

# OUR LADY OF DOLOURS NEWS

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

MARCO IANNI PRINCIPAL

It has certainly been a busy start to Term 3 with a number of events having taken place already.

Thank you to our wonderful volunteers for organising our Grandparents Day morning tea and to all our special grandparents for joining us for this special celebration. We also thank Father David, the OLD Parish staff and our parent community for joining us on Monday for our Religious Art Gallery Walk through, the students enjoyed being able to share their wonderful art work submissions with the community, thank you to Miss Ferrero and staff for organising, we look forward to selecting students for the finals.

Students are currently enjoying visits to Chatswood library as we begin our Book Week activities.

Parents are reminded students are welcome and encouraged to come to school dressed as a book character next Wednesday 21 August for our annual book week parade.

Next week we will also be hosting our Public Speaking finals, our Musical tickets go on sale and our representative athletics team will be competing at the North Shore Cluster Carnival.

Our Kindergarten transition to school screeners for 2025 will be commencing in coming weeks and we are excited to welcome our Kindergarten students for 2025 shortly. The enrolment places are now full however if you have or know someone who would like to enrol their child for Kindergarten 2025, please contact the office.

Finally we are looking forward to the Musical with tickets on sale this Monday 19 August at 9am.

Please use the link below and a reminder that tickets are on sale via the Concourse website:

[High School Jr Musical Tickets](#)

## Upcoming Events

Monday 19 - Friday 23 Book Week

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Wednesday 21 August - Book Week Parade

**Fathers Day** - Tuesday 27 August Fathers Day Stall  
Friday 30 August - 8am Fathers Day Breakfast Liturgy and Open Classrooms

Monday 19 August - Musical Tickets on sale

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

Enrolling now for  
2025





# Grandparents Day

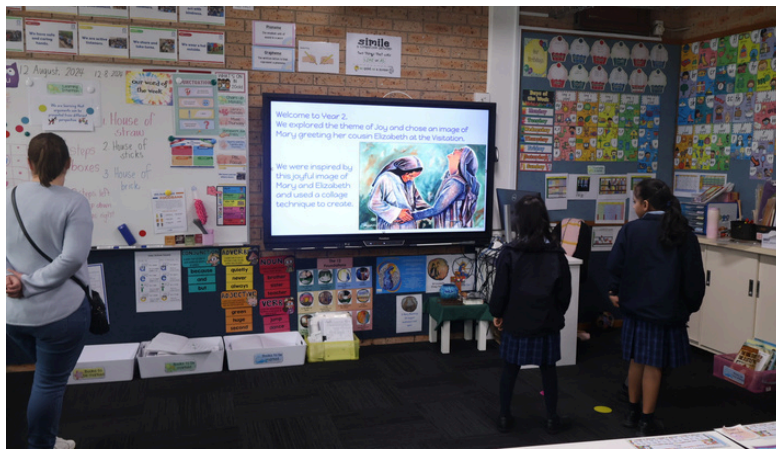


Thank you to all our grandparents that joined us as we celebrated them and the positive impact they have on our lives during Grandparents day.





# Religious Art Prize Gallery Walk



Earlier this week our school community was treated to our Religious Art Prize Gallery Walk. All our classrooms were open with our students work displayed for all to enjoy. Thank you to Father David, the OLD Parish Staff and our parents for joining us and congratulations to all our students for their wonderful work.





# School Sports Australia Championships - Basketball 2024

Two weeks ago on Sunday 28th July running till Thursday 1st August, Floyd.H from Year 6 represented NSW at the SSA Championships in Basketball @ the Gold Coast.

States competing were NSW, SA, QLD, WA, ACT and VIC. NSW ended up 2nd on the ladder after versing each state once. They won 4/5 of their games only losing to VIC. They played in the Semi-finals against QLD and unfortunately lost. Then a spot for a bronze medal vs SA but unfortunately lost that game. It was the best a NSW team in basketball has done since 2013.

On behalf of myself and the community at OLD, Chatswood, I would like to congratulate Floyd on his achievement in being part of the NSW basketball team and competing at the highest level at school level. It is such a great experience for Floyd as he was competing against the best school age basketball players in Australia.

Floyd, you should be very proud and hope you have learnt a lot from your experience. I am sure we will see you in the NBA in the future.





# Saint Carlo - our first Millennial Saint



Blessed Carlo Acutis, a teenager boy who died in 2006 and will become our first Millennial Saint in 2025. A saint for the young people. Carlo was a gamer and computer programmer who loved playing soccer and had a special love for GOD and the Eucharist.

*"A model of holiness in a digital age" (Pope Francis)*

We will be sharing Carlo's story in the upcoming OLD School newsletters and his special connection to our OLD Parish that will be happening on his feast day on the 12th October 2024.

## Fathers' Day

Join us as we celebrate our  
Dad's  
Friday 30 August  
8.15am on the COLA  
Light breakfast followed by  
our 9am Fathers' Day Liturgy  
and Open Classrooms

Email your photo with Dad to Jane in the school office  
[old@dbb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:old@dbb.catholic.edu.au) for inclusion in our special  
presentation.

Please note photos must be received by 9am on 26 August to  
be included.





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## **Book Week at OLD!**

Reading is TRULY magic!

A reminder... we have many upcoming events to help us celebrate the magic of books and reading.

First we have our Chatswood Library Visits for all our classes. We look forward to visiting our local community Library and engaging with some of the nominated book titles from the Children's Book Council of Australia awards.

All of the visits will run between approximately 1.30pm-2.30pm. Students will return back at school in time for regular dismissal. Thank you to all parent volunteers who have offered their assistance. By now you would have been contacted to confirm your commitment. We appreciate your support.

Date	Grade
Thursday August 15th	Year 3
Friday August 16 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4
Monday August 19 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2
Tuesday August 20th	Kindergarten
Wednesday August 21st	Year 5
Thursday August 22nd	Year 6
Friday August 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Year 1

## **Annual Book Parade**

Additionally, on Wednesday August 21st at 9am we will have our Annual Book Parade on the school playground. All children (and teachers!) are encouraged to arrive at school dressed as their favourite book character, or anything MAGICAL!

Appropriate footwear is essential and a change of clothes may be desirable. Cross your fingers for a sunny day! Should the weather not play nicely, we will parade in our classrooms and capture the children's costumes through photographs.

## **Scholastic Book Fair**

Once again, OLD will host a Scholastic Book Fair event. All students will have the chance to browse the books at the Fair during their regular Library lessons. This will take place in Week 6 (August 28th-30th). Classes can record a "wish list" of any items of interest. Buying books from the fair is completely optional and a wish list does not commit to buying any books. Families who would like to purchase will then follow the instructions on the Book Fair Flyer (to be sent home on Library lesson day) Orders will then be fulfilled the following week, Week 7. Popular books may need to be re-ordered and these are delivered by Scholastic to the school as soon as it is possible. A small percentage of all funds raised go towards our Scholastic Reward dollars - we use these to purchase books for our school Library as well as classroom readers and resources. Start saving your pocket money students!

## **Premiers Reading Challenge**

A final reminder that the Premier's Reading Challenge closes at the conclusion of Book Week, Friday August 23rd. Any students with books to enter should do so as soon as possible. Awards are the organised by the NSW Department of Education and will be handed out by the end of 2024.

We look forward to celebrating Book Week 2024 with all OLD students and their families.

Beth Charlton

Teacher-Librarian







# 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!





# *Creative Arts Festival*

**Creative Arts Festival 2025 -  
School Musical - High School  
Musical Jr to be held at the  
Concourse Chatswood  
Tuesday 17 September**

Disney  
**HIGH  
SCHOOL  
MUSICAL JR.**



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# CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations Grace of Year 4 for coming 1st with her Contemporary/Lyrical Dance team at the NSW Cheercon Worlds Experience Dance Championships on 11th August held at ICC Sydney Theatre. We are so proud of her hard work, perseverance and commitment!



## Young Archie 2024

Congratulations to Yvaine from Year 6 who has been chosen as a finalist in the Young Archie 2024 competition. Yvaine was recently presented with a certificate from our local MP Paul Fletcher in acknowledgment of this significant achievement.





# For Parents

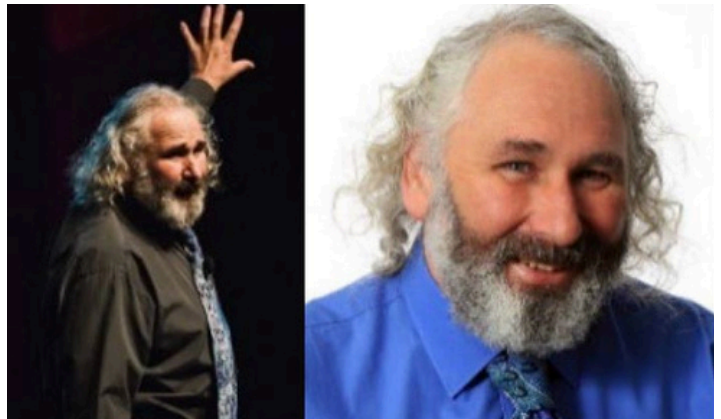
Are you concerned about the amount of screen time your child has and the effects it has on their brain development? Did you know around 10% of children develop a substantial problem around screen use and gaming? To find out more about the affects of screen time on the growing brain and how to develop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

## THE NEUROSCIENCE OF SCREEN ADDICTION

Tuesday 3 September  
6.30pm

Our Lady of Dolours Primary School  
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

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1L/2L BOTTLES



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THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR COMPASSIONATE SUPPORT!



# 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>








## OPEN MORNING 27 AUGUST 9-11AM

[MERCYCHATSWOOD.NSW.EDU.AU](http://MERCYCHATSWOOD.NSW.EDU.AU)

LEARN MORE





 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.

 Student needs are diverse, therefore curriculum and pedagogy is dynamic and responsive to accommodate different learning styles.

 Research shows that girls in an all-girls' learning environment thrive!

 A comprehensive range of electives is offered in addition to mandatory studies from Year 7, leading to the award of the Higher School Certificate credential in Year 12.

 Outstanding results in the 2023 HSC - ranked 7th Systemic Catholic Girls School in the state of NSW.

 The College enjoys modern facilities and state of the art technology in classrooms. Tour our recently renovated Technology and Applied Studies Lab 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 Sports, Creative Arts and special interest clubs.

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

**ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR YEAR 7, 2027 ENROL NOW**

Families can place an online enrolment form via the Colleges Online Enrolment Platform at [www.mercychatswood.nsw.edu.au](http://www.mercychatswood.nsw.edu.au) or submit a hard copy of the Enrolment paperwork to the College Office.







**MERCY CATHOLIC  
COLLEGE PRESENTS**

# ILLUMINATE

Featuring Year 12 HSC Major  
Projects in Design and  
Technology, English Extension 2,  
History Extension, Society and  
Culture, Textiles and Design and  
Visual Arts.

Also displaying works from Year  
12 Food Technology and  
Year 7 – 11 TAS and Visual Arts.

**Wednesday 21 August**

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**5:30pm – 7:00pm**

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**Harrington Hall**  
via Kirk St



# Try out an e-bike at the Fauna Fair



active transport



10am - 3pm,  
Sunday, 25 August  
Willoughby Park

Curious about what it's like to ride an e-bike? Come and test out a range of e-bike brands (including cargo bikes which are useful for getting kids to school).

Bring your ID and helmets will be provided.



Get advice from your local bike retailers

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