

ST DOMINIC'S PRIORY COLLEGE

139 Molesworth Street, North Adelaide. 5006

BULLETIN

Diary Dates

Friday 14 February 2019 High Achievers Assembly

Wednesday 19 February

Parents & Friends Meeting 7:30pm in College Reception Area

Thursday 20 February Field Day (Years 7-12)

Friday 21 February
Dominican Breakfast
CARITAS Just Leadership Day

Tuesday 25 February Investiture Mass

Wednesday 26 February Ash Wednesday

Thursday 27 February

SAPSASA Swimming Carnival Year 8 Vaccinations Year 10 Photography Excursion

Sunday 1 March
Old Scholars' Mass

Monday 9 March Adelaide Cup Public Holiday

Wednesday 11 March MYP Information Evening for Year 6-10 parents new to MYP

Thurs 19 - Fri 20 March Year 10 Geography Trip to KI

> Sunday 22 March Sports Day

2020 TERM DATES

Term 1: 29 Jan - 9 April Term 2: 28 April - 3 July Term 3: 20 July - 25 Sep Term 4: 12 Oct - 4 Dec

UNIFORM SHOP

Opening Hours During Term Mondays 10:30am - 1:30pm

Thursday 20 February 12:30pm - 4:30pm

Thursday 27 February 10:30am - 1:30pm



Friday morning mass in the Chapel 8.15am

WEDNESDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2020

WEEK 3 – TERM 1

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Dear Parents,

Week Three is upon us and I have been most pleased to see the girls settling into their studies. Homework is beginning to find its place back into their daily lives and study is embraced as teachers share their knowledge and enthusiasm. I have enjoyed chatting to the girls about their learning and I am impressed by how articulate they are, sharing their stories with me. The Family Mass on Sunday found us all, parents, students and staff, connected as a school community. We are bound by a passion for contributing to a place of belonging and acceptance. The Mass was a celebration of who we are as St Dominic's Priory College – a place of hospitality, friendship and connection. I was humbled by the prayer of blessing offered by Sr Jillian, Chair of the School Board, Jim Howard and the community as a whole. The statue of St Dominic has been placed carefully in the Principal's office and will remind me of the story of our tradition and of course the woman who held it for so long before me.

I take this opportunity to thank all those people who contributed to the Family Mass. Fr Kieran led us to be open to the Word of the Gospel and attentive to God's presence in each other. Liturgy Coordinator Genevieve Taheny, and her team, orchestrated the participation of families, students and staff; drawing us to prayer through powerful visuals, art work and song. Genevieve is a leader of conviction, her faith obvious to all she meets. She has the ability to weave the Mass together in a way that finds us deeply immersed in the liturgy, connected to the Word and joyous in response. She is supported by the generosity of Key Music Teachers Stephanie Neale and Anna Sordillo, along with Heather Day who led the singing and orchestra. The singing was simply wonderful, the music so beautiful and the participation by us all was uplifting. And just when we thought it couldn't get any better, we were greeted by the hospitality and friendship of the Parents and Friends Association. Led by Gabby Stradling, Maria Lappas, Bec Copeland and Kate Jensen, and strongly supported by Kathryn Hudson and



NEWS JUST IN!

Congratulations to Ella Copeland (Year 7) who was awarded Levels Athlete of the Year at the SA Gymnastics Awards over the weekend. Ella was awarded this for her achievements in tumbling at a national level in 2019. Well done, Ella!

Elena Tarraran, we delighted in cups of tea, ice blocks and home-made jams and chutneys just to name a few. It was a lovely opportunity to meet families and get to know our new mums and dads. It was a wonderful way to spend Sunday morning and I thank all those involved in making the Family Mass such an important event on our school calendar.

Our Parent meetings have seen parents gather to meet staff and hear from professionals as to how they can support their daughters throughout the academic year. These meetings are essential as we work in partnership to provide the best opportunity for every girl as she grows in confidence. I am grateful to the Year level Coordinators for their ongoing support of the girls, their communication with families and their leadership in preparing the parent evenings. Please do not hesitate to contact you daughter's Year Level Coordinator if you have any concerns or queries.

Last week I wrote about the Vietnamese TET Festival, and the presentation to 2019 graduates. It was remiss of me to have excluded Katie Tran (ATAR 99.30). Katie received the certificate for academic excellence and we are very proud of both her and Cindy. On Friday of this week we will gather for the Academic Assembly, where we will acknowledge all of the 2019 high achievers.

To conclude I invite you to find time to sit with your daughter in the coming week and invite her to share with you something she has learned, something that is challenging, something she is beginning to master.

Kindest regards,

Ms Helen Steele, Principal

Remembering Kellie Hofmeyer: Kellie Hofmeyer was a student of St Dominic's, who graduated in 1994. Kellie died at Mary Potter Hospice a few days ago. Kellie had an amazing courage at school, and a determination to succeed. After her studies, she went on to travel extensively, keeping in touch with us and always interested in what was happening at her old school. Kellie had a strong desire to work for the environment, and was part of the EPA (Environmental Protection Agency). Kellie always looked to the future; she was intending to come to the Old Scholars' Annual Mass, and had also bought her tickets for this year's Fringe Festival. She lived a very full life. May she now rest in peace. - Sr Jillian Havey OP

Primary News

from Ms. Cate O'Leary, Primary School Coordinator

'Don't rescue your child from a challenge. Teach them how to face it.'

We are immensely proud of our Reception class of 2020 (pictured) as they are making the transition to school and adjusting to their new learning environment very well. Watching them unpack and get organised for the day is a delight, and we have lots of smiles and friendly faces in the playground too. Walking into the other classrooms, it is pleasing to see our new students from Year 1 to Year 6: Ayla, Alina, Amelia, Jayli, Susie, Darcey, Bao-Mi, Lakshana, Hannah, Linda, Minh-Thu, Frankie, Lulu, Sara, Sarah, Melissa and Tabitha, being welcomed and included. They too are making positive adjustments in their new school.



There was a very early morning start to the day on Tuesday for 30 children from Years 3-6, who nominated for the **50m swimming trials** at the Aquatic Centre. We appreciated the extra parent support with timing and supervising. Thank you to Mrs Richter, Mrs Heggs and Mrs Baumber for keeping us safe, organised and on time.

Year 3: I did 3 events and I realised that 100m is a very long way. I had loads of fun and saw my friends. - Helen

Year 4: It was very challenging I did 3 events and I tried my hardest. - Sofia

Year 5: It was fun having another try and it was nice having my friends there to support me. - Faridah

Year 6: I did my best and I have never done anything like that before. It was fun but exhausting. - Tabitha

Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 students have the opportunity to nominate for 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m running trials at Field Day at SANTOS on Thursday 20 February. Please note this is not compulsory. Students will need to be at school before the bus leaves at 8:00am. We will be unable to wait for any late arrivals. All students need to wear their coloured sport top and not their black top please. You will receive a permission slip if your daughter has nominated to attend. Please contact us if you have any queries.

The Week 4 Assembly will be hosted by the Year 5 Class. Tuesday 18 February, in the Hall at 2:30, all welcome.

Week 4 Wednesday Special Baked Potatoes with Cheese, Coleslaw + Sour Cream \$6.50 with Bacon, Cheese, Coleslaw + Sour Cream \$7.00 with Bolognaise Sauce, Cheese + Sour Cream \$7.00

LUNCH ORDERs must be received by 9:15am and be CLEARLY LABELLED with FULL NAME + CLASS



survive in the environment? And how do people

rely on the rainforest habitat? Next, through

using digital technology, we will collect data on an animal of the rainforest. Individually girls

will share this information with their peers.



Student Engagement

Year 3/4/5/6 Running Club begins this Friday. Please return your form ASAP. Students must be at school by 8:05am for an 8:10 start. Parents are welcome to join, but you must have current police checks. Please contact Mrs Heggs if you need assistance with this. The Junior Primary Running Club will begin later in the term and parents will receive a detailed letter.

Children's University

We again will offer Children's University. It is not compulsory. All students in Year 4-6 who are interested attended a meeting and were given a letter for parents. You will receive a receipt when payment is made. A list of school-based clubs will also be distributed. Children's University students can record now in their passports, or else transfer the information when passports arrive.

The Australian Student Leaders Conference (ASLC)

The Australian Student Leaders Conference (ASLC) In the final days of School Holidays, our Head Prefect (Isabel Palmer) and Deputy Head Prefect (Doan Do) attended a three-day residential leadership conference, hosted and supervised by YLead. The Australian Student Leaders Conference (ASLC) is a three stage journey that allows students to build a better understanding of, and greater confidence in themselves as a leader (LEADERSHIP BEGINS WITHIN), it enhances skills to lead others (TOGETHER HAS POWER), and allows students to develop tools to put their vision into action (LEADERSHIP IS ACTION).

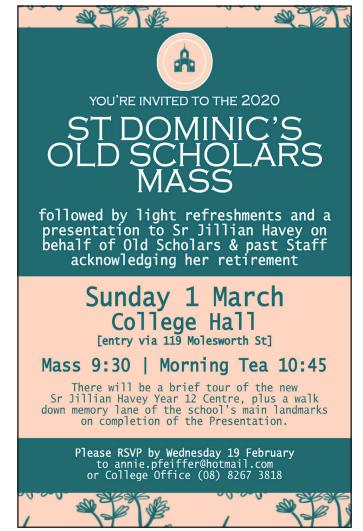
Muriel Noujaim, Deputy Principal





Towards the end of the summer holidays, together we carpooled up to Nunyara Conference Centre, Belair, for YLead. YLead is a leadership camp with student representatives from other South Australian schools. The threeday trip was action-packed, full of dancing, activities and inspirational guest speakers and was an opportunity we are both extremely grateful for. YLead allowed us to develop leadership skills, gain ideas to enhance our school community and build incredible connections with the students and our mentors.

Doan Do and Isabel Palmer



The preservation and development of mother tongue languages

"Increasingly, cultural groups are realizing the need to ensure the transmission of their linguistic heritage to the youngest members of their communities."

J Ball, 2010

Languages play a crucial role in our daily lives and it is important to be able to preserve and maintain our mother tongues.

At St Dominic's Priory College, we offer three languages: *English, French* and *Italian*. However, we are well aware that there are many other languages spoken in your homes. As an International Baccalaureate school we are particularly interested in the preservation and development of "mother tongue" languages. Many of you already have your daughters enrolled in a variety of language schools or community programs that will help to preserve the languages spoken in the home. We encourage you to continue to pursue these opportunities with your daughters.

If you would like to enrol your daughter in an externally delivered language class to continue to develop her oral and written communication skills, then please contact relevant providers. However, if you are not sure where to start, you might like to contact the School of Languages which provides courses in many languages and might well meet the needs of your daughter(s).

School of languages http://schooloflanguages.sa.edu.au/ Phone: (08) 8301 4800 Email: dl.1802.admin@schools.sa.edu.au





If your daughter develops her language skills in her "mother tongue" she may well be able to complete SACE studies in this subject in Year 11 and 12.

Foreign language texts in the Conway Library

"The limits of my language mean the limits of my world." - Ludwig Wittgenstein

We have a small collection of texts in a range of languages available in the Conway Library. If you would like to add to this collection, we would love to receive donations or recommendations. If you are travelling overseas, please pop into a book store and find a novel, picture book or information book that you think would be suitable for our students.

It isn't always easy for us to know if a book is suitable, especially if we can't read that language, so we really do rely on you to help us enlarge our foreign language section.

Thanking you in anticipation!

Ms. Aurora Reid, MYP Coordinator

SAVE THE DATE - MYP INFORMATION EVENING for parents of Years 6-10, new to the MYP WEDNESDAY 11 MARCH | 7:00PM - 8:15PM

SPORTS NEWS

The **Saturday 15 February Round 1 Draw** was not confirmed by time of print. Please note changes below or check noticeboard in the Gym on Friday.

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TEAM	LOCATION	TIME	OPPONENT
Basketball			
Middle C Blue	Mercedes	10:10am	Sacred Heart 4
Senior C Aqua	Marryatville	11:00am	Loreto 2
Tennis			
Middle C	St Dominic's	8:30am	Mary Mackillop 1
Senior C	Millswood	8:30am	St Aloysius 1
Touch Football			
Middle C Yellow	Greenhill Rd	11:00am	St Ignatius 3
Senior B Purple	Greenhill Rd	9:00am	Wilderness 3
Volleyball			
Middle B 1	St Aloysius	8:30am	Mercedes 1
Middle B 2	St Aloysius	11:00am	Cabra 1
Middle C Green 3	St Dominic's	11:00am	Marryatville 2
Middle C Yellow 4	St Dominic's	10:10am	Cabra 2
Middle C Blue 5	St Dominic's	11:00am	Nazareth 1
Senior A 1	Cabra	8:00am	Mercedes 1
Senior A 2	Cabra	9:00am	St Ignatius 1
Senior B 3	St Aloysius	10:10am	Loreto 1
Senior B 4	BYE	BYE	BYE
Senior C 5	St Dominic's	8:30am	OLSH 1
Water Polo	Thursday 14 February		
Middle C	Payneham	4:30pm	St Aloysius
Senior B	Adelaide Aquatic	6:00pm	St Aloysius 1

ATTN: PARENTS / GUARDIANS
Have you read today's Bulletin?
Please let your daughter/s class teacher
know via the checkbox in her College Planner

Sports Day Helpers Needed

We are always very grateful for the assistance given by parents on Sports Day. Parent Helpers are requested to help set up shelters, and assist with events on the day. If you are able to help, please return the reply slip and you will be contacted closer to the time with more information.

Sports Day Officials, Sunday 22 March				
Name				
Student's Name Class:				
E-Mail / Phone E-mail will be the primary point of contact				
I can assist by (please tick preferred option)				
Set-up shelters 7:45-8:45 □		Pack-up shelters 2:00-3:00 □		
FOR SECONDARY ACTIVITIES ONLY				
9:	30-10:30	10:30-11:30	11:30-12:30	
Athletic Helpers				
Ball games				

Parents & Friends

Family Mass: Thank you to all who attended the Mass on Sunday. What a beautiful way to begin our school year and celebrate our community spirit. The weather was perfect, and it was great to see a large number of families - new and old - stay after the Mass, interacting and socialising.

Thank you to Bec Copeland for organising the Produce Stall. This stall is an all time favourite at St Dominic's and demonstrates the skill and expertise of parents within our community who enjoy making tomato sauce, chutney or jam. For all those who purchased from this stall, you will not be disappointed, for those who feel they are able to contribute, please contact the Parents & Friends.

A special thank you to Jacqui Griffin and Cathy Haddad for the gorgeous floral displays, and to Kathryn Hudson for her tireless contribution behind the scenes and on the day.

REMINDER — Parents & Friends Meeting

The Parents & Friends is holding its first meeting on **Wednesday 19 February** at 7:30pm in the College reception area.

Our meetings are the perfect opportunity to meet new parents, gather information, learn about new projects, exchange ideas and ask questions about the College.

The focus of the first meeting is planning for Sports Day, an important sporting and social event held on Sunday 22 March. We hope that all current stall convenors will be able to attend, and warmly welcome new stall holders too!.

An invitation is extended to everyone to come along. No commitment is required, just a desire to learn more and meet other parents. The meeting will finish by 8:30pm and be followed by light refreshments; so come along and enjoy.

SPORTS DAY RAFFLE PRIZES

Each year, the Parents & Friends conduct a Sports Day Raffle to raise funds for the College, with a wonderful variety of prizes to be won. We are in the process of sourcing prizes and would be very grateful for any donation of items.

Donor businesses/individuals will be acknowledged on the tickets and in the Bulletin. If you have any contacts to assist the Parents & Friends in this or have donations that you can provide please email **stdominicspandf@gmail.com** or provide details to the College Office.

Bec, Gabby, Maria & Kate For the Parents & Friends Committee

Parents & Friends Meeting
☐ I / We will be attending the Parents & Friends meeting on Wednesday 19 February at 7.30pm.
Name(s)
Telephone No
E-Mail

