

# OUR LADY OF DOLOURS NEWS

Ignite, Innovate & Include in the Spirit of Mercy



## Upcoming Events

Monday 5 August - Grandparents Day Liturgy,  
morning tea and open classrooms

Mon, Tues, Thurs - 4B Parent teacher meetings

Thursday 8 August - Fancy Feet Fundraiser for  
Mary Macs Place

Wednesday 21 August - Book Week Parade

Friday 30 August - Fathers Day Breakfast and  
Liturgy

Tuesday 17 September - Creative Arts Festival  
High School Musical Jr Performance

## 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 Grandparents Day, our School Musical, Public Speaking Competition, Book Week and the beginning of our transition to school program for our incoming Kindergarten 2025 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 celebration with Kindergarten's 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.

Enrolling now for  
2025





# 100 Days of School

Congratulations to our Kindergarten of 2024 who have just celebrated 100 days of school – hip hip hooray! We are so proud of you all.

This milestone was celebrated in classrooms with our Kindergarten students participating in a wide range of activities to commemorate this special occasion. Many children displayed great creativity and came dressed with their decorated 100 day t-shirt.

*Micah and Jocelyn from KG said “They loved the parade”*

*Kheaan and Joshua from KB enjoyed building the tallest tower using one hundred cups.*

*Jana and Jacob from KW enjoyed dancing at our 100 days disco.*

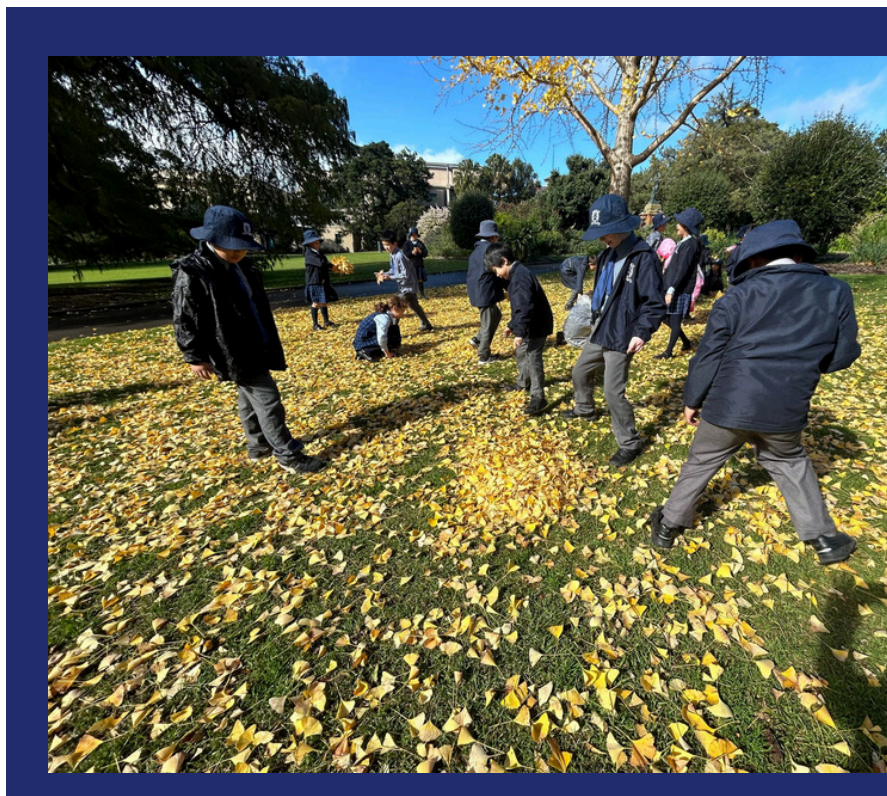
It was such a fun successful and fun day and we would like to thank the OLD community.





# Year 3 Excursion

In Week 10 of last term, Year 3 had a wonderful excursion to Hyde Park Barracks and the Royal Botanical Gardens. At Hyde Park Barracks, students learned about the effects of British Colonisation in Australia and practised their skills in historical inquiry and communication. Students then walked to the Royal Botanical Gardens and enjoyed a lovely lunch and play in the gardens. After lunch, they explored the impact of colonisation on Aboriginal people and gained a deeper understanding of the significance of Country and Place. Overall, Year 3 had an enriching day discovering the historical aspects of Sydney.





# From the Advisory Council

We are pleased to share the highlights of our second Advisory Council Meeting in Term 2. The Council reviewed the annual plan, with particular attention to the changes in the NSW Curriculum. We also discussed the current and projected enrolment figures for 2025, ensuring we are well-prepared for the future.

Exciting plans for the Term 3 Musical were outlined, promising a memorable event for students and families. The meeting also covered details of the successful PEC Church Tour and the upcoming uniform changes, which aim to enhance our school identity and streamline options for parents. Additionally, we reviewed the ongoing works and improvements around the school campus, ensuring a safe and inspiring environment for our students. We also discussed options for the planned Parish Sacramental Retreat Days, which will offer spiritual enrichment for our students.



## Fancy Feet

THURSDAY 8 AUGUST

**PLEASE BRING A GOLD  
COIN DONATION FOR  
MARY MAC'S PLACE**

**Mary Mac's Place provides:**

Hot healthy lunches

Access to showers

A place to wash clothes

Friendly faces

Someone who can  
listen and help.

*CatholicCare*  
Diocese of Broken Bay



READING IS  
**MAGIC**

★ CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK AT OLD  
CHATSWOOD | 2024







# JOIN US!

For Our Lady of Dolours

## Annual Book Parade

Week 5



**Date:** Wednesday August 21st

**Venue:** School Playground

**Time:** 9am

**Dress Code:**

Children are encouraged to come dressed as a favourite book character OR something rather magical!







Thank you to all the volunteers in our OLD community who came together to make our Term 2 disco such a wonderful success. Without our parent volunteers these wonderful events for our students would not be possible.

A very big thank you to:

Events committee - disco organisers:

- Meg Geronimo
- Anna Mata
- Marie Villanueva

Mums who helped in supervising the students during the disco :

- Bianca Cakmak - photography
- Larissa Costa
- Kristha Mangahas
- Phea Madamba
- Karen Mazon
- Andrea Pernesz
- Melissa Surjan
- Charisma Santiago



Dads on the sausage sizzle:

- Joseph Atip
- Nathan Costa
- Carlo Geronimo
- Jeremy Pernesz
- Jack Obecena
- Jed Madamba
- Lee Gorobia
- Nico Santiago
- JC Villanueva

Parents who served food to the students:

- Linda Curran
- Harry Ma
- Eva Xin
- Sarina Xu
- Kathy Shen
- Queenie
- Jinky





# CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Grace from Year 4 who recently came 3rd overall with her Contemporary/Lyrical Dance team at the NSW Eutopia Dance Competition held at Olympic Park.

The next State competition will be held in August at the ICC Sydney Theatre. We wish her all the best.





# For Parents



Are you concerned about the amount of screen time your child has and the effects it has on their brain development? Did you know around 10% of children develop a substantial problem around screen use and gaming? To find out more about the affects of screen time on the growing brain and how to develop a healthy relationship with screens join us for:

## THE NEUROSCIENCE OF SCREEN ADDICTION

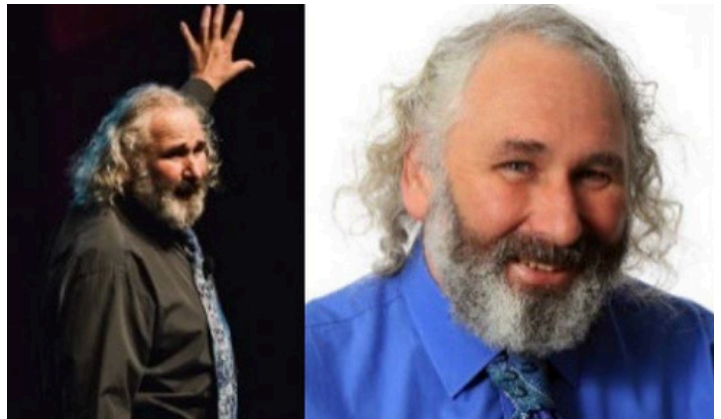
Tuesday 3 September

6.30pm

Our Lady of Dolours

RSVP: 30 August - [Neuroscience of Screen Addiction 2024](#)

Please note this is a parent only event



## Game Changer - Professor Wayne Warburton

School of Psychological Sciences  
Macquarie University

Many parents worry their children are gaming to excess and don't know how to deal with it. Psychologist Wayne Warburton says he can help, with an Australian first program tackling problem gaming. Will it work?

## VOLUNTEERING AT OLD

Are you interested in volunteering at OLD in 2024?

It is always wonderful having our parent community join us in the many volunteering opportunities at OLD such as, joining us on excursion, in the OLD Canteen, the preloved uniform stall, morning teas and more.

If you are interested please click on the below link to complete your volunteer form

[Volunteer Declaration](#)

The students thank you in advance for playing an active role in our school community



## Canteen Volunteers needed

Looking to volunteer in 2024 but don't have much time?

Why not sign up for the OLD Canteen, we only need

30-45 minutes of your time and the students thank you in advance

for your contribution

[Canteen sign up](#)



# JRS AUSTRALIA

# FOODBANK

Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) Australia provides vital support to over 150 families seeking asylum and refugees every week through our Foodbank program. These families, who are largely unable to access Federal Government assistance, have expressed that JRS is their only safety net. With your assistance, we can ensure that these families no longer face the difficult choice between paying rent and putting food on the table.

## HOW CAN YOU HELP?



**COOKING OIL**  
750ML/1L/2L BOTTLES

**LONG LIFE MILK**  
1L/2L BOTTLES



**BASMATI RICE**  
1KG - 5KG

**PASTA**



**COCONUT MILK**  
CANNED

**COFFEE**

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR COMPASSIONATE SUPPORT!





# Book Club



## Reminder: How to Order Book Club at OLD

There are 2 issues of Book Club each term.

They are in the form of brochure / magazine with books and prices.

The issue that will be coming home this week is Issue 5.

## Book Club

HOME

SCHOLASTIC

### Steps:

1. Your child will bring home a Scholastic Book Club Catalogue from school.
2. Buying is completely optional and can be a one-off purchase. (No ongoing commitment).
3. Discuss and share the books in the catalogue to see if any are of interest to your child.
4. Order books ONLINE using the Scholastic Australia LOOP website or app. The school will take care of the rest! (LOOP orders are electronically linked to our school in a secure online process). No cash payments at school, all orders are completed at home.
5. Books will be delivered directly to school at the close of the Book Club period. Normally this lasts a few weeks to allow for browsing and selection. Books are handed out to students to take home.

### LOOP

Log in or create a new account at [scholastic.com.au/loop](https://www.scholastic.com.au/loop)

If you are new to Book Club you will need to follow the steps at this above site to set up a new profile - this includes:

- Clicking the ORDER tab and selecting your child's class / class teacher
- Adding your child's name
- Entering the product item number (from the catalogue)
- Make payment via credit card



**NOTE: Orders will close Friday August 9**

*\* For every Book Club order placed, Scholastic gives back 15% of the order value to schools to purchase valuable educational resources via its Scholastic Rewards program.*





### ***Rest In Peace Sr Patricia Horton***

Sr Patricia was principal of OLD Primary School during the 1970s. She was an excellent principal and OLD was an excellent school. The students from that time have gone on to do very well in life.

In recent years, Sr Patricia has been in St Peter's Green Residential Care.

May she now be at peace as she enters God's Kingdom.

# *Exploring the faith*



*Why is the Old Testament so important to our Faith?*

*How can we be so confident in the Resurrection?*

*What takes place on receiving Sacraments?*

*How do we fit in the universal Church?*

*What really is the Good News?*

*Why do we need prayer?*

**STARTING WEDNESDAY 7 AUGUST 2024  
(7.15PM-9.00PM)**

Our Lady of Dolours Parish, St Peter's meeting room  
[www.bbcatholic.org.au/chatswood/ministries/faith-formation](http://www.bbcatholic.org.au/chatswood/ministries/faith-formation)



- NO PREREQUISITES OR OBLIGATIONS TO JOINING.
- 30 WEEK COURSE
- CONTACT ANTHONY ON 0414 364 522 OR EMAIL [EXPLORINGTHEFAITH@GMAIL.COM](mailto:EXPLORINGTHEFAITH@GMAIL.COM)







# CODING FOR KIDS

**Term 3, 2024**

**Y2 - Y6 Students**

## CREATIVE CODING

### **Our Lady of Dolours**

In-person coding classes

### **Every Thursday**

01 Aug - 26 Sept | 9 weeks

### **SCRATCH**

7:45 - 8:45 am

Y2 - Y4 students

### **INTRO TO JAVA**

7:45 - 8:45 am

Y4 - Y6 students

**Laptops are provided**

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\$243 per student per term

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If you have any questions email us at

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or call **0452 525 453**

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**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.



**SAVE \$50  
ON YOUR CHILD'S  
ENROLMENT**



# Choral Workshop

with Josie Ryan

**24 AUGUST 2024**

**1:00PM – 6:30PM**

**OUR LADY OF DOLOURS  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

94 ARCHER STREET, CHATSWOOD



**\$30 WORKSHOP RATE\***

**BOOKING ESSENTIAL:**

[HTTPS://WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/CTUGS](https://www.trybooking.com/CTUGS)

OR SCAN THE QR CODE

*Josie Ryan is an expert vocal coach for singers of all ages and experiences. She has conducted choirs including the ACU student and staff choir and the St Mary's North Sydney Parish Choir.*

*She holds a Masters degree in Early Vocal Music and Historical Performance Practice from the Royal Conservatory of The Hague, and is currently undertaking PhD studies at Sydney Conservatorium of Music.*

\*Parishioners of OLOD enter for free





# PARISH-IN-COUNCIL I ❤️



**On Saturday 31 August, we will come together as a parish community, to encounter one another, listen to each other, and help to discern and shape the future of our parish at our fourth Parish-in-Council meeting.**

The afternoon, like our previous Parish-in-Councils, will feature lunch, thought-provoking presentations, conversations and the opportunity for each and every one of our voices to be heard.

We will meet new people, get to know one another better and continue our journey to becoming a vibrant and inclusive community of God, where everyone feels accepted, valued and known.

**Q. Can I bring my children?** Absolutely! We want Parish-in-Council to be accessible for all families with children of any age. That's why we created Kids-in-Council, for toddlers through to teens, running in parallel to Parish-in-Council, with catered lunch, tailored fun activities through the afternoon and projects linked to the main topic of Parish-in-Council.

**Q. Who is Parish-in-Council for?** Parish-in-Council is open to anyone who participates in the life of our parish, even if you live outside of Chatswood.

**Q. Is registration mandatory?** Yes. So that we can properly plan lunch and how many tables to fill, we need everyone to pre-register.

## Register Now

To register simply visit the webpage link below or scan the QR code.

<https://parish-in-council-iv.rsvpify.com>







# FREE CLASS TRIAL



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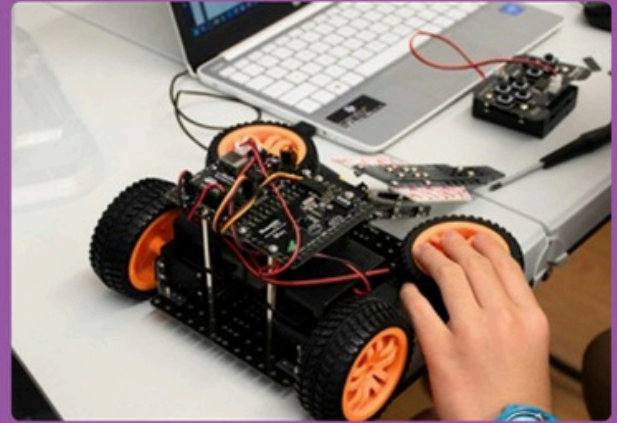


# What's on at Willoughby City Library

Term 3 2024



Primary school homework club at Chatswood Library (5-12 years). Drop in and get your homework done! Supported by senior students from Mercy College.



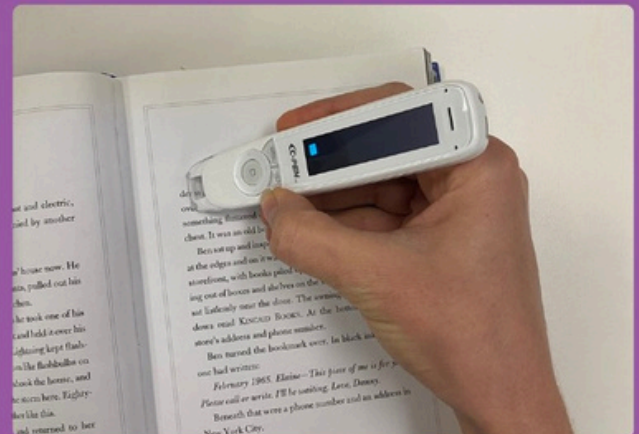
Race Bot: Coding and robotics challenge (11-13 years). Celebrate National Science Week with a coding and robotics challenge at Chatswood Library!



Kids create! at Artarmon, Northbridge and West Chatswood Libraries. Monthly crafting sessions for 5-10 year olds and their families.

Visit our website to register, and for more information on upcoming events.

[libraries.willoughby.nsw.gov.au](http://libraries.willoughby.nsw.gov.au)



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.

