



ST DOMINIC'S PRIORY COLLEGE

139 Molesworth Street, North Adelaide. 5006.

BULLETIN

Diary Dates

Tues 21 - Fri 24 November
Year 10 + Year 11 Exams

Monday 27 November
Year 10 Surfing

Tuesday 28 November
Year 8 Retreat

Wednesday 29 November
Year 6 Graduation

Friday 1 December
Primary Piano Concert

Tuesday 5 December
End of Year Mass

Wednesday 6 December
Primary Parents
Volunteer Afternoon Tea

Friday 8 December
Last Day of Term 4

Tuesday 12 December
Graduation Ball

Tuesday 19 December
SACE Results
released 8:30am

UNIFORM SHOP

Mondays during Term
10:30am - 1:30pm

Thurs 23 Nov 12:30 - 4:30

Thurs 30 Nov 10:30 - 1:30

Thurs 7 Dec 12:30 - 4:30

SCHOOL HOLIDAY HOURS

Mon 11 Dec 10:30 - 1:30

Thurs 14 Dec 10:30 - 1:30

Sat 16 Dec 10:00 - 1:00

Fri 12 Jan 10:00 - 1:00

Sat 13 Jan 10:00 - 1:00

Weds 17 Jan 10:00 - 1:00

Thurs 18 Jan 10:00 - 1:00

Fri 19 Jan 10:00 - 1:00

Sat 20 Jan 10:00 - 1:00

Tues 23 Jan 10:00 - 1:00

Weds 24 Jan 10:00 - 1:00

Mon 29 Jan 10:30 - 1:30

WEEK 1, TERM 1 2018

Tues 30 Jan 9:30 - 11:00

Thurs 1 Feb 10:30 - 1:30



Friday morning mass in
the Chapel 8.15am

WEDNESDAY 22 NOVEMBER 2017

WEEK 6 – TERM 4

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Dear Parents,

Last Wednesday's final meetings for the Parents and Friends and the Fete Committee were a real chance to look back at the contributions Parents have made to the welfare of your children here at St. Dominic's during 2017.

At the Parents and Friends meeting **Co Presidents Jo Duffy and Michelle Hogan** presented an account of times shared at many functions from the Family Mass right through to the Fete. I thought as I listened just how lucky we are to have the service of parent leaders who give that extra time to keep alive the spirit of community which is so characteristic of St. Dominic's. Financially both the P&F and the Fete have injected much needed funds to assist us in the development of our new Year 12 Centre, the future ELC and development of our present campus.

You will be pleased to know that the Fete result for 2017 was \$61,734. This figure was up by \$5,000 on the year before and on a par with 2015. When we add the Fete and the other P&F fundraising the total is over \$88,000. Reports from stall holders demonstrated that when the weather is warmer different stalls are affected some up (mostly), and others a little down. Special thanks was expressed at the Fete meeting to Year 12 parents some of whom have been convenors of stalls since their daughters began in Year 8 or in Primary. **To Scott Griffin, to Noreen Pardoe** and to **Kathryn Hudson**, who master mind from behind, and lead from the front, we are greatly indebted to you. Thanks also to

Stuart Lapsley for learning the ropes as Scott's no. 1 support.

There is one comment I would like to pass on from the P&F to new parents. One of the Co-Presidents made the point that it can appear from the smooth running of our events that in fact we do not need extra support. That is not how things really are. We do need new parents to step up, and I would urge new parents and those who have been with us for 2-3 years to join a committee or attach your organisational skills to one event as part of a team. Thank you.

Twilight Assembly: Congratulations to our R-5 students and their wonderful teachers and support staff on the great start to Christmas at last night's Twilight Assembly. From the opening carol "Silent Night" to the Reception class Nativity play and everything in between it was a fabulous show.

End of Year Mass: Your Invitation to the End of Year Mass features a family, parents and children looking to a far shore for hope and a future. When I think of how well loved, and fed and educated our children are, and compare our good fortune with the millions of near starving children in the blockaded country of Yemen, or the refugees in Bangladesh, you wonder if we are on the same planet. Let us pray that those with the power to prevent these crises can move to a new vision for the families and children caught in a situation not of their making.

Sr. Jillian Havey, Principal



Primary News

from Ms. Cate O'Leary
Primary School Coordinator

'Anyone who has never made a mistake has never tried anything new'

Albert Einstein

All classes were involved in a variety of exciting events that were organised for **PE Week**. We thank Mrs Michelle Richter for all her hard work and for organising so many interesting events for us to attend, both as incursions and excursions. The students were challenged and enjoyed being active. The upper primary students really enjoyed the challenges at **Latitude** and much fun was had being gymnasts at the **YMCA** by the Reception and Year 1 classes. Fun was had, but the weather did not look favourably on our Year 2 and 3 classes who were attending a **Come and Try** multi-event day. The girls enjoyed the golf and soccer sessions and but the rain won in the end, so we headed home to a warm classroom. Next year we look forward to investigating some more golf training sessions with the girls.

Twilight Assembly

On Tuesday, we celebrated our warm End of Year Twilight Assembly. Stay tuned next week for the photos and recounts of the talent that abounds in the Primary School. We thank all the teachers and students for their hard work, creativity and enthusiasm. We would like to acknowledge and thank Mrs Heggs and Mrs White for all their 'behind the scene' help.

Volunteers Afternoon Tea

We are always very grateful for the valuable support many parents give us in the classroom, on excursions or with sporting supervision. The Primary Staff would like to say thank you and invite you to join us for Afternoon Tea, in the Art Room on Wednesday the 6th of December from 3:10-4:00pm. There will be a teacher on duty to supervise any children. If you have helped during the year come and join us for a cuppa and chat.

Our community is always very generous to those in need and last year we were overwhelmed by the donations to our annual **Giving Tree**. All donations are given to Vinnies and we will shortly send home a letter explaining how and when this will begin.

During the Christmas season please do not send candy canes or similar to school as they are a choking risk. Please leave having your daughter bring Christmas cards until Week 8. Students are responsible for valuing them, keeping them safe and disposing of the many envelopes.

End of Year Mass

The End of Year Mass is not far away, Tuesday 5th December and we are excited to be attending this very special Mass and whole school celebration. We are still waiting on some replies to the invitation.

Year 4 Chapel Mass

As many of us have celebrated the Sacraments of Initiation over the last 3 years, we wore our gorgeous communion dresses to the our Chapel Mass. This was very exciting.

During Father Ben's Homily, he reminded us that each time we go to church and receive the host we are strengthening our relationship with God. Father's homily reassured us that God loves us, and is here to listen, guide and help us. Participating in the Eucharist, helps us understand that we become 'the body of Christ'. As a class we believe that means we need to use our hands, heart, mind and feet to help those less fortunate, the lonely and sad.

"I will use my eyes to spread happiness." **Lucy**

"I will use my mind and forgive." **Morgan**

"I will use my hands to protect, create and be gentle." **Linh**

"I will use my feet to find people who are in need." **Aivy**

"I will use my mind to understand bad situations and avoid them." **Tina**

"I will use my hands to care for creation." **Macy**

After mass, parents and grandparents, stayed to listen to our reflections and to share some yummy food. Mrs Chavez, mum of Victoria, Alexandra and Gabriella, made delicious cupcakes for the occasion. The cakes were delicious. **By Annabel and Charlotte**

YMCA

On Wednesday the Reception and Year 1 classes went to the Walkerville YMCA as part of PE Week. The girls had lots of fun and tried lots of challenging gymnastics equipment.



Anna: I liked jumping on the trampoline.

Nicole: My favourite thing was climbing really high up the rope.

Sofia: I liked playing the running games in the big gym.

Bianca: I loved jumping into the foam pit.

In and around the classrooms:

Year 2 Bee Bots

The Year 2s have enjoyed planning tricky obstacle courses for their Bee Bots and then programming them to travel through the course to the end.



YEAR 2

National Youth Science Forum

Congratulations to Amy Pham in Year 11 who has secured a place at the National Youth Science Forum (NYSF), to be held in Canberra during the January holidays. Amy will be representing The Rotary Club of Adelaide. The NYSF is a 12-day residential program designed to give students a broader understanding of the diverse study and career options available in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) and to encourage them to continue their studies in these fields. We look forward to hearing about Amy's experiences next year when she returns.



Ms Kennedy



Year 10 Commerce for a Day

Once again the Year 10 Commerce students 'Ran a Business for a Day' where they utilised their knowledge and skills gained in the class. On Tuesday 31 October the *Nacho Girlz*, *Fruit Pints*, *N-Ice Cream Delights*, *Hamburguesa* *Homemade Beef Burgers* and *ChrishAlly's Krispy Kremes* supplied the school community with mouth-watering food and drinks. Then on the 7 November the *Saint Shakes*, *Brownie Bar*, *Dominic's Pizzeria*, *Chips 'n' Fries Galore* and *Tiny Bakes* ran their businesses enticing students and staff to buy their products.

This practical exercise enabled the girls to combine the theory of **Business and Finance**, **Legal Studies and Economics** taught in the classroom. This skills and knowledge developed is invaluable.

The Commerce class then donated all their profits, **totalling \$578.20** to the charities supported by the 2018 Indian Pilgrims. This is in keeping with the Dominican Spirit. Well done girls.

Ms Jo Riccio



Year 9 Science

The Year 9 Science excursion to the **Botanic Gardens** on Friday 10 Noember was a great experience, we all had fun... even though we were all dying of heat stroke! We also learnt so many things about plants from different countries and how they were and are used today. The best part was the sense of community everyone felt whilst walking and talking together, I honestly think it is a great excursion and I hope the next Year 9s have as much fun as we all did.

- Ariella



Cake it for Charity

"Cake it for Charity" is an annual fundraising event held by Calvary Hospital to raise funds for the homeless. This year, the charity chosen was **Fred's Van**. Staff from all areas of the hospital enter baked goods to be judged and then sold. Each year the **Year 9 SRC students** are invited to participate in the event. This year the students involved were: *Emma Caporaso*, *Amelia Hegarty*, *Olivia Irving*, *Adrienne Limgenco*, *Anna Nguon*, and *Ella Tonkin*. They helped to sell the bakery products to the community and two students also visited the wards with a trolley filled with delicious slices, cupcakes and other enticing baked goods. The students enjoyed themselves immensely and all for a good cause.

2018 FINANCIAL INFORMATION DISTRIBUTED

To all Parents / Guardians,

By now, your eldest daughter will have brought home a 'Financial Information - 2018' handout. Information contained in this handout includes:

- **The College's Financial Charter**
- **2018 School Fees | Explanatory Guide of charges**
- **Estimated payment schedule | Payment Options**
- **Capital Debt Levy | School Building Fund**
- **Financial Assistance | Discounts Available**
- **School Policies regarding financial matters**

If you have not received this package, please contact the Accounts Office immediately.

Lina Martino, Business Manager



2017 Christmas Appeal

What does your typical Christmas meal look like?
What non-perishable food items do you enjoy?

This Christmas will be a tough time of year for many in our local community and a celebration with all the trimmings and traditions that Christmas brings will be far from reality.

Your daughter has been asked to donate non-perishable festive food items which will be made into hampers and distributed to those in our local communities who are having a tough time.

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR VINNIES CHRISTMAS APPEAL

