



Dear Families

Welcome to Week 10 and the final newsletter for Term 1.

Throughout the course of Term 1, we have worked in partnership to **Inspire hearts and minds to be the best we can be**, providing a learning community of excellence for every student at Dominican. Our journey is ongoing in our shared commitment to support our students to be thriving people, capable learners and leaders for God's world. As we approach the end of the term, we have much to be proud of, to celebrate and to look forward to...

As we celebrate Holy Week, the most important week in our Church year, we journey with Jesus in prayer and reflection to celebrate his life, death and resurrection. At Dominican, we honour this sacred time to gather in faith as a school community to commemorate Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday. Special thanks to Martina Kovacev, teachers and students for leading us in our liturgies over the course of the week, and to you our families for joining us to share in these significant celebrations.

SPORTS DAY

Preparations for our Sports Day next Thursday April 13 are ramping up and we look forward to a successful day at the Port Adelaide Athletics Club. Our Sports Day is always a positive school event and a wonderful example of our community in action to be the best we can be. I would like to acknowledge and thank Dayna Martin our Acting Sports Coordinator, the Sports Day Committee, our Student Sports Captains and Vice Captains, and our whole staff for their time, effort and energy in ensuring an amazing day for our young

people, filled with fun, participation and teamwork. I look forward to seeing you there.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS

I take this opportunity to thank our P&F and parent volunteers for their valued contributions to making our Sports Day a success. From assisting on the BBQ, to placing and handing out ribbons for races, and assisting teachers with tabloid events, your service is greatly appreciated. This year our Parents & Friends is coordinated by our dynamic Executive Committee, Katy Tatrai, Chloe Hamilton and Vanessa Blute, and is assisted by a dedicated and generous group of parent volunteers. I thank the P&F for their support with Breakfast Club, Ice Block Thursdays, and many school events including Shrove Tuesday Pancake Morning Tea, Hot Cross Bun Lunch, Easter Raffle, and Sports Day Sausage Sizzle. All parents are warmly invited to join the P&F or get involved in supporting events. Please register your interest at the Front Office.

LEARNING CONVERSATIONS

Thank you for making it a priority to attend Learning Conversations last week with your children. I know you will agree that these discussions provided a valuable opportunity to converse about your child's progress including achievements, successes and areas for growth. As we head into Term 2, teachers will continue to reflect on progress data and plan for teaching, learning and assessment that ensures best outcomes for students. This year, all Catholic Primary Schools in SA will begin to use the SEQTA Learning Management System as the platform for reporting student progress to parents, including end of semester reports. More information regarding assessment and reporting will follow in Term 2.

Term 1 has been a time of significant learning for our students through the commitment of their teachers who focus on aligning their practice with cognitive science. As a staff, we have been particularly focussed on implementing the Science of Reading and its evidence-based practices to improve literacy outcomes. I am always impressed with the teaching pedagogies I observe in my classroom visits and with the focus and engagement of all learners in this process. My thanks to our Pedagogical Coach, Nick Ryan for his leadership in this area.

FAREWELL MR HOLMES

Next Wednesday April 12 we will gather as a community to farewell Phil Holmes, our Principal for the past two and a half years. This will be an important time for us to thank Phil for his outstanding leadership and the significant contributions he has made to the life of our school community. We look forward to acknowledging and celebrating Phil's achievements and wishing him all the very best in his future endeavours. I hope you can join us!

As the term draws to a close, I extend sincere thanks to all students, families and staff for our shared partnership in ensuring that Dominican School continues to be a place of excellence in faith, learning and wellbeing. I wish you well for a safe and enjoyable term break. The last day of the school term is next Thursday April 13, and I look forward to seeing all students return on Monday May 1, dressed in full winter uniform and ready for the commencement of Term 2.

God bless.

Alison Tanti-Clark
ACTING PRINCIPAL

FROM THE REC



Last week we were fortunate enough to have a special visit from Fr Roderick, who went to all Reception to Year 6 classes, to share his wisdom and understanding. It was a great opportunity for our students to ask Fr Roderick questions about our Catholic faith and Church as well as joining together in singing some beautiful songs. Holy Week, Easter and Parts of the Mass were the main topics discussed, although there were also some important questions around how Fr Roderick gets changed into his vestments so quickly! We thank Fr Roderick for his time and for guiding us in faith and love.

This week is Holy Week, the most important week in our Church year. It is the time when we remember and celebrate the last days of Jesus' life, before his death and resurrection. We recall and honour the rich and powerful gospel stories that take us from Jesus being welcomed into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday; to the sharing of bread and wine with his disciples at the Last Supper on Holy Thursday; to Jesus' suffering on his way to the cross and his crucifixion on Good Friday; and finally to his joyous resurrection on Easter Sunday.

As a school community, we will celebrate these significant events by sharing in this story through prayer, reflection and action with Holy Week Liturgies:

On **Tuesday 4th April** our **Reception** classes will lead us in a **Palm Sunday** Liturgy.

On **Wednesday 5th April** our **Year 1/2 classes** will lead us in a **Holy Thursday** Liturgy.

On **Thursday 6th April** our **Year 3/4 classes** will share in a **Good Friday** Liturgy

On **Tuesday 11th April** our **Year 5/6 classes** will lead us in an **Easter** Liturgy

Our liturgies will occur in the Multi-Function Centre at 9.00am. All families are warmly invited to attend.

As we continue on our Lenten journey to Easter, we are reminded to act justly, love tenderly and walk humbly with God. Our support of Project Compassion is one way of putting our faith in action to support the most vulnerable in our world now and 'for all future generations.' Thank you for your generosity in donating to this year's appeal.

It would be much appreciated if all **Project Compassion boxes** are returned to the **Front Office** by **Tuesday 11th April**.

Please see side menu for dates and times of our Parish Holy Week Celebrations

We thank our loving God for the gift of His Son Jesus, through his death and resurrection we have received new life. May our Risen Christ inspire us to be truly Gospel people bringing the love of Jesus to all.

Wishing you and your families all the blessings of a joyous Easter filled with love, peace and hope.

Martina Kovacev
ACTING RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR

EASTER TALKS WITH FR RODERICK



SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN



Homily of his Holiness Pope Francis, Rizal Park, Manila, 18 January 2015

KEEPING SAFE CHILD PROTECTION CURRICULUM

Please see our website for information regarding **Child Safe Environments**. The safety and wellbeing of our students is of utmost importance. We are committed to implementing child safe practices including the **Keeping Safe Child Protection Curriculum**. We draw your attention to the Safe Environments for All link to access Child Protection policies including the **Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy** of our Adelaide Archdiocese.



JAPANESE IS FUN!

In Japanese this term our Reception students have been learning about Japanese culture and foods. They have been busy making Origami papercraft as well as making and tasting Japanese Rice balls.

Mayumi Wong
JAPANESE SPECIALIST TEACHER



OUR DOMINICAN PILLARS



CONGRATULATIONS to the following recipients of our Dominican Pillar Certificates for Week 9:

PRAYER

Vaydah T

STUDY

Archie W, Mabel M, Patrick W, Lenny J, Violet S, Katie K, Jackson H, Kyan J, Sofia Z, Abigail S, Marley G

COMMUNITY

Evie M, Autumn M, Elijah W

MINISTRY

Ripley C

SPORTS ROUNDUP



SACPSSA CATHOLIC SCHOOLS SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Burnside Swimming Centre was the scene, despite the rain, of the annual SACPSSA Catholic Schools Swimming Carnival, held on Monday 27th March. We had 17 swimmers from Year 3-6, who put on a very exciting and entertaining day for us. They showed great sportsmanship, courage and determination throughout the day.

Congratulations to all competitors! We are incredibly proud of you!

SAPSASA ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

On Tuesday, 28th March, we attended the Port SAPSASA Athletics Carnival at the Port Adelaide Athletics Club. There were 13 schools participating, with over 350 students competing! From Dominican School, we had 29 athletes compete. The enthusiasm and participation from our students was outstanding. Overall, Dominican school came 2nd place in their division. Well done to all the students on their fantastic effort.

Many thanks to our parent volunteers that who gave their time to assist with duties at the carnival. Your efforts were a valuable contribution to the success of the day.

SPORT REPRESENTATIVES

Congratulations to following students for their selection in SAPSASA Representatives teams:

Shea for his selection in the SAPSASA State Softball Carnival for Port/Western region.

Autumn, Iris, Alyssa, Jaeda, Grace, Shea, Sofia, Sierra and Remie for making the SAPSASA State Swimming Championships when they compete in May.

Dayna Martin
PE TEACHER AND SPORTS COORDINATOR



Enrolments Mid Year 2023, 2024 & 2025

**Vacancies exist for 2023 Mid-Year Intake
FREE Term 3 & Term 4 Tuition for Mid-Year Reception starters.**

ENROLMENTS FOR RECEPTION 2024 and 2025
We are currently finalising our interviews for 2024 enrolments and accepting enrolments for 2025. If you have a child due to start school in 2024, please complete and lodge an Enrolment Form as soon as possible to guarantee a place.
Please note that siblings require an enrolment interview.



We acknowledge that we are on the traditional country of the Kurna people of the Adelaide Plains. We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land. We acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to the Kurna people living today.
Approved by Kurna Elder Uncle Lewis O'Brian 2004

TERM 1

IMPORTANT DATES

W10



HOLY WEEK

6 APR HOLY THURSDAY

7 APR GOOD FRIDAY

8 APR EASTER SATURDAY

9 APR EASTER SUNDAY

10 APR EASTER MONDAY

W11



THU 13 APR

SPORTS DAY

LAST DAY OF TERM 1

FRI 14 APR

PUPIL FREE DAY

TERM 2

W01



MON 1 MAY

TERM 2 COMMENCES

8.50am

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

In the words of Pope Francis

Fast from hurting words and say kind words.

Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.

Fast from anger and be filled with patience.

Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.

Fast from worries and have trust in God.

Fast from complaints; contemplate simplicity.

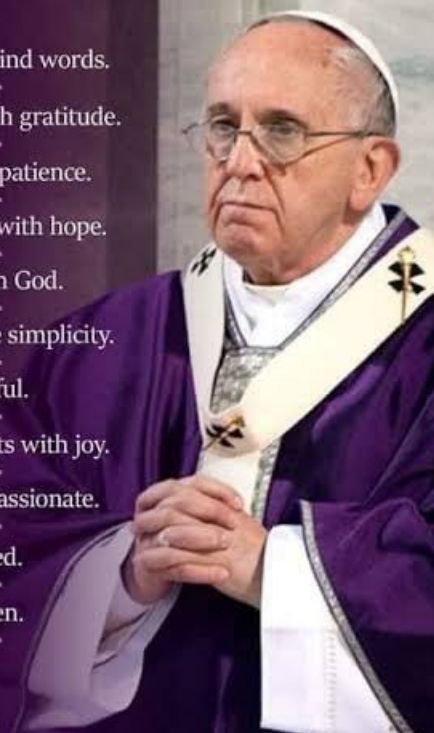
Fast from pressures and be prayerful.

Fast from bitterness; fill your hearts with joy.

Fast from selfishness and be compassionate.

Fast from grudges and be reconciled.

Fast from words; be silent and listen.





*Farewell
Mr Holmes*

ASSEMBLY
AND MORNING TEA

Wednesday 12 April 2023, 9.00am
Multi Function Centre

Hope you can join us



**PRAYER, LITURGY
& MASSES**

TERM 1, 2023

1

Friday 10 February 2023, 12.00pm

Opening Mass

Sacred Heart Church

2

Wednesday 22 Feb 2023, 12.00pm

Ash Wednesday Mass

Led by 3-6s, Sacred Heart Church

3

Friday 24 March 2023, 12.00pm

Harmony Day Mass

Led by R-2s, Sacred Heart Church

4

Tuesday 4 April 2023, 9.00am

Palm Sunday Liturgy

Led by Receptions, MFC

5

Wednesday 5 April 2023, 9.00am

Holy Thursday Liturgy

Led by 1/2s, MFC

6

Thursday 6 April 2023, 9.00am

Good Friday Liturgy

Led by 3/4s, MFC

7

Tuesday 11 April 2023, 9.00am
Easter Sunday Liturgy
Led by 5/6s, MFC



Holy Week and Easter Timetable



Palm (Passion) Sunday, 1st April (no procession)

- * 6.00pm - Vigil Mass Sacred Heart Church;



Palm (Passion) Sunday, 2nd April (no procession)

- * 9.00am - OLV Church;
- * 11.00am - Sacred Heart Church.

Holy Thursday, 6th April (no washing of the feet)

- * 7.00pm - OLV Church - Last Supper Mass
- * Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Tabernacle only - no Night Prayer.

Good Friday, 7th April

- * 9.00am - Sacred Heart Church - Stations of the Cross;
- * 10.30am - OLV Church - Outdoor Way of the Cross on oval adjacent to OLV Church;
- * 3.00pm - OLV Church - Celebration of the Passion.

Easter Vigil Saturday, 8th April

- * 7:00pm - Sacred Heart Church - Easter Vigil Mass.

Easter Sunday, 9th April

- * 9:00am - OLV Church;
- * 11:00am - Sacred Heart Church.

Winter Uniform Term 2

A reminder that when we return for Term 2
all students are to be wearing the correct
WINTER UNIFORM.

Items can be purchased
from **Alinta by Hambours,**
2 Wilson Street, Royal Park.

For our full uniform policy,
please see our website



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