



From the PRINCIPAL



Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Our students have made a great start to the term and it has been wonderful to witness their energy and confidence they have brought to their learning. This is a tribute to them, to the support you give to them and to the work of our teachers, many of whom spend many hours throughout the week planning, programming and marking work.



This week we celebrated the Feast of the Assumption. Mary continues to be a role model for us all in showing love, kindness and compassion. May we continue to always look to Mary as a role model and a blessed apostle, who led with faith, truth and hope and who always inspired hearts and minds'.

LEARNING CONVERSATIONS

Thank you to the parents who attended the Learning Conversations this week. These are a great opportunity to work in partnership with the school to provide the best learning and wellbeing outcomes for all our students. I remind parents that our teachers are available for parent teacher interviews at any time of the year. Should the need arise, please make contact with your child's teacher to book a convenient time.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS OPEN WEEK (August 21-27)

Next week, we celebrate Catholic Schools Open Week. This an opportunity to showcase the outstanding work we do here at Dominican

and in Catholic Schools. If you have not already done so, I would encourage all families to follow the Dominican Facebook page, so that you can see regular posts about the great learning that is happening at Dominican.



BOOK WEEK

Next week is Book Week. This year the theme is 'Read, Grow, Inspire.' The annual dress up parade will take place on Friday at 9am in the MFC and courts. Students are encouraged to dress up as a book character and to bring the book to the parade. We look forward to seeing the creativity of the costumes. All parents are welcome to attend the parade.

P & F MEETING

Please note that the next P & F Meeting is Tuesday the 22nd of August at 5:30pm. The P & F are an important part of our Dominican community who support our school with a number of fundraising initiatives. All are invited and welcome to attend!

NUDE FOOD

Nude Food is a fantastic opportunity to educate children about how their actions can impact the environment and their health. Focussing on the positive message of 'nude food = a healthy body + a healthy planet', we want our students at Dominican to be empowered to choose healthy, rubbish free food for their lunches and snacks .

Every fortnight class data is collected and the class with highest percentage of Nude Food is announced and celebrated at assembly. See below for the results from the last fortnight:

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| RN - 72% | RS - 81% |
| 1/2AB - 68% | 1/2D - 54% |
| 3/4S - 65% | 3/4L - 52% |
| 5/6K - 47% | 5/6OK - 45% |



Congratulations to RS for your great efforts! It would be a positive step forward in looking after our environment, if all classes to be in the 80th percentile!

I hope that all families have a wonderful week.

With best wishes

Angela Scodella
PRINCIPAL



LIVING IN THE SPIRIT OF ST DOMINIC

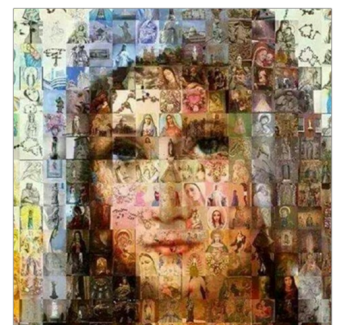
Many thanks for your generous support of the Sophia Centre, established by the Dominican Sisters of the Holy Cross to work for justice in the world. We are grateful to all students, families and staff for contributing gold coin donations on St Dominic's Day. We raised a total of **\$275** which will be forwarded on to the Sophia Centre to support their work in providing English Classes for Refugee Women and a child-minding service for their children. *The Dominican Way is to live with love and in the spirit of Dominic, we are inspired to put our faith in action. Our school community is always so generous in giving to those in need and we thank you for your continued support.*



I've left you an example of how you should serve and take care of those who are in need. For we must always cherish the words of our Lord Jesus, who taught, 'Giving brings a far greater blessing than receiving.'
(Acts 20:35)

THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY

Yesterday we celebrated the **Feast of the Assumption of Mary**, a holy day that commemorates God taking Mary to glory in heaven. As a Catholic school community, this was a special time for us to pray and give thanks for Mary, the mother of Jesus, the mother of our Church, and the mother of us all. To honour Mary on this holy day, we gathered with Father Peter Sheedy, the parish and families for Mass at Sacred Heart Church, beautifully led by our Reception to Year 2 classes. This was a wonderful day of celebration as we rejoiced in the life of our Blessed Mother Mary, a woman of great faith and love who believed and trusted in God.





Catholic Charities

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

A little giving goes a long way... Charity is at the heart of living Catholic and each September we celebrate **Catholic Charities** month. Catholic Charities is our South Australian organisation that provides support to agencies making a difference to the lives of the vulnerable and disadvantaged in our community, including **Our Lady of La Vang and St Patrick's Special Schools, Aboriginal Catholic Ministry, Centacare Catholic Family Services, and the Hutt St Centre**. Today each child will receive a leaflet attached with a donation envelope for this year's appeal. You are invited to make a donation via the reply paid envelope or online at adelaide.catholic.org.au/donate. In the coming weeks, our Justice Leaders will be raising awareness of Catholic Charities with all classes and holding a whole school event to fundraise for the appeal.

Alison Tanti-Clark
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL RELIGIOUS IDENTITY AND MISSION

DOMINICAN AWARDS



We congratulate the following Dominican Award Certificate recipients for Week 1, Term 3 for demonstrating our pillars of **Prayer, Study, Community** or **Ministry** in their learning.

Prayer

Awarded to **Spencer 1/2D and Iris 5/6K** for showing gratitude and sharing experiences of grace.

Study

Awarded to **Frankie 1/2AB, Peggy-Sue 1/2D, Brody 5/6OK, Tahlia 5/6OK, Emma 3/4L, Hunter 3/4L** for working hard and showing improvement, persistence and dedication to their learning.

Community

Awarded to **Marley RS, Isaac RS, Deborah 1/2AB, Brayden 3/4S and Isabelle 5/6K** for welcoming our new students, and being helpful and supporting others.

Ministry

Awarded to **River RN, Khloe RN and Kaiden 3/4S** for being kind and considerate of others, showing a positive attitude and for creativity and imagination in sharing the story of St Dominic.



CHEMICAL SCIENCE WITH YEARS 5 & 6

The Year 5/6 students have a focus on Chemical Sciences this term. Currently we are looking at changes between solids, liquids and gases. Our latest experiment was to use heat to compare the time it took to melt ice, butter, chocolate and wax. The students tested their hypothesis and recognised that many of their assumptions were wrong. The biggest surprise was the time it took to melt ice compared to other objects!

If you are interested in finding out more, come and see us in 5/6K!

Matthew Kosta
5/6K CLASSROOM TEACHER



BUDDY CLASS WITH 1/2D & 5/6K

Last week students in 1/2D showed their buddies in 5/6K one of their favourite ways to wind down after lunch. As a group, students completed a 'How to Draw' video during relaxation. The classes were able to practise mindfulness, working in quiet companionship to follow instructions and create some fantastic artwork.

Our buddy classes are developing meaningful friendships and are always excited to spend quality time together!

Shenae Dougan
1/2D Classroom Teacher



Sport & EXTRA CURRICULAR



SACPSSA CROSS COUNTRY

Thursday 11th August saw the annual SACPSSA Catholic Schools Cross Country Carnival held at the East Parklands for students in Years 3 to 6. We had 44 students attend from Dominican. They completed the 2km run with 2700 other students from Catholic Schools across South Australia. Congratulations to Remie who came 2nd place in Year 6 girls Div A.

Well done to all the students on their remarkable effort on carnival day and also in the lead up during training sessions. We are very proud of you all. A big thank you to our parent volunteers who came out and helped with the events.

STATE PORT SAPSASA TEAMS

Congratulations to Alyssa, Tiger, Sierra, Remie and Maverick who have been selected for the Port SAPSASA Track and Field Team. They will attend the State Carnival at the SA Athletics Stadium on Tuesday 19th September.

We also congratulate Jaeda who has qualified for the Port SAPSASA Golf Team. Jaeda will attend the Golf State Carnival on 7th – 8th September at West Beach Parks Golf.

We wish you all the best at your upcoming State Carnivals.

Martina Kovacev
SPORTS COORDINATOR

SPORTS



ECO-WARRIORS



Tips from our Reception students on 'What it means to be an ECO-WARRIOR?'

Mack: Being an eco-warrior means looking after our environment so we can save our animals and the ocean.

Evie: We bring nude food to school, so our rubbish does not fly away and hurt our animals and environment.

PARENT ENGAGEMENT EVENINGS

Catholic School Parents SA is hosting the following Parent Engagement Evening and we encourage our families to take up this opportunity:

Helping Children and Teenagers Respond to Friendship Difficulties and Bullying

presented by Madhavi Nawana Parker

Wednesday 20 September, 6.00pm - 8.00pm

St Mary's College, Adelaide

To register for this free event, go to the Events page on the Catholic Schools Parent SA Website



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Wednesday September 20 2023
6pm - 8pm (in person or online)

St Mary's College, Veritas Centre
293 Franklin Street, Adelaide

This Parent Engagement Evening, hosted by Catholic School Parents SA, welcomes all parents and carers of children in Catholic schools.

Social and friendship challenges are common. Learning how to have a good relationship with others, regulate emotions when socially isolated, and respond proactively to bullying are crucial life skills. This workshop will help parents and carers identify the difference between bullying and social difficulties, whilst also providing practical and constructive ways for young people to cope with confidence and resilience.

Madhavi Nawana Parker, Director of Positix Media Australia is one of Australia's leading experts on Mental Health and Wellbeing.

Register via the CSPA Registration Cards or go to the Events page on the Catholic School Parents SA Website.

cspsa.catholic.edu.au

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 3

IMPORTANT DATES

MON 21 FEB 25 AUG

W5

MON 21 - FRI 25 AUG
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS OPEN WEEK
BOOK WEEK

TUE 22 AUG

Principal's Tour, 10.00am

P & F Meeting, 5.30pm

FRI 25 AUG

Book Week Parade, 9.00am



W6

FRI 1 SEP

RS Prayer & Assembly, 9.00am

W7

FRI 5 SEP

R-6 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin

Mary Mass, 12.00pm



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W8

MON 11 SEP

School Board Meeting, 6.30pm

TUE 12 SEP

SAPSASA Cross Country Carnival

FRI 15 SEP

1/2AB Prayer & Assembly, 9.00am



W9

FRI 22 SEP

3/4S Prayer & Assembly, 9.00am

W10

WED 27 SEP

Catholic Schools Music Festival
Performance



THU 28 SEP

LAST DAY OF TERM 3, 3.05pm Dismissal

FRI 29 SEP

PUPIL FREE DAY

Term Calendar

LOST PROPERTY

LOST YOUR SCHOOL JACKET?



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The lost property box is
OVERFLOWING
with School Jackets

Jackets are either
unnamed or have names
of students who no longer
attend Dominican School

Some have been here
SINCE TERM ONE !!

PLEASE CHECK
at the **FRONT OFFICE**
to reclaim your property

UNCLAIMED ITEMS
will be donated to our uniform recyclers
at the end of Week 8



St Michael's
COLLEGE

'PULSE 15' LIVE IN CONCERT

BACK TO THE 80'S

**FEATURING PERFORMANCES BY OVER 20
VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLES**

**WEDNESDAY 6 SEPTEMBER
FOUNDERS HALL, SECONDARY
6.30PM FOR A 7PM START**

**DUST OFF YOUR LEGWARMERS, TEASE UP YOUR HAIR
AND GET YOUR DOUBLE DENIM ON - DRESS UP
80'S STYLE!!! (OPTIONAL) - PRIZES FOR BEST DRESSED**



TICKETS: \$10

**TABLE OR GRANDSTAND SEATING
BYO FOOD & DRINKS**



BOOK NOW

SCHOOLS DISABILITY EXPO



Nazareth



Western Region

SCHOOLS DISABILITY EXPO



Held in conjunction with Our Lady of La Vang
School and Nazareth Catholic College



Wed 23 Aug



6-8 PM



Nazareth Catholic College, Flinders Park Campus
1 Hartley Road, Flinders Park

NDIS Providers, Allied Health and Therapy Options
Post schools Pathways options
Applicable for families with children & young people
aged 5 years - 18 years
Drinks and Nibbles provided
Care options for children, if required

www.nazareth.org.au/rsvp-to-western-disability-expo

REGISTER FOR THE EXPO

UNIFORM PRICE INCREASE

Uniform

PRICE INCREASE AS OF 4 SEPTEMBER 2023

Dear Families,

We have been advised that as of Monday 4 September 2023 there will be a price increase on all uniform items.

[VIEW](#)

Families are able to establish layby of uniforms at the current prices.

Please contact Hambours to take advantage of this offer.

Uniform is purchased through
Hambours Uniform Shop instore or
online

NEW PRICELIST

