

FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear Friends,

2021 Creative Arts Festival Opening

On Wednesday evening this week, Actor and Director, Ben Winspear graciously launched our Creative Arts Festival as our 2021 Patron of the Festival in the Peacock Theatre.

As part of the launch, the opening sequence featured the student cast of *Hard Times*, who did a great job in captivating us, along with the College's Stage Band with members of the Glenorchy Brass Band.

The Valdoccos were a beautiful and harmonious contrast to a terrific final number from Year 9 vocalist, Jemima Walters and the Combined Band.

The Visual Arts, Photography and Media Exhibition in the Long Gallery contains a wonderful range of diverse and interesting artworks by students – it is a visual feast and even includes a collaborative artwork by children in our Launch into Learning Program.

Ben Winspear extended his genuine praise of student work and was very encouraging to all. He genuinely enjoyed the event and gave himself to readily interacting with the gathering in a really supportive way.

I commend our students and staff for entering the creative process and publicly sharing their work as young artists and performers.

I encourage all members of the Dominic community to visit the Long Gallery this weekend and book their tickets to see *Hard Times*.



Quality Teacher Program Classroom Observations

The College's Quality Teacher Program continues to develop our teachers to identify and use the most effective pedagogical practices that optimise student learning.

Part of nurturing our culture amongst teachers that fosters professional growth is ongoing use of collaborative processes to improve teacher effectiveness.

Ongoing professional review and development of teachers involves self-reflection and feedback, inclusive of classroom observation as the basis for teacher professional learning. All of our teachers are involved in being observed by colleagues and observing our colleagues in their classrooms.

This week, as a teacher, I had the privilege of observing Japanese teacher, Kate Saliba, in her Year 1 Japanese class as part of this program.

It was wonderful to see that every student was engaged, challenged and learning successfully in Kate's class. She used teacher clarity, explicit instruction and high impact teaching strategies to maximise student learning in the class. Kate's chosen focus area for me to observe and give constructive feedback to her on was questioning. I anticipate that when we share the feedback that it will be a wonderful conversation.

This program continues to support all of our teachers to be reflective and effective classroom teachers for our students and I commend all teachers for their commitment to their own professional growth.

Ms Beth Gilligan - Dominic College Principal



FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL



Dear Families,

It has been another amazing week of learning at Dominic this week with our annual K-6 Book Week Parade and Creative Arts Festival for 2022 launching on Wednesday. My congratulations to all students and staff involved with the Festival, especially the musicians and performers in the Hard Times production. It was wonderful to be able to walk around the Long Gallery on Wednesday night to admire the creativity of all students K-10, seeing their artworks displayed. Well done all!



Kindergarten



Prep



Year 1



Year 2

I also had the pleasure of visiting our Year 4 students who took part in their first Dominic Camp at Blue Lagoon Lodge in Dodges Ferry. There were so many smiling faces as students engaged with the variety of activities on offer including a fun Science challenge on the beach involving sand, a tennis ball and lots of creative thinking and collaboration. I am sure they will return today with many stories to tell and many memories to hold.



Book Week Celebrations

Our K-6 students were excited to get once again dressed up for the annual Book Week Parade. There was a wide range of costumes on show, and it was sensational seeing the creative efforts of students and parents in designing homemade costumes based around this year's Book Week theme: 'Out of this World'. A snapshot of K-6 costumes can be seen on this page and more photos will be uploaded onto the website soon.



Year 3

Sports and Co-Curricular Photos K-10

Next week all 2021 Sports and Co Curricular Photos will be taken. The schedule is as follows:

Wednesday 1 September: Year K-6

Thursday 2 September: Year 7-10

On these days' students are required to wear: Full Sports uniform for all Sport photos. Full formal uniform for all clubs and Co Curricular photos.



Year 4

P&F Father's Day Stall

On Wednesday 1 September the P&F will be hosting our Father's Day Stall. There are amazing gifts to purchase, and students will attend the stall with their class during the day.

Students can purchase more than one gift. Please make sure students bring their money in a snap lock bag / envelope with their name, number of gifts and who the gifts are for. An email was sent to families this week.



Mr Stephen Casni - Dominic College Deputy Principal

MISSION NEWS



Father's Day Mass 3 September

We will hold our annual Mass to honour the special men in our lives by holding a Father's Day Mass on Friday 4 September at 7.45am in the College Chapel, concluding around 8:30am. Students are invited to attend with the special men in their lives. Please book using the Trybooking system if you are attending.

We are restricted to a total of eighty people in the Chapel to comply with COVID-19 regulations. Follow the link to book your ticket. <https://www.trybooking.com/BTTVP>

Sacramental Preparation – First Reconciliation

Parents and carers of children who wish to prepare for the Sacrament of First Reconciliation through **St John's Parish Glenorchy**, are invited to an information meeting at Dominic College in the front meeting room of the Business Office, Grantleigh on **Thursday, 9 September at 2.15pm**.

Alternatively, you may wish to attend the meeting on Wednesday, 8 September at **7.00pm in St John's Parish** meeting room.

The Church requires that children have made their First Reconciliation before celebrating the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion. If you think your child is ready to take this step in their faith journey, **please contact Marie Aitken (0472 545 919) or the Parish Office (6272 6363)** for more information.

7-10 Siena House Liturgy

Siena house gathered on Wednesday 25 August in the Chapel for their House Liturgy. They celebrated the life and attributes of their House Saint, Catherine of Siena. Thank you to Mr Zach Hubber for organising a lovely liturgy and to the students for their respectful attendance.

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



A DAY OF REFLECTION ON ST JOSEPH

An invitation to spend a day in reflection on St Joseph:
OBEDIENT AND ACCEPTING - TENDER AND LOVING FATHER - CREATIVELY COURAGEOUS WORKER - FATHER IN THE SHADOWS

How does his story and relationship with Jesus harmonise, inspire or challenge yours?

Drawing from Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter *Patris Corde* during the 150th anniversary year of the proclamation of St Joseph as patron of the Universal Church.

SATURDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER
10.00AM—3.00PM
ST JOHN'S CHURCH MEETING ROOM, GLENORCHY

FACILITATOR: BELINDA CHAPMAN
BYO LUNCH — TEA/COFFEE PROVIDED
REGISTRATION AND ENQUIRIES: PARISH OFFICE—6272 6363
OR EMAIL: glenorchy@aohatas.org.au

CREATIVE ARTS NEWS



Hard Times

Mounting a production of a play is a key learning experience in Drama. This term students in both Drama classes worked on preparing a production of **HARD TIMES** which is the major dramatic component of the Creative Arts Festival. After working in the Oratory Space, the cast assembled

in the Peacock Theatre and spent Monday and Tuesday putting all the elements of the production together. The staging had to be adapted to fit the actual performance space, the costumes sorted, sewed, pressed, and prepared. Our young actors had to quickly get used to working under lights, organise their props, learn about the backstage rules and theatre etiquette: all the elements that converge to produce an engaging experience for the audience. Sharing the stage with members of the Glenorchy Brass Band, who are providing live music to underpin and bookend the action was an additional task. There were two dress rehearsals on Wednesday and Thursday morning for audiences of Year 9 and 10 students which enabled the performers to hone, refine, polish, and learn how to channel their performance energy. Their first performance was last night, and the valuable process of learning how this play works for each audience began.

Although our students are very attached to the Oratory as their primary performance space, they were also excited to present their work in a professional venue. The Peacock Theatre, with the dramatic escarpment that comprises the rear wall of the stage, small dressing rooms but expansive stage, has excellent acoustics but still retains an intimate ambience. It has been an intense learning experience but also one that unites students to work as a team and investigate what being part of an ensemble means.

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



'Father caught me peeping at the Circus.'



Tom Gradgrind learns how to be 'a gentleman' from Mr Harthouse.



TEACHING & LEARNING



Book Week 2021

This year was the 75th time that Australian children have had the opportunity to celebrate books, authors and reading through Book Week. As something we all grew up with, it is hard to imagine that Book Week hasn't always existed but the Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) was not established until 1945 and then didn't hold their first celebrations until the following year. Back then, there were very few Australian children's books and Australian authors and illustrators were virtually unknown. Looking at the shelves in a local bookstore today we are spoilt for choice with high quality Australian content. They have clearly achieved their goal.

In the last 75 years the CBCA have helped nurture local talent and a local publishing industry has developed. Winners have included such Australian greats as Colin Thiele, Anna Fienberg, Paul Jennings, Robin Klein, Morris Gleitzman, Andy Griffiths, Mem Fox, Alison Lester, Jeannie Baker and many, many more.

This year's theme 'Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds' was an exciting invitation and opened a host of possibilities when it came to Book Week costume ideas for our students. It provided an opportunity to escape into another world where our children could be anything they wanted to be. And they certainly were, as the pictures show.

Mrs Jane Doyle and Ms Sue Cunningham - Coordinator of Teaching and Learning K-2 and Coordinator of Teaching and Learning 3-6



LEARNING IN FOCUS

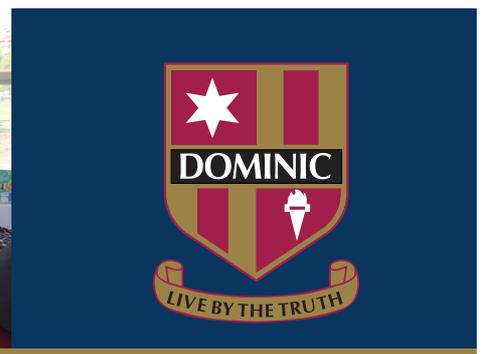


Prep A - Science

This term in Science, Prep A have been learning about the weather and the seasons. Making observations about weather and discussing the climate is an excellent introduction to Science. Weather is something that children can readily understand and relate to as it is all around them. Whether it is clear, cloudy, rainy, sunny or windy outside, the weather affects children's lives every day.

We started by learning what clothes we wear and what activities we can do in certain weathers. We learnt all about cloud and how it changes the way we see the sky. We learnt all about rainbows and how they happen. We also learnt about how the seasons affect the animals. Some animals hibernate and other animals migrate at different times of the year. We also created trees for different seasons. As you can see from the photos, our winter tree is bare except for the snow, the spring tree has blossoms, the summer tree has lots of green leaves and the autumn tree has leaves that are falling and have changed colour. We have really enjoyed this unit of work and we are excited to continue to learn how animals are affected by the weather. As you can see, the Preps have produced some beautiful work.

Ms Lauren Saunders - Prep A Teacher



DOMINIC COLLEGE'S LAUNCH INTO LEARNING PROGRAM HAS NEW DAYS AND TIMES
THURSDAYS AND FRIDAYS WEEKLY
SESSIONS : 9.15AM - 10.30AM & 11.15AM - 12.30PM

*A free play-based early learning program for newborns - 4 year olds and their parents, grandparents or relatives.
Dominic Kindergarten teacher, Sharmalee, will be hosting sessions in the new K-2 Precinct Kinder rooms.*

AND MARK YOUR DIARIES...PRE-KINDERGARTEN SESSIONS BEGIN IN TERM 4!

LEARNING IN FOCUS



Dominic at Salamanca

The Long Gallery in the Salamanca Arts Centre is now open with an exhibition of artwork and media projects produced by Dominic College students from LIL, (Launch into Learning) to Year 10. The unifying principle at the core of the exhibition is to present a cross section of work that reflects different year levels, areas of study and the interests and the individual creative expression of our students. To see student work curated and hung in a prestigious public art space such as the Long Gallery is a worthwhile and affirming experience.

Our Art teachers Mr David Hawley and Ms Caitlin Love, ably assisted by Ms Michelle O'Grady have taken much time and great care in curating and mounting the exhibition. It is certainly worth a visit to Salamanca to browse through the Gallery. The Long Gallery is open, Saturday from 10.00am – 5.30pm and Sunday from 11.00am until 3.00pm.

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



PASTORAL CARE NEWS



Sleep Education - Upcoming Parent Information Session

'In the 24-hour society that we live in we have found that even children as young as five are foregoing sleep in order to do things that they consider more important. Yet we know that if someone suffers poor sleep as a young child, their sleep problems can stay with them through their school years and into adulthood. The simple fact is whatever your age, getting a good night's sleep is one of the best ways of staying happy and healthy. It's just as important as a good diet and regular exercise, says Professor Sarah Blunden'.

Professor Sarah Blunden, psychologist (BA Psychology Honours, MSocSc, PhD, MAPS), is the founder and director the Australian Centre for Education in Sleep. Professor Blunden has spent the past 10 years researching, treating and lecturing on children's sleep both nationally and internationally, as well as delivering education and information sessions to the community, educators and health care professionals. Professor Blunden is recognised as an authority on children's sleep and is widely published in the field.

Professor Blunden has developed Sleep Education resources and programs for children and young people, which we are intending to implement into our EMPOWER program 3-10. We are very fortunate to have Professor Blunden engaging with our school community across three days in Mental Health week, including our parent and caregiver Sleep Education session. This visit is fully sponsored by the P&F and we are very grateful for their support with this great initiative.

On Monday we will be asking students (3-10) to complete sleep diaries for a week leading up to Mental Health Week. The aim of this is to begin the conversation about the importance of sleep, as well as measuring the benefits of Sleep Education. Professor Blunden will also be working with our school community on a research project with our Year 4, 5 and 8 students. Further information will be sent home to students and parents about this project.

Miss Emma Burns - Dominic College Counsellor K-10



BOOK HERE NOW!

A Dominic College P&F Event



sensible sleep.

Dr Sarah Blunden



An Information Session for Dominic College K-10 Parents

World-renowned Sleep Specialist and Researcher, Clinical Professor Sarah Blunden, will be providing information to parents on how to ensure children get the best sleep possible and will advise on creating healthy sleep routines. There will be a Q&A session.

\$5 per person admission. COVID restrictions and check-ins will be required.

Limited seats - Book early <https://www.trybooking.com/BTQHL>

On Tuesday 7 September 2021 at 6.30pm to 8.00pm - Savio Centre, Dominic College.



K-10 SPORTS NEWS



Year 3/4 Sports Day

Next Friday, 3 September, Dominic College will host the annual Year 3/4 Sports Day. Students from other local schools will travel to Dominic to compete in Round Robin tournaments against one another. The day will involve teams participating in Netball, Football, Soccer and Tennis. The focus for the day is on participation, fun, skill development and building friendships!

Students have nominated for their chosen sport during class this week. Teams and further information will be sent home on Monday. If you are able to assist with a team, please contact me as soon as possible.



7-10 SSATIS Athletics Training

SSATIS Athletics training continued this week at the Domain Athletics Centre. Tuesday was a cold morning with ice on the track but the dedication from our students to come along and ensure they are appropriately prepared for the SSATIS Athletics Carnival on Tuesday 7 September was great.

We still have two remaining training sessions on Tuesday and Thursday. It would be wonderful if all students in the 7-10 Athletics team can attend a session next week to ensure they are ready for the Carnival.



K-10 Co-Curricular Photos

Co-curricular Sport photos will take place next week. Kinder to Year 6 students will have their photos taken on Wednesday and the Year 7 to Year 10 students on Thursday. Students require full College PE uniform, including rugby jumper. These photos will then appear in the College Yearbook for 2021.

Miss Talia Stopp - Coordinator of Sport K-10

CO CURRICULAR NEWS



Philosothon 2021

On Thursday 19 August fourteen Dominic College Year 10 students attended the annual Philosothon Competition held at the Guilford Young College, Hobart Campus.

The students – Talysha Blight, Joshua Direen, Isabella Gifford, Rachael Glidden, Jasmine Good, Justin Goodrick, Leo Harvey, Priyanka Jibi, Tom Murray, Max Peters, Erin Richards, Rani Roy, Alexa Sayer, and Joshua Willson, were split into teams comprising students from St Virgil's College, St Aloysius College, Collegiate, and Guilford Young College to solve two philosophical and ethical challenges in a community of enquiry.

The challenges were:

- 1. When is Civil Disobedience the right thing to do?*
- 2. Person C has a terminal illness. Person A's two friends Persons A and B are both aware of the diagnosis, but Person C is not. Person A believes that they should be honest and tell Person C about the diagnosis, but Person B believes that they should lie to Person C. Support Person A's position; Support Person B's position; What is the correct position?*

Throughout the evening, the students engaged enthusiastically within their groups and worked collaboratively on providing well-reasoned responses to the challenges, as well as showing great courage in speaking publicly alongside their groups during the final presentations.

After the judge's deliberations, Dominic students Talysha, Isabella, Jasmine, Leo, Erin, and Alexa were on the team which was awarded the first place prize and were presented with medals.

All fourteen of the students were a credit to their College Community during the evening. To quote Mr Michael Dobber of Guilford Young College: 'Every one of your students has been a great ambassador for their school'. High praise indeed!

Our young people are the vanguard for change in the future. They will serve as the thinkers, the dreamers, and the innovators of the next generation. How heartening it is to know that Dominic College students are already winning praise for their ability to think critically and ethically about issues which confront us all daily in 21st century life. Among them perhaps is the next Marie Curie, the next Steve Jobs, or the next Rene Descartes.

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





Captain's Corner

This term has been a huge time for the Creative Arts, and this week was focused on the Creative Arts Festival. Wednesday night was the opening of the Festival, and it was great to see students from the areas of Drama, music, art and media share their work. We are fortunate to be able to present our Festival in the Salamanca Arts Centre, which has been a centre of creative activity in Hobart for many years. Throughout the week the Year 9/10 Drama class has performed their wonderful production of HARD TIMES, a theatrical adaptation of the Charles Dickens novel. They performed in the Peacock Theatre during the day to fellow students and during the evenings to the wider community. Students' artworks from throughout the year were also displayed in the Long Gallery as part of the festival. The works shown were created by students from K-10 including our Launch into Learning Program, and they looked like a professional exhibition. Some of our musical Ensembles also had the opportunity to perform including the Rock Band, Valdocco Choir and the Flute and Clarinet Ensembles. Over the remainder of the term Creative Arts students get to look forward to a diverse range of Masterclasses given by professional arts practitioners. My fellow Creative Arts Captains and I would also like to acknowledge our fantastic Creative Arts Team, Mr Mike O'Brien, Mr Martin Smith, Mrs Samantha Healy, Ms Caitlin Love, Mr David Hawley and Ms Michelle O'Grady, and for their work in bringing HARD TIMES to the stage and for curating the Exhibition.

Jasmine Good - Guzman House Creative Arts Captain 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

On Wednesday 1 September 2021, the Parents and Friends are running their annual Father's Day stall.

Students will have the opportunity throughout the day to visit the stall with their class to purchase a gift.

All gifts are \$5 each. Students are able to purchase more than one item.

Please ensure you have the correct money as change cannot be given at this event.

As always there will be a huge variety of gifts for Dad's, Grandads, Grandpas and new this year Pop and Uncles, so something for everyone. We have also bought extra stock this year so that no students miss out.

The Stall will be open from 8.30am until 1.45pm to cater for all students and 7-10 students are encouraged to come along at either recess or lunch.

A graphic for a Father's Day stall. It features a string of clothespins hanging from a wooden surface. The items hanging are a blue crown with the word 'DAD' on it, a blue striped tie, a white card with 'Happy Father's Day' written on it, and a blue heart. The text 'Fathers Day Stall' is written in a large, white, cursive font across the top. Below the card, it says 'Wednesday 1st September' and 'All gifts are \$5 each and children may purchase multiple gifts for Dad, Pop and special males in their lives!'. At the bottom, it says 'Please ensure money is in a named zip lock bag and for younger grades clearly marked with who the gift/s are for and how much is enclosed.' and 'Please bring a shopping bag for gifts to be transported home in.'.

Fathers Day Stall

Wednesday 1st September

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OLD SCHOLARS NEWS

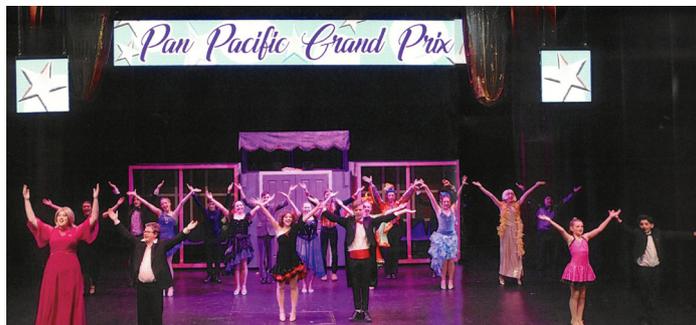
DOSA Football Seniors Through to Preliminary Final

Although the Reserves were beaten by St Virgil's, the Seniors side defeated Hutchins and will play OHA on Saturday at Geilston Bay.

The club reports that Braden Barwick and Michael Fisher were amazing up forward and midfielders Scott Jones, Justin O'Brien, Harri Loveless and coach Nathan McCulloch were workhorses all day.

The DOSA Roosters built their lead up in the first three quarters and while Hutchins admirably fought back in the last, the side had their win safely tucked away. Jeffrey Fisher had a great game in his 150th game for DOSA. You can see photos on our gallery: www.dominic.tas.edu.au/galleries/dosa-semi-finals-22-aug-2021

DOSA honoured club legend Brian Smith, who recently passed away, with the wearing of black arm bands for all games and on the weekend also supported our Afghan community (including DOSA's Hadi Rezaie) with the wearing the Afghanistan flag colours to show support during this heartbreaking time for the country.



Well Done, Dominic Old Scholars at GYC.

A large number of former Dominic Creative Arts students performed in GYC's musical Strictly Ballroom last week, including

Sarah and Ella Fitzpatrick, Kate Young, Eli Morrison, Dione Oloroso and Harrison Hyland, as well as musicians and crew. Well done to all for an entertaining show!

Creative Arts Festival Opening

Old Scholars enjoyed the official opening of the Dominic College Creative Arts Festival on Wednesday evening. We are further looking forward to the performances of Hard Times in the Peacock Theatre – these student productions have been a highlight of the Festival in each season.



DOSA Wine Fundraiser

The Dominic Old Scholars Association has partnered with the Tamar Valley's Holm Oak Vineyards to produce three DOSA 2021 celebration wines: a Pinot Gris, a Pinot Noir and Pinot Noir Sparkling Chardonnay. The DOSA

wines are an initiative inspired by the 75th Anniversary of the Arrival of the Salesians in Glenorchy. Money raised will go to the Br Peter Dezani Scholarship Fund. To order your wine go to: <https://www.trybooking.com/BTCVR>

Mr Mark Dillon - Dominic College Old Scholars Coordinator



Old scholars, Nicola Rayner (1989) P&F President, and Leesa Baker (1986) DOSA President, at the art exhibition.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Charlotte Berry
Will Godfrey
Ebony Sayer
Sidonie Skelly
Max Triffett
Ivy Millington

Amelia Holmes
Riley Taylor
Maleeya Wiggins
Dustin Jones
Natalie Laughler
Mitchell Brown

Hope Enadio
Eva Gesch
Evangeline Morrison
Yasmin Nicholls
Arlen Sheridan

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 26 - Sunday 29 August

Friday 3 September

Sunday 5 September

Monday 6 - Thursday 9 September

Thursday 9 September

Friday 10 September

Creative Arts Festival

Father's Day Mass

Year 3-4 Sports Day

Make A Wish Colour Splash

Mental Health Week

Sacramental Preparation – First
Reconciliation Parent Meeting
2.15pm

St Dominic Guzman and St
Catherine of Siena Feast Day



Join us at the Make-A-Wish Hobart Colour Splash!

The Make-A-Wish Colour Splash is an action packed morning for the whole family. Please support us by bringing along your family, friends and colleagues, wear white and help us create life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses.

There will be BBQ egg and bacon rolls for \$5 each and coffee van Que Sera Sera will be on site

LOCATION

Dominic College, 204 Tolosa St, Glenorchy

TIME

9.30am to 11.30am - wear all white

COST

\$10 per entry

REGISTRATION

Tickets must be purchased online at:
<https://hobarttickets.com.au/event/13660>

For more information or enquiries email mawhobart@gmail.com

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

'Have patience to walk with short steps until you have wings to fly.'

- St Francis de Sales