

ST DOMINIC'S PRIORY COLLEGE

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BULLETIN

Diary Dates

Tuesday 4 August

St Dominic's Day Mass

Friday 7 August

St Dominic's Day Holiday

Thursday 13 August

Year 10 Immunisations Write a Book in a Day

Friday 14 August

Sports & Special Photos

Wed 19 - Fri 21 August Year 7 Camp

Thursday 27 August Year 10/11 Subject Selection

Mon 31 Aug - Wed 2 Sept Year 9 Camp

Tuesday 1 September

Year 8 Immunisations

Thursday 3 September

Year 10 Retreat

UNIFORM SHOP TERM OPENING HOURS Mondays during Term 10:30am - 1:30pm Thursdays

30 July 12:30 - 4:30 6 August 10:30 - 1:30 13 August 12:30 - 4:30 20 August 10:30 - 1:30 27 August 12:30 - 4:30 3 September 10:30 - 1:30 10 September 12:30 - 4:30

PLEASE NOTE THE UNIFORM SHOP WILL BE CLOSED IN WEEKS 9 + 10

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TUCK SHOP SPECIALS

EVERY WEDNESDAY

WEEK 3: Roast Chicken (\$7) WEEK 4: Baked Potatoes (\$6.50-\$7) WEEK 5: Vegetarian Ravioli (\$6.50)

DOWNLOAD THE FULL MENU https://stdo.ms/tuck



Friday morning Mass 8:15am College Chapel

THURSDAY 30 JULY 2020

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Dear Parents / Guardians

Welcome to Term Three – a time of strengthening our learning, reflecting on our goals, and planning for our future. I have to admit that I have begun the term somewhat distracted. Less than 100 metres from my office now resides our "Little Dom's". Nine girls have joined us for the mid-year intake and, under the care of Mrs Rodrigues, Sr Hieu and Mrs White, they have settled very well into 'school life'. I, on the other hand, have found myself unsettled - in the most wonderful of ways. Their laughter, chatter and occasional squeals of delight draw me away from my desk and into their good company where they are quick to remind me that I am just another adult in their life who might assist with cutting, or building, or creating. Joy is one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit and it is joy I experience when I visit. I am sure you can appreciate my distraction.

In this Bulletin you will find a new format brimming with news from across the College. We celebrated a most wonderful assembly yesterday and I delighted in this student led R – 12 gathering. There was something for everyone. I was inspired by Bethany who led the prayer reminding us that 'St Dominic and the Dominican tradition invites us all to flourish as unique and authentic human persons and thus become fully alive in Christ.' The acknowledgement of country was presented by Isabella Bauer who invited us into her story, her ancestry, her family – it was moving, poignant and comforting. As always, the singing filled my heart – both the junior and senior choirs sang

with a beautiful confidence. We had a taste of the upcoming musical – *Grease*, which had us tapping our toes, whilst I wondered, who were the 'boys' on stage? I was delighted to hand certificates for poetry having first listened to both Ms Rathmann and Justyna Dutka share their extraordinary work. I thank all of those involved in preparing the assembly, especially the SRC girls and the College Prefects – it was a time of great celebration.

Term Two concluded for the College Prefects with a visit to Blackfriars. Mr Simon Cobiac and his leadership team welcomed us to the school community in prayer, reflection and a delightful

meal. These gatherings are a tradition for both schools, providing the opportunity for leadership formation as the prefects of both schools take on the responsibility of leading their respective schools in the spirit of St Dominic. It was a lovely way to conclude the term.

At the beginning of the school holidays an induction day for new Board members was held under the leadership of Board Chair, Jim Howard. It was an excellent day of welcome, formation,

prayer, reflection and learning. The new Board members and I came away with a box of papers and readings along with a sense of readiness for our work. I believe our new members enjoyed the day and we look forward to working alongside Van Khanh Nguyen, Pusheela Jummun and Rolf Scharfbillig in the coming years.

The Year 10, 11 and 12 students have now completed their mid-year exams. Year 10 girls had their first taste and appeared to have done very well. Both Year 11 and Year 12 girls have managed this part of the academic year with confidence and appreciate the opportunities for feedback from their teachers. I congratulate all the girls on their approach to their studies. Whether it is exams, tests or assignments, a positive, can do attitude seems to prevail amongst St Dom's girls.

In the past week we have sadly said goodbye to members of our wider community; Old Scholar Dolores Patching (nee O'Loughlin), past staff member June Bessen; and Fr Terry Kelly SJ. May they rest in peace. Sr Jillian has provided a beautiful reflection for each of these beloved members of our community in today's Bulletin.

Our St Dominic's Feast Day celebrations unfold next week. We will have a school Mass on Tuesday, and the girls are asked to please wear their full winter uniform. In the Mass we will reflect on the how St Dominic lived a life of compassion, contemplation and action inspired by his faith in Jesus Christ. The Gospel reading for Tuesday is an invitation to follow Jesus and proclaim the reign of God. On Friday of next week, we will hold our traditional school closure day. I am encouraging all staff, students and families to enjoy this day of rest whilst giving thanks for the life of St Dominic and our school community.

I had a wonderful visit this week from Congregational Prioress, Sr Noreen Reynolds. Our conversation unfolded easily as we discussed the unusual year we have had and what we might see in the coming months. She listened as I shared the stories of my work, the joys and surprises. I learnt a little more about our school and a lot more about St Dominic. She left me with a full heart and the following quote which I share with you to conclude this article.

"The Dominican Story is only valid if it takes up the thread of an earlier story, that of Jesus of Nazareth, and brings it up to date in its own way."

Dr Helen Steele Principal

From the

LEADERSHIP TEAM

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

I would like to echo Helen's welcome to Term 3. The community spirit at St Dominic's has sustained us during COVID-19 challenges. Students and staff think creatively and cleverly, to continue to make our school a place of dynamic learning, which is fun and welcoming.

GALA DAY 2020

As we look back to Week 10, Gala Day was certainly the highlight. Regardless of COVID-19, SRCs were able to work together, adopt modifications and still make this day of working towards common causes a possibility. With strong parental support from a distance, the College was able to raise an impressive \$7400. I thank all who supported this long-standing community celebration. Generosity, food, creativity and talent featured strongly on the day. Donations will be distributed as follows:

- o \$2000 to Backpacks 4 SA Kids, Bushfire Aid and 4Oceans
- o \$900 to the Christmas Party for Special Children
- o \$500 to the Dare2Dream Foundation

This Term, the SRCs look to shift their energy to a week, focusing on positive psychology and mental wellness. Watch this space!

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

On Tuesday, a Whole School Assembly took place in the Gym. It was very special to gather as a College, something we can sometimes take for granted. The items in the Assembly included; prayer and Acknowledgement of Country, performances from the Junior Choir and Concert Choir, poetry reading and awards, both Prefect and SRC reports, a taste of the upcoming Musical - *Grease*, and some thought-provoking words from our Principal. As a conversation starter, it would be worth asking your daughter(s); "What did you enjoy the most?" or "What were your key take home messages?"

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE ONLINE

It is that time of the year that I would like to share some parent resources with you. As technology changes, so do young people's interests. It is our shared responsibility to keep up to date with what is trending. The below websites provide credible resources and activities for parents/guardians to engage in.

The eSafety Commissioner: Helping Australians to have safer, more positive experiences online.

https://www.esafety.gov.au/

The Carly Ryan Foundation: A certified online safety program provider under the Office of the eSafety Commissioner. The organisation provides a range of services and support in the areas of internet safety and crime, cyberbullying, connection to resources and counselling and contributing to law and policy reform.

http://www.carlyryanfoundation.com/what-we-do

ThinkUKnow: A free, evidence-based online resource, providing information on the technologies young people use, the challenges they may face, and importantly, how they can be overcome.

https://www.thinkuknow.org.au/

Ms Muriel Noujaim DEPUTY PRINCIPAL



START OF TERM 3 REFLECTION

As we begin a new term, may we be aware of the wonderful opportunities for growth ahead. May students be nurtured, encouraged, challenged and inspired to do their best so that they might flourish as they embrace the term ahead.

We pray particularly for the Year 10 and 11 students who are beginning the process of making subject choices for next year while the Year 12 students are taking steps to help them on their career paths.

Making decisions about the future can be puzzling.

We can take advice and talk to family, friends and teachers.

We can ask someone who has travelled the path before.

We can pray and think and reflect on what is the right choice.

But there are times when we feel we cannot say to anyone else what's really in our minds and hearts.

We question wonder hope feel strongly doubt our decisions

We question, wonder, hope, feel strongly, doubt our decisions. At times we feel alone but God is always with us, the listener, the one who calms our anxiety.

God travels with us, a light to guide our way.

Loving God, be with us all the days of our future and be our guide when we make important decisions.

St Dominic and St Catherine, pray for us.

Amen

Mrs Concetta Sossi RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR

TRIBUTES FROM THE ST DOMINIC'S COMMUNITY

In the past few weeks three people with strong connections to St Dominic's have departed this life. Each one has contributed to our lives past and present.

During the last school holiday, **Fr Terry Kelly SJ** died. His life was warmly celebrated at Athelstone by the Jesuit community. Fr. Terry was a good friend to us and never failed to say 'yes' over the years when our Liturgy Coordinators Genevieve Taheny and Dr. Jo Armour approached him to ask if he would preside at the Family Mass early in Term 1. As those of you who know him from your parish or former school life are aware, he was a much-loved teacher, pastor and scientist. May his gracious soul rest in peace.

Dolores Patching, (nee O'Loughlin), Mother of a large family and former Head Prefect of St Dominic's (1948-49) departed this life on last Friday. Some of you may have noted her school photo in one of the glass cabinets in the reception area. Take a peek when next you are here and you will see her photo in her full uniform, including gloves!! As a little girl in Year 1 when she was Head Prefect, we admired her greatly and she always took a kindly interest in the "Juniors." May Dolores' spirit rest in peace.

June Bessen, former School Secretary at St Dominic's also passed away on last Friday 24 July. We offer our deepest sympathy to her daughter Taryn, Old Scholar, and her twin sister Marlene Lehmann and all of June's family. She will be remembered on our staff as a person of integrity, kindness and high level skills. She and her husband were intrepid travellers in Australia and beyond. Rest in Peace June.

PRIMARY SCHOOL

YEAR 3 CLASS REPORT

Please keep in your prayers students who made their **First Reconciliation** today: *Teresa Tran, Rose Calabria, Aria Lee, Daisy Kelly, Hannah Lim, Izabel Nguyen and Sophe Notarangelo*. We thank Father Paul Rankin for presiding.

Through various curriculum areas, the Year 3s have explored different aspects of the life, culture and history of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. In preparation for our NAIDOC Week Liturgy, and for morning prayer, we listened to the music of Geoffrey Gurrumul Yunupingu. We also explored the music of Paul Kelly, looking closely at the meaning behind his song "From Little Things Big Things Grow". The song was written about the actions of Vincent Lingiari, and his fight for Aboriginal Rights and land ownership. Reception to Year 6 classes were also inspired by Aboriginal art, creating individual collage tiles. These tiles expressed our feelings





about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, their connection to country and our connection to them, and together formed a mosaic for our Liturgy. We are very grateful to Vena Raymond who opened the Liturgy by welcoming us to country.

Mrs Tania Piotto & Ms Josie McKinnon YEAR 3 CLASS TEACHERS

PRIMARY SCHOOL NOTICES

We are pleased to welcome our 2021 Transition to Reception, **'Little Doms'** class: *Olivia Cremer, Grace Pham, Isabelle Ho, Angelina Dokas, Sabia Czerwinski, Chelsea Ta, Khloe Vovos, Olivia Rodrigues Puopolo* and *Ellie Nguyen*. They excitedly entered their new learning space, settled well and have just begun their St Dominic's Priory College journey.



Running Club Reminder: This Friday 40 keen athletes start their Junior Primary (Rec to Year 2) Running Club at 8:15am

Friday Morning Mass: Year 6 students are to arrive in the Chapel no later than 8:10am. Full winter uniform is to be worn. Parents in attendance are required to sign in at the main College Office.



SECONDARY SCHOOL

YEAR 11 COORDINATOR'S REPORT

Well this is a new and different experience for me, writing to you all via the Bulletin! As such I thought I would go with a bulletin article 'sandwich'... starting with a quote, then some information, then finishing with another quote.

"Intelligence plus character, that is the goal of true education."

- Martin Luther King Jr. (1948)

I like this quote as it encapsulates so much of what I see within the current Year 11 cohort of students. As Year 11 Coordinator I have been impressed by the way in which our Year 11s have responded intelligently to the difficulties of a COVID-19 year, and persevered through the rigours of online learning, exam weeks, major assignments and Research Project.

It was evident looking through reports that a significant number of students achieved outstanding results across many subject areas, indicating that they are working hard and tapping into their intelligence, whilst at the same time drawing on kindness, generosity and compassion for those around them. I often see students going out of their way to take care of their friends. I was proud and heartened that it was a Year 11 class that raised the most money for Project Compassion earlier in the year, their generosity shining through. I believe that this cohort of Year 11s understand that there's no point in being super intelligent and well educated unless you have the correct purpose to go with it. Taking care of others in your school, family, town, country or world community is where good character comes to the fore.

So it is with great hope that I look forward to supporting this group of students as they now start to explore their options for future careers through their subject choices for Year 12. In the weeks leading up to Subject Counselling Day, I would encourage you to take the time to have conversations with your daughters about what they are passionate about, and what ignites their intelligence and character – what will be the next step on their educational journey?

"Success is the sum of small efforts, repeated day in day out"

- Robert Collier, American Author

Mr Mark Mau YEAR 11 COORDINATOR

LE FRANÇAIS ET L'ART DRAMATIQUE

Late in Term 2, Mme Patti-Reid's Year 9 French class performed a sketch entitled 'Des Lunettes Cool mais Chères' on the topic of shopping. Students channelled their inner acting skills, memorising lines and perfecting their pronunciation of French. It was a little challenging but also lots of fun both performing and watching classmates present



the sketch to Mademoiselle Rossi's class. Très amusant!

Thi Tram Nguyen, Naomi Nham & Hannah Samuel YEAR 9 FRENCH

Teaching & Learning News

FLEXIBLE LEARNING

Saturday Morning SPORTS NEWS

COORDINATOR'S REPORT

It is all happening in the Flexible Learning area this term! The Personal Learning Plan (PLP) and Research Project (RP) students are working hard to complete the next phase of the course. Both subjects are compulsory SACE subjects, with RP also counting towards their ATAR.

PERSONAL LEARNING PLAN (PLP)

Year 10 students in PLP have been researching Career Pathways of interest so that they can make informed decisions and set strategies for their two-year SACE plan. During this week, students will be given their subject recommendations for Year 11 subjects. Subject teachers will be 'guest speakers' in PLP to inform students of the requirements of the subject in Year 11 and to answer any questions they have.

Further to this, students will be counselled by not only the PLP teacher but also by their Pastoral Care teachers of their Year 11 subject choices and their two-year SACE plan.

The aim is for students to be prepared and feel confident of their choices come Subject Counselling Day on Thursday 27 August. I encourage students and parents to have family discussions on the proposed two-year SACE plan and subjects chosen for Year 11 with the intention of continuing them in Year 12.

RESEARCH PROJECT (RP)

Research Project (RP) students are starting to see the light at the end of the tunnel. They have completed the Folio, a 30% component, and handed up their draft Outcome worth 40%. All students will now start working on their Evaluation (RPB) or Review (RPA) worth 30%. All work will be completed by the beginning of Week 10 this term. RP is quite challenging for some students and that is why we have established Safety Nets to assist students to successfully complete the compulsory subject RP.

The Safety Nets put in place for students who are struggling to meet the minimum standard are:

- Students who continue to have problems in achieving a satisfactory pass will be counselled into undertaking Research Project A rather than Research Project B.
- RP Club a 'compulsory' fortnightly session where students are given further assistance to successfully complete each component. This started last term.
- Extra holiday sessions.
- Extra 1:1 assistance given, to students struggling, at the end of Term 3 and beginning of Term 4 to enable them to successfully complete all requirements and be resulted at the end of 2020.
- All students will be resulted at the end of the year so that if there are any issues they can be rectified at the start of 2021.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require further information.

Ms Jo Riccio FLEXIBLE LEARNING COORDINATOR

RESULTS

Badminton | 25/7/20

Middle B1 def Marryatville 1 (3[131]-3[125]) Middle B2 lost to NMHS 1 (0-6) Middle C3 lost to SDPC 4 (3[117]-3[168]) Middle C4 def SDPC 3 (3[168]-3[117]) Senior B lost to NMHS 1 (1-5)

Netball | 25/7/20

Middle 7 B2 def Mary Mackillop 3 (27-24) Middle 8 C2 def Mercedes 3 (17-9) Middle 8/9 C1 had a BYE Senior 12 B2 lost to Mercedes 5 (11-20) Senior 11 C1 def 5t Aloysius 1 (22-13)

Soccer | 25/7/20

Middle B/C1 *def* Kildare 2 (2-1) Senior C1 *def* Loreto 1 (2-0)



DRAW - Round 2 + 3 | 1 & 8 August 2020

TEAM	LOCATION	SATURDAY 1/8		SATURDAY 8/8	
Badminton		TIME	OPPONENT	TIME	OPPONENT
Middle B1	St Dominic's	8:00	Unley 1	9:00	SDPC 2
Middle B2	St Dominic's	8:00	Marryatville 1	9:00	SDPC 1
Middle C Red 3	St Dominic's	9:00	Loreto 1	9:00	Marryatville 2
Middle C Red 4	St Dominic's	10:00	Nazareth 3	10:00	NMHS 3
Senior B1	St Aloysius	8:00	Unley 1	8:00	Nazareth 1
Netball					
Middle 7 B2 Aqua	OLSH	8:00	Nazareth 1	8:00	SMC 3
Middle 8 C2 White	Mercedes	9:00	St Aloysius 2	9:00	Sacred Heart 5
Middle 8/9 C1 Green	Mercedes	8:00	Mercedes 3	8:00	Sacred Heart 4
Senior 11 C1 White		10:00	vs Loreto 4 @ St Mary's	10:00	vs Loreto 3 @ Mercedes
Senior 12 B2 Silver	St Michael's	BYE	BYE	9:00	SMC 4
Soccer					
Middle B/C	Cabra	11:00	Unley 1	11:00	Sacred Heart 1
Senior C	St Ignatius	9:00	MMC 1	9:00	Pedare 1

Details above are correct at time of printing and may be subject to change. Students are encouraged to check the Sports Noticeboard in the Gym for updates and familiarise themselves with the SACSSGSA website; accessible via DomNet or directly, here: https://stdo.ms/39105HY









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