

## Diary Dates

Thursday 4 August
Year 8/9 Knockout Netball
Friday 5 August
P\&F Fete Morning Tea 9am Year 9 Retreat
Tuesday 9 August
St Dominic's Day Mass Year 10 French Quiz Night
Wednesday 10 August Year 10 Research Project Expo Fete Committee Meeting
Thursday 11 August
SACPSSA Cross Country
Friday 12 August
St Dominic's Day Holiday
Monday 15 - Friday 19 August Science Week

Thursday 18 August
Year 11 Retreat
Friday 19 August
Sports / Special Photos Year 5/6 Knockout Badminton

Saturday 20 August
Pot Planting Morning for Fete

## 2016 Term Dates

Term 3: 25 July - 30 Sep
Term 4: 17 Oct - 9 Dec

## UNIFORM SHOP

Opening Hours during Term Mondays during Term 10:30am - 1:30pm
[Closed Monday 15 August]
Thurs 4 Aug 12:30-4:30
Thurs 11 Aug 10:30-1:30 Thurs 18 Aug CLOSED
Thurs 25 Aug 10:30-1:30
Thurs 1 Sept 12:30-4:30
Weds 7 Sept 10:00-1:30
Thurs 8 Sept 10:30-1:30
Fri 9 Sept 10:00-1:30
Thurs 15 Sept 12:30-4:30
Thurs 22 Sept 10:30-1:30
Thurs 29 Sept 12:30-4:30


Friday morning mass in the Chapel 8.15am

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We certainly all hit the ground running last week with a busy start to quite a hectic term. One of the key areas that we are investigating as a staff and working with our students this year is the area of Growth Mindset. We are thankful to the parents who attended our Parent Information Session on Growth Mindset on Tuesday evening and appreciated their positive feedback. We also appreciated the responses from several parents who wanted to attend but were unable due to other commitments. We may look at offering it again in Term 4. We will continue to use the language of Growth Mindset with our students, provide readings for parents and have posters displaying the core principles of Growth Mindset around the Primary School. The big message for our students is that making mistakes is an important part of the learning process and we encourage parents to remember to promote a positive attitude with their daughters when faced with challenges in their learning both at home and at school. We thank Naomi Bramham, Kirsten Maycock and Deb Osborne who spent considerable time preparing and presenting a very informative and valuable parent engagement session.

## Nude Food Friday

Sustainability Group will visit classrooms on a Friday to see who has nude food and their names will go into the Plant Raffle.

## Independence Day

IndependenceDay is Thursday this term. We appreciate all the support and encouragement parents have given to this initiative.

## Uniforms

We are noticing that a number of students are not adhering to the School Uniform Policy guidelines. Please remember that hair needs to be neat and up or tied back if below shoulder length. No nail polish. Coloured tops that are visible under school tops are also not acceptable. Students will be reminded about school uniform policy at assembly next week.

In poetry we have been looking at techniques used to add impact when writing poems. In particular we have looked at similes, metaphors and personification:

## Similes

Her grandma was as old as time - Matilda
Her heart was as cold as ice - Alexia
His hair just like instant noodles - Tammy The sun was as golden as honey dripping from a hive - Clarissa
The horse's mane was soft as silk - Madison Her face was as white as snow - Sarita
Metaphors
The sun is a torch that will lead us - Isabella
Personification
The light of the stars swam through leaves of the forest - Helen
The clouds cried through the night - Layla The blossoms chirped as the sun entered the garden - Clarissa

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## Children's University

There will be a meeting this week at recess time on Thursday to check how our students are going. We ask that you please remind your daughter to have her passport filled out and organised and that she brings it to the meeting. Several girls are getting very close to 30 hours. Many students have completed the CU winter activity task. They can bring this and I will check it.
Website: https://www.adelaide.edu.au/childrensuniversity/
Student response:
"The Children's University is fun because you go to different activities and it helps you learn and you get to know more about places and things to do in Adelaide. I enjoyed going to the Adelaide Goal and completed tasks to find out more about its history. The Festival Theatre also has activities and I completed a review of the 52 Storey Treehouse. I also worked really hard on the CU winter booklet in the holidays"

- Hariklia Drousas Yr 4

Portfolios - students and teachers put a lot of effort into portfolios and we know many parents enjoy reading through them and the children have many interesting conversations regarding their learning. Could you please return them as soon as possible and write in the parent comment section to your daughter.


## Primary Sport News

This is a big week of sport with the Rio Olympic Games commencing on Friday.

This week Holly from Footsteps will in teaching Dance to the year $\mathrm{R} / 1 / 2$ and 3 students. A reminder for these classes to have their PE uniform on Thursdays.

The girls thoroughly enjoyed dance last week and displayed their rhythmic ability in a challenging dance titled 'Everybody Dance now'

Touch SA are here on Tuesdays teaching the Year 5 and 6 girls the game of Touch Football.

## Upcoming Events:

Thursday $11^{\text {th }}$ August: Year 4-7 Catholic Cross country
Friday $19^{\text {th }}$ August: Year 5-6 SAPSASA Badminton Carnival

## Aus Kick

Seeing Rory Sloane was a big treat for some of our students yesterday when they attended their first session.

## Netball News

Netball begins this week. Please make sure that your daughter arrives promptly and is fully prepared for her game. We look forward to an action packed season. Your daughter will also bring home a separate letter outlining our school and Thundercup parent/player expectations. We welcome our new players and are very grateful to our coaches/managers: Julie Sexton, Katie Noble, Amelia Greven, Ellie Clancy, Shane/ Bec Copeland, Jacqui Griffin and Alexia Masullo. We are in need of one more coach. Please contact the Primary School if you are able to help.

## Sustainability: Worm Farm

Last Friday children from Barker Kindy came for a visit. They were very knowledgeable and explained some fascinating facts about worms. They were certainly the experts. The children enjoyed interacting with our Year 1 and 4 classes. Sienna and Minh Nghi will be in charge of the worm farm and add them to our garden beds. We thank Bronwyn, Amanda and Cathy from Barker Kindy for providing us with the necessary information and equipment to create our own worm farm.


## Save the Date

Friday August $5^{\text {th }}$ 9:00am in Art Room
P\&F Morning Tea for Fete \& Auction

## Year 6 Activities on Friday August 5 ${ }^{\text {th }}$

The Year 6 class will be very busy - up early for Friday Morning Mass and then Scrapbooking Day. [SPORTS UNIFORM to be worn.]

## Tuesday August $9^{\text {th }} \mathbf{2 : 3 0 p m}$ [WEEK 3]

Year 5 Class hosting Assembly in the HALL - all welcome

## Curriculum Update: Year 4 English

A Year 4 English group has been looking at the poem 'The Magic Box' by Kit Wright. After exploring some of the themes and symbols from the poem, they went on to write their own versions which reflected their own favourite memories or moments. When the first drafts were completed, the students worked in pairs to edit them and it was wonderful to hear the growth mindset language being used. Natasia commented to her partner 'Can you give me constructive feedback? I love to hear constructive feedback, so I can improve...'

## Here are some extracts:

I will put in the box
Silence at the stroke of midnight;
The scent of a burning wax candle;
Laughter of friends and smiles from family.

- Alexandra

I will put in the box
The last number on Earth;
Feet sinking into soft sand;
A touch of a young baby.

- Cecilia

My box is fashioned with sandstone and gold, With pens and books on the lid and dreams in the corners.

- Natasia Lappas

I shall write in my box
On a mountain of smooth, soft paper,
A new chapter for my life.

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- Isabella Le Cong
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Have a read of Kit Wright's Magic Box and encourage your daughter to consider what she would put in her magic box..


SAPSASA Year 6/7 Basketball Carnival
On Wednesday the $25^{\text {th }}$ of July a selection of Year $6 / 7$ students, as well as Mr Mortimer, were lucky enough to participate in a basketball carnival at Wayville Stadium. We played a variety of schools who all had a differing range of skills and talents. We were able to win 3 out of the 6 games we played and
 ended up with an overall ranking of $3^{\text {rd }}$. We were really happy with our final results and thought that we communicated and played well together, especially the last few games. We hope that we are able to participate next year. Go St Dominics!

Mr Byron Mortimer

## SSSSA Year 10 Knockout Netball

On Thursday last week, the Year 10 Knockout Netball Team ventured out to St Francis De Sales in Mt Barker. The first game we played against Unity College, proved to be a very close and intense game, with us coming on top, 27-23. We then played against St Francis De Sales who sadly defeated us by a 7 goal margin resulting in us being knocked out of the competition. However, the girls played amazingly and were an enthusiastic team leading to a fantastic day although the loss. Great job girls!

## Amelia Greven

> UNIVERSITY Open Day dates 2016

Saturday 13 August: 9:30am - 4pm
Sunday 14 August: 9am-4pm
Sunday 14 August:
9am-4:30pm
Sunday 14 August:
10:30am-3pm

Flinders University www.flinders.edu.au
Adelaide University www.adelaide.edu.au

University of SA www.unisa.edu.au

AFE College of the Arts www.tafesa.edu.au
saintdominicspriorycollege
htipi/bitly/stdoms

## Round Results - Saturday $\mathbf{3 0}^{\text {th }}$ July

## Netball

7/8 B1 Red def Mercedes 2 (17-34) 11/12 B1 Gold drew Marryatville 2 $7 / 8$ C1 Black lost to Loreto 2 (11-19) 11/12 B2 Blue lostto St Ignatius 3(16-22) 9B1 lost to St Ignatius 1 (46-10) 10C1 def Cabra 3 (23-8)

## Soccer

Junior def Marryatville 2 (1-0) Senior def Loreto 1 (4-0)

11/12 B2 Blue lostto St Ignatius 3(16-22)
11/12 C1 3 vs Cardijn 4 11/12 C1 4 lost to Sacred Heart 9 (10-44)

## Hockey

Junior drew Immanuel C (0-0) Senior def Walford B (5-0)

## Draw - Saturday $6^{\text {th }}$ August

| TEAM | LOCATION | TIME | OPPONENT |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Netball |  |  |  |
| 7/8 B1 Red | Cabra | $8: 10 \mathrm{am}$ | Cardijn 2 |
| 7/8 C1 Black | Mercedes | $9: 10 \mathrm{am}$ | Cabra 5 |
| Year 9 B1 | Mercedes | $9: 10 \mathrm{am}$ | Mercedes 2 |
| Year 10 C1 | St Michael's | $9: 10 \mathrm{am}$ | Nazareth 2 |
| 11/12 B1 Gold | St Ignatius | $9: 10 \mathrm{am}$ | Mary Mackillop 1 |
| 11/12 B2 Blue | BYE | BYE | BYE |
| 11/12 C1 team3 | Cabra | $10: 10 \mathrm{am}$ | Cabra 4 |
| 11/12 C1 team4 | Cabra | $10: 10 \mathrm{am}$ | Cardijn 4 |
| Soccer |  |  |  |
| Junior | Park 21 | $9: 10 \mathrm{am}$ | Marymount 1 |
| Senior | Park 21 | $10: 10 \mathrm{am}$ | Marryatville 1 |
| Hockey |  |  |  |
| Junior | Seacliff | $10: 45 \mathrm{am}$ | Loreto C |
| Senior | Seacliff | $8: 15 a m$ | Sacred Heart B |



## News from Year 12

Much is made of the academic results of the Yr. 12 girls at St Dominic's, and rightly so. There are, however, many other attributes we hope the girls leave St Dominic's with that can't be measured, recorded or put on a report card. The four pillars of Dominican spirituality that frame the education your daughters receive; study, prayer, outreach and community togetherness have been lived out in a very really way by the Yr 12 girls this term in their studies as well as in the events outlined below.

## Past Student Seminar:

"Everything I know now that I wish I knew when I was in Year 12" Late last term, four members of the class of 2012 addressed the Yr 12 girls. The current Yr 12s were Yr 8s when these old scholars were in their final year of school. The past students' brief was to respond to the statement: "Everything I know now that I wish I knew in Year 12." The aim being to give the girls an insight into how to successfully navigate through the social and academic hurdles and opportunities they may encounter as Year 12 students. In addition, they provided a glimpse into life after school completion, covering tertiary options and how to respond when originally planned directions change.
We are indebted to Bella Revesz, Gabbi Zaccari, Natalia
Dworniczek \& Lynn Nguyen for so willingly giving of their time.


Year 12 Jumpers
It was with great excitement that the Year 12 jumpers for 2016 arrived during Term 2. Credit goes to the student design team, the SRC Executive members: Acot Cikom, Mia Hamilton, Amy Loprete, Amy Taranta, Michaela Farrugia and An Vu.

## Year 12 Pastoral Care

Our educational psychologist, Kirrilie Smout presented the second of her three Seminars to our Yr 12s as part of the Pastoral Care programme late in Term 2. The emphasis of her presentation was on improving our students' ability to remember and recall information; a skill critical to success when faced with a year's worth of content being examined in November.
Kirrilie also questioned the validity of students claiming they 'freeze' due to stress in exams/tests and thus perform below expectations. Studies have in fact shown a feeling of anxiousness before an exam does not always lead to diminished results. If disappointing results come, then perhaps a lack of proper preparation is the reason for both the anxiety and the results. Anxiety itself is a normal response to exam scenarios and properly managed need not lead to student underperformance.
Speaking of preparation for assessments, the difference between revision and relearning was explored. Students were shown research which highlighted retention rates of information with no revision as compared to regular, small amounts of revision. A compelling case was mounted for students to consistently revise work to save them relearning it months down the track in preparation for exams.
BUT WHEN??? This is a very good question given the already overwhelming number of tasks facing our students. Kirrilie's
response is that even three minutes a day of revision will make a difference in retaining information.
Sure, but when? Find / 'make' three minute 'gaps': on the way to school. . . at the start of astudy period... while waiting for tea to be ready...
Kirrilie's website can be found at http://www.developingminds. net.au where articles, seminar summaries and current research is available for perusal by parents.
At the conclusion of Term 2, the Yr 12 girls received their Semester 1 reports. The significance of this particular report is that there is still time to address any problems that have been identified by subject teachers. The aim at St Dominic's is for every girl to reach her personal potential, wherever that may fall in the various grade bands. Comparison with other students' results is of limited value.

## Key Dates and Times

The girls have been re-emailed the Yr 12 Pastoral Care Programme for the remainder of the year. This particular document includes some dates and times regarding end of year functions [ie. End of Year Mass, Final Assembly and the Graduation Ball.]
Whether you are in frequent contact with your daughter's teachers or have never rung the school once in your time as a parent here, your contact is both welcomed and encouraged, particularly in the critical weeks and months ahead for our most senior students

GREG LARWOOD on behalf of the Yr 12 PC staff. Year 12 Coordinator / SACE Coordinator

## Eyes to the Floor

Presented by Year 12 Drama


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Aurecon Bridge Building
As part of a strategy to encourage students to pursue Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM), Aurecon invited schools to participate in their annual bridge building competition. Seven teams of girls from Year 9 spent lunchtimes during Term 2 designing and building bridges. Two teams were then chosen to compete against 23 other schools in the State Competition at the Art Gallery on Thursday $28^{\text {th }}$ July.
Bridges had to span a distance of 650 mm , meet certain specifications regarding various heights and widths, and be made of no more than 300 pop-sticks. The objective of the competition was to test which bridge would support the greatest load.

After a presentation on bridges and engineering opportunities by Aurecon, St Dominics Team A (Tessa Tranthim-Fryer, Huyen Nguyen, Audrey Nguyen) was first up. They achieved an impressive 75 kilograms. This set the standard for those to follow. By lunchtime, 2 hrs later, the next best result from other schools was 44 kg . There was eager debate amongst the girls as to whether St Dominic's second team (Taylor Huynh, Charmane Obtinalla, Thu Vu) would do better.

After lunch, St Dominic's second team loaded their bridge on the testing rig. The bridge soon reached 75 kg . Then 100 kg , then 145 kg , before the metal bracket applying the load broke! A new and stronger bracket was fetched and testing continued. Soon, 200kg was reached. The bridge was still steady. At 233 Kg , a sharp crack was heard and the bridge finally reached its limit. Enormous cheers went up around the auditorium. What a remarkable feat. We will have to wait and see if this is a national record, but this 400 gram bridge made of pop-sticks and glue had managed to support over quarter of a ton - almost 600 times its own weight.

Consequently, St Dominic's two teams finished first and second. As a result, the school received $\$ 1,000$ and $\$ 500$ respectively for their efforts, whilst the girls received $\$ 100$ each and $\$ 50$ each respectively. Congratulations to the girls for their fantastic efforts!


## 2016 Parents \& Friends Inaugural Games Night Daint the Toun Red

 Dress up in your favourite accessories and outfits!- Bingo • Balloon Pop • Heads and Tails • - Paper Planes • Coin Toss and more..

Prize Donations for the Games Night would be greatly accepted - Some ideas could include: chocolates, gift vouchers, wine, raffle-type prizes or cash donations to purchase some prizes. Any donation would be greatly appreciated - please send them through to the office.

## CLASSICTREASURESSTAL:Collecting Now

We would be extremely grateful for your donation of:-

## jewellery

music boxes
clocks
classic toys (NOT Soft Toys, please!) small paintings / prints doilies \& table linens

Items can be left at the College Office, or a Classic Treasures team member would be happy to collect from your home. If you require collection please phone the following numbers: 0414323311 or 0401984769 *pleasenote:We canNOT takeanylargehouseholditems, electricalitems, clothing, soft toys orshoes.

| "All-At-Once" Donation entails: |  |
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| \$24 Donation | Due 15 August |
| PLUS Weekly Appeals as follows: |  |
| 2nd Hand Book(s) | Weeke 1, Term 3 |
| Tinned Food | Week 5, Term 3 |
| Packet Sweets | Week 8, Term 3 |
| Chocolate / Wine | Weeke 9, Term 3 |
| Packet Food | Week 10, Term 3 |
| Baked Goods | Week 2, Term 4 |

Find out more about how you can contribute to the largest Parents \& Friends' Fundraisers of the year Fete \& Auction Morning Tea 9am Friday $5^{\text {th }}$ August $\cdot$ Primary Art Room If you have a few minutes to spare after dropping off your daughter(s), we welcome you to pop in for a tea or coffee and join an informal discussion regarding donation ideas for the 2016 Auction.

For more information contact Maria on 0431589321


The first Potting Morning for the Fete will be held on Saturday 20th August from 9:00am. Please contact Michael Puddy on 0432020978 for further details.


[^0]:    St. Dominic's Priory College Hall
    Thursday $25^{\text {th }}$ and Friday 26 $6^{\text {th }}$, August 2016, at 7.30 pm Tickets: Adults \$12 Concession \$8
    AGE RATING: $14+$

