

OUR LADY OF DOLOURS NEWS

Ignite, Innovate & Include in the Spirit of Mercy



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

MARCO IANNI PRINCIPAL

It feels like we have but blinked and suddenly term 1 has come to an end. It has certainly been an eventful term with Kindergarten commencing their schooling journey, settling into their school routine and the OLD community extremely well. We have seen several students representing the school at numerous sporting events with Cluster swimming then onto Polding swimming and Polding basketball. We have gathered together as a community for our opening mass, harmony day celebrations and Easter celebrations. Students have participated in the first of our student retreat days, our annual cross country carnival, our Year 3 & Year 5 students completing NAPLAN, our annual Open Day and senior band performance. I thank our staff and parent volunteers for making many of the above events possible and look forward to seeing our parent community this evening at our Parents Wine and Cheese night.

I wish the community a safe and happy holiday break and look forward to an exciting term 2.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Fri 12 April - Last Day Term 1

Mon 29 April - Staff Development Day

Tues 30 April - Term 2 commences

Thurs 2 May - ANZAC Day Liturgy 8.45am on COLA

Fri 10 May - Mothers Day breakfast and liturgy from 8.15am on COLA

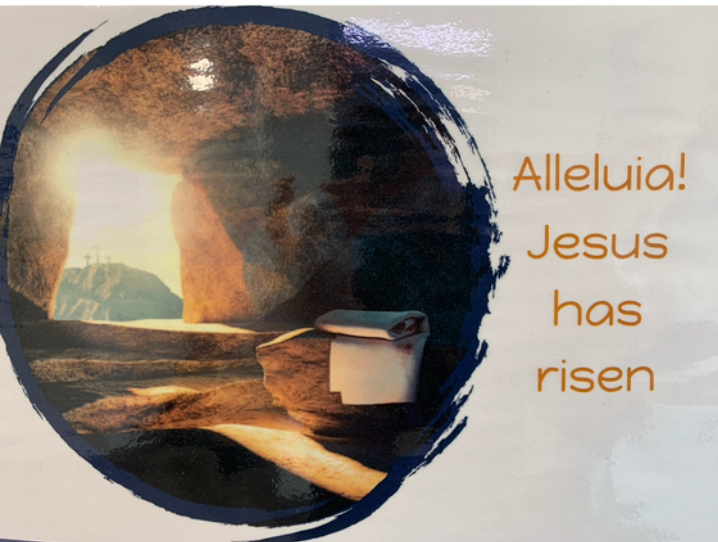
Mon 27 May - School Athletics Carnival

Enrolling now for
2025



Easter

When you ask most children what Easter is about what do you think their answer would be? A lot of them would probably say Easter bunnies, eggs, chocolate, getting their Easter baskets etc. It is hoped that many of our students at OLD would say that Easter is about Jesus and His death and Resurrection. After all, this is the true meaning of Easter. Easter is the most important date in the Christian Calendar. The mystery of the Resurrection is not easy for us to get our minds around, let alone try to explain to young children the amazing gift of new life that Jesus has given us. The Easter Season follows on from the Easter Vigil and continues for fifty days until Pentecost. It is a time of rejoicing in Christ's resurrection and Ascension and a time of great hope.



Student Retreat and Parents Faith Circle



Parents Faith Circle and Student Retreat
On Monday while the students were on their Retreat, a group of parents enjoyed a tranquil time in the parish garden for our first Parents Faith Circle. We read the Gospel of the Annunciation which is the story of when Mary was told that she would be the Mother of God. We then had an enlightened conversation about the gospel and how it reflected in our personal lives and families. The Parents Faith Circle was a great way to meet new parents and create relationships with each other and with the Parish. Thank you to the Parish who helped lead our first Parents Faith Circle and made us feel so welcomed into the Parish Community. Thank you to the Parish, Miss Smith and Mrs Molinaro for your organisation and co-ordination to make this event so special and a great success.



Sports News -

Polding Swimming Championships

A big congratulations must go to Conor McLoughlin in Year 6 who represented our school with pride in last Wednesday's Polding Swimming Championships at Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre.

Below is a recount of Conor's experience on the day.

On the 3rd of April, I went to the Polding Swimming Trials to compete to try and qualify for the Polding team. I arrived at the Sydney Olympic Aquatic Centre at around 9:00 am. My race started at 10:30am, so I had lots of time. About 30 minutes later, I went into the warm up pool to practice my dives, but every time I dived in, my goggles fell off. So my parents came up with an idea to put my swimming cap over my goggles. After I had practiced a few more dives, I started to get really nervous. Then I was called to marshalling to get ready for my race.

I was waiting for my race to start and I was so nervous, butterflies were flying all around my stomach. They told me that I was in Heat 1 out of 2. I waited about 30 minutes until my race started. Then I was called. I got up on the diving blocks, completely zoned in like nothing matters except the race. Then the buzzer sounded when I heard the "BEEP!". I knew to dive in. I went all out and came first in my heat.

I knew that only the top 3 out of 18 swimmers could qualify, so I swam as fast as I could. When the race was over, I saw that I had won my heat. I was really happy with myself because I came first and I got a time of 32.95 seconds, which beat my personal best by almost half a second. I came tenth overall out of 18 swimmers, so I didn't qualify for the polding team this time, but was really happy with myself for doing what I did.

Conor I must say, Mr. Caltabiano, your teachers, your peers, and the OLD Chatswood community are so proud of your achievement. You should be very thrilled with your effort on the day. Keep up the swimming and I know one day, we will see you in the Olympics, trying to win Australia Gold! Gooooooooooooo Conor!



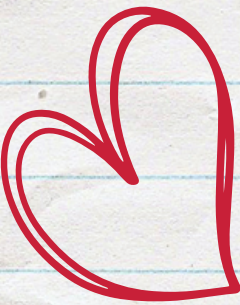


MOTHERS' DAY CELEBRATION FRIDAY 10 MAY

We would like to invite our Mothers', Grandmothers, and other significant women in our lives to join us as we celebrate and thank you for all you do for us.

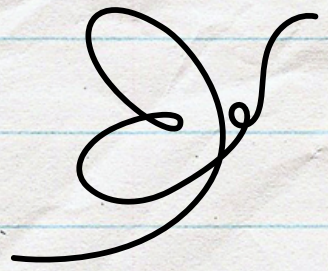
Our Special Mothers' Day breakfast will commence at 8.15m on the COLA. This wonderful welcome will be followed by a Liturgy with guests then invited into your child's classroom to enjoy a short Mothers' Day activity together. Our Mother's Day Liturgy will be led by our Year 3 students.

As part of a school tradition, we would like to create a Mother's Day slideshow to share with our school community. We invite our families to send a photo of their child with their mother or mother figure. If you would like to include your photo in this presentation, please send a photo via email to Jane through the school office, old@dbb.catholic.edu.au by Friday 3 May. Unfortunately, any photos received after this time may not be included.



Thank

You



To all in the OLD community -

THANK YOU!!

Your generosity has seen OLD raise just over \$2700.00 for

Project Compassion.

Caritas AUSTRALIA End poverty Promote justice Uphold dignity

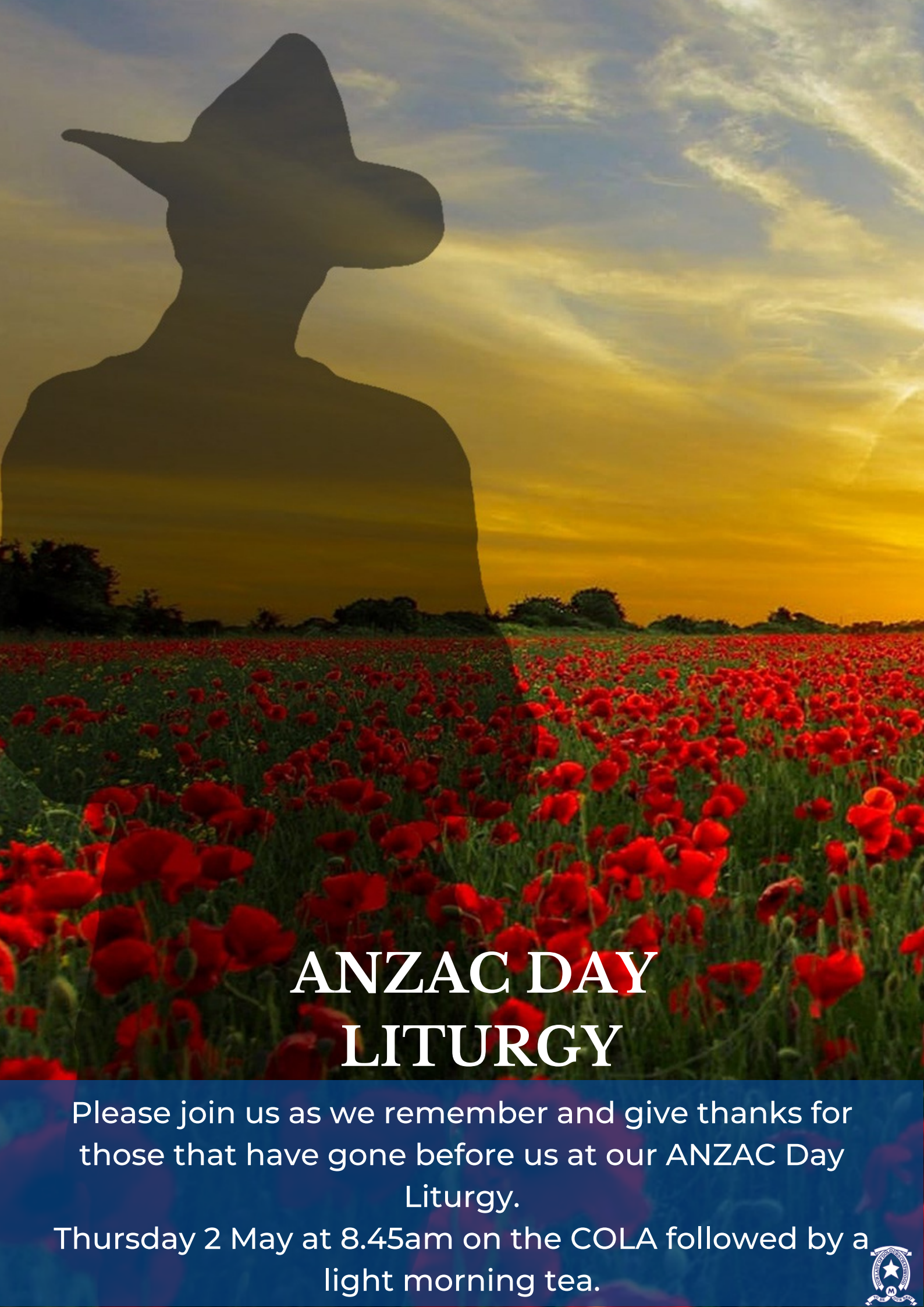
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PROJECT COMPASSION

SCHOOL'S GUIDE

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ANZAC DAY LITURGY

Please join us as we remember and give thanks for those that have gone before us at our ANZAC Day Liturgy.

Thursday 2 May at 8.45am on the COLA followed by a light morning tea.



VACATION CARE APRIL 2024

Our Lady Of Dolours Catholic School OSHC

7.30am – 6.00pm
 P: 0421 869 943 | E: oshc.chatswood@catholiccaredbb.org.au



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MONDAY 15 APRIL

A DAY IN ITALY & SPAGHETTI DAY

Wear your favourite Italian outfit or colours as we immerse ourselves in the Italian culture with experiences from soccer, art, gladiator sword fighting, pizza and pasta making. Please bring your recess, lunch, hat, and a water bottle.

\$ INCENTRE
\$72.00

TUESDAY 16 APRIL

SUPER SPORTS & WHEELS DAY

Bring your energy as the super sports gang from No Limit Sport come in to have you thinking and running off your feet! Test your team spirit and passion of sporty games including hockey, ultimate frisbee, soccer and fun fitness games. Also bring along your bikes or scooters for a day of wheely fun! Incursion time 10:00am-12:00pm. Please bring your recess, hat, water bottle, helmet, bike or scooter and safety gear.

\$ INCURSION
\$88.00

WEDNESDAY 17 APRIL

OSHC BAKE OFF & CAFÉ DAY

Today we are bringing the café to OSHC. Test your cooking skills by cooking some yummy cakes and slices to serve at our café and take home. Get the chance to design your own café menu including lunch and milkshakes! Please bring your recess, lunch, hat, and a water bottle.

\$ INCURSION
\$88.00

THURSDAY 18 APRIL

MOVE IT FITNESS

Today we head to My Gym in Chatswood to participate in some energising fitness games, gymnastics, music and arts and craft. Departs at 12:30pm and returns at 3:45pm Please bring your recess, lunch, hat, and a water bottle.

\$ EXCURSION
\$98.00

FRIDAY 19 APRIL

FEAR FACTOR FRIDAY

Today we will be scaring our senses as we taste sour food, feel slimy hidden objects and smell items while blindfolded. Please bring your recess, lunch, hat, and a water bottle.

\$ INCENTRE
\$72.00



MONDAY 22 APRIL

LITTLE RIPPER SKATEBOARDING

Kickflip it to the pavement with all skill levels welcome! Little Ripper presents a skateboarding masterclass to learn the basics of stopping, rolling in, and turning with confidence, resilience, and perseverance. All equipment and safety gear provided. Please bring your recess, lunch, hat, and a water bottle. Activity time 1:30pm-3:00pm

\$ INCURSION
\$88.00



TUESDAY 23 APRIL

BUILD A BEAR & TEDDY BEAR PICNIC

Today you will get the chance to create your very own teddy bear before heading off to Chatswood Park for a teddy bear picnic and play. Departs at 11:00am & returns at 2:00pm Please bring your recess, lunch, hat, and a water bottle.

\$ EXCURSION
\$98.00



WEDNESDAY 24 APRIL

BUBBLE MANIA & SLIMY ERUPTIONS

Today we have a bubble filled day packed with bursting bubbles and slimy explosions. Get ready to learn how to make slimy volcanos and magic with bubbles. It will be a little bit messy but a whole lot of fun! Please bring your recess, lunch, hat, and a water bottle.

\$ INCENTRE
\$82.00



THURSDAY 25 APRIL

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

We are closed for ANZAC Day. We look forward to seeing you tomorrow.



FRIDAY 26 APRIL

ANZAC DAY CELEBRATION

Enjoy a day of craft, Anzac biscuit making and damper making as we celebrate Anzac Day. It's a little way for us to say thank you to the soldiers who helped us to live freely in our beautiful country.

\$ INCENTRE
\$72.00



MONDAY 29 APRIL

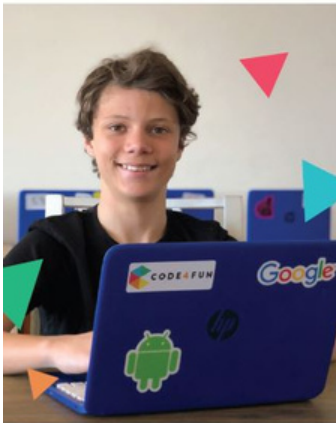
SCAVENGER HUNT & SURVIVOR DAY

Race your friends in the ultimate Scavenger Hunt!! Follow the clues to find the secret items! Please bring your recess, lunch, hat, and a water bottle.

\$ INCENTRE
\$82.00

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AGAIN NEXT TIME!





Learn to code and build your own online projects with CODE4FUN

Year 2 to Year 6 students are welcome to join. STEM focused programs - students develop critical thinking and problem solving skills by learning to code.



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Term 2, 2024
Y2 - Y6 Students

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Our Lady of Dolours
In-person coding classes

Every Thursday
09 May - 04 July | 9 weeks

SCRATCH
7:45 - 8:45 am
Y2 - Y4 students

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24 April Wednesday	16:00-18:00 (2 hours)	Coached by Chinese National Accredited Senior Table Tennis Coach, with 30+ years kids coaching experience
26 April Friday	16:00-18:00 (2 hours)	
27 April Saturday	15:00-17:00 (2 hours)	




46 BEACONSFIELD ROAD CHATSWOOD (ENTRY VIA DALRYMPLE AVE)




What's on at Willoughby City Library


Autumn school holidays 2024




Teddy Bear Hospital (For ages 5-7 years). A cute and cuddly introduction to healthcare for children at Chatswood Library.



Nuttu native crafts! (8-13 years) at Artarmon, Northbridge, Castle Cove and West Chatswood Libraries.





Stamp collecting workshop for kids (ages 9+ years) at Chatswood Library



Sunny and Penny's Energy Saver Show (4-7 years) at Chatswood and Northbridge Libraries.

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

Presents

Rodgers & Hammerstein's Oklahoma!



Music by Richard Rodgers
Book and Lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II

Based on the play "Green Grow the Lilacs" by Lynn Riggs
Original Dances by Agnes de Mille

25th May - 8th June 2024

Normanhurst Uniting Church

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