

FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear Friends

On Wednesday, we held our traditional International Women's Day Breakfast for Year 5-10 girls, their mothers, carers, aunties, grandmothers and older sisters.

Old Scholars and friends of the College, especially Guilford Young College students and staff, attended in significant numbers.

Approximately two hundred people gathered in the Savio Centre for a shared hot breakfast.

This occasion marked the twelfth International Women's Day Breakfast held at the College. It has become an important event in the life of the College and our purpose is to gather in solidarity with girls and women world-wide to celebrate their achievements and call for gender equality.

Status of Girls and Women

Unfortunately, women make up more than two-thirds of the world's 796 million illiterate people. In particular, just 39 percent of girls in rural areas of our globe attend secondary school.

We know that educated women are more likely to have greater decision-making power within their households, local communities and at a regional and national level. Attending high school is crucial for the empowerment of girls and women and for positive developments in families and communities to occur.

In the Pacific, women in particular face many challenges to receiving not just an education but a quality education. Our breakfast raised a wonderful \$3,958 for girls to access scholarships to attend the Don Bosco High School in Salelologa on the east end of Savai'i island in Samoa.

I would to extend my appreciation to all who attended and contributed to the breakfast and are part of making a difference to a group of Samoan girls to be able access their right to an education.

Welcome Back to Meg Webb for our International Women's Day

Special guest and Old Scholar (Class of 1990), Meg Webb, spoke eloquently of her journey so far as an advocate for social change and becoming the Independent Member for Nelson in the Tasmanian Legislative Council.

She graciously advised our students to strive to be open and flexible as opportunities arise and not to be worried if they did not know what they wanted to do with their lives. She encouraged students to take up and make opportunities for themselves.

Meg also encouraged students to have a deep sense of their own personal values so their choices reflect these. She felt that the College motto 'Live by the Truth' had guided her in her life and decisions.

Her final piece of advice was to have courage when students needed it most and that the need for courage doesn't last for long and to be brave when it counted to them. This was certainly wise advice for our students.

Appreciation Extended to all Involved

I would like to extend my appreciation to those students and the women in their lives who attended the International Women's Day Breakfast. Congratulations to our College Captain Rachael Glidden and her aunt Leesa Glidden and our College Vice Captain, Zoelle Lin and her mother Jun on their excellent speeches.

Many thanks to other Year 10 students for their leadership and to our Valdocco Choir for their fantastic musical item.

All visitors to the breakfast commented on how impressive our students were whether they were leading within the event or conversing with guests around the table. I was indeed very proud of all students and families who were present.

The Principal and staff at the Don Bosco High School will be excited to hear of and receive our community support for their scholarship program for disadvantaged girls.

Ms Beth Gilligan - Dominic College Principal



FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL



Dear Families

K-2 Assembly

On Wednesday we held a K-2 assembly in the Savio Centre. This was the first official gathering for our three new Kindergarten classes who also entertained us with an amazing performance. Our Student Leaders did a stellar job at leading the assembly with our students and staff. Congratulations to all students who received a Heart of Friendship or We are Learners award for demonstrating positive behaviours and responsible learning habits. Well done to all K-2 students for their excellent participation at the assembly.

Student Photo Days

A reminder student photos will take place next week as follows:

- Year 7-10 Homeroom and Individual Photos – Tuesday 16 March
- K-6 Classroom and Individual Photos – Wednesday 17 March
- Kindergarten Family Photos – Wednesday 17 March
- Family Photos – Thursday 18 March

Family photo times will be sent through to parents by our Student Services Team early next week.

Students in K-2 are reminded to wear their Sport Uniform for photos, including the Rugby Top if they have one. Students in Years 3-10 are to wear their full formal College uniform. Remember your big smiles on the day!

Parents & Friends Easter Raffle

As advertised in last week's newsletter - Raffle books have been distributed to all K-6 classes last week and 7-10 families can access their raffle books online by using the attached Trybooking link. <https://www.trybooking.com/BPCVL>. K-6 families can also use this link to purchase raffle books or to share with family and friends near and far. Tickets are \$1 each and we would like students to sell as many of the 10 tickets as possible to friends and family. Please ensure each ticket has a name, contact number and your child's class printed on it.



We would love it if each family could also bring in a donation, no matter how big or how small, which will go to making the prize hampers. Donations can include Easter eggs and bunnies, Easter candies, soft toys, Easter baskets, etc. These donations can be left at any of the College Offices by Friday 26 March and would be GREATLY appreciated. Please ensure any donation is nut-free and within the use-by date. All money and tickets, sold or unsold, should be returned by Monday 29 March to any of the following locations: Class/Home room teacher, K-6 Office, 7-10 Office or the Business Office.

The raffle will be drawn under the K-4 sails on Wednesday 31 March. All prizes will be collected by students or the winner contacted. Thank you for your generosity and good luck!

2022 Kindergarten Morning Tea Tour

If you are considering Kindergarten 2022 at Dominic College for your child, please note that we are holding a morning tea tour on Monday 15 March - 10.15am-11.30am in Dominic's amazing new Kinder - Year 2 Precinct. Find out why so many parents choose Dominic College. Register your place on <https://www.trybooking.com/BOYZG>

Mr Stephen Casni - Dominic College Deputy Principal



MISSION NEWS



Savio House Car Wash

Last week Savio House held a successful fund-raising event for Project Compassion. Under the direction of Savio House Coordinator, Mr Tom Kershaw, around fifty students from across 7-10 Savio House rolled up their sleeves and washed cars in the staff carpark at lunch. The students managed to raise \$210 for Project Compassion, although Mr Kershaw is not sure that some of

the volunteers will have careers in car washing in the future!

Project Compassion

Twenty-two-year-old Oliva lives in Tanzania with her farmer husband, two young sons and an adopted niece and nephew. She didn't have the opportunity to go to school growing up and was embarrassed that she couldn't read, write, or count. Around 25 percent of Tanzanian girls and women over fifteen years cannot read or write, with many families unable to afford school fees or uniforms. With the support of Caritas Australia and the funds raised through Project Compassion, young girls in the world's poorest regions can have the educational opportunities that women such as Tanzania didn't have.

For more information about how Project Compassion and how the funds raised can help, go to the Caritas website <https://lent.caritas.org.au/stories>

Mini Vinnies and Vinnies

Mini Vinnies and 7-10 Vinnies met as a combined group for the first time last week. Both groups listened to a message from Pope Francis about Caring for Our Common Home which is the key message in the encyclical Pope Francis, Laudato Si. Mini Vinnies and Vinnies discussed the need to care for creation and ways we can do this as a College community. A highlight was that each member got to plant and take home their own seedling pot as a reminder that we are all responsible to care and nurture our world.



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



A Prayer for Compassion

Lord, let us never forget that true joy is hidden in compassion.

Help us share our wounds and our brokenness with one another.

Open our hearts and our minds to the fact that we are all your children and we belong to the same family.

Help us rejoice in our shared humanity and deepen our sense of fellowship together.

In the name of your beloved son, Jesus.

Amen



CREATIVE ARTS NEWS



What is happening in Senior Art?

A still life is a work of art depicting mostly inanimate subject matter, typically commonplace objects which are either natural or man-made such as a bowl of fruit or flowers. In Senior Art students have been practicing the convention of still life by drawing what they observe. They have learnt how to consider which parts of a subject to include in a picture by making thumbnail sketches.

In this instance, a drawing is not made at random without thought, rather it is carefully composed and designed.

Students selected a baseball glove and completed a detailed drawing of it in charcoal pencil on brown paper. Paintings and drawings of Tasmanian artist Nathan Taylor were introduced as examples of Photo Realism. As a subject the glove was challenging, due to its intricacy, but in relation to technical skill, this task was quite familiar and safe. A high level of concentration and application is evident in the finished student works. These will be on display in the Fra Angelico Corridor.

The convention of still life is reinforced further in the next project. An arrangement of objects such as a skull, plastic flowers and plants, bottles and goblets and fabric were set up at the front of the classroom.

Students again completed thumbnail sketches and were introduced to the ink and wash technique. Instead of beginning in pencil a large brush and yellow ink was used to outline the subject. This was reworked in orange and red with a smaller brush.

Further colour and detail in black ink will be applied next. In contrast to charcoal pencil this technique requires a looser approach to mark making. Brushstrokes record gestures and bright colours convey energy and life. Students were shown still life examples by modern artists such as Paul Cezanne and Australian artist Margaret Olley. This activity is currently in progress. For their next project students will generate their own subject matter and create a drawing using a choice of techniques used this term.

**Mr David Hawley -
Creative Arts Teacher**



Jasmine Good, Year 10, Baseball Glove, Compressed Charcoal



A section of the Still Life set up in Artroom 1



Evie Christie, Year 9, Ink and Wash Still Life (in progress).

Jasmine Good, Year 10, thumbnail sketches of baseball glove

TEACHING & LEARNING



In Their Shoes: Year 7 Alternative Program

During Camp Week, on the days when the Year 7s were onsite at school, they had the opportunity to participate in a two-day Salesian immersion program. During this time, they learned about the Salesians and Boys Town. They found out about the experiences of the child migrants - where they came from, their journey to Tasmania and their life in the early days of the College. The Year 7s participated in a tour of the school looking at significant historical sites. We were privileged to have Father Bernie Graham and Peter Allsopp join with the group on the tour to add another layer of richness and depth to the experience for the Year 7 cohort. Students engaged in farming activities as well as prepared and enjoyed eating some Boys Town favourite foods such as potatoes from the fire and 'dodgers'. The Year 7s were able to step into the boys' shoes for Drama activities, recreate historical photographs and exercise their imagination in creative writing and artmaking. Each student was issued a passport and an identity badge from one of the original 39 child migrants whose history and stories serve as a foundation of our present day College. As we celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the arrival of the Salesians in Glenorchy, we acknowledge the contributions, sacrifices and experiences of many people who have enabled Boys Town to grow and merge into our present-day thriving community.

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



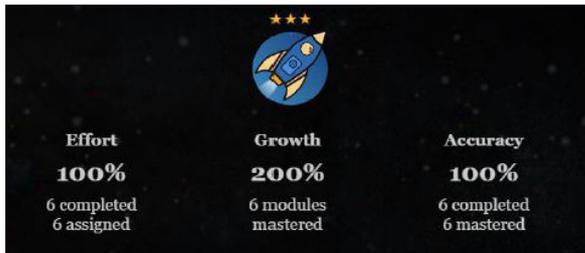
LEARNING IN FOCUS



Year 5 Mathematics

A new addition to the Year 5 curriculum is Maths Pathways. Maths Pathways is a Learning and Teaching model that supports teachers to deliver personalised learning to every student, increasing growth and engagement in Mathematics.

In 5A this year, we have completed diagnostic assessments to identify the mathematical knowledge each student possesses. From these assessments, each student has been provided with an individualised program.



Every two weeks, student engage in a learning cycle. Students complete modules targeting specific concepts that they are yet to master. Mastery is achieved by correctly answering questions on an end of cycle test.

Assessment:

There are three areas of assessment that both the student and teacher review closely following each learning cycle. They are effort, accuracy and growth rate.

Effort:

Refers to the amount of modules that a student completes during a learning cycle. We expect six modules, which equates to an effort percentage of 100%. A percentage less than this and the student has not completed enough Mathematics.

Accuracy:

Refers to how many modules the student has mastered. In a learning cycle of six modules, we would hope that students obtain an accuracy percentage of 100%. To master a module, all questions must be answered correctly. If this does not happen, students will be required to complete the module again.

Growth Rate:

Refers to the quantity of Mathematics the student is learning. Maths Pathways advise that a student who completes and masters at least six modules every learning cycle will achieve a growth rate percentage of 200%. This means that the students could learn up to two years of Mathematics in one school year.

In addition to this, students also participate in mini lessons and rich learning tasks aimed to develop their ability to problem solve as well as applying mathematics to real world scenarios.

Below is some feedback from 5A students:

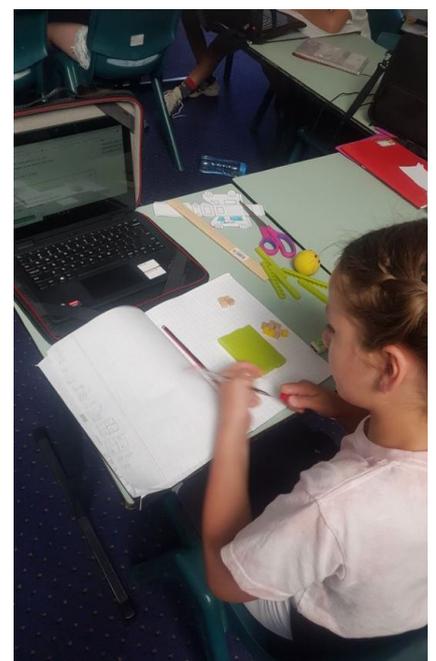
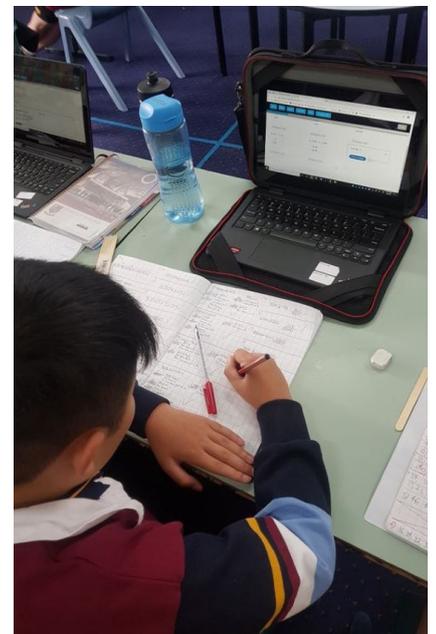
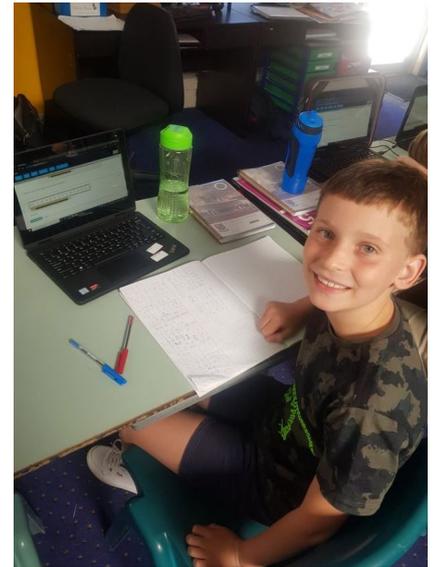
'Maths Pathways way of teaching us is different to usual, but so far this year I learnt how to do long division. I think Maths Pathways will be really helpful!' **Josie Stefankowski**

'Maths Pathways is an easier way to learn then whole class teaching. I am learning the Maths that I need to learn.' **Grace Wilson**

'My favourite thing about Maths Pathways is that my work is targeted to what I need to learn. I like that everything is specialised for me.' **Lucy Martin**

'Maths Pathways is great because it focuses only on what your ready to learn and when you master it you move on to the next concept which keeps you challenged.' **Leo Gesch**

Mr Benjamin Crick - Year 5A Teacher



LEARNING IN FOCUS



Dance, Dance, Dance!

Dance is a growing subject at the College. Each week we have over 120 students involved in Elective and Co-curricular Dance. Our partnership with JDW Dance Studios is now in its seventh year. Beginning with one Year 8 Dance class in 2015, there are now two Year 8 Elective classes and one Year 9/10 class. JDW also run a lunchtime

dance workshop for students in Years 3 and 4 students and our own Year 1 classroom teacher, Maddy Carver, who also happens to be a JDW alumni, runs a lunchtime workshop for Years 1 and 2. From a teaching and learning perspective, the lunchtime workshops give students an opportunity to expand their creative energy in an enjoyable and stress-free fashion and as you can see from the photographs, this they certainly do embrace the opportunity with energy and enthusiasm.

All the elective classes in Years 8 and 9-10 have begun their courses and are developing their technique, understanding of dance terminology and are beginning to explore choreography for the large-scale pieces which will be featured in the Music and Dance Showcase and the Southern Tasmania Dance Eisteddfod. Students who take Dance comprise experienced dancers as well as those who are studying Dance for the first time. As in other Performing Arts areas, it is possible to make valuable contributions to the success of an ensemble work utilising a range of different abilities in the creation of a journey for an audience. Learning in Dance is also concerned with developing self-discipline, developing the ability to collaborate and whilst establishing and developing physical skills, in a safe and dynamic environment.

Jenina Evans oversees Dance at Dominic and takes our Year 9/10 class. Virginia Kent is taking Year 8 through their paces and also runs the Year 3 – 4 workshop. Dominic Teachers, Katherine Denholm, Kylie De Calmer and Mike O'Brien provide support to JDW in delivering Dance at the College.

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



Year 1 and 2 in Savio



Year 3 and 4 working in the Oratory Space



Year 8 at JDW Studios



Year 9/10 in the Oratory Space

PASTORAL CARE NEWS



Year 7 Camp

The transition from Year 6 to Year 7 is a considerable one. Students have been busy adjusting to life in a secondary setting, meeting new friends and adjusting to having many teachers for their variety of subjects. In order to assist in this transition, last week, our Year 7 students and their dedicated teachers attended camp at Fortescue Bay. In two separate groups our Year 7s attended their camp designed to increase their connection to each other and their new House communities.

Whilst the weather provided the biggest challenge for our students, staff were very impressed with the resilience and determination displayed by the Year 7 cohort. Students were offered the opportunity to participate in a range of activities from surfing to hiking, and it was wonderful to see so many students trying their best and attempting to master new skills. Students have spoken particularly fondly about the raft building activity, enjoying the challenge of having to build a raft that could actually support and transport students. Alongside these outdoor educational activities, our Year 7s were also given the opportunity to learn more about Tasmanian Indigenous culture.

When our tired campers returned to Dominic College, they spoke with happiness about their experiences. We are very grateful to all the staff who attended camp and facilitated these experiences. In particular, special thanks must be extended to the College Camps Coordinator, Phil Hyatt, for his organisation and planning of our Year 7 camp.

Ms Frankie Flanagan - Coordinator of Pastoral Care 7-10



Captain's Corner

On Wednesday, 10 March, the women in our Dominic College community gathered for breakfast to celebrate International Women's Day. Close family and friends of people in our

community attended to support women in their quest to live in a gender-equal world and celebrate women's achievements.

We had the honour to have Old Scholar, the Honourable Meg Webb as our guest speaker for the day. Meg shared with us her journey to become the first female Member for Nelson in the Tasmanian Legislative Council through her active participation and hard work in making a change in our community. She spoke especially to the girls and young women in the room, and it was insightful to listen to her journey from graduating Dominic to being in a position so valuable in our community.

Meg talked to us about three valuable lessons that she learnt in life.

1. **It's okay to make mistakes.**
2. **Be brave, not fearless.**
3. **Don't wait for the right time, do it now.**

We were all extremely lucky to have the opportunity to listen to Meg Webb speak. Her past experiences and positive outlook on life provided her with educated and open-minded values that resonated with all of us.

We would like to mention all staff and students involved in this breakfast and making it happen. We would like to especially thank the Honourable Meg Webb, Mrs James, Ms Flanagan and Ms Gilligan for their efforts in making this breakfast so special. Finally, we would like to thank all the women that attended. You are all incredible, worthy people, and we are glad to have women like you in our community.

Rachael Glidden and Zoelle Lin - 2021 College Captain and College Vice Captain



K-10 SPORTS NEWS



Sporting Achievements – Rowing

Our Year 10 rowers, Joseph Triffett and Toby Browning participated in the Tasmanian School Rowing Championships last weekend. This was another successful event for the two boys, qualifying for four finals on the Saturday of the event.

Joseph and Toby were successful in the following:



- Under 16 Schoolboys Double Scull – 1st place in their heat
- Under 16 Schoolboys Single Scull – Joseph placed 2nd in his heat
- Under 16 Schoolboys Coxed Quad Scull – 3rd place in their heat
- Under 16 School Boys Coxed Quad Scull – Toby placed 3rd in his heat

Unfortunately due to a devastating accident late on Saturday, Joseph and Toby's coach was rushed to hospital for treatment and surgery on his bicep after an injury received while helping the boys back into shore. Following this incident, the boys struggled on Sunday with their finals as this was playing on their mind.

Joseph and Toby's fellow New Norfolk club mates rallied around them and they received the following results:

- Under 16 Schoolboys Eight – 3rd

Place for the composite crew

- Under 16 Schoolboys Single Scull – Joseph placed 6th
- Under 16 Schoolboys Coxed Quad Scull – 6th place
- Under 16 Schoolboys Double Scull – 8th place

Great work boys, you continue to represent Dominic well with outstanding sportsmanship!

3-6 Swim Team

Congratulations to all students who participated in the Year 3-6 Swimming Carnival last Thursday, 4 March at Clarence Aquatic Centre. It was a fantastic day filled with fun for all.

Students have been selected based on race times for spots in the inter-school swim team. Parents of these students would have received an email on Tuesday evening.

The first carnival is next Thursday, 18 March. This is the independent swimming carnival held at the Hobart Aquatic Centre. At this stage, due to capacity limits, JSSATIS is unable to allow spectators for the day. A Consent2Go email has gone how to gain permission for this event.

7-10 SSATIS Swimming

The Year 7-10 Swim Team travelled to the Hobart Aquatic Centre on Thursday to compete in the SSATIS Swimming Carnival. All students represented the College well.

The next meet for these students is on Tuesday 23 March and is the State Independent Schools Carnival.

K-6 Hockey

Mr Paddy Tucker has begun running hockey training for students in K-6 who had expressed interest in participating in the roster in Term 2. In the two weeks this program has been running we have had a large turnout and a range of skills have begun to be mastered.

If you are interested in your child playing hockey in Term 2, please let me know and I can provide further information.

Miss Talia Stopp - Coordinator of Sport K-10



INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY 2021



WHOLE COLLEGE NEWS



Dear Families,

The 2021 Parents and Friends Easter Raffle is up and running!

Raffle books have been distributed to all K-6 classes this week and 7-10 families can access their raffle books online by using the attached Trybooking link.
<https://www.trybooking.com/BPCVL>

K-6 families can also use this link to purchase raffle books or to share with family and friends near and far.

If 7-10 families prefer a paper version they are available at the K-6 Office or you can email parentsandfriends@dominic.tas.edu.au to organise your raffle book.

More detailed information will be distributed with each raffle book and via the online booking page.

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Raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 31 March.

Thank you so much for your support,

P&F Community

Settlement Information Session: Housing, Health, Migration



- Information about the health system and finding houses to rent
- How to bring your family to Australia

Language support for:

Oromo, Tigrinya, Karen, Amharic and Nepali speakers

When: Tuesday 23rd March 2021, 11:00am -1:00pm

Where: Migrant Resource Centre Tasmania,
Level 2, 1a Anfield Street, Glenorchy

It is essential to register at <https://bit.ly/3bpFCEu> so that we can provide a COVID-safe session for participants.

Contact the Settlement Team for more information:

- Phone: 03 6221 0999. If you need an interpreter, please call 131450 (TIS) first then ask them to call Migrant Resource Centre Tasmania. OR
- Email: settlement@mrctas.org.au



Funded by the Australian Government Department of Home Affairs. Visit www.homeaffairs.gov.au for more information.

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY – IMPORTANT

Student, class and family photos are on next week between Tuesday 16 and Thursday 18 March.

Students should all be looking their best.

In Kindergarten to Year 2 students should wear their Rugby Tops if possible, or the Polo Tops.

In Years 3-10 all students must wear their full formal uniform. This should be either the complete old-style or complete new-style uniform.

Hair should be tidy, and girls will be required to have their hair neatly tied in a ponytail or bun. Please refer to the [Student Code of Personal Appearance](#)

**Mrs Catherine James - Director of Pastoral Care
K-10**

The Dominic College Uniform Shop has received a shipment of the following uniform items:

- Soft shell jackets
- Girl's blazers
- Girl's short sleeve blouses
- Boy's short sleeve shirts
- Sport socks

Uniform Shop Opening Hours are:

Mondays 8:00am – 12:30pm

Wednesdays 12:30pm – 4:30pm

Contact Uniform Shop Manager, Tracy Reid for enquiries or appointments on PH: 6274 6031

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



Declan Gadd
Benjamin Matthew
Malia Stacey
Eloise Young
Joanna Alo-Aiken
Juliet Anning

Chelsea Briggs
Xavier Carroll
Samuel Jonas
Skylah-Anne Courtney
Jade Dowd-Hansen
Logan Dowd-Hansen

Cooper Laycock
Isabel Vellara Sony
Ava O'Leary
Annabelle Smith
Benjamin Berwick
Lilith Dobson

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 15 March

Tuesday 16 March

Wednesday 17 March

Thursday 18 March

Saturday 20 - Sunday 21 March

Tuesday 23 March - Friday 26 March

Kindergarten 2022 Morning Tea
Tour 10.15am

Year 7-10 Class Photos

K-6 Class Photos

Kinder Family Photos

P&F Meeting 7.15pm

Family Photos

Relay for Life - Domain Athletic
Centre

Year 10 Animal Husbandry Marine
Camp



Morning Tea Tours - Kindergarten 2022

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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

'Let us strive to fare well in this life and in the next.'

- St John Bosco