

OUR LADY OF DOLOURS NEWS

Ignite, Innovate & Include in the Spirit of Mercy



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

MARCO IANNI PRINCIPAL

As we quickly move through Term 3 we find that there are number of big events with this week highlighting National Science Week. What a way to start with our STEM morning on Monday where parents were invited into classrooms to see and enjoy the learning. Thank you to all of you who were able to attend the parade and open classrooms. I also thank the STEM team at OLD with Mrs Cook, Mr Martin, Miss Ferrero and Mrs Croall putting so much work into making the day so successful. The staff, students and parents enjoyed the activities and we were fortunate to have so many parents register support via the QR code.

Stage 3 held their Public Speaking Final on Monday as well. Congratulations to Anastasia and Pippa from S3W as our winners of the event. I also congratulate all our Stage 3 finalists. The winners will be competing in our cluster finals on 23 August at 9.30am St Ives . We wish them well and thank Mrs Clouston and Mrs Cook for organising this event. Our finals for Early Stage 1, Stage 1 and Stage 2 are on 21 August at 9am.

Monday was finished with our Religious Art Prize Gallery Walk, I hope parents enjoyed the exhibition where you were able to walk through the school and see all the beautiful work by the students. We look forward to selecting students for the finals. Thank you to Miss Smith and the staff for organising.

Finally, our Kindergarten transition to school screeners for 2024 have been completed and we are excited to welcome our Kindergarten students for 2024 shortly. The enrolment places are almost full so if you have or know someone who would like to enrol their child for Kindergarten 2024, please contact the office so there is no disappointment.

Finally we are looking forward to the Musical with tickets on sale this Monday 14 August at 9am. Please use the link below and a reminder that tickets are on sale via the Concourse website (not Ticketek as in the past). [Musical tickets here.](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon 14 - Fri 18 August - Book Week
Fri 18 Aug - 8.45am Book Week Parade

Tues 15 Aug - Feast of the Assumption

Wed 23 August - Parent Group meeting with parent STEM session

Fathers Day

Tues 29 Aug - Fathers Day Stall
Fri 1 Sept - Fathers' Day Breakfast and Mass

Thurs 21 September - Creative Arts Festival

Fri 22 September - Staff Development Day

Enrolling now for 2024



MARY MACKILLOP FEAST DAY 8 OF AUGUST

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION 15 OF AUGUST



Mary Mac's Place

Mary Mac's Place supplies a nutritious two course sit down lunch daily and a place to shower and to wash clothes. We offer friendly support and companionship plus access to outreach services like Legal Aid, homelessness support services, emergency relief and health assistance.

Homelessness and social isolation can be overcome by working together
CatholicCare and Catholic Schools Broken Bay - as one community.
We receive no funding and rely 100% on community support!
www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/mmp-schools



The 8th of August was the Feast Day of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop, Australia's first saint. Born in Melbourne in 1842, Mary grew up in a small town in South Australia named Penola. In 1866, when Mary was in her 20s, Mary began a religious order named the Sisters of Saint Joseph. She and her sisters opened schools in isolated places and lived a life dedicated to serving the uneducated and the poor. Mary Mackillop taught us "Never see a need without doing something about it!" Thank you to all our families who contributed the Diocesan wide fundraising initiative, supporting Catholic Care's homelessness services. The focus of the initiative was Mary Mac's Place, located on the Central Coast. Mary Mac's is a shelter open to anyone who is homeless, transient, or needing a helping hand. We thank you for your generosity and are happy to let you know we raised in excess of \$380.00.

Next Tuesday, Our Lady of Dolours School will celebrate the Feast of the Assumption. Year 3 - Year 6 will be joining the Parish Mass at 9am while our infants classes will be involved in class liturgies. The Feast of the Assumption commemorates the death of Mary and her bodily assumption into Heaven. The Assumption signals the end of Mary's time on earth, and marks her return to heaven to be reunited with her son Jesus.



"Mary is a source of hope and true joy and continually strengthens people in their faith, vocation and mission."

Pope Francis



We warmly invite all our fathers, grandfathers, uncles and special men to our Father's Day Celebration! On Friday September 1 we will begin with a Father's Day Breakfast at 8.15am under the COLA followed by a Whole School Father's Day Mass at 9am in the church. As part of our OLD school tradition, we would like to create a Father's Day Photo Presentation to share during this Father's Day Mass. We invite our families to upload a photo of their child with their father or special father figure. If you would like to include your photo in this presentation, please upload a photo onto the [Shared Google Slide](#) by 3pm on Friday August 25. The presentation will be closed after this time. Unfortunately, we are unable to accept photos past this time.



Position Vacant Lindfield/Killara Parish

Could you see yourself as the face of our Lindfield/Killara Parish community, providing a sense of warmth and welcome to visitors?

The Lindfield-Killara Parish is seeking to recruit a permanent part-time Parish Secretary, working approximately three days/22.5 hours per week. This role plays an important part in the Parish team, providing support for Parish communications, administration, financial processes, property, compliance and Diocesan support. There is some flexibility with the working schedule for the right candidate, however the role does require a physical presence in the office.

The ideal candidate will have a comprehensive knowledge of office administration processes and procedures and a sound understanding of Microsoft Office Suite as well as a general knowledge or confidence to learn MYOB, bookkeeping or accounting practices.

As you will often be the first point of contact for our parish, well-developed communication and interpersonal skills are crucial, supported by a good understanding of, and commitment to Catholic values and teachings.

If you have high developed administration skills coupled with well-developed relational and rapport building skills and this role interests you, please email a brief cover letter and CV to parishoffice@lindfieldkillara.org.au

Applications close Wednesday, 23 August 2023.

The Diocese of Broken Bay is committed to and promotes a culture of safety and care for all people, especially for children and others in the community who are vulnerable. Our Diocese has no tolerance to Child Abuse and is committed to ensuring our staff and volunteers understand the joint responsibility to safeguard all those within our community.

The successful applicant must have the right to work in Australia and will be required to undertake pre-screening which may include a National Police History Check and/or Working With Children Check.

Religious Art Gallery Walk



On Monday afternoon our parents and carers joined us as we held our Religious Art Prize Gallery Walk. It was a wonderful reverent afternoon as all were able to peruse the corridors and classrooms of OLD as it was transformed from school into an interactive art gallery displaying works by all of our students. Congratulations to our students for completing such beautiful works all inspired by the theme for 2023 Compassion. Thank you to all our parents and friends who were able to join us for this experience.



Community Connections

Mr Ianni and Miss Smith headed out to Chatswood Early Learning centre recently to connect with parents of children looking to begin their journey into primary school in 2024. Thank you to centre owner, Gilda, for

inviting us in to share an insight into the transition to school process with your families. We are looking forward to meeting other preschool families in the coming months and assisting them to make the transition to school process as seamless and enjoyable as possible for their whole family.



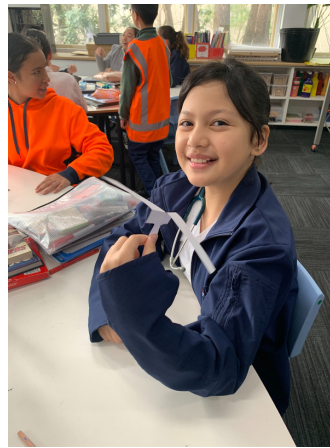
STEM Open Morning



STEM morning was a great success. All students and teachers enjoyed dressing up in their favourite STEM career outfit. All students enjoyed completing their Level 1 tasks and learning more about the possible STEM careers they can aspire to. Thank you to all those that could attend.

Please fill in the parent [survey](#).

A reminder that our next Parent Group meeting will also have a STEM workshop component for parents.



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 gold and silver sponsors for the evening. Our major gold sponsors, Steve & Daniel Cakmak from Raine & Horne Willoughby and our silver sponsors, The Zanetic family from ZANKAP security and technology. We are appreciative of their sponsorship which will assist us greatly and producing a high quality production.



Raine&Horne
The Cakmak Brothers

The logo for ZANKAP features the word 'ZANKAP' in a bold, grey, sans-serif font. The 'Z' and 'P' are enclosed in yellow square brackets.

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.

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



Library



OLD will be celebrating Book Week from 14 - 18 August.

Wednesday and Thursday will see the OLD Book Fair in action with students able to view Scholastic book titles during their library lessons and put together a wish list to share with their families of books they would like to purchase.

Friday 18 will be the OLD book week parade. We are looking forward to our students coming to school dressed as their favourite book character and sharing details about their favourite book.

It's looking to be a busy but exciting week ahead.

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.



Kindergarten were proud to show off their Fancy Feet as we raised funds and awareness for Mary Macs Place this week.

Community



THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CHATSWOOD
INVITES YEAR 3 CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES
TO A SPECIAL MASS FOR YEAR THREE AT THE

9AM FAMILY MASS



SUNDAY 20 AUGUST 2023

A FAMILY-FRIENDLY CELEBRATION AT
OUR LADY OF DOLOURS CATHOLIC CHURCH
94 ARCHER ST CHATSWOOD

THE YEAR THREE CHILDREN WILL RECEIVE A
SPECIAL BLESSING FOLLOWED BY MORNING
TEA IN THE PRIMARY SCHOOL PLAYGROUND.

PLEASE BRING A PLATE TO SHARE.

ALL WELCOME!



DISCOVER MERCY CATHOLIC COLLEGE
MERCYCHATSWOOD.NSW.EDU.AU




Register Now!










OPEN MORNING

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.
-  Located in the heart of Chatswood the College is a short walk to Chatswood Interchange where there are connecting buses, trains and the Metro.
-  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 School 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.



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
Broken Bay

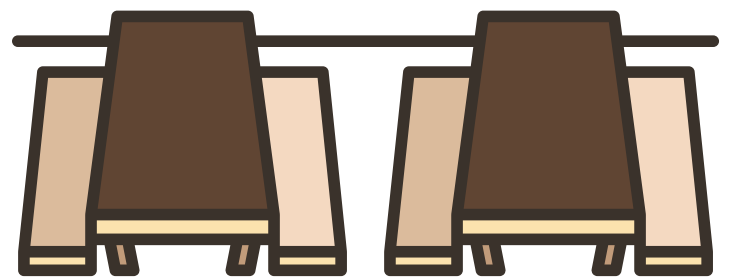
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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Are you able to offer 45 minutes 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.](#)

CANTEEN



INDOOR FUN

WOOLWORTHS CRICKET BLAST IS A FUN AND FAST PROGRAM FOR KIDS OF ALL ABILITIES. PLAY INDOORS THIS WINTER AND LEARN HOW TO BAT, BOWL, FIELD AND CATCH – ALL WHILE MAKING NEW FRIENDS.

Willoughby Leisure Centre - Indoor Blast Program
Monday 7th August - Wednesday 13th September (6 weeks)

4:30 - 5:30pm + only \$69 for 6 weeks

<https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/2ec666>

All weeks but the last are on Mondays, last week is a Wednesday due to booking clashes

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

JOIN THE FUN AT YOUR LOCAL INDOOR CENTRE
REGISTER AT PLAYCRICKET.COM.AU



WILLOUGHBY CITY
LIBRARY

What's on at Willoughby City Library



Reader pens available to borrow - great for learning English, Spanish or French and as a supportive tool for those with reading difficulties such as dyslexia.



STEM workshops for 3-6 year olds! Over 4 one hour sessions, unlock your child's natural curiosity, as they begin exploring how the world works! \$40 + booking fee.



Self Guided Creator Kits available at Chatswood Library, including: mBots, Makey Makey, Stikbots and Stikbot Scorch, and Raspberry Pi



After School Unwind!
Freeplay at Chatswood Library!
With a special Science Week session on 18 August

Visit our website to register, and for more information on upcoming events.
libraries.willoughby.nsw.gov.au



Community

Live Life Well @ School



Let's Go4Fun!

- Join the FREE 10-week program to learn healthy lifestyle skills, build self-esteem and have fun!
 - Term 4, 2023 programs coming to Hornsby and Chatswood
- To register visit go4fun.com.au/register or call 1800 780 900.



DO YOU WANT TO IMPROVE YOUR ENGLISH?

JOIN OUR
LIFESTYLE ENGLISH CONVERSATION PROGRAMME(LECP)

2023 PROGRAMME CONTINUES EACH WEDNESDAY DURING SCHOOL TERM



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!

WHEN DO WE MEET?
EVERY WEDNESDAY
FROM 9:30-11:00AM
DURING SCHOOL TERM

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

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.

Still interested?

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

If you know friends or family members who could benefit from LECP, please let them know!



9am - 12pm: U6
9am - 3pm: U7-U12
www.mongofootball.com



REGISTER NOW

SCHOOL HOLIDAY SOCCER CLINICS

September 25th-27th & October 4th-6th
Week 1 Mon-Wed Week 2 Wed-Fri
THE WILLIS SPORTS COMPLEX
CASTLE COVE - CHATSWOOD

TERM 3

From \$199

CALL 99863842



Saturday Mornings

Are You Ready To Kick Goals With Your Friends?



FRIENDSHIP CUP

2023

REGISTER HERE

SEPTEMBER 9TH - NOVEMBER 18TH
THE WILLIS SPORTS COMPLEX
MIXED: U7/8 - U9/10 - U11/12



Pick a Cool Name and Form Your Team of Soccer Friends Today!