

# DOMINIC COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

30 May 2025



## From the Principal

### Pope Leo XIV – Historic Moment in the Catholic Church

On 8 May 2025, Pope Leo XIV was elected as the first American pope, marking a historic moment for the global Catholic community. Born Robert Francis Prevost in Chicago, he is a member of the Order of Saint Augustine and brings a deep commitment to unity, compassion, and missionary service.

In his first public address, Pope Leo XIV shared a message of peace and hope:

“Peace be with you! This is the peace of the Risen Christ, an unarmed and disarming peace, humble and persevering... God cares for us, God loves all of us, and evil will not prevail!”

We look forward to the journey ahead under his spiritual leadership.



Leo PP. XIV

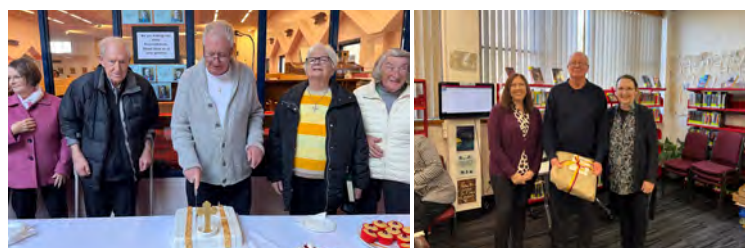
### Celebrating 50 Years of Faithful Service: Fr John Murphy's Golden Jubilee

This week, our community came together in joy and gratitude to celebrate a remarkable milestone: the 50th anniversary of Fr John's ordination into the priesthood.

Since becoming Rector of our College, Fr John has been a guiding light in and around our college and wider community, offering decades of spiritual leadership, compassionate service, and unwavering dedication to his vocation. His journey, marked by humility, wisdom, and deep faith, has touched the lives of countless students, staff, families, and parishioners throughout his service.

To mark this golden jubilee, a special Mass of Thanksgiving was held last Sunday at St John's Parish, followed by a community celebration.

As we celebrate this extraordinary achievement, we give thanks for Fr John's enduring presence among us and pray for continued blessings in the years ahead.



### Celebrating Excellence: Term 1 Diamond Awards

At a recent Year 7–10 Academic Assembly, we proudly recognised the recipients of the Term 1 Diamond Awards—a special honour awarded to students who achieved 100% Expectations on their end-of-term reports. What makes the Diamond Award truly special is that it is attainable by every student. It is not based on academic results, but rather on consistent effort, attitude and commitment across all subjects. Last term, over 100 secondary students were recognised for their outstanding dedication. Congratulations to all our Diamond Award recipients! We encourage every student to aim for this achievement throughout the 2025 academic year.



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## From the Principal continued...

### Amazing School Spirit

Since our last newsletter, our K–10 College has been a vibrant hub of activity, with students engaging in a wide range of enriching events and experiences.

We commend all students who participated in our recent Cross-Country Carnivals—both the Year 3–10 and K–2 events—as well as those who proudly represented the College at the Year 7–10 SSATIS Cross Country Carnival. Your enthusiasm and house spirit were truly inspiring.

Our community also embraced the **National Walk Safely to School Day** with great energy, as students, staff and families came together to promote health and safety. This week, as we mark **National Reconciliation Week**, students will take part in a meaningful Bridge Walk on College grounds, reflecting our shared commitment to understanding and unity.

The Arts production, *Out of the Shadows and into the Light*, was a resounding success—fully booked and deeply engaging. Congratulations to all involved both on stage and behind the scenes!

There is truly something for everyone at our College. We encourage all students to get involved—whether by joining a group, team, or activity this term. It is a wonderful way to build friendships, grow in confidence, and contribute to our strong sense of community.



### Important Reminder for Families

Please note that Friday, 6 June is a Student Free Day. This will be followed by the King's Birthday Public Holiday on Monday, 9 June. We wish all students, staff, and families a safe and restful long weekend. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Tuesday, 10 June.

**Mr Steve Casni**

**Dominic College Principal**



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## From the Deputy Principals

Dear Families,

### Thank You to our P&F for a Wonderful Mother's Day Stall!

We'd like to thank our incredible Parents and Friends (P&F) committee for their tireless efforts in making this year's Mother's Day Stall such a special event.

From carefully selecting and purchasing thoughtful gifts, to wrapping them beautifully, and running the stall, to ensure every student had the opportunity to pick out something special for their mums, grandmas, and other special women in their lives to say thank you for all that they do.

### K-2 Cross Country

On Wednesday 14 May we held our K-2 Cross Country, what an energetic and exciting day with our youngest students giving it their all as they ran, jogged, and walked their way around the course.

It was great to see so many families attending to help cheer on the determined runners taking part. A big thank you to all the staff who helped organise and run the event and to the secondary students working hard on the coffee cart.

Congratulations to all K-2 students for participating and trying their best. It was a fantastic celebration of fitness, fun, and school spirit.

### National Walk Safely to School

On Friday 16 May, our school community embraced the fresh morning air for National Walk Safely to School Day, and what a fantastic turnout we had! Despite the chilly conditions, 121 enthusiastic students from Kindergarten to Year 10, along with several dedicated parents and staff, laced up their walking shoes and took part in the annual event promoting road safety, health, and environmental awareness.

A huge thank you to our local police, who not only ensured everyone's safety at road crossings but also added excitement to the morning with flashing lights and friendly sirens. Their presence was both reassuring and a highlight for many of our younger students!

The walk was a wonderful opportunity to come together as a school community, encouraging active travel while building awareness around pedestrian safety. To reward their efforts, each student received a piece of fresh fruit upon arrival at school – a healthy way to start a great day of learning.

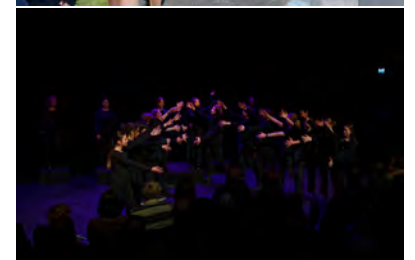
### Out of the Shadows and into the Light Production

Our recent secondary production, *Out of the Shadows and Into the Light*, was a shining example of the incredible talent and dedication within our school community. Students stepped into the spotlight as singers, actors, and musicians, delivering a memorable performance.

A huge thank you to our dedicated Creative Arts Team for bringing this production to life. Their tireless work behind the scenes provided an outstanding co-curricular opportunity for students to express themselves artistically and grow in confidence.

### St Dominic Savio & St John Bosco Feast Day

This Feast Day will be held, **Friday 13 June**. This is a day where we gather as a community to commemorate our Salesian tradition and do so by celebrating Mass, sharing a meal and playing games, just as Don Bosco did with the youth of Turin in the 19th century. We will be serving our famous Feast Day Salad Rolls for lunch. Students should wear their sports uniform and they are welcome to wear their sports polos should they wish. We are looking forward to an exciting day!



## From the Deputy Principals continued...

### Year 10 Exams

All Year 10 students will be participating in Mid-Year Exams from 2 – 5 June. These aim to give Year 10 students the opportunity to prepare and sit an exam prior to the End of Year Exams in Term 4. Please see the schedule below:

	Monday 2 June	Tuesday 3 June	Wednesday 4 June	Thursday 5 June	Friday 6 June
LS1 - LS2 9am-11am	English	HaSS	Science	Math	Student Free Day
LS2 - LS4 11.30-1.30		GYC Expo 12:00 -2.00 pm		RE	

Students will be provided with information about the nature and structure of each exam ahead of time. Teachers will also be supporting students in class to help them prepare.

On Tuesday 3 June, students will visit GYC for an introduction to the College and an opportunity to explore the facilities.

**Mrs Alicia McMahon - Deputy Principal: Primary and Mrs Jan Marcenko - Deputy Principal: Secondary**



### K-6 Vice Captains Report

This Semester has been a mix of learning and fun times but let's see what some of the students here at Dominic say is the best!

#### Favourite Part of the Day?

Year 4 students say that they like playing sports and drawing with chalk at breaktime and Aboriginal based activities such as Reconciliation

Week.

What is your favourite thing that you have learnt this year?

Year 3 students show great enthusiasm for problem solving in math and studying rocks and dirt in science.

#### Semester One Highlights?

We asked some Year 6 students and figured out that their high lights of the years so far have been, Walk Safely to School Day and the Swimming Carnival. The Cross Country was also a big part of this semester with people getting into interschools and hanging out with friends to play games with their community.

#### Favourite Subject?

We have asked students in Year 5 and then concluded that their favourite subjects are learning about the area and perimeter of shapes in math. And doing PE, especially netball.



**Elsie Joyce and Jameson King - K-6 College Vice Captains**

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## Learning and Wellbeing - Year 1 and 2

### Having Good Energy and a Positive Mindset for Learning

At Dominic College, we believe every day is a new chance to learn, grow, and make great friends. One of the best ways to enjoy learning is by bringing good energy and a positive mindset into the classroom.

Good energy means being ready to learn by getting enough sleep, eating a healthy breakfast, and coming to school with a smile. When we take care of our bodies, our brains are ready to learn, play and problem solve.

A positive mindset means believing in yourself and saying, "I can do it!" even when things feel tricky. It is okay to make mistakes because that's how we learn, develop resilience and build character. When we encourage our friends and try our best, the classroom becomes a happy and exciting place to be.

During Oratory Program lessons this term, our Year 1 and Year 2 classes have been learning about being positive, respectful and friendly students making a great foundation for success at school. Every day counts and when students come to school with positive energy, kind hearts, and a love for learning- together we can do great things.

### *Ms Louise Zegveld - Lead Teacher: Year1/Year2*



Dominic College has partnered with SchoolTV – a trusted platform focused on supporting student mental health and wellbeing. SchoolTV offers parents and caregivers practical strategies and expert advice to help you support their child's wellbeing. Explore valuable topics, build stronger connections, and deepen your understanding of the challenges young people face today. Stay informed by signing up for 'Get Alerts' to receive updates when new content is released.

Check it out here: <https://dominic.tas.schooltv.me/>

# A HOME THAT WELCOMES





## Learning and Wellbeing - Secondary

Guzman House has continued the school year with energy, excellence, and enthusiasm, setting a high standard across academics, sports, and leadership.

Academically, we celebrate the achievements of our students who received Diamond Awards this term. These awards recognise outstanding commitment, effort, and achievement, and we commend every recipient for their hard work and dedication. Those who received gold or silver awards are reminded to continue to strive for the top award this term.

In the sporting arena, Guzman House has shown incredible spirit and resilience. We proudly secured second place in both the Athletics Carnival and the Cross-Country Carnival, only narrowly missing out on the top prize on each occasion. These results are a testament to the unwavering effort and sportsmanship of our students, who gave their absolute all on the track and on the field. Whether sprinting to the finish line or cheering from the sidelines, the Guzman spirit was on full display.

A special thank you goes to our House Captains and SRC members, whose leadership, organisation, and enthusiasm have been instrumental in driving our success. Their efforts behind the scenes and on the front lines have helped foster a strong sense of community and pride within Guzman House.

As we look ahead to the rest of the year, we are excited to continue building on this momentum. With such a strong foundation, there's no doubt that Guzman House will continue to thrive.

***Mr Liam Ward - Lead Teacher: Guzman House Secondary***



## NOTICE OF STUDENT DEPARTURES

We kindly remind families that the College requires **10 school weeks' written notice** if a student is leaving. In line with our General Terms and Conditions, **fees in lieu of notice** will apply if this notice is not received.

If your child (excluding Year 10 students graduating) will not be returning to the College in **2026**, please ensure written notice is provided by **Friday, 26 September 2025** to avoid additional charges.

Notice can be sent to: [enrol@dominic.tas.edu.au](mailto:enrol@dominic.tas.edu.au)



# A HOME THAT WELCOMES





## Mission and Religious Education

### A Heartfelt May: Celebrating Mothers, Faith and Reflection

As Term 2 continues to unfold, our school community has been blessed with some truly special moments. From the joy of honouring our mums, to deepening our spiritual journey through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and embracing stillness and reflection at the Year 7 Retreat, this month has been a rich tapestry of love, learning and growth.

#### Mother's Day Celebrations

Our Mother's Day celebration was a beautiful expression of love and gratitude. The morning began with a Mass where we paid tribute to the extraordinary women in our lives. Our Senior Choir added a special touch to our Mother's Day Mass, filling the space with their beautifully harmonised voices. There was hardly a dry eye as Mrs Joyce shared her reflections of motherhood, reminding us of the silent strength and endless love that mothers give so freely. A big thank you to all who attended and helped make this event special.



#### Sacramental Program

Another significant spiritual milestone began this month as some of our students embarked on their preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This important step in their faith journey invites them to deepen their understanding of God's unconditional love, mercy, and forgiveness.

Together with their families, students have engaged in sessions that explore the meaning of repentance, healing, and restoring relationships. We thank our parish team, teachers, and parents for their guidance and support throughout this sacred journey.

Please keep these students in your prayers as they prepare their hearts and minds to receive this sacrament.

#### Year 7 Retreat

Our Year 7 students recently experienced a day dedicated to stepping away from the busyness of school life and stepping into a space of calm, reflection, and connection. The retreat encouraged students to reflect on their personal and spiritual growth, build stronger bonds with one another, and explore what it means to live with kindness, compassion, purpose and Hope!

Through a series of engaging activities, discussions, and moments of quiet reflection, students were given the opportunity to deepen their self-awareness and appreciation for their peers. A highlight of the day was when students wrote a letter to themselves only to be opened in 2028 at their Year 10 retreat.

#### *Ms Cecilia Lomi - Director of Mission and Religious Education K-10*



# A PARISH THAT EVANGELISES





## First Nations Focus

### Our Sea Country Excursion with Bron Dillon

Last week, we went on an excursion to Sea Country with Bron Dillon from wayti Culture and Knowledge. It was an amazing day where we got to connect with nature, learn from Community, and spend time really listening to Country.

We started the day with a Welcome to Country and an ochre ceremony. Bron explained why ochre is important and helped us place it on our skin. We sat quietly and practised dadirri, which means deep listening. It helped us slow down and notice the sounds, smells, and feelings of being on Country.

Bron told us a Whale Dreaming story, and we learned how whales are part of the land, sea, and the people. During the 'We Love Country Walk', we looked at native plants and animals and learned how Aboriginal people have cared for the land for thousands of years.

One of the best parts was just sitting, yarning, and being on Country. There was no rush—just time to think, share, and enjoy nature.

We are thankful to Bron for teaching us and sharing culture.

A student "I liked painting with the ochre, listening to the whale dreaming story and sharing lollies and cupcakes."

A student "I liked paddling into the water and finding clay and shells. On our walk it was great to find some bush food."

A student "I liked finding clay with my friends and digging it up with the shells. I tried kunikung-pigface."

A student "I liked dadirri -being quiet and looking at the water; I also liked seeing, feeling and putting on the ochre."

A student "I liked having the time to find seashells."



### National Reconciliation Week at Dominic College

As part of our College's Reconciliation Action Plan, we recognise National Reconciliation Week with activities that build understanding and respect. This year marked the 25th anniversary of the 2000 Bridge Walks for Reconciliation, when hundreds of thousands of people walked together to show support for unity between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and non-Indigenous Australians.

Students learned why Reconciliation Week matters—it's a time to reflect on our shared history and work towards fairness and connection. We focused on walking as a symbol of listening, learning, and moving forward together.

To end the week, we welcomed Uncle Rodney Dillon and Linton Burgess, who shared their thoughts and led us on a Bridge Walk reenactment. These actions and conversations helped deepen our understanding of reconciliation and its importance for all Australians.

### Ms Michelle O'Grady - Lead Teacher: Aboriginal Liaison







## Learning and Curriculum - Kindergarten

### Bush Kinder at Dominic College

The Kinders have been absolutely loving our fortnightly Bush Kinder sessions with Chris Haas from the Sustainability Centre. At Dominic, we believe that nature is one of the best classrooms. Nature play offers children rich, hands-on experiences that spark curiosity, creativity, and a love for learning. Whether they're building with sticks, exploring textures, or observing insects, children develop important physical, social, and cognitive skills in a natural setting. Outdoor play also supports emotional well-being, helping children feel calm, confident, and connected to the world around them. Most importantly, it nurtures a deep appreciation for the environment—something we hope they carry with them for life.

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### *Mr Michael Voss, Ms Rachel Mackonis, Ms Linda Douglas - Kindergarten Teachers*



A SCHOOL THAT PREPARES FOR LIFE





## Learning and Curriculum - Year 6

As part of our commitment to deepening students' understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories and cultures, our Year 6 students have been exploring the powerful text '*Us Mob Walawurru*' during Term 2.

Aligned with the Australian English Curriculum, students have been engaging with the text to develop key literacy skills, including comprehension, critical thinking, and the ability to reflect on diverse perspectives. *Us Mob* provides authentic insights into the lives of First Nations children in Central Australia, making it an ideal resource for learning about voice, identity, and the importance of cultural connection.

Throughout the term, students have participated in rich discussions, text analysis activities, and creative responses to deepen their understanding of the characters' experiences and the broader context of reconciliation. They have also explored themes such as community, storytelling, and belonging, linking their reading to the 2025 National Reconciliation Week theme: "Bridging Now to Next."

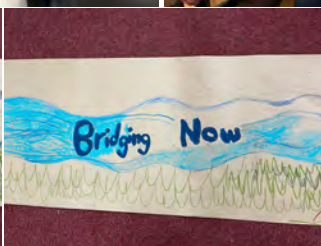
As a culmination of their learning, students have been collaboratively designing and creating a vibrant banner reflecting this year's theme. The banner symbolises the journey of reconciliation – honouring the past, engaging with the present, and committing to a shared future. This creative project gave students an opportunity to express what reconciliation means to them, using powerful visual symbols and language inspired by their reading and classroom discussions.

Students have also been engaged and excited with our units of Electricity and Changes of State. In Term 1, students were able to experiment with equipment that makes up a simple circuit, as well as going through the inquiry process of understanding why certain materials are used to conduct electricity. For this term, we are focusing on changes of state and investigating the differences in the properties of certain materials.

We have had some fun and fantastic hands-on learning experiences with deep and thoughtful contributions from all students.



### ***Ms Isabella Franklin, Mr Alexander Firth and Mr Benjamin Crick - Year 6 Teachers***







## Learning and Curriculum - HPE

It was wonderful again to witness the energy and participation that a Dominic College Carnival exhibits with the 3-10 Cross Country Carnival held at the College on 9 May.

The sight of the house banners waving proudly and the friendly, competitive house spirit demonstrated by all students was great to see.

Intraschool sporting carnivals are more than just a day away from the classroom, they are an opportunity to develop the culture, unity, and pride of Dominic College.

Carnivals at Dominic are about bringing students together and celebrating effort, teamwork and developing house spirit.

It is also an opportunity for assessment in the HPE Curriculum area. Whether at the Athletics Carnival in Term 1 or Cross Country in Term 2, students are assessed against a rubric and evidence is collected on their participation.

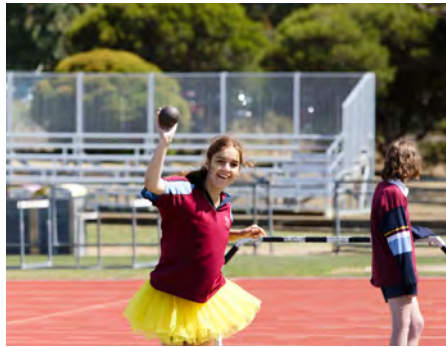
The assessment is all about having a go and competing no matter what the outcome of their races. The emphasis is on competing for your house and being part of a team.

Intraschool carnivals are designed to be inclusive. From elite athletes to enthusiastic first-timers, everyone has a role to play, whether competing, helping with catering, or cheering from the sidelines.

These events also bring together staff, students, and families in a shared celebration of school spirit. They teach valuable life lessons on how to win with humility, lose with grace, and always support your team. Most importantly, they remind us that school is not just about academics, but about growing together as a community.



### **Mr Philip Hyatt - Lead Teacher: Health and PE**







## Learning and Curriculum - Technologies & VET

### Design Technology: A Term of Hands-On Learning

Students at Dominic College have been busy in the workshop this term, developing essential design and construction skills across various year levels.

The Year 7s started their journey in woodworking with a spatula project, learning fundamental hand tool techniques. They then applied these skills to design and create their own garden silhouette. More recently, they have transitioned to working with metal, shaping a plant hanger. To round off the term, students will explore Computer-Aided Design (CAD), designing and 3D-printing their own personalised key-tags.

The Year 8 students have also been refining their woodworking abilities. Their focus has been on joining boards to construct serving trays, which serves as an introduction to safe power tool use along with gluing, and clamping techniques. These are skills that will be further developed in upcoming projects.

Senior students have been working on more complex projects. The Year 9 and 10 Woodwork students have taken on the challenge of designing and constructing their own tables, building on their knowledge from previous years. This project encourages thoughtful material selection, particularly native timber species, to promote sustainable and skilled craftsmanship.

Meanwhile, the Year 9 and 10 Metalwork students completed a sheet metal toolbox before moving on to mastering the use of a metal lathe. They are now applying this precision work to crafting their own nail punch.

Our VET Construction students have honed their carpentry skills by creating sawhorses, an exercise in accuracy and attention to detail, qualities highly valued in the industry. At the same time VET Engineering students have been working with metal lathes to create foldable shovels, reinforcing their focus on precision and accuracy.

In exciting news, Dominic College has recently purchased two new 3D printers, opening up further opportunities for students to engage with modern design technologies. The Design Technology department is working on ways to integrate these into learning programs, ensuring students gain hands-on experience with cutting-edge tools.

So far, it's been a productive year, filled with creativity, skill development, and innovation. We look forward to seeing what students create next!

### Mr Cameron Golding - Lead Teacher: Technologies & VET



**SPOOKY DISCO**  
FRIDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> JUNE  
SAVIO CENTRE  
K-2 4:30-5:30PM  
GRADE 3-6 6-7:30PM  
Canteen, Bottled Water & Glow Sticks available-from 50c to \$2  
[WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/DCCWK](http://WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/DCCWK)  
**\$5 Entry**  
Come dressed in your best spooky costume  
NO PASS OUTS FOR STUDENTS. STUDENTS WILL NEED TO REMAIN IN THE SAVIO CENTRE UNTIL COLLECTED BY A PARENT OR GUARDIAN.  
-DOMINIC STUDENTS ONLY  
-TEA & COFFEE AVAILABLE FOR PARENTS IN MMK





## Learning and Curriculum - Mathematics

### Mathematics Department Update – Term 2

As we move through Term 2, it has been a busy and exciting time in the Mathematics department, with students across all year levels engaging in rich and meaningful learning experiences.

#### Year 7

In Term 1, our Year 7 students engaged in a Hands-on Measurement Project where they had to propose a playground design for the K-2 precinct, with a focus on incorporating geometrically inspired play spaces and equipment, applying their understanding of shapes, area, and perimeter in creative ways. This term, students have shifted their focus to Algebra, where they are developing foundational skills in solving equations and understanding algebraic relationships—laying the groundwork for more advanced problem-solving in the future.

#### Year 8

Year 8 students have built strong algebraic skills, including expanding and factorising expressions, solving equations, and applying index laws. More recently, they've been exploring financial literacy, working with fractions, decimals, and percentages to understand real-world concepts such as profit, loss, discount, mark-up, and GST. We encourage parents and carers to have conversations at home about these topics to help reinforce their relevance and application.

#### Year 9

In Term 1, Year 9 students completed an engaging statistics assignment, using their knowledge of data collection, presentation, and analysis to explore real data from Salamanca market. This term, they have begun exploring right-angled triangles, delving into the fascinating history of Pythagoras and being introduced to trigonometry. They are learning to apply concepts such as angle of elevation and depression to real-life problems, deepening their understanding of geometry and measurement.

#### Year 10

Our Year 10 students are currently preparing for their first Mid-Year Exam, which will cover Algebra (including linear relationships and graphing), Measurement, and Statistics. At the end of Term 1, they were presented with a real-world design challenge involving the production of table tennis balls featuring the Dominic College logo as merchandise. Students were tasked with exploring different packaging designs for sets of four balls, aiming to determine the most efficient packaging in terms of space and production costs.



The trial of the Cambridge Essential Mathematics online resource with Year 10 has been a success. Students have been actively engaging with the digital textbook and its interactive features. We are excited to continue using this platform for the remainder of the year.

### Upcoming Events

We are looking forward to several exciting opportunities for students to extend their mathematical thinking beyond the classroom:

- Australian Mathematics Competition – National challenge that tests problem-solving and reasoning skills.
- Tasmanian Mathematics Relay – A fun and fast-paced team event that encourages collaboration and quick thinking.

Detailed information about these events will be shared with students and families closer to the dates.

### Building Mathematical Confidence

We remind all students of the importance of regular revision and skill practice. Just like building muscles, mathematical confidence and competence grow through consistent effort and persistence. *"Mathematics is not about numbers, equations, computations, or algorithms: it is about understanding."* – William Paul Thurston

We look forward to seeing continued growth and enthusiasm for Mathematics across all year levels as the term progresses.

**Ms Jana Bryan - Lead Teacher: Mathematics (Secondary)**





## Library News

### National Simultaneous Storytime 2025

On Wednesday 21 May, Dominic College students, along with over 2 million children from over 16 thousand locations around the world participated in National Simultaneous Storytime!

Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, bookshops and many other places around the country. NSS is a colourful, vibrant, fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy, using an Australian children's book that explores age-appropriate themes, and addresses key learning areas

of the National Curriculum for Foundation to Year 6. This year the book read was "The Truck Cat" by Deborah Frenkel and illustrated by Danny Snell.

K-2 students were treated to a live reading of "The Truck Cat" on the *luwutina* stairs where they wore trucker caps, cuddled cat toys and enjoyed their lunch. They then had the opportunity to participate in cat inspired activities. In addition, K-6 students joined together in their classrooms or with their buddy classes to enjoy the story and participate in cat and truck inspired activities!

### Save the Date: The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to Dominic College!

Families and friends of the College are invited to visit the K-6 Library to purchase books, stationery, and posters during the following times:

**Dates:** Tuesday 10 June – Friday 20 June

**Times:** Before school: 8.30am-9am

**After school:** 3pm-4pm

Break 1 for students

Every purchase you make goes to support our school to buy more books for our library!

We will be accepting cash, online credit card payments and 'Tap and Go' payments.

**Ms Sarah Bromfield - College Librarian K-10**







## Sport K-10

### Term 2 Sport Teams Update

All our Term 2 sporting teams are now well underway and showing great enthusiasm and teamwork! Our Secondary Netball teams have had a strong start, with impressive wins in Rounds One and Two against Sacred Heart, Friends, Eastside, MacKillop, and Hilliard. Meanwhile, our Primary Netball and Soccer teams have quickly picked up their sports and are thoroughly enjoying every minute on the field and court.

A huge thank you to all our parent volunteers who have generously taken on coaching roles this term. Your time, support, and encouragement mean so much to our students—and we truly appreciate all that you do.

### Cross Country

Friday 9 May saw the rain disappear and the sun shine brightly for our annual Year 3–10 Cross Country Carnival.

The excitement was palpable with a brand-new course, an electric house spirit, and outstanding sportsmanship displayed throughout the day. These elements combined to make the event a tremendous success. Congratulations to the 160 Primary and Secondary students who have been selected to represent Dominic College at the upcoming inter-school events!

Overall placings for the day:

#### Year 3-6

3rd: **Siena** and **Guzman** on 158 points

2nd: **Bosco** on 200 points

1st: **Savio**: 240 points

#### Year 7-10

4th: **Siena** on 472 points

3rd: **Savio** on 529 points

2nd: **Guzman** on 633 points

1st: **Bosco** on 646 points

**Overall Aggregate Shield: Bosco**



This day would not have been as successful as it was without the dedication from staff. From marshalling, supervising, scoring and photography; thank you so much.

### Kindergarten – Year 2 Cross Country

On Wednesday 14 May, Miss Farr, Ms Millikan, and Mrs Lowe hosted the Kindergarten to Year 2 Cross Country.

This event is one of our favourite carnivals of the year, as it marks a special milestone for both our youngest and oldest early primary students. For our Kindergarten children, it's their very first school carnival—a joyful and memorable experience. For our Year 2 students, it's their final early primary Cross Country, making it a bittersweet moment for staff.

It's always heartwarming for staff to witness students stepping outside their usual classroom environment, showing growing independence and confidence, and beaming with pride as they spot their families cheering from the sidelines.

### SSATIS Cross Country

Congratulations to all 59 competitors who proudly represented Team Dominic at the Southern SATIS Cross Country Carnival. Despite the very chilly morning at the Domain Cross Roads, our team showed great determination and spirit on the track.

Your hard work, resilience, and sportsmanship were evident throughout the event. We are incredibly proud of each and every one of you! Congratulations to one of our under 13 students who finished 5th in his 3km race.



## Sport K-10 continued...

### JSSATIS Athletics Update

I am pleased to share the Term 4 JSSATIS Athletics Carnival will now include Multi-Class Events including 100m, 800m, and all field events for students eligible to compete in these events. This will help students transition into high school, where these events are already offered through SSATIS and SATIS. More information will come to hand closer to our school carnival at the end of the year.

### Student Acknowledgement

Congratulations to two of Dominic's Year 10 male students; one has been selected in the 2025-26 Cricket Tasmania Development Program, and another who has been selected to represent Tasmania in the under 16 Rugby Team and will travel to South Australia.

Congratulations also goes to a Year 8 female student for being selected to compete at Basketball Australia's under 16 National Championships in July, and a further four Year 9 students who have been selected in the under 15 AFL Devils State Sides who will participate in the Australia Championships in Brisbane at the end of July.

Three Dominic College Students from Year 8 and 10 will represent Tasmania at the upcoming Australian Gymnastics Championships. These dedicated athletes earned their place on the state team after outstanding performances in the Level 6 Tumbling Division at the recent Gymnastics Tasmania Senior State Championships.

Dominic College has three Year 8 students who have been successful in obtaining a spot in the upcoming under 15 girls Hockey State Team who will compete in the ACT in August.

We congratulate all students on their remarkable achievements and wish them the very best as they compete at the national level!

### Term 3 Co-Curricular Sport

#### Year 3-6

3-6 Boys Basketball – Played on a Tuesday

3-6 Girls Basketball – Played on a Thursday

Games will be played from 4:00pm at Dominic and other JSSATIS schools.

#### Year 7-10

7-8 Girls Basketball – Played on a Monday

9-10 Girls Basketball – Played on a Wednesday

9-10 Girls AFL – Played on a Tuesday

7-8 Boys Soccer – Played on a Wednesday

9-10 Boys Soccer – Played on a Thursday

9-10 Boys AFL – Played on a Wednesday

Games will be played from 4:15pm at Dominic and other SSATIS schools. Registrations will come out closer to the end of term.

### Upcoming Important Dates

Thursday 5 June – Year 3-6 STCPSSA Cross Country at Bayview High School

Wednesday 11 June – Year 3-6 JSSATIS Cross Country at Rokeby Police Academy

Thursday 12 June – Secondary All Schools Cross Country

Thursday 17 June - Primary All Schools Cross Country







## Sport K-10 continued...

### Student Code of Conduct

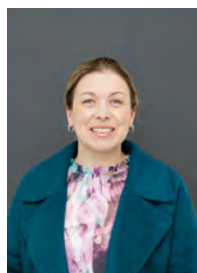
Students will

- Play by the rules of the sport.
- Show support and respect for officials, coaches, referees, opponents, and teammates.
- Work hard for their team and themselves and actively develop a positive team spirit.
- Demonstrate good sportsmanship, both during and after the game including towards opponents.
- Cooperate with the coach, team-mates, opponents, and officials.
- Participate for their own enjoyment and benefit.
- Respect the rights and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background, or religion.
- Strive to improve their skills and fitness.
- Attend training regularly and commit for the entire roster/season.
- Be punctual to all training sessions and meetings.
- Meet all commitments and give adequate notice to the coach and the College if you cannot attend training or a game.
- Always uphold the good name and values of the College.



The full Code of Conduct for Parents and students can be found on the College's website.

### Ms Kylee Chivers - Sports Administrator



#### P&F Report

A heartfelt thank you to all the volunteers who contributed to making this years Mother's Day Stall one of our most successful to date. With a record number of gifts purchased, it was wonderful to see the LIL community enjoying their very own stall over a two-day period. Students had a wide selection of thoughtful gifts to choose from, and our volunteers thoroughly enjoyed assisting the younger students with their purchases. We hope everyone enjoyed their special day. The event concluded with a smooth and efficient pack-up—thank you again to everyone involved.

Looking ahead, preparations are now underway for the upcoming **Spooky Disco**, scheduled for Friday 13 June at the Savio Centre. Tickets are \$5 per student, with two sessions available:

- Kindergarten to Year 2: 4:30 PM – 5:30 PM
- Years 3 to 6: 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM

Parents are invited to enjoy refreshments in the MMK space, while a canteen will be operating with snacks, drinks, and glow sticks available for purchase (EFTPOS accepted). We are excited to see the students' creative costumes (casual clothes also welcome) and greatly appreciate the support of our dedicated P&F Team & teachers who assist with supervision.

Additionally, the P&F Committee has reviewed several funding proposals submitted by both students and staff. We look forward to sharing the outcomes with the wider community in the near future. Thank you for your continued support.

### Ms Amberley Harrex - P&F President

# A PLAYGROUND WHERE FRIENDS MEET



## Tasmania Fire Service

A firefighter from the Tasmania Fire Service (TFS) is visiting our College this week and next to present a Home Fire Safety Program to our Prep to Year 6 students. The TFS aims to deliver appropriate fire safety education to every primary school child in Tasmania and is part of the TFS's ongoing commitment to create a fire safe Tasmania.

Kindergarten students, whilst not receiving a structured lesson, can expect a visit from the firefighter who will leave some free fun activities for the students to complete. The Age Appropriate Program is designed to raise fire awareness in children and includes fun in class activities, videos, activity books, giveaways and a new kid's website [www.tfskids.com.au](http://www.tfskids.com.au). Parents and other family members are also encouraged to participate by reading the information and assisting your child with the after school activities.

\* Key Fire Safety Messages include,

1. [Wake up- Install a smoke alarm in every bedroom](#)
2. [Plan and practice a home fire escape plan with the whole family](#)
3. [In a fire crawl low and go, go, go to the nearest exit](#)
4. [In an emergency call triple zero](#)
5. [Keep flammable material at least two metres from the heater](#)
6. [If your clothes catch fire, stop, drop, rock and roll](#)
7. [Keep matches and lighters away from children](#)
8. [Cooking- Turn it off before you turn away](#)
9. [Cool a burn under cold water for at least 20 minutes](#)
10. [Most house fires can be avoided. Make your home fire safe](#)

More information for parents and carers can be found on their website [www.tfseducation.com.au](http://www.tfseducation.com.au) and an exciting new website just for kids [www.tfskids.com.au](http://www.tfskids.com.au). Families can also [SUBSCRIBE](#) to our free bi-monthly newsletter.



## Tasmania Fire Service



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# Family information evening & course expo

*Tuesday June 3, 5pm*

*Glenorchy Campus*



Guilford  
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## Upcoming Events

27 May - 3 June	National Reconciliation Week
2 - 5 June	Year 10 Mid Year Exam Week
3 June	Guilford Young College Expo
4 June	P&F Meeting, Tweedy Meeting Room (Secondary), 6.30pm
5 June	STCPSSA Cross Country
6 June	Student Free Day
9 June	King's Birthday
10 - 20 June	2025 Scholastic Book Fair
11 June	JSSATIS Cross Country
13 June	St Dominic Savio & St John Bosco Feast Day P&F 'Spooky' Disco
20 June	SPEAK UP! Stay ChatTY Shorts Day

