

FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear Friends

200 Years of Catholic Education

This week the Bicentenary of Catholic Education in Australia is being celebrated and marked across the country.

The first Catholic school to be established in Australia was in Parramatta (Sydney NSW) in October 1820. It was founded by Irish Catholic priest, Fr John Therry and run by convict and lay person, George Marley. The school had 31 pupils. Thirteen years later there were ten Catholic schools in the colony.

For over 200 years, children and young people have been educated and shaped in the richness of our Catholic values in Australia with a commitment to excellence in teaching and learning. Today there are 1,751 Catholic schools across the country and Dominic College is one of these schools. We are proud to be part of the educational sector of the Catholic Church shaping the minds and hearts of children and young people today in the tradition of St John Bosco.



Catholic Education
CELEBRATING 200 YEARS
Faith in the future



Celebrating Dominic College's Contribution to Catholic Education

Dominic College became part of the story of Catholic education 75 years ago as a band of Salesian priests and brothers arrived in 1946 from Melbourne, at the invitation of the Archbishop, to take over the orphanage and farm on site and to commence the beginnings of a school.

The 75th Anniversary of the Arrival of the Salesians of Don Bosco

In 2021, we have much to celebrate and an amazing legacy of a school to treasure and be proud of as we mark and celebrate 200 years of Catholic education, and for us 75 years since the Salesians of Don Bosco arrived in Tasmania to establish a school.

The Salesians began with 26 children entrusted into their care and now we have over 1,000 students at the College. Our students today enjoy an amazing school carved out of hard work, selfless dedication and commitment to provide quality schooling by both the Salesians and later the Dominican Sisters.

At our opening College Mass, all students received their commemorative 75th Anniversary badge to wear. The badges were blessed by our College Rector Fr Bernie Graham SDB who himself is a product of and an exemplar model of Salesian education. Students and staff are wearing these badges with pride.

Celebration Activities

Next week as Year 7 go on camp to Fortescue Bay, their alternative program at school will be a wonderful opportunity to learn about our early school days and especially the experiences of our former British Child Migrants who arrived in 1952. It is the government funding that these children attracted which enabled the Salesians, to commence the construction of the College as we know it today.

As the year unfolds, students will have more opportunities to learn about the College's past. We will focus our main celebrations on Thursday 5 August and Friday 6 August when Salesians who have served at Dominic College, as well as some of our earliest Old Scholars will return to us for special activities.

We are looking forward to a memorable year of acknowledging our past legacies and achievements.

Ms Beth Gilligan - Dominic College Principal

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Dear Families

Our Prep-Year 6 and Year 7-10 students gathered this week for their first school Assemblies for 2021. All student leaders spoke with great confidence and clarity as they led the Assemblies. Thank you to our College Captains Justin Goodrick and Rachael Glidden for their excellent reminders to all students at both Assemblies about our focus on Environmental Health and reminding everyone about being the best learners we can be by following our expectations and getting involved in school life activities such as Relay for Life and many other co-curricular opportunities. Well done to all students across the College on receiving a whole range of different awards. A great start to the year everyone!



School Banking is coming back soon! Can you volunteer? We need your help!

Our students really enjoy participating in the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program and to keep this program running we need your help.

The program requires a volunteer School Banking Co-ordinator to facilitate the banking and distribution of School Banking rewards. The School Banking is processed at the same time each week and will only take a small amount of your time. The Commonwealth Bank will provide support in how to run the program. Your help with the program will greatly benefit students as they practice saving skills and also help our school with fundraising.

As part of volunteering, you are eligible to receive a Certificate of Attainment that details the activities that you are involved in. For example: cash handling, program facilitation, account reconciliation and more.

In 2021, the School Banking day will be every Wednesday from 10.00am to approximately 11.00am so that all students K-10 can access the program if they wish.

This is a great opportunity to spend some time at the College and connect with other parents, find out what is happening around the school and help our wonderful students learn about the importance of saving.

If you are interested in volunteering for this great program, please contact Annette Roberts on Annette.Roberts@cba.com.au to volunteer or find out more.

Sport Uniform Adjustment for Afterschool Sport - Trial

Recently we have had a review into students needing to get changed into sport uniform for afterschool Dominic sport. It has been decided that this option is not feasible at present and students will now be allowed to wear HPE uniform on days they are participating in afterschool sport for Dominic College on a trial basis for Semester 1.



A reminder that Classroom Teachers in 3-6 and morning Pastoral Teachers in 7-10 will be keeping a close eye on students and all teachers have a list of sports that students are participating in to make sure everyone is adhering to the rules and only wearing sports uniform when required. If there are any issues or queries with this please contact Miss Talia Stopp (Coordinator of Sport K-10) - tstopp@dominic.tas.edu.au or Mr Cameron Golding (Director of HPE K-10) - cgolding@dominic.tas.edu.au

K-6 Duty of Care reminder

A friendly reminder to all parents/guardians: teacher supervision of students does not commence until 8.30am each morning and concludes at 3.40pm. Before and After School Care is available, on site, through Discovery Early Learning, from 6.30am–6.30pm. The carers escort students to and from their classroom.

Students who are not collected by 3.40pm, will be placed into the supervision program and families will be billed accordingly by the Centre. Payments of such fees are non-negotiable. The contact number for Discovery is 6273 6005 or you can email dominic@discoveryelc.com.au

Mr Stephen Casni - Dominic College Deputy Principal

MISSION NEWS



Project Compassion

Each year our students are encouraged to give generously to the Caritas Australia Project Compassion Appeal during Lent. Every 7-10 Pastoral Group and K-6 classroom have been given Project Compassion boxes. This week, one of our Year 1 students, Grace Gibson, donated over \$130 from her family. Grace was very proud of this and explained that it was small change that had been collected at home. This simple act of kindness will make a great difference to lives of others. There will be official fund-raising events coming up across the College to help raise money. The theme this year is 'Be More' be doing simple actions to be more for our world. Follow the link to read about some of the people who have been helped by the donations to Project Compassion. <https://lent.caritas.org.au/stories>

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



CREATIVE ARTS NEWS



Profile: Darren Collins and Samantha Healy

This week we profile new Creative Arts staff members Mr Darren Collins and Mrs Samantha Healy. Darren and Sam have been getting to know their students and becoming familiar with the Oratory Space and Little Theatre.

After maintaining a passion for the Performing Arts; a history of acting in fringe theatre and in film and television, Darren decided to study teaching as a mature age student at Griffith University in Brisbane. He graduated with First Class Honors in 2003 after he completed a thesis showing the worthwhile compatibility of theories in his two teaching areas of Drama and Health and Physical Education. Darren taught for 17 years at the GPS school, St Joseph's College, Brisbane.

Samantha's teaching career spans fifteen years, three continents, six cities and two states. This cornucopia of experience allowed her to develop into a globally minded, and adaptable educator. Starting her journey as a Drama and English teacher at Aitken College, she went on to work in China twice, the UK and Hanoi and most recently Russia. Her love of performance is evident and she is keen to provide opportunities for students to experience and enjoy the Theatre environment.

What I enjoy most about Drama is - Darren - having the audience wrapped around your finger. **Sam** - enjoys watching students working creatively together.

What are you looking forward to this year? Darren - getting to know Tasmania. **Sam** - is looking forward to the Creative Arts Festival.

The last book I read was - Darren - The Name of the Wind by Patrick Rothfuss. **Sam** - The Master and Margarita by Mikhail Bulgakov.

Favourite Film? Darren - Bladerunner. **Sam** - Delicatessen.

What do you do to relax? Darren - Run. **Sam** - Crochet.

Best thing about Hobart? Darren - The people. **Sam** - The Ughyar Restaurant in Liverpool Street.

Production you are most proud of? Darren - Sherwoodstock at the Tivoli Theatre in Brisbane. **Sam** - Don't really have a favourite. Seeing the ideas of my students evolve into full blown performances is what fills me with pride.

Both Darren and Sam will be working with Year 6 on SAY IT LOUD, the self-devised performance pieces which they will begin working on next week. Performances will be presented at the end of Term 2.

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



Darren Collins



Samantha Healy

LEARNING IN FOCUS



Mamma Margaret's Kitchen

During their MMK lessons, Year 4 have been learning to read recipes, acknowledging the importance of following a sequence and instructions. Students have been exposed to new and unfamiliar foods and becoming more confident cooking and eating from a variety of food groups.

MMK requires the students to work together, building on their social interactions, taking turns and helping each other in a team.

It is wonderful to watch the students become so capable in a kitchen environment, familiarising themselves with basic hygiene, safely use the equipment and being so confident in the cooking process.

Last week the students made bread rolls and this week they made pizzas from scratch.

I am not sure many of the finished products made it home as the students ate most of them for lunch.

Mrs Bradi McGee - Year 4A Teacher



Morning Tea Tours - Kindergarten 2022

Monday 15 March - 10.15am - 11.30am in Dominic's new K-2 Precinct
Register for a tour on <https://www.trybooking.com/BOYZG>

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LEARNING IN FOCUS



Japanese

Students across Years 7-10 have made an excellent start to their year of learning in Japanese lessons.

Year 7

Year 7 students have started the year by reflecting on Australia's trade connections with Japan. To my surprise, quite a few students were astounded to learn that Toyota is a Japanese company! Other companies

that were not broadly known to be from Japan included Nintendo, Asics and Sony.

We identified that Australia tends to supply raw materials and natural resources, and Japan manufactures a range of technical products.

Language-wise, students have been learning about greetings and classroom behaviour, like standing and greeting the teacher at the beginning and end of each lesson, bowing and how to exchange business cards. They have commenced learning hiragana script, and have been getting into a regular routine of hiragana reading and writing homework tasks. Students have enjoyed our group games, where students can support each other to develop their hiragana reading skills!

Year 8

Year 8 students have started the year by reflecting on their Japanese learning in Year 7, and writing goals for this year. They practiced how to introduce themselves, and recorded their self introduction using the Sock Puppets App. They are reviewing hiragana script during this term, before learning katakana script later this year. Students made clocks to help them to practice how to read the time, and great deal of fun was had playing 'What's the time, Mr Wolf?!'

Students are learning vocabulary building skills, so that they remember the words they need to know so they can communicate about daily events and schedules.

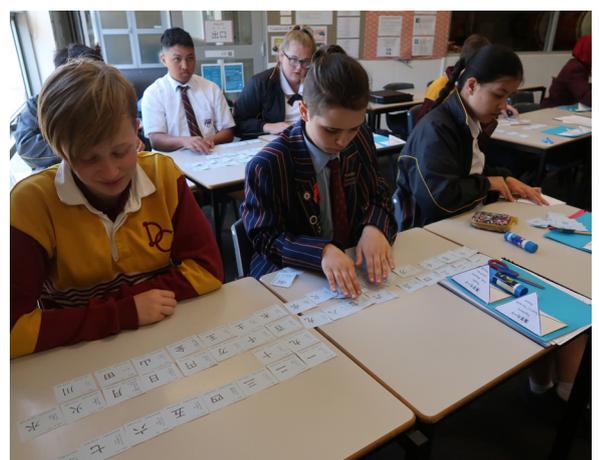
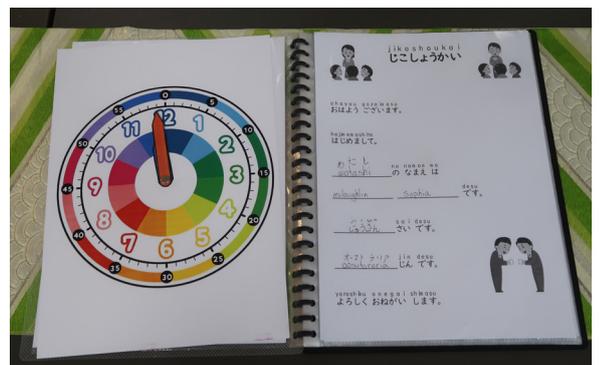
Year 9/10

Students in the combined Year 9/10 Japanese class have also been reviewing script – this time hiragana and katakana. They have been reviewing known kanji and adding to their knowledge through the use of kanji cards. Students in their first year of the two-year course are learning about families and how to describe them. Students in their second year are learning how to describe people and animals in details, and will soon have the skills to be able to play 'Guess Who?' in Japanese. One of our recent lessons was about Japanese castles, and students have embarked upon a research project to learn more about them.

Co-curricular opportunities

Taiko drumming will recommence for Japanese elective students in Years 8-10 on Mondays at lunchtime from 1 March. Year 6 taiko drumming began on Wednesday 24 February, with a very enthusiastic and highly capable group of students from 6A. We look forward to enjoyable times creating music and learning first-hand about Japanese culture together!

Mrs Belinda Kumashiro - Coordinator of Asian Studies K-10



PASTORAL CARE NEWS



Strategies to Support Anxious Children and Young People

As we near the end of Week 4 most children and young people would have settled back into the school routine well. However for some, heading back to school can be a worrying time and anxiety is very common, and can cause issues in academic, emotional and social areas.

There are some valuable resources online that can help to support your child.

The Beyond Blue Healthy Families website provides information to support the children and young people in your life.

Healthy Families explain, 'When kids have anxious thoughts or feelings, a common response from the adults in their lives is to step in and solve the problem. By helping children avoid scary situations, you're reinforcing and fueling their anxiety. They're also missing out on opportunities to develop coping skills and prove to themselves they can deal with the anxious thought or feeling next time it comes up. The best thing you can do for your child is to help them learn how to cope with anxiety'.

For further tips please visit: <https://healthyfamilies.beyondblue.org.au/age-6-12/mental-health-conditions-in-children/anxiety/strategies-to-support-anxious-children>

The BRAVE Program, is a free, online, self-directed program that helps children and young people with anxiety difficulties learn to manage their worries.

There are age appropriate child and teen programs, and separate programs for parents of children and parents of teens. The child and teen programs focus on anxiety management strategies. In the parent versions of BRAVE, parents receive training in the same strategies, so they can help their child use what they have learned in the program.

For further information or to sign up please visit: <https://brave4you.psy.uq.edu.au/>

Ms Emma Burns - College Counsellor K-10

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The BRAVE PROGRAM.

Online therapy for worried kids (and their parents)

- B**ody signs
- R**elaxation
- A**ctive helpful thoughts
- V**ictory over your fears
- E**njoy! Reward yourself

10 strategies to try

1. Start by slowing down
2. Make time to worry
3. Climb that ladder
4. Encourage positive thinking
5. Have a go
6. Model helpful coping
7. Help your child take charge
8. Be upfront about scary stuff
9. Be BRAVE
10. And finally, check your own behavior



Captain's Corner

Last Friday, the College held a fundraiser for the upcoming event, Relay for Life. We got to wear free dress for a \$2 donation. This went towards the Dominic College Relay for Life.

We sold fizzy drinks, Zooper Doopers and pizza. Year 6-10 got pizza and fizzy drinks. We raised a grand total of \$3,598.55 on Friday and we are very happy with this! From here, the money goes towards helping people with cancer. We would like to thank Dominos and everyone who bought pizzas, drinks and Zooper Doopers.

Daisy: The thing I liked the most on Friday was having the pizza. I think it was a great way to raise money for Relay for Life.

Zac: The thing I liked the most on Friday was free dress because it was a hot day, I liked the pizza and the fizzy drink. Also fundraising for Relay for Life.

Make sure to sign up for Relay for Life. Our goal is \$30,000, and we are already more than halfway!

Daisy Lincoln and Zac Pfitzner - 2021 K-6 Captains



K-10 SPORTS NEWS



Flippaball

Flippaball commenced last Sunday, 21 February with four out of the five Dominic teams playing. Flippaball is a modified version of Waterpolo and a great mixed sport for students to be involved in. Many of our players are new to the game but for many, they have already found a love for the sport.



Congratulations to all players on the beginning of the roster, have a great term of Flippaball.

A full roster for the season will be released soon and sent out for parents. In the meantime, please keep an eye on your emails and the Waterpolo Tasmania Facebook page for weekly game times.

Commitment to Sport

A reminder to all parents and students that commitment to sporting teams is important. If you have registered your child for a sporting team and they are no longer able to play, please contact me as soon as possible. Starting a season and then withdrawing from the team is disheartening for fellow team members and on occasion, means this team no longer has enough players to participate.

3-6 Swimming Carnival

The Year 3-6 Carnival is next Thursday, 4 March. It will be a fun filled day for all students involved with a range of pool activities and outdoor games.



A program has been released for parents on the Dominic College App. Please have a look over this and check your child's events are correct. If any changes are necessary, please email me as soon as possible – tstopp@dominic.tas.edu.au

A reminder that unfortunately due to COVID-19 capacity limits in place at the Clarence Aquatic Centre, no parents/guardians or spectators are permitted to attend. We understand this is disappointing but we appreciate your support at this time.

7/8 Girls Soccer

The Year 7/8 girls soccer team commenced their roster last week with a match against Fahan. Many girls are new to the sport and had a great time playing. They have a number of new skills to learn but after playing Calvin Christian School this week, we have already seen a boost in confidence.

We would like to congratulate the girls and wish them luck for the roster – may it be filled with new friends and memories to be made.

NSJSA Soccer

All K-6 parents/guardians who expressed interest in their student participating in the NSJSA Saturday soccer roster in Term 2 should have received a registration link this week. We ask that this is completed at your earliest convenience to allow teams to be created and coaches sought.

If you did not receive this link or you would like to express interest in your child playing please email me.

Miss Talia Stopp - Coordinator of Sport K-10



WHOLE COLLEGE NEWS



International Women's Day

Wednesday 10 March is International Women's Day. In our traditional celebration, Dominic College is hosting a breakfast in the Savio Centre for all Year 5-10 girls and their mothers, carers and grandmothers. The special guest speaker is Meg Webb, Member for Nelson, Tasmanian Legislative Council and Dominic Old Scholar, Class of 1990.

To aid catering requirements, we need to confirm numbers as soon as possible. The event commences at 7.00am for breakfast served at 7.15am and will conclude by 8.30am. You can book your tickets at \$15 each through Trybooking: www.trybooking.com/BNRBW. All proceeds go towards scholarships for disadvantaged girls at Don Bosco High School, Salelologa, Samoa.

Mr Stephen Casni - Dominic College Deputy Principal



INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY BREAKFAST
Wednesday 10 March 2021 - 7am-8.30am - Savio Centre
Guest Speaker: Meg Webb - Member for Nelson, Dominic Old Scholar 1990

Tickets: \$15.00

Book on <https://www.trybooking.com/BNRBW>

Proceeds go to scholarships for disadvantaged girls at the Don Bosco High School, Salelologa, Samoa.

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Year 7 2023 Information Evening

Parents of current Dominic Year 5 students are warmly invited to attend the Year 7, 2023 Information Evening on Wednesday 10 March at 6.30pm in the Savio Centre.

Learn about important aspects of the transition to Year 7 including the core subjects, timetables, camps, and immersive learning experiences as well as the wide range of taster subjects available to all students in Year 7.

This evening is a valuable opportunity to gain insights, talk to teachers and meet other families over a cup of coffee.

Please RSVP via the link below.

YEAR 7 - 2023

INFORMATION EVENING

WEDNESDAY 10 MARCH 2021

6.30-7.30pm - Savio Centre

Dominic College- 204 Tolosa Street Glenorchy

Contact the College Registrar (03) 6274 6010

Register on Trybooking <https://www.trybooking.com/BOYHI>

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WHOLE COLLEGE NEWS



On Thursday, Dominic College Captains Justin and Rachael had a great morning visiting Glenview Community Services and presenting Acting CEO, Pam Welsh, with 2021 College Calendars for each of the residents.

We hope the residents enjoy using our Calendar throughout the year!



PERMA-PLEAT
SCHOOLWEAR

Following the popularity of our new uniform, the staff of the Dominic College Uniform Shop have been working hard receiving shipments from PermaPleat and re-stocking shelves with new uniform items.

In stock now are the following items available for purchase.

- Slouch Hats
- Back Packs
- Library Bags
- Sport Socks
- Formal Boys Shorts in sizes 10 and 14.

Further updates will be provided as stock arrives.

Launch into Learning this week!

What a fantastic time we had in the library with Mrs Bromfield and Ms L! We read lots of stories, did special Macca the Alpaca colouring in pictures and watched a special episode of Bluey in the library!



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



Cooper Bukowjecki
Lee Cantrell
Damon Saavedra
Brooke Thomas
Joshua Vautin
Jacob Hellessey
Lisa Suliman

Erika Kay
Kathryn Colley
Cooper Tarvydas
Joel Richards
Matilda Rolls
Cooper Stephen
Liza Suliman

Pheobe Moy
Lucas Nermet-Nichols
Hunter Price
Mason Reardon
Estelle Cooley
Dannie Maksimovic

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday March 1 - Friday 5 March

Monday 8 March

Wednesday 10 March

Monday 15 March

Wednesday 17 March

Year 7 Camp and alternate program

Eight Hours Day Public Holiday

International Women's Day Breakfast
7.00am - 8.30am - Savio Centre

Year 7 2023 Information Evening 6.30pm -
Savio Centre

Kindergarten 2022 Morning Tea Tour
10.15am

P&F Meeting 7.15pm - Grantleigh



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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

'Do not become upset when difficulty comes your way. Know that you are in the hands of God.'

- St Francis de Sales