

FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear Friends,

Dominican Feast Day Celebration

Today we have marked our Dominican Feast Day and celebrated the lives of our two Patron Saints, St Dominic Guzman and St Catherine of Siena. Both of their lives, lived with holiness in the 13th and 14th centuries, continue as inspiration for us as models of study, prayer, courage to speak the truth and compassionate outreach. Both their lives were devoted to following the Word of God.

We were privileged to have two of our Dominican sisters, Sr Pamela Davis OP and Sr Mary Rickards OP join us for our Mass. Both Sr Pam and Sr Mary have shaped the Dominican legacy to the Church here in Tasmania and more specifically to Dominic College. We pray that their religious vocations and ministries continue to be blessed and rewarding for them. They continue as an inspiration for us.



ACEL Award to Dominic College Year 3-6 Leader

Congratulations to Ms Sue Cunningham, our Coordinator of Teaching & Learning Year 3-6, who this week is the recipient of a 2021 Australian Council for Educational Leaders (ACEL) Award.

Ms Cunningham has been Year 3-6 Coordinator of Teaching and Learning at Dominic College for the past seven years and is an outstanding classroom teacher and leader. She has demonstrated excellent leadership in the professional learning of our primary teaching team focusing on individual assessment of student achievement and developing, with her team, targeted programs to intentionally improve literacy and numeracy outcomes.

Sue has collaboratively assessed programs and designed program adaptations to focus on individual student growth. Under Sue's leadership, our Year 3-6

Teaching Team has effectively worked to revise the delivery of the Year 3-6 curriculum, emphasizing creative inquiry and problem-solving.

We are delighted that Sue's wonderful work has been recognised with an ACEL TAS Teacher Leadership Award. Sue is very deserving of such recognition and received her ACEL Award, surrounded by Dominic College colleagues at a ceremony on Thursday evening at UTAS' University Club.

Student Leadership of the College

As our 2021 Mental Health Week unfolded this week amidst mixed weather, we highly commend our student leaders on their many initiatives to build a strong community where all students feel a sense of belonging, inclusion and have fun together as they learn and play.

From breakfasts to karaoke to the Teddy Bears' Picnic, there was something for everyone to enjoy this week. Well done to our College Captains and Vice Captains and all student leaders on their wonderful service to the student body. They continue to model the way for all.

Ms Beth Gilligan - Dominic College Principal



FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL



Dear Families,

We conclude an extremely busy week here at Dominic College. Firstly, our Mental Health Week which was aptly followed by the celebration today our traditional Salesian Feast Day for Saint Dominic Guzman and Saint Catherine of Siena.

Our parent information evening led by Professor Sarah Blunden, Sleep Specialist and Researcher, was held on Tuesday evening where Sarah spoke about the importance of having in place effective sleeping patterns and creating sleep routines in children. It was an informative evening with parents taking home some useful tools on how to best support and understand children's sleeping habits.

Throughout the week we also had the opportunity to share breakfast together and play games, including the annual Teddy Bear's picnic in our K-6 area on Wednesday. It was wonderful to be able to spend time with students and talk and share quality time together.

My thanks to our 2021 student leaders and all staff involved for organising the many important sessions for Mental Health Week. There will be plenty of highlights in this week's newsletter and next week of the varied activities students experienced.

Year 5 Camp

We pray for fine weather for our Year 5 students and their teachers who head off to Port Arthur next week for their camp. I look forward to joining them next Thursday afternoon and evening to take part in some of the activities on offer. Camps are a great opportunity for students to strengthen friendships, establish stronger relationships with peers and teachers, and continue to develop lifelong skills. We look forward to hearing about these experiences in the coming weeks and seeing lots of amazing photos!

Mr Stephen Casni - Dominic College Deputy Principal





Dominic Guzman & Catherine of Siena Feast Day

Today, as a College community we were fortunate to be able to celebrate the lives and contributions of our Dominican patron saints, Dominic Guzman and Catherine of Siena. We were privileged to be able to welcome our Dominican sisters, Sr Pamela & Sr Mary to join our Eucharistic Mass.

Our Mass highlighted our extremely talented Concert Band, combined 3-6 Choir and the terrific trio of Hayden Direen, Harrison Johnston and Jonty Zielinski.

Our Student and Faculty body entered our celebrations safe in the knowledge that we are part of a community that is based on love, friendship and unity in Jesus Christ.

Today's celebrations were also marked with some sadness as Ms Gilligan has now attended her last one as our College Principal.

Year 5 Work on the Seven Sacraments

Year 5 have been learning about the Seven Sacraments of the Catholic Church. They have been exploring what they mean, their purpose and the symbols and rituals involved in each one. The Sacrament of Reconciliation was a major focus for this term in Religious Education. All of Year 5 will engage in a Liturgy to be held in the College Chapel in the last week of Term. Year 5A made lovely artwork depicting each of the Seven Sacraments and have displayed this proudly in their classroom.

Mrs Alicia McMahon - Director of Faith and Mission K-10



Theatresports: Years 3-6 Competition

As part of Feast Day celebrations, students in Years 3 to 6 competed in the House Theatresports Competition on Friday. Theatresports is worldwide phenomena in which drama and improv games are played as team sports. The object of the event is to let your imagination run riot exercise your improv skills and most importantly,

participate and have fun. The top ten rules for Theatresports are:

- 1) Say 'yes and ...'
- 2) Add new information.
- 3) Don't block.
- 4) Avoid asking questions- unless you're also adding information.
- 5) Play in the present and use the moment.
- 6) Establish the location.
- 7) Be specific and provide colorful details.
- 8) Change, Change, Change!
- 9) For serious and emotional scenes, focus on characters and relationships.
- 10) For humorous scenes, take choices to the nth degree or focus on actions/objects.

Anyone can be a great Theatresports player. All that is required is a dash of imagination, the ability to listen, and a degree of bravery.

Our Year 3-6 students certainly demonstrated this, throwing themselves into spirit of the event and dazzled the audience with quick thinking, imagination and teamwork. Winning House from the Years 3 & 5 section were Guzman who also and took out the Years 4 & 6 comp. The Magic Moment Award for a supreme inspired impro moment was decisively claimed by Jagger Blizzard for his 'Hazard Banana', and Nicholas Hay for introducing us to his pet slug with 'Oh Gary'. Congratulations to all participants.



Mr Mike O'Brien - Director of Creative Arts K-10

TEACHING & LEARNING



Year 10 Pathway Planning

Earlier this Year, students in Year 10 completed a Morrisby Profile as part of their career pathway planning. The Morrisby Profile is a comprehensive online career and pathway profiling system that provides an objective measure of a number of aptitudes, as well as describing a student's interests and personality. This information is blended to

generate suggestions around careers, study areas and college, University and TAFE subjects they may enjoy and be suited to. It also gives life-long access to the system, to each of our students.

Whatever a young person wants to do in life, there is a pathway to take them there. It starts with education and training. The following information has been provided by the Tasmania Government: Department of Education and is important for students and families to be aware of in preparation for 2022.

Students now in Year 10 are required to stay in education and training for longer under the Education Act 2016.

According to the Education Act, young people can leave education when they:

Finish Year 12 **OR** Receive a Certificate III **OR** Reach the new minimum leaving age of 18.

Young people with specific circumstances can apply for exemption.

There are processes in place to assist young people plan and stay involved in education and training.

In Year 10: Students record the education and training they plan to do to achieve their goals. This is shared with their school principal and the student's chosen education and training providers.

After Year 10: Young people enroll in and start further education and training. Education and training providers record and share participation information. Young people who stop participating will be supported to move back into a learning program that is a good fit for them.

Young people have a range of options to meet the requirements to stay in education and training. They can participate in one or a combination of the following:

After Year 10:

1. Years 11 and 12
2. Vocational Education and Training
3. Apprenticeship or Traineeship

Students currently in Year 10 will need to continue studying until they finish Year 12 or meet a leaving requirement. Students undertaking an apprenticeship in 2022 will need to provide the College with a copy of the contract.

Year 10 Transition Statement

School students receive a Transition Statement at the end of Year 10 to confirm that they developed and recorded their plans to move into senior secondary education or other education and training. At Dominic College, the Transition Statement will be recorded in the students' Year 10 end-of-school year report.

At the start of Term 4, Year 10 students will be lodging their intended learning plans for approval at which time they will indicate their intended pathways for 2022.

Mrs Janet Marcenko - Coordinator of Teaching and Learning 7-10



Online Enrolment Available

Enrolment for 2022 still open!

All questions regarding enrolment are welcome

Contact
enrolments@gyc.tas.edu.au



Guilford
Young
College

GYC will be offering tours over the first week of school holidays 27 – 30 September. You can book a tour at GYC through this [link](#).

LEARNING IN FOCUS



Year 4 Camp – An Amazing Adventure

On Thursday 26 August, our Year 4 students set off on an amazing adventure; their first overnight school camp at Dominic College! The camp location was Blue Lagoon, Dodges Ferry, and the purpose of the camp was to develop stronger connections and relationships with each other, connect with the outdoors, focus on Aboriginal heritage and culture and to help students to recognise the importance of sustainability and how they can be stewards of our environment. The camp was very successful and we are so proud of the Year 4 students for their resilience and enthusiasm, the way they tried new things and participated whole heartedly in all camp activities!

Over the two days, students rotated through three activities; archery, team building and slides/trampolines/ga ga ball. We also included plenty of free time where students were able to enjoy the amazing facilities including an indoor sports stadium, games room with eight ball and fuse ball and the Bayroom for piano and talent show practice. The beautiful views from Blue Lagoon across Frederick Henry Bay were just breathtaking.

Year 4 also spent time on Blue Lagoon Beach. A special Acknowledgement of Country was held whilst overlooking 'Red Ochre' beach. Students imagined the past; both sights and sounds, and spoke about the changing landscape. We were all able to reflect on their own relationship with the land and the care that they need to show to protect our environment. They also had a fantastic play on beach and participated in a team challenge called 'Fast Track' where they put their knowledge of force and motion into action building tracks to try and keep a tennis ball rolling for as long as possible. The creations were trialled and tested and adjustments made before the final timed run which produced some impressive results.

We also held a wonderful talent show where the students showcased some amazing dance routines, songs, jokes, magic tricks and plays. The highlight being 'Baby Shark' played on the piano by Samuel! Year 4 were introduced to their first Salesian Goodnight where they were able to reflect on their day and go to bed with an understanding of the spiritual message of our Camp Liturgy. This is a special moment of every Dominic Camp.

Year 4 are already excited about their Year 5 camp next year! Thank you to our amazing parents for preparing students so well for camp, and our wonderful staff who made the camp a huge success – especially Mr Hyatt, Br Barry, Ms Baker and Mr Golding!

Mrs Allison Lowe, Mrs Bradi McGee and Mrs Olivia Stephen - Year 4 Teachers



LEARNING IN FOCUS



Physical Science

Physical Science is a Year 9 and 10 elective that focuses on the Science disciplines of Physics and Chemistry. The course is a challenging course that is designed to give students the science and mathematical skills to smoothly transition into Level 2 or 3 ATAR courses. Often students initially find the course challenging but quickly adapt to the rigour of the course. The course is recommended for students wanting to enter into Engineering, the Medical profession, Science Majors, and courses that require Physics and Chemistry as prerequisites. Each year there is a major project which students focus on and this year it was an electronics project that focused on building a Binary Clock.

Students considering the course next year should be proficient in Maths and prepared to be challenged.

Mr Bradley Parkin - Physical Science Teacher



FREE DRESS AND PIZZA DAY!



Next Friday, 17 September, our Year 10 students have organised a fundraising day!

It will be free dress for all students K-10 for a gold coin donation and students in Year 6-10 can order a pizza for lunch for \$10.

Forms will be available on Monday and need to be returned by 9.00am Thursday.



PASTORAL CARE NEWS



Mental Health Week 7-10

Years 7-10 have enthusiastically celebrated Mental Health Week this week. We are extremely grateful for the time and expertise of Professor Sarah Blunden who worked with every student; looking at the correlation between anxiety and depression and sleep. Year 7 students also worked with The Little Help Project, who gave students strategies for building friendships and relating to others. Our Year 8 students have been fortunate enough to learn from Matt Gray and his 'Hold The Ladder' program which focuses on how to support friends when they are struggling with mental illness. The Year 9 students worked with Emma Wuestner from Leap, looking at the association between nutrition and wellness. Finally, our Year 10 students worked with Real Talk and the Pastoral Team to look at issues specifically related to both men and women, and how we receive messages from the media and society about our worth.

These formal sessions have occurred alongside many special events initiated by our student leaders. Thank you to all the students who performed musical items at lunchtimes and played in some very competitive games against staff in Netball and Soccer. Students and staff alike enjoyed the entertainment and energy that these events promoted. It was wonderful to see such high participation rates, support for peers and a willingness to try new things amongst our student body. We hope to see the lessons and energy from this week permeate our daily attitudes for the remainder of this year and beyond.

Ms Frances Flanagan - Coordinator of Pastoral Care 7-10



PASTORAL CARE NEWS



Captain's Corner

This week, for the fourth consecutive year, the Pastoral Care and Student Leadership Team organised Mental Health Week. After being initially created in 2018 by College Captains Maggie Baker and Will Parkinson, Mental Health Week has been a major event that is run each year.

This year, we were lucky enough to be visited by Sleep Specialist and Researcher, Professor Sarah Blunden. Both students and families had the opportunity to listen to Professor Blunden speak. Her presentations were insightful, informative and engaging, and all that

attended took something away from the experience. Professor Sarah Blunden gave students great insight into different aspects of sleep experienced by teenagers, as well as giving valuable information and tips about how to manage sleep - emphasising the importance of getting a good night's rest! We would like to extend our gratitude and appreciation to Professor Sarah Blunden and thank her for coming all the way to Tasmania in these difficult times to speak to our community!

Throughout the week, there were activities held in both the Primary and High School to uplift student's well-being and overall morale. On Monday and Wednesday, 7-10 Students had the opportunity to share Milo and Scones with their peers before school began, and on Tuesday and Thursday morning, K-6 students enjoyed hot chocolate and fruit. We would like to thank all teachers who devoted time to prepare and organise the breakfasts- in particular, Ms Gysen, Ms Hull, Mrs Kinne, Mrs James, Mrs Lowe, Mrs Stephens and Miss Burns. These breakfasts were a great way to start the day!

In Secondary, during lunch and recess, the Year 10 House Captains have been running activities and workshops to make the week enjoyable. The Sport Captains pulled out an all-time favourite- the Staff v Student games, consisting of both students and members of staff going head-to-head in



games of Netball and Futsal! The Creative Arts Captains held Karaoke and Just Dance in the Little Theatre, giving students a chance to express and showcase their amazing dance moves and singing abilities! The Academic Captains held a trivia day in the Library, which many students enjoyed competing against each other! Finally, our Mission Captains held de-stress DIY activities consisting of the making of stress balls and friendship bracelets etc. We, on behalf of the student body, would like to thank all of our House Captains for their preparation and commitment throughout the week! They have put so much effort into their workshops and activities and deserve so much recognition and gratitude! They all have been a vital component of the success of the 2021 Mental Health Week!

In Primary, the K-6 Pastoral Care Team and the Year 6 Leaders also organised events for students' enjoyment. Students from K-6 had the opportunity to attend workshops, whether they be centered around Bravehearts or Sleep; they were both great experiences of which we know students benefited from! Throughout the week, students also had the opportunity to spend their recess and lunch times doing something a bit different. On Monday, students had the opportunity to draw positive messages with chalk around the Primary campus. On Wednesday, a K-6 Teddy Bear Picnic took place! This was a great chance for our younger students to bond with each other and enjoy their lunch together! Finally, on Thursday, students could attend a dance party at lunch time, which was a good way to end a great week!



This week would never have been able to happen without the help of many people, all of which we are extremely grateful for. The list of people we need to thank is endless- however, there were a few people who stood out and made this week very special.

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PASTORAL CARE NEWS

We would like to begin by mentioning the amazing and dedicated work of one of our Year 9 IT students. Oscar McGann has recently worked tirelessly to code and create the Mental Health Week 2021 Splash Page available for everyone to see on the SEQTA welcome page. We would like to express our immense pride and gratitude in Oscar! It is an amazingly heartwarming feeling to see students supporting and contributing to events such as this and with all of Oscar's work, we hope you all feel the same way!

We would like to thank our wonderful librarians, Mrs Bromfield and Mrs Lorbach who assisted and supported the different Captain lead events that took place in the Library! We are extremely thankful for their support and encouragement! We would also like to mention the E-Learning Support Team, who provided us all with assistance throughout the week!

We would like to thank our College Counsellor, Miss Emma Burns, not only for her organisation of this very successful week, but also for her continuous support of all students at the College. This week, she has worked extremely hard to look after the mental health of all students, and we, are all so grateful for her support!



We would also like to thank Mr Golding for his support in regards to planning and ensuring this week ran smoothly! He coordinated with students and staff in order to make sure that everyone had something to do that they enjoyed this week.

We would also like to especially thank Ms Gysen, Mrs Hull and Mrs Kinne who have all worked extremely hard in running the

breakfasts in both the primary and secondary areas of the College! We understand that this was no easy task and would like to thank them for giving up their time to provide students with scones and hot chocolates across four days! We would also like to thank students who have given up their time to support this event - we would like to especially thank Year 10 student, Isabella Gifford, who committed much of her time in ensuring parts of the event, such as the breakfasts, ran smoothly!



We would like to extend our thanks to five people who worked collaboratively to make this week happen - Mrs James, Ms Flanagan, Mrs Lowe, Mrs Stephen and Miss Burns. The Pastoral Care team has worked tirelessly to prepare this week and make sure students enjoyed themselves! We would also like to thank Ms Gilligan and Mr Casni, for their continuous support and encouragement during the week.

We would like to finally thank and acknowledge the College Vice-Captains, Solomon and Zoelle, who do not get enough credit and work extremely hard. We are so grateful to have had them by our side this week. They have worked so hard in order to ensure spirits were high in the College this week, and we would be lost without them.

We are so grateful for all the support we received from both students and staff this week. It would not have been nearly as successful without everyone's enthusiasm, encouragement and support. Thank you to all those, we appreciate this so much. We hope that everyone enjoyed Mental Health Week and have finished this week secure in the knowledge that they are valued within our community.

Mental Health Week 2021
"Awareness, Belonging, Connection"

What is Mental Health Week?

Mental Health Week is part of a national mental health promotion campaign held in October each year, and incorporates World Mental Health Day, held globally on 10 October. The purpose of this awareness week is to engage communities in activities that promote mental health and wellbeing, and also increase understanding and reduce stigma about mental illness, and how it impacts on the lives of people in our community. At Dominic College we celebrate Mental Health Week from 6-9 September 2021.

7-10 Timetable

	Monday 6 September	Tuesday 7 September	Wednesday 8 September	Thursday 9 September
Before School	Breakfast 6-10 from 8.15am Outside 7-10 Kelvin		Breakfast 6-10 from 8.15am Outside 7-10 Kelvin	K-10 Stress Down Day From Down Day
Period 1	Year 7A & 7D Little Italy Project 8.00am-11.00am Savio Centre	Year 8 Year Level Assembly	9A & 9C Little Italy Project Little Theatre	Year 10A & 10B Savio 2000m Sleep Apnoea Savio 3.04
	Year 7A & 7D			



Rachael Glidden and Justin Goodrick - Dominic College Captains 2021

K-10 SPORTS NEWS



SSATIS Athletics

On Tuesday, 7 September, 85 students in Year 7-10 participating in the Southern Sports Association of Tasmanian Independent Schools Annual Athletics Carnival. It was wonderful to be able to have this event in its original format after a modified format in 2020.

Each and every one of our students represented the College well and made us proud. They demonstrated determination and commitment to try their best. We received some wonderful results and while we would like to congratulate all participants, a special mention must be made for the following achievements:

- Under 16 Girls Long Jump – 4th Place 4.43m – Ella Wagner
- Under 16 Girls Triple Jump – 1st Place 9.71m – Ella Wagner
- Under 16 Girls Shot Put 3kg – 3rd Place 8.14m – Ella Wagner
- Under 16 Girls Discus 1kg – 3rd Place 19.82m – Ella Wagner
- Under 15 Girls High Jump – 4th Place 1.30m – Ella Maw
- Under 15 Girls Discus 1kg – 3rd Place 20.23m – Iszaebella Zielinski
- Under 15 Girls Javelin 500g – 3rd Place 21.31m – Jessica Weeding
- Under 13 Girls 400m – 3rd Place 68.97 seconds – Matilda Jelkic
- Under 13 Girls 800m – 3rd Place 2:53.57 – Matilda Jelkic
- Under 16 Boys High Jump – 2nd Place (tied) 1.69m – Lachlan Majchrzak
- Under 16 Boys Long Jump – 2nd Place 5.63m – Lachlan Majchrzak
- Under 16 Boys Triple Jump – 1st Place 11.03m – Lachlan Majchrzak
- Under 15 Boys 400m – 3rd Place 59.46 seconds – Ned Newman
- Under 14 Boys High Jump – 4th Place 1.53m – Jack Gilligan
- Under 14 Boys Javelin 600g – 3rd Place 29.58m – Lucas Hoare
- Under 13 Boys 100m – 4th Place 13.65 seconds – Shaun White
- Under 13 Boys 800m – 3rd Place 2:28.46 – William Ackroyd
- Under 13 Boys Discus 1kg – 4th Place 24.19m – Scott Mielke



SATIS Athletics

On Saturday, 18 September, Hobart will host the annual state SATIS Athletics Carnival. Students from Independent Schools across Tasmania will travel to Hobart to compete in their respective events.

A Consent2Go has been emailed home for those students successful in making the State Athletics Team.

Term 4 Sporting Options

Term 4 is fast approaching which means new sporting options! Reminder emails will be sent to all who signed up for Term 4 Sports at the beginning of the year; however, it is not too late to sign up. The following Sports will be on offer:

- 3/4 Mixed Teeball
- 5/6 Mixed Touch Football
- 5/6 Boys Indoor Cricket
- 7/8 Boys Cricket
- 9/10 Boys Cricket
- 7-10 Girls Cricket
- 7/8 Boys Tennis
- 7/8 Girls Tennis
- 9/10 Girls Tennis

If you have any questions regarding these sports or would like to sign up, please email me (tstopp@dominic.tas.edu.au) at your earliest convenience.

Miss Talia Stopp - Coordinator of Sport K-10

WHOLE COLLEGE NEWS



Maths Relay

On Sunday 29 August, Dominic College entered two teams, one in Junior Secondary (7/8) and the other in Senior Secondary (9/10) in the Maths Relay. This event was run by the Mathematical Association of Tasmania at Rosny College, which had schools attending from across Southern Tasmania. Joshua Willson, Priyanka Jibi, Max Peters

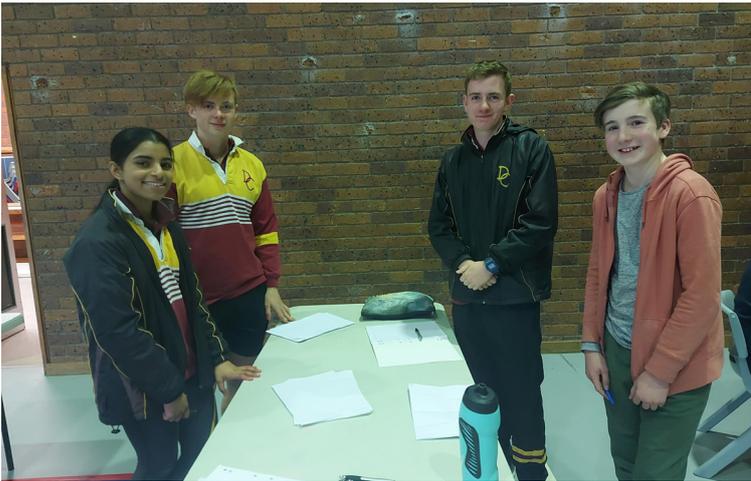
and Harrison Johnston participated in the Senior Secondary Division. Priyannika Kumrai, Samuel Moss, Brooke Ackerley and Lilly Ryton-Benson participated in the Junior Secondary Division. The relay was designed to test rapid-paced problem-solving based around Math principles. Each team consisted of four people, and unlike a normal Maths competition, where you just write the answer, the relay component added another dimension, where one team member would run back and forth from an examiner with questions whilst the others attempted to find the solution. This would rotate so everyone got a turn running and answering. We were given twenty questions and 45 minutes to obtain as many points as we could, with the number of marks and complexity progressively increasing. The Dominic Senior Secondary team scored 85 points and the Junior Secondary team scored

95 points, which placed us just below

3rd place. Nonetheless, we were able to complete almost all the questions and overall it was an enriching experience and opportunity to see how well we can apply all this school knowledge on our feet!

We really enjoyed working as a team and although we did not get every question right we did our best and had fun while solving the problems.

Priyanka Jibi and Harrison Johnston - Year 10 and Year 9 Students



MYSTATE BANK AND FOOTBALL TASMANIA VISIT DOMINIC

MyState Bank and Football Tasmania have a great promotion for Soccer teams in the South of the State, where children who sign up to play soccer receive a cool MyState ball. Some of our very excited Year 2 students thought that this was pretty awesome and wanted to give MyState a shout-out for this fantastic initiative!

FESTIVAL OF BRIGHT IDEAS



Festival of Bright Ideas

Festival of Bright Ideas was held down at the Princes Wharf on Friday 20 and Saturday 21 August. Friday is where many of the schools across Tasmania come to participate in the brightest innovation, research, and technology happening in Tasmania. Saturday was open to the public to participate in the same activities. Both days were very busy and the Dominic College activities were particularly busy. Our three elective courses created activities that were interactive and engaging.

Physical Science

On the Friday of the Festival of Bright Ideas, Physical Science students led activities with small groups of Primary School students from a variety of schools. The activities were focused on Physical Science concepts and involved an exploration of sound, pressure, air resistance and elastic energy. On the Saturday, students presented their Binary Clock projects to the public. These clocks were an ongoing electronics project where students built their own circuit board from scratch. The clock is a series of lights, each representing a different value, that would turn on or off according to the time. Dominic College was a popular spot to visit at the Festival of Bright Ideas and our students were interviewed by both ABC radio and a TV News channel. Overall, the students did a fantastic job in representing the College.

Mr Brad Parkin - Physical Science Teacher



Life Sciences

Students in Year 9/10 Biology were grateful to represent Dominic College alongside other STEM professionals and community partners at the Festival of Bright Ideas at Princes Wharf 1, Hobart during National Science Week.

Students planned, designed, and delivered learning activities around various Biology/scientific concepts. Students focused on the skills of scientific communication, effectively weaving a narrative to educate a primary school audience during short workshops.

DNA Extraction from Fruit & Vegetables

1. What is DNA? Where is it found? Why is it important? (intro)
2. How can it be extracted? What is the process (method)
3. Lead a small group in the activity (do the prac)
4. What did you observe? Can you summarise what you did? (conclusion)



'Dem Bones' Human Skeletal System

1. What are bones? Where are they found? How many of them are there in a human? (intro)
2. Why important functions to bones and the skeleton provide?
3. Lead a small group in the activity, e.g. naming/labelling various bones on the skeleton (do the prac)
4. What did you learn? Can you summarise what you know? (conclusion)

Human Body Systems

1. What are the organs of the human body? Where is each found? What do they do? (intro)
2. What important functions do organs provide and how do they relate to each body system? (learning)
3. Lead a small group in the activity, e.g. naming/labelling various organs and their function on the torso (do the prac)
4. What did you learn? Can you summarise what you know? (conclusion)

I was very proud of the way students prepared for, and represented Dominic College on the day, and impressed with how the students delivered their workshops to children from different Primary Schools and of various age groups, displaying great adaptability and resilience.

Students were highly engaged and reported the day as being very enjoyable!

Mrs Alexandra Olejniczak - Life Science Teacher



FESTIVAL OF BRIGHT IDEAS



Animal Husbandry

Students, animals, and staff all worked very well together throughout the Festival of Bright Ideas to put on a wonderful display for the public. The Animal Husbandry area was incredibly popular on both days with huge crowds wanting to look at, learn about and pat the different animals. We took a wide range of animals including goats, sheep, alpacas, pigeons, rabbits, chickens, guinea pigs and Annie the therapy dog, all behaved incredibly well allowing people to handle them. The students conducted themselves well and we are very proud of how they handled themselves during very busy times, ensuring the animals care and wellbeing was top priority. The mornings started by cleaning, feeding and

watering the animals before the crowds rolled around and the students were able to show their knowledge gained throughout the year. At one stage on Saturday the lineup of people to come into the Animal Husbandry display was 100m long! As the event was conducted across multiple ticketed sessions this allowed us to give the animals and students a well-deserved break between sessions to take some time to tidy, sit and have a breather. Thank you to the organisers of the Festival of Bright Ideas for putting together a wonderful event, we hope lots of our community come and visit next year. Annie our therapy dog also was a crowd winner and she had many admirers. The students were very proud and knowledgeable on her role at Dominic College.

Ms Jane Myers and Ms Kirilee Beveridge - Animal Husbandry Teachers



WHOLE COLLEGE NEWS



RYDA

As part of the Year 10 Science course, students study motion. This is a deliberate choice as it coincides with many students getting their Drivers License. During the course we focus on safety aspects of the car such as seatbelts, headrests, airbags, braking and stopping distance. Students, and many adults, are surprised to find that at 100km/h cars are traveling at 27 metres every second and subsequently a driver that is distracted by a phone or impaired by fatigue or alcohol can be in a dangerous situation within a single second. Students, and many adults, are also surprised to find that in good conditions at 100 km/h it takes over 100 metres to stop. As part of the course, students attend a Rotary Youth Driver Awareness (RYDA) course. This is a day-long course that explores concepts involving road safety. Students are able to use the course towards their P-Plate

qualifications.

This year the course was an excellent reminder of the need for us all to be cautious road users and the feedback from students was overwhelmingly positive.

Mr Bradley Parkin - Guzman House Coordinator

Parents and Friends Father's Day Stall

Last Wednesday 1 September, our wonderful Parents and Friends Team held their annual Father's Day Stall in the Rua Hub. There were plenty of gift options from mugs, photo frames, cards and even fish slippers available for students to purchase for their fathers, grandfathers or male role models in their lives.

Thank you to the P&F Team for organising and running another fabulous stall for our students. We hope all of our community had a happy Father's Day last Sunday!



CO-CURRICULAR NEWS



Tournament of Minds

On Saturday September 4, seventeen Dominic College students from Years 7, 8, and 9 attended the annual Tournament of Minds State Finals competition, held this year at Ogilvie High School.

The Tournament of Minds competition involves at least six weeks of preparation to come up with a solution to a problem from one of four disciplines: STEM, Creative Arts, Languages and Literature, and Social Sciences. Our Year 7 team and Year 8 team tackled the Creative Arts challenge. This challenge required students to create an animated video showing the history of two art forms, along with devising a presentation around how to teach Art without the use of technology. Our Year 9 team tackled the Languages and Literature challenge, which asked the teams to reimagine a classic work of literature.

As mentioned, the challenge required the participants to plan and prepare for six weeks. Beginning in Week 2 of Term 3, the teams gave up their lunchtimes, after school, and weekends to complete their challenges and provide unique and creative solutions. They achieved this remarkably well, and all students are to be commended for their participation and dedication. Each team worked together collaboratively and collegially, dividing up tasks and responsibilities to bring about their respective solutions to the challenges they chose.

On the day, all teams presented exceptionally well. I had the privilege of seeing the Year 8 and 9 students present their solutions, and was overjoyed at the fruits of their efforts. When the final results were tallied, the Year 7 team scored a major win, coming in 2nd statewide for their solution to the Creative Arts challenge. The team will be presented with their medals, and all participating students will receive a badge and certificate, at a College Sssembly later in the term.

Win, lose, or draw, Dominic College is certainly producing students who are not only original thinkers, but innovative thinkers, creators, artists, animators, and public speakers. The talents shown by these amazing students, along with their dedication to the creative process, over the past month and a half has been wonderful to watch. If their efforts in this competition is anything to go by, then the next generation will give Art and Culture a lively shake-up!

Finally, my heartfelt thanks to the legendary Ms Eddington and Miss Crawford for their help facilitating and organizing the teams throughout the term and their assistance on competition day.

Dominic College Tournament of Minds teams 2021:

Year 7

Ramita Coldrey, Kyan Cubit, Lilith Dobson, Ada Okenyo, Laura O'Reilly, and Zarin Sabah

Year 8

Jasmin Bailey, Zak Balmforth, Elina Korenstra, Samuel Moss, Annabelle Rime, Jackson Smith, and Annabelle Tolman

Year 9

Iszaebella Zielinski, Abby Curtain, Harrison Johnston, Joshua McRoss, Jemima Walters, Maggie Wilby, and Paige Rowlands

Mr Mark Glidden - Coordinator of Co-Curriculum, Debating & Public Speaking K-10



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Safiyana Islam
Aden Youhannes
Kahli Hyland
Samuel Judges
Thomas King
Jedah Scherer
Aivah Sproule

Blair White
Lillie-Mae Woolley
Ma Francheska Dela Cruz
Heidi Lobb
Piper Sullivan
Alma Yousef

Amelia Geard
Xavier Hales
Afsana Magar
Harry Eaves
Emily Moore
Lillie Reggie

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday 15 - Friday 17 September

Friday 17 September

Monday 20 - Friday 24 September

Thursday 23 September

Friday 24 September

Monday 11 October

Wednesday 13 - Friday 15 October

Thursday 21 - Friday 22 October

Year 5 Camp - Port Arthur

K-10 Free Dress Day

Year 9 Camp - Maria Island

K-10 Term 3 Expectation
Reports Available

Term 3 Ends

Term 4 Starts

Year 10 Retreat

Hobart Show Day Holidays



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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

'Nothing great is ever achieved without much enduring.'

— St Catherine of Siena