#### JULY 2023 EDITION 11

## OUR LADY OF DOLOURS NEWS

#### Ignite, Innovate & Include in the Spirit of Mercy



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

#### MARCO IANNI PRINCIPAL

#### Welcome back to another great term at OLD!

It was so wonderful to welcome all our staff and students back with warm greetings and joyful smiles. Everyone has returned from holidays well-rested, healthy and ready to engage in some exciting learning experiences.

Once again we have had a busy start and this term is full of new and varied learning experiences for all grades. Term 3 is the most rewarding part of the year as the pressure of Reports, NAPLAN and Parent Interviews is over and we are able to just focus on what we do best, teaching and learning.

I am looking forward to working with students, staff and parents as the countdown begins for our School Musical, Public Speaking Competition, Book Week, Science Week and the beginning of our transition to school program for our incoming Kindergarten 2024 students. This term will be very exciting at Our Lady of Dolours, with many great opportunities for all students.

So far this term we have already had a successful Grandparents' Day Liturgy, morning tea and open classrooms and Kindergarten 100 days of school.

We are all looking forward to a successful Term 3 and thank you for your continued support as we work in partnership for all our beautiful students.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon 7 August - 9am STEM Open Morning 2pm Religious Art Prize Gallery Walk

Tues 15 August - Feast of the Assumption Mass 3-6 Class Liturgies - K - 2

Mon 14 - Fri 18 August - Book Week

Wed 23 August - Parent Group meeting with parent STEM session

Thurs 21 September - Creative Arts Festival

#### Fri 22 September - Staff Development Day





Enrolling now for 2024



# 100 Days of Kindergarten



Congratulations to Kindergarten on reaching the special milestone – 100 Days of School! Students celebrated with a parade in the morning, each child made a shirt with 100 items on it. Then the day was filled with 100 themed activities and ended with a Kindy Disco! Congratulations to all the students and the Kindergarten teachers on such an amazing 100 days!









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# **Grandparents Day**



Wednesday 26th is the Feast Day of St. Anne and St. Joachim. They were the parents of Mary and the Grandparents of Jesus! We celebrated this blessed day on Monday with a Grandparents Liturgy, morning tea and open classrooms! Students and Grandparents made special bookmarks together.









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# **Creative Arts Festival**



Creative Arts Festival – School Musical 2023 Disney's, 'The Little Mermaid Jr' to be held at The Concourse Chatswood on Thursday 21st September 2023.

Our Creative Arts Festival is a yearly event with a long tradition at Our Lady of Dolours Primary. The event will showcase our student's talents from Kindergarten to Year 6 with all students participating in the show.

The Concert Hall has a capacity of approximately 800 seats for the audience. The theatre comes with full production, technicians, venue staff and ticketing facilities. We are expecting a full house on the night. I would like to introduce and thank our major sponsor for the evening, Steve & Daniel Cakmak from Raine & Horne Willoughby. We are appreciative of their sponsorship which will assist us greatly and producing a high quality production.



Raine&Horne The Cakmak Brothers

Further information on this event, how to purchase tickets and costume requirements will be sent out early next week. OLD students will not require a ticket for the performance.

We are looking forward to a wonderful event, so save the date, invite the family and book your tickets early.



# Library





#### Dub Leffler – Author/Illustrator Workshop

In Week 10 of last term, our Grade 3 students were invited to Chatswood Library to attend a workshop run by Australian author and illustrator Dub Leffler. Dub shared his work experiences with the students and gave them some practical tips to develop their own skills.

Dub Leffler's illustrated text Our Dreaming (written by Kirli Saunders) is short listed for this year's Picture Book of the Year (Children's Book Council of Australia).

## **Student reflections**

Dub Leffler showed us that he used coffee for his book Our Dreaming. When the coffee was still wet Dub put some salt over it for effect. Dub also made us do different things while we did some drawings. Dub drew Mrs Croall just by looking at her and it turned out amazing! It really looked like Mrs Croall. *Lillian 3G* 

Dub Leffler told us about how he drew in Blue because he used to draw birds. He showed us how he draws and then splashes coffee on his drawings to make them brown. Dub Leffler showed us that he can draw with both of his hands.

Alessia 3B



Dub showed us that he used coffee for his book Sorry Day. He showed us that you can make anything out of scribble. He drew me out of a scribble! Dub made some stories with acrylic. Also he made two books at a time. One took him twelve days and one took him two years! Julian 3G

Dub Leffler told us how he turned a scribble into a picture. He taught us how he draws and writes. The interesting thing is that he used coke to make his pictures when he was younger. *Aiden 3B* 





2023 Premier's reading challenge

How are you tracking? The Premier's Reading Challenge closes for student listings on August 18th – Week 5 of this term. Keep on reading and adding your titles! Well done to so many of our students who have informed me that they have been busily reading and adding to their reading logs. Read, Grow, Inspire. Book Week 2023



An additional note has gone out on compass this week outlining the events of Book Week at OLD. Just a reminder: Book Week will run from August 14th-18th (Week 5). We look forward to a variety of competitions, a Scholastic Book Fair where books are available to be purchased and our annual book parade.

## PBL (POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR AND LEARNING) AT OLD





#### At Our Lady of Dolours, we strive To Be Our Best, by being a:

#### Safe Learner

I SAFE

LEARNERS

We have safe and caring hands.

We are in the right place at the right time.

We make good choices.

We wear a hat outside.

## Respectful Learner

We speak and act with kindness.

We share and take turns.

We include others and follow the rules.

We care for our appearance.

We care for belongings and the environment.

#### Responsible Learner

We are active listeners. We are prepared to learn. We learn and let others learn. We do our best and persist.

#### WE HAVE SAFE AND CARING HANDS

#### MRS CLOUSTON, MISS BAYNIE & THE PBL TEAM

PBL (Positive Behaviours for Learning) is an evidence-based framework that brings together the whole-school community to contribute to developing a positive, safe and supportive learning culture.



We speak and act with kindness.



The framework assists schools to improve social, emotional, behavioural and academic outcomes for children and young people (NSW Government: Education).

At OLD, we have a PBL Matrix where we learn about what makes us Safe, Respectful and Responsible Learners. You might have seen these words on the crayons at the front of our school. Each fortnight, we focus on one expectation for these rules.

This fortnight our PBL focus is "We Speak and Act with Kindness". Jesus taught us the Golden Rule "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you" (Matthew 7:12). This means that we treat others the way we would like to be treated. By treating others with respect and kindness we can not only spread God's word but build positive relationships. Treating others with kindness might look like; giving our friends compliments, helping others when they need it and inviting others to play with us.



SCIENCE WEEK -STEM CAREER DRESS UP DAY!



WEEK 4 MONDAY 7TH AUGUST

PARENTS AND FRIENDS ARE INVITED TO THE STEM PARADE AT 9AM OUTSIDE THE INNOVATION STATION. TO CELEBRATE SCIENCE WEEK, STUDENTS ARE INVITED TO DRESS UP AS A STEM CAREER!

IDEAS FOR DRESS UP: SCIENTIST - MARINE BIOLOGIST - BUILDER GAME DEVELOPER GARDENER - TEACHER ARCHAEOLOGIST - METEOROLOGIST DOCTOR - ENGINEER - VETERINARIAN



WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE ALL OF YOUR AMAZING OUTFITS!

GET READY FOR A

# Community

CANTEEN

# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Are you able to offer 45minutes of your time on a Monday, Wednesday or Friday? Do you love being involved in your community but don't know where to start? Why not join our wonderful group of canteen volunteers. If you are able to assist please use the link below to find a day that is suitable for you. The students thank you in advance! Canteen Sign Up.



## NORTH SYDNEY BASKETBALL SKILLS CLASSES & GAMES

**@NORTH SYDNEY BOYS HIGH SCHOOL** 

**EVERY SATURDAY & SUNDAY DURING SCHOOL TERM** 

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Congratulations to Evelyn in Year 2 who recently became a big sister welcoming a baby brother Elvin into her family. We look forward to seeing little Elvin in the playground and welcoming him into the OLD community in years to come.



# **OLD** Parish News



Why is the Old Testament so important to our Faith? What really is the Good News? How can we be so confident in the Resurrection? Why do we need prayer? What takes place when we receive the Sacraments? How do we fit in the universal Church?

#### STARTING WEDNESDAY 9 AUGUST 2023 (7.15PM-9.00PM)

Our Lady of Dolours Parish, St Peter's meeting room

- 30 WEEK COURSE
- NO PREREQUISITES OR OBLIGATIONS TO JOINING.
- CONTACT ANTHONY ON 0414 364 522 OR EMAIL

EXPLORINGTHEFAITH@GMAIL.COM





We would love to connect with you, hear your story, tell you ours and share life's journey together.

Whether you've just moved to the area or you've been here for years, we would love to get to know you and help you feel at home here in our parish community.

**OLD Parish details** 

**OLD** Parish Mass times

#### DO YOU WANT TO IMPROVE YOUR ENGLISH?

JOIN OUR LIFESTYLE ENGLISH CONVERSATION PROGRAMME(LECP)

2023 PROGRAMME CONTINUES EACH WEDNESDAY DURING SCHOOL TERM





WHERE: MAGNIFICAT PARISH MEETING ROOM, O.L.D. CHATSWOOD

#### **Still interested?**

or more information please contact Anthony on 0414364522 or anthony@churchinthecity.com.au (Our Lady of Dolours Chatswood Catholic Church)

family members who could benefit from LECP

What is involved? Each week mentors will select 'topics' of interest as the basis for our conversation in English

You will have the opportunity to develop your speaking skills and increase your confidence in a friendly space!

#### What is Lifestyle **English Conversation** Programme?

As a person with a language background other than English, this programme may be of particular interest to you.

LECP gives people (over 18) of all cultural backgrounds who are not comfortable with the use of everyday English, the opportunity to improve their language skills and build confidence through

conversations in English with the support of our mentors.



## DISCOVER MERCY CATHOLIC COLLEGE MERCYCHATSWOOD.NSW.EDU.AU

**Register Now!** 



# **OPEN MORNIN** TUESDAY 22 AUGUST 9AM - 11AM

Mercy Catholic College Chatswood is part of the Catholic Schools Broken Bay system. It is built on the rich tradition of the Sisters of Mercy. We are an inclusive community that offers girls from Year 7 – 12 an authentic, professional Catholic education, delivered with care and compassion.



The College is committed to creating a safe and supportive learning environment for students, staff and families. We have integrated and structured Pastoral Care and Wellbeing programmes overseen by specialised staff who all work closely with students and families to support learning and flourishing. Research shows that girls in an all-girls' learning environment thrive! Watch more



- Recognising that student needs are diverse curriculum and pedagogy is dynamic and responsive to accommodate different learning styles.
- Offering a comprehensive range of elective in addition to mandatory studies from Year 7, leading to the award of the Higher Schoo Certificate credential in Year 12.
- Outstanding results in 2022 HSC Mercy Catholic College is ranked in the top 15% in the state of NSW.
  - The College enjoys modern facilities and state of the art technology in classrooms designed to cater for 21st century learning
- Interested in the development of the whole person, we offer opportunities for students to participate in over 30 programs including a variety of Sport, Creative Arts and special interest clubs.

#### ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR YEAR 7, 2026 LIMITED AVAILABILITY FOR YEAR 7, 2025

If your child is currently enrolled in any CSBB Primary School you are eligible for priority enrolment.



# THE TEAM!

Make memories and friendships learning the skills of Cricket.

#### ALL GIRLS JUNIOR CRICKET 2023/24 REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

- Lindfield Junior Cricket Girls aged 8-17
- · No previous cricket experience is necessary all welcome!
- · Register with a friend, or a whole team, and play together
- Sixers Girls Cricket League games held Saturdays
- · Discount rego fee and FREE playing uniform for all new girls

For Girls & Boys in Kindy to Year 2 we also have mixed cricket programs available.



NDFIELD

For more information scan the QR Code visit www.ldcc.com.au or email: juniors@ldcc.com.au



Willoughby Leisure Centre - Indoor Blast Program Monday 31st July - Monday 4th September (6 weeks) 4:30 - 5:30pm \$69 for 6 weeks! https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/2ec666

Dani Chivers - Danielle.chivers@cricketnsw.com.au with any questions

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### GIRL GUIDES MEET NEAR YOU

#### **Chatswood Junior Guides**

Mondays 6-7.30pm For girls 7-10 years old

#### **Chatswood Guides**

Tuesdays 6:30-8pm For girls 10-14 years old

#### Chatswood Guide Hall, Anglo Street Park, Chatswood

CONTACT: 1300 447 548 guides@girlguides-nswactnt.org.au







GIRL GUIDES