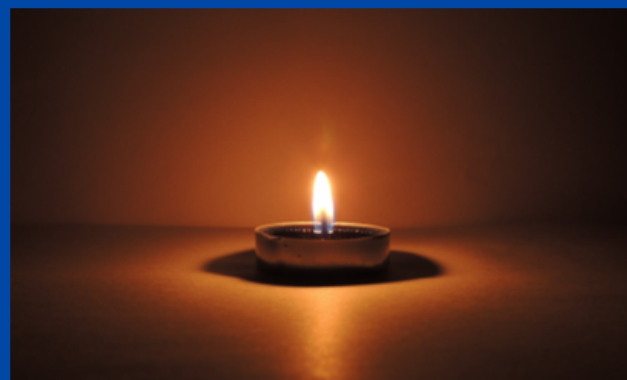
**Drop offs** 9 Dec 8:15am-3:15pm OLD Primary School  
10 Dec 10am-5:30pm St Paul's meeting room  
11 Dec - anytime before 9am Mass  
Please label all goods with ingredients  
No drop offs of perishables on Friday please

Interested in helping?  
Contact Noelle 0401331326

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!





Our Lady of Dolours Primary School SY 2022, Term 4 Canteen Roster				
Week commencing:	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs
10 October 2022		Angella Cakmak	Melissa Chung	
17 October 2022		Amy Chan		Angella Cakmak
24 October 2022		Branka Posa	Melissa Surjan	Kun Yang
31 October 2022	Amy Chan			Angella Cakmak
7 November 2022		Seda Karadjian		Angella Cakmak
14 November 2022	Amy Chan		Melissa Surjan	Soraya Alali/Carlos Rojas Paz
21 November 2022		Branka Posa		Soraya Alali/Carlos Rojas Paz
28 November 2022				Kun Yang
5 December 2022	Amy Chan			Kun Yang
12 December 2022	Amy Chan			Kun Yang
				Fri
				Cris Barancik
				Cris Barancik
				Xi Yu
				Sia Macree
				Donna Ng
				Donna Ng
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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 !

The updated canteen roster will be regularly posted on the OLD Parents' Communication Group on Facebook

# Year 6 2022 Cake & Crafts Stall

Our YEAR 6 LEGENDS are putting on their Annual Bake Sale. This helps them fundraise for their graduation dinner.

Please come along and give your child \$\$\$ to support  
Year 6 2022.

## SAVE THE DATE

Monday 7th November

2:30pm Onwards

O.L.D Playground





# SAVE THE DATE!

## OUR LADY OF DOLOURS CHRISTMAS FESTA

A FUN EVENT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

FRIDAY 9TH DECEMBER

5.30PM - 8.30PM

MORE INFO TO COME





Transport for NSW

# School Travel

Term 4 2022



## School Travel Term 4 2022

### 2023 school travel applications are now open

Applications for student travel in 2023 open from Monday 10 October 2022.

Students who need a School Opal card or travel pass for 2023 can [apply now](#). A new application will need to be submitted if they are applying for the first time, or if they are requesting an additional travel entitlement as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation (e.g. joint custody).

Students who change address, school, campus location, have repeated a year or received an expiry notification from Transport for NSW for their school travel entitlement should [renew or update](#) their details before the end of term 4. This will ensure that schools can endorse applications, and entitlements remain valid for the start of the 2023 school year. School Opal card holders will have the changes applied to their existing card.

If a student's distance eligibility has changed based on their grade (i.e. grade two to grade three), the system will automatically update their entitlement if they meet the new criteria. If they do not meet the new [eligibility criteria](#), we will send an expiry notification via email. Students who have an entitlement approved under a medical condition that is due to expire will receive a notification advising them to re-apply.

[Term Bus Pass](#) holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

Students in the Opal network applying for an Opal card (including a Term Bus Pass) for the first time will receive their Student Opal card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out from January 2023.

Students living in rural and regional (R&R) areas should receive their travel pass at the start of the new school year from their nominated transport operator. It may come via the school or be sent directly to them at home. Note: some R&R operators do not issue travel passes. Students/parents should confirm with their nominated operator if they do not receive a pass.

## Travel from Term 1 2023

We ask that parents plan ahead and make sure their child knows which service/s to use and has a valid ticket to travel; either a School Opal card or Child/Youth Opal card (within Greater Sydney) or a School Travel Pass (outside Greater Sydney), from the start of the school year.

Applications for 2023 School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) travel open at the start of Term 4 2022, so parents/students can [apply or update](#) details early and be ready for the start of the new school year.

Most students using the Opal network will not need a new Opal card and can continue travelling on their existing card each year.

The start of the year is a busy period for local transport operators, and students travelling without a valid ticket make service planning and operations difficult.

We recognise that for some families last minute changes to school enrolments mean they may not have a School Opal card or Travel Pass for the start of term. In the Opal network, we strongly encourage these families to have their children travel with a Child/Youth Opal card until they receive their valid School Opal card. If outside Greater Sydney, parents should contact their [local bus operator](#) to discuss their travel needs.

Bus operators are flexible and understanding, particularly at the start of the school year, and will ensure students can travel safely to and from school. But to best support our operators we encourage all students to have a valid ticket, as early as possible, from the start of the school year.

Students using School Opal cards are also reminded that they must tap on and tap off in line with the [Student code of conduct](#) and [Opal terms of use](#).