ST DOMINIC'S PRIORY COLLEGE

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BULLETIN

Diary Dates

Thursday 19 May Year 12 Geography excursion SAPSASA Cross Country

> Friday 20 May Gala Day Wednesday 25 May P&F Meeting 7:30pm

Friday 27 May Prefects' Dinner Tuesday 31 May

Indian Pilgrimage BBQ Wednesday 1 June Year 8 Vaccinations

Saturday 4 June Indian Pilgrimage Fundraising Dinner - Details inside Bulletin

> Tuesday 7 June Vinnie's Mass

Monday 13 June Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

Wednesday 15 June Year 8/9 Knockout Netball Year 8 French Quiz Night

Friday 17 June Year 10/11 SWOT Vac

2016 Term Dates Term 2: 3 May - 8 July Term 3: 25 July - 30 Sep Term 4: 17 Oct - 9 Dec

UNIFORM SHOP

Mondays during term 10:30am - 1:30pm EXCEPT Monday 13 June (closed - Queen's Birthday)

Thursdays during term 19 May: 10:30am - 1:30pm 26 May: 12:30pm - 4:30pm 2 June: 10:30am - 1:30pm 9 June: 12:30pm - 4:30pm 16 June: 10:30am - 1:30am 23 June: 12:30pm - 4:30pm 30 June: 10:30am - 1:30pm 7 July: 12:30pm - 4:30pm



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Dear Parents,

Pope Francis at Pentecost: Pope Francis' words at Pentecost 2013 in St. Peter's Square are worth following in this season of the Spirit:

"Let's ask ourselves – are we open to the Holy Spirit? And this is a prayer we need to pray every day, every day. Holy Spirit may my heart be open to the Word of God. May my heart be open to the Beauty of God. Pray for the Holy Spirit to open our hearts to Jesus."

Week in Review

We are in the midst of another action packed week. No need to remind you of our annual Friday event!

On Monday we had the pleasure of welcoming a party of 28 students and teachers from four **Dominican Schools in Indonesia**. In this our Dominican Jubilee 800 Year it was great to have this international connection. As the visitors moved around classrooms and watched the learning and teaching it was clear that some of the Indonesian boys were most impressed by the 3D printers in the Fab lab! They are pictured in the Lab with our student guides and teacher, Dr. Stuart Hill.

2016 Gala Day

As far as our students are concerned there are few more enjoyable days than the **annual Gala Day** when students dress up, run the stalls and the games, and perform on the stage at the Fashion Parade and the Talent Quest. Please take note of the scheduling detail in this bulletin. Parents who Indonesian visitors in the Fab Lab

are planning to support our Hall entertainment on Friday are asked to note that the Fashion Parade commences at 10.00am, the R-6 Talent Quest at 11.30am, lunch at 12.30 and the 7–12 Talent Quest at 2.00pm. Inside this Bulletin there is more detail to be checked out. I'd like to wish the SRC and Sr. Jo all the best as they "gear up" to lead this colourful event. As Ms O'Leary points

out in her overview over the page the options around this year's theme are inviting creativity from, "cats, bats, pumpkins, princesses

and wizards," to name a few possibilities.

Winter Clubs and Child Safety

On Wednesday and Thursday afternoons at 4.30pm when the **Maths and Homework clubs** are closing down parents are normally waiting in cars for their daughters. It is very important that this pick up occurs and that no student is left to wait in the street alone. Please be aware of this pick up time and make an alternative arrangement if you are not able to do your job.

Over the Page

This week's Bulletin is, as always, full of interest with many contributions from students and staff. There is news from the Year 3 Digital Technology Class, from the Stemsel Inventors Club, and from the Irish Dancing World Championships, to name a few.

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Sr Jillian Havey, Principal

Primary Nows

from Ms. Cate O'Leary, Primary School Coordinator

We waved goodbye to our intrepid Year 6 and 7 travellers on Monday as they were heading to camp at El Shaddai. It is a new camp site for us and it offers well organised Outdoor Education activities and caters to a range of year levels and needs. The girls were excited and we have had our fingers crossed for good weather.

This week schools in South Australia celebrate **Catholic Education Week**. Four Year 6 students will be attending a meeting with other Catholic Primary Schools from the North Eastern Region to discuss their ideas on what opportunities they will initiate in their school to help support *Sustainability*. We look forward to their sharing at the next assembly in Week 5.

Sport News:

Last Thursday we began our Netball season. We have entered six teams into the **Thursday Night Thunderbird Cup**. Our teams are comprised of two

Year 3/4 teams and four Year 5/6 teams. The girls were very excited and the parents and teachers were very proud of their efforts too. We had three wins and three losses overall. More importantly the girls had a good time. Year 5/6 parents, please check with your daughter for training times. Year 3/4 training will be in the gym on a Tuesday morning at 8:00-8:30.

44 of our Year 4/5/6 and 7 students will be attending the **SAPSASA Districts Cross Country** competition this Thursday at PAC Oval, East Parklands. We wish them well.

Gala Day:

The girls are excited about **Gala Day** and are busily getting their costumes organised. There will be *bats, cats, pumpkins, princesses, wizards* and a range of other creative costumes. We hope for fine weather and know there will be fun at the stalls.

Sacraments:

We wish to acknowledge the following students, *Estella Rauda*, *Alyssa Tran* and *Nethuli De Zoysa*, who have recently made their Confirmation and Communion at Saint Augustine's Parish.

Parent Engagement:

There are many families to thank this week. Last Friday the Year 1 class organised a very thoughtful **Mother's Day Mass**. The girls sang beautifully and were very reflective and reverent. We also thank everyone who was able to come to morning tea afterwards. Our Reception class also made our mums feel very special. They had a **Mummy Makeover Morning**. They began with a beautiful liturgy where each child spoke. They were calm, organised and enjoyed their one on one time with mum. If you are able to help us make play dough for several classes, your support would be appreciated. We have a recipe if needed. Please put a note in your daughter's diary/communication book. If you have any artistic skills and would like to join our small



On Friday we held a special Liturgy and activity morning for our mums. We said some prayers and showed videos we had made telling our mum why she is special. Then we chose an activity to do with our mum, like painting her nails or doing a collage together. We love our mums!

My mum is special because she gives me hugs and kisses each day. She always takes me to fun places. **Katika**

My mum is special because she makes me breakfast sometimes and she looks after me always. **Eliza**

My mum is special because she always takes me to the supermarket I love. Lilia

My mum is special because she takes me to school and some play places. **Kloe**

RECEPTION

group of parents who are helping to design and support our students with the painting of a mural for the outside classroom, pop a note in your daughter's communication book/diary.

Independence Day:

We were very pleased with the girls' efforts to come in happily and get organised for the day. We were also grateful to the Year 6s who acted as peer support and took the younger ones to their classes. In the Junior Primary: the Year 1 and 2 classes were outstanding. We were all immensely proud of our Reception class and whilst some didn't quite get the whole way without mum or dad by their side, they tried very hard and had the right intention. It will happen and they will know when they are ready.

Curriculum Update - Year 3 Digital Technology - Tania Piotto

This term, the Year 3s have been extremely fortunate to work with Dr Hill from the High School. Dr Hill has been teaching them about algorithms and the importance of ensuring instructions are written in the correct order to achieve the desired result. The program being used lets the girls work at their own pace allowing them to progress through the various stages when they are ready. They have learnt about some difficult maths concepts, such as angles and the different direction a line takes if the angle is changed. The girls have learnt about pixels and learnt how to write lines of code that create awesome designs and patterns on the screen as well as moving characters around a maze, whilst avoiding walls and dangerous objects. The excitement and enjoyment shown by the Year 3 girls is fantastic. Many of them have commented about how much fun they are having. It has been wonderful to see the determination and persistence shown when they have had to write and re-write lines of code if something is not working. They keep trying, until they achieve the desired result. It is also great seeing peers helping each other when someone is having troubles. Who knows, these girls may be the creators of future apps that we may buy. Stay tuned!



to Botanical Gardens

On Friday the 6th of May, all Year 9 students visited the Botanical Gardens for an

educational excursion to enhance our knowledge on ecology. We observed five wetlands to analyse the quality of the water in many different ways by testing pH, nitrate and turbidity and more. Towards the end of the excursion, we were given an opportunity to explore the breath-taking sight of the garden and museums whilst taking photos to conclude our visit.

By Maria, Jessica N, Emily 9B



On Wednesday 11th May, St Dominic's joined together with Wilderness

School and Blackfriars Priory School to host over 60 booths as part of the Combined Schools Careers Expo, held at Wilderness School. Students and their parents had the opportunity to speak with tertiary providers, gap year providers and industry experts in a huge range of areas in order to be informed about choices for their future. Attendance on the night was exceptional, with almost all students from Year 10, 11 and 12 attending, which highlights the importance and value of the night. A special thanks must go to Wilderness School for their wonderful hospitality on the night! If you or your daughter were unable to attend or would like further information please contact Ms Alice Kleinig, Careers and VET Coordinator at akleinig@stdominics.sa.edu.au.



Gala Day 2016

Gala Day will be held in the third week of this term: Friday, 20th May. This day is an opportunity for students to do some fundraising for charities and to some extent for student amenities in the school. It is also of course a day of relaxation, eating, drinking and enjoying the entertainment provided by the activity stalls, fashion parade and talent quest. Money raised on Gala Day will go towards the work of the following organizations:

- Black Dog Institute, a world leader in the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of mood disorders such as depression and bipolar disorder.
- We will also sponsor a child to go to the Christmas Party for Special Children in 2016.
- Some funds from Gala Day will also go towards student amenities in the school.

Students are invited to dress up for Gala day, following the theme of: HALLOWEEN! Parents are advised however, that students are asked not to hire elaborate costumes for this event. The idea is to have fun and dress up in a simple way. On the day, each class will hold a food or drink stall, and a games activity. In addition, any student can enter the fashion parade held in the hall. This is followed by a Talent Quest, with students from Reception to Year 12 taking part.

GALA DAY TIMETABLE

10:00am Fashion Parade (conducted by Year 12 SRC Exec) 11:00am Morning Tea (provided by Year 7 & 8 Students) 11:30am (approx) R-6 Talent Quest 12:30pm - 2:00pm Lunch

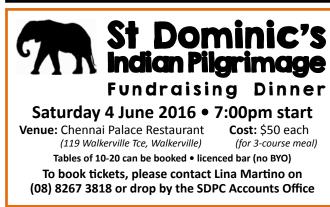
2:00pm - 3:00pm Talent Quest (*with comperes Amy + Mia*)

GALADAY PRICES: Prices for food, drink and activities will vary from **50cents to \$4** for larger items. The following is a rough guide.

- BBQ sausages: \$1.50 Pop corn: 50c or 30c
- Various Hot foods (toasted sandwiches, nachos, pizza etc): \$1-\$2ea
- Cookies 50c ea Asian Foods \$1.50-\$3
- Soft Drinks and water: \$1.50-\$2.00 Ice Creams \$1.50

• Bake Stall 50c - \$1.50 • Choc Donuts \$2 or \$1 and the Fun activities: range from 50cents to \$1 each. Students are also asked to contribute \$3 each for the afternoon entertainment which involves a Fashion Parade and a Talent Quest. \$1.00 of this covers our yearly sponsorship of a student in India through the Dare to Dream Foundation.

Sr Jo Armour, Deputy Principal



SPORTS NEWS

For Round 2 Sports Draw information please see the NOTICEBOARD in the GYM or visit: http://stdo.ms/1TUkt1M



Year 6/7 SAPSASA Knockout Netball

On Friday May 13th the Year 6/7 Knockout Netball team played the first match of the year against Nailsworth Primary School. The girls demonstrated versatility, team work and most importantly sportsmanship. St Dominic's won 61-1. Congratulations to Hannah, Joanna, Eilish, Ella- Rose, Layla, Emma, Ella, Sofia, Sian, Grace and Lily. Our next match is against St Mary's College.

Michelle Richter

STEMSEL Inventors Club

STEMSEL Inventors Club has kicked off again this term. In total there are seven sessions in Term 2 at a **cost of \$20 per session**. The club is aimed at students from **Year 5-9**. Each term we have a mixture of students who are new and experienced which means that there is a lot



of opportunity for the girls to develop leadership skills. The team from elabtronics led by Miro is keen to see the girls learn all about practical uses for science, technology, engineering and maths.

Today at STEMSEL we learnt about the Olympic torch. I was really interested that it has to be lit on Mt Olympus by the sun, then travel all the way to the destination! We were told that it stays lit under water using a microchip. Then we started planning our design. We used a light sensor to detect another light, then set off our own light bulb. After programming the microchip, we tested it and then had a mini relay in the room. The first person would light their own then go and light the next person and so on. This lesson was really fun and interesting. - Madeleine Dungey Yr5

If your daughter would like to be involved this term, it certainly is not too late. Collect a permission letter (or download one from here: http://stdo.ms/1TFusbl), fill it in, and return it to Aurora Reid. We'd love to see more girls involved!

Ms Aurora Reid



Irish Dancing World Championships

Last term, I danced at the Irish Dancing World Championships in Glasgow, Scotland. In my section I danced against girls from America, Ireland and Mexico! Overall, I came 85th out of 200 competitors in my section. After the Worlds I travelled around Rome, Paris, Scotland, Ireland and England. While in Ireland, I was lucky enough to train with a six-time world champion and the lead of Lord of the Dance. I then participated in a competition called '*The Rock of Cashel Championships*' and came 10th. Both the World championships and travelling around were great experiences to meet people from all around the world and to explore the different cultures.

Jessica Hogan

