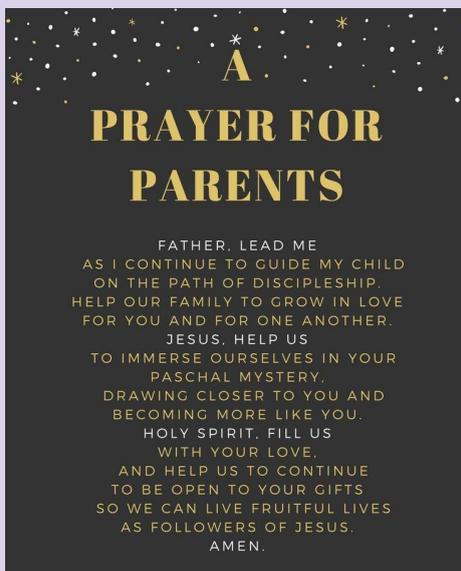




St Dominic's Catholic Primary School is committed to the care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of Catholic education.

St Dominic's School acknowledges the Wurundjeri people as the traditional custodians of this land. We pay our respects to the Elders of the past, present and future and acknowledge their spiritual connection to Country.

PRAYER



Celebrating Parents

Parents & Carers,

The value of parents and parenthood is celebrated worldwide each year on 1 June, which is 'Global Day of Parents'. Parents play an important role in our lives – not only are they our caregivers for those first crucial decades of our lives, but provide us with unconditional support, guidance and love. Throughout our lives, parents enrich us with the foundations needed throughout life that shape us into individuals.



CatholicCare empowers communities, builds strength and resilience, and works to help everyone reach their full potential.

To mark the '2022 Global Day of Parents', **CatholicCare** have put together some ways to celebrate parents and acknowledge all that they do for us:

1. Invite the family together for a gathering: a meal and cook a family favourite, share stories, look over family albums, and perhaps learn more about your family history and share a reason (or many) for why you are thankful for your parents.

2. Taking a walk together out in nature is not only a great way to spend time together, it is also good for everyone's mental health. Allocate some time, choose a track and enjoy time together out in the fresh air!
3. A card with a message is a gift for a parent to receive, no matter the age! Often we forget to express our gratitude for parents face to face and by writing it down on a card, it is not only a nice way to share gratitude, but also provides a keepsake for parents to read and reflect on for years to come.
4. Parents clean and do chores around the house on a daily basis! Why not hold a house cleaning party, turn on a favourite playlist and distribute tasks amongst all family members! This provides a chance to share the cleaning around, teach lifelong skills for the kids, have some fun and spend time together.
5. Including our parents in activities or occasions that may seem minutiae in our busy everyday lives, could be special for them; such as inviting a grandparent to watch a grandchild sports match or to attend a family dinner. By including our parents, it shows that they are appreciated and that you value their company.

A parent's role is endless; parents are who we entrust and who continue to provide guidance to children no matter the age. Sharing our gratitude to our parents for all that they have done and continue to do for us is important and is something we can do every day, not just once a year on Global Day of Parents!

To all parents, grandparents and carers, thank you for your unconditional sacrifices and love.

Happy Parents' Day everyone!

As a new Principal, I have been fortunate to be well-supported through the MACS Principal Induction Program. This has been intensive and valuable learning. Part of the program involves inviting feedback from selected 'raters'- staff, educational colleagues, parents, and other stakeholders. This takes place over the next month and completion of these surveys offers feedback on observable behaviours, identification of strengths in Leading the Community, as well as scope for future learning. The AITSL 360 Feedback process is based on the AITSL (Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership) Principal Standards, which defines the roles and responsibilities of the principal from a standard-referenced perspective. In advance, I thank those who have already agreed to support this process and I look forward to sharing the 'fruits' of ongoing learning with our St. Dom's community!

We congratulate all students who have taken part in recent sporting events; District & Divisional Cross Country & next week in Basketball Clinics and HoopTime. We are especially proud of the way St. Dominic's students represent our school when attending these events, by supporting others, showing strength and resilience, and for being respectful to others in competition.

A special Thank you to our Year 5/6 Camp Team, who have been coordinating our upcoming camp to Camp Kangarooie. We set off on Monday 6th June, and look forward to the learning opportunities that await, as well as the FUN which is most important to this great experience.

As we welcome parents into classrooms to support our learning programs, a reminder that all parent helpers are considered a 'worker' according to current COVID guidelines. Therefore, all classroom helpers must provide proof of COVID booster vaccination when signing in at the office. Thank you for your understanding.

Thank you to all Staff and Families for your partnership and support of student learning programs, wellbeing, and the sacramental, sporting and social events we are fortunate to share.

Stay warm!

Warm regards,



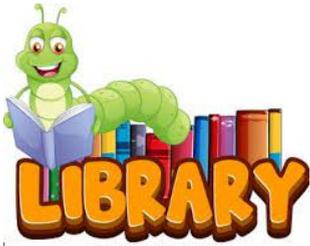
Mrs Natalie Kenny

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Library News!



As you are aware, we are in the process of refurbishing our Library area which will be a wonderful learning space for all students. New heating/cooling has been installed and next week our Library will be recarpeted.

Custom-made Library furnishings arrive by Week 8, and we will proudly have our Library available to our students by the end of this term. We look forward to showcasing this learning space for families in Term 3.



'Preps, Pizza and Pyjamas'

Prep families—
please add Tuesday 21st June
(5.30–6.30pm) to your calendar!
More information coming soon...



Featuring our Student Stars of the Week



Each of our fortnightly School Newsletters feature a class, a year level or a Specialist area. Teachers work with their students to feature and showcase some of their learning and achievements, through stories, student work and photos.

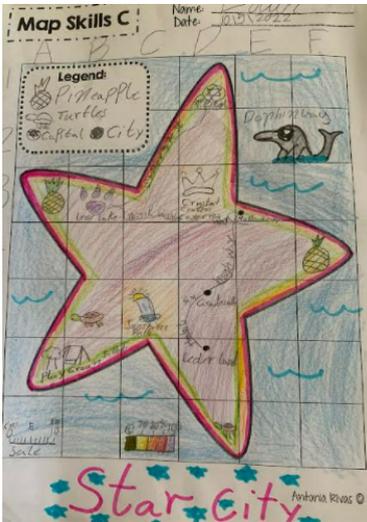


2022 STAFF PORTRAITS PAINTED BY THE PREPS



YEAR 3/4 TRAPANI

In 3/4 Trapani we have been completing some incredible pieces of work! From Art, to Mapping, to Information Reports, to learning all about the Biomes across the world! We have also tested out our Green Thumb to try and grow some grass hair! Our Inquiry Based Learning and STEM topics for this term is 'Adapt or Die!' It is based on the importance for animals and plants to adapt to their environment in order to thrive and survive! Do you know what a Biome is? If the answer is no, come and ask one of us, we would love to share our knowledge!



SPORTS UPDATE

On Tuesday 24 May, 42 students participated in the GIDSSA Division Cross Country Carnival. It was a fabulous day with so many competitors trying their very best, and achieving results they were very proud of. It was great to see the St Dominic's spirit shine in the way students encouraged their teammates and applauded all results.

The day was highlighted by St Dominic's winning the Aggregate Shield, and having runners in every race go through to Boroondara Division on Monday, 30 May.

A special mention to Michaela, Ashley, Connor, Eliza, Claudia, John, Eliza and Liam, who represented St Dominic's and GIDSSA at the Boroondara Division Cross country Carnival. All runners were outstanding on the very tough course, participating with great energy and sportsmanship. Congratulations to Michaela who finished 3rd in her race and will progress to the Regional Competition on Tuesday, 14 June. Good Luck Michaela.

DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY



DIVISION CROSS COUNTRY



Education in Faith News

Sacrament of First Eucharist

Many of our Year 4 students are preparing to celebrate the Sacrament of First Eucharist on the weekend, 18 and 19 June. Please keep our students in your prayers.



RECYCLE UNIFORM SHOP

The second hand uniform shop is a contactless service and is run solely by parents who volunteer their time. It can be accessed through an online google form and has a flat fee of \$5 per item. Money to be paid in cash on collection at the office. All proceeds go towards people who are in need in our school community.

Donations will only be accepted on nominated days at the end of each term. No donations are able to be accepted outside of these days.

*The next days for donations are
Thursday 9th June 2.30pm -3.30pm & Friday 10th June 8.30am-9.00am*

PLEASE NOTE:

We now only accept good quality donations. Unfortunately we will not be able to accept any items that are in need of repair, badly faded or stained. Donations must be clean and freshly laundered.

Please [click here](#) to order a second hand uniform.

Learning & Teaching News

Our teachers are busy collecting data and preparing the Semester One reports. These will be available in the last week of this term. Further communication will be sent out to ensure all families can access their child/children's reports on the nForma Parent Portal. With a shorter Term 2 than in previous year, we have decided to hold our Student Led Conferences in the second week of Term 3. The conferences provide opportunities for the students to showcase their learning and share learning and behaviour goals they will set for the term. Further information regarding our Student Led Conferences will be sent out later this term.

Planning has also begun for the learning and teaching for Term 3. Our Inquiry Based Learning broad concept of Sustainability will provide our students with many rich learning experiences throughout the term. Teachers are already thinking about incursion and excursion for their students. This planning will continue over the coming weeks.

Helen Anania- Learning & Teaching Leader

Ongoing Reminders....

COVID cases:

A reminder to all Parents: If there is a positive COVID case in your household, you must advise us immediately. Students who are a household contact are permitted to be at school, however they **MUST** wear a mask when indoors and complete a Rapid Antigen Test before school for 5 days (these will be supplied to your family). Continue to monitor each family member for any symptoms. More details below.

Morning Drop off times & Supervision:

Staff playground supervision commences at 8.30am each school morning and classroom doors open at 8.45am. Therefore, until 8.30am each day, we request that no children are dropped off at school, where possible. If work commitments require earlier drop offs, we recommend you contact OHSC Camp Australia, as this may be an option for your family. If you need to discuss this, please call our office.

Communication:

As you are aware, clear communication is vital and our key channels of communication are Operoo, SkoolBag, Newsletter, Bulletin & SeeSaw. Please regularly check on all forms of communication, particularly when receiving notifications for Operoo or SkoolBag information, and each Thursday for our Newsletter or Bulletin.

COVID REMINDERS

Parents/Carers,

Thank you to our Staff and Families for the partnership and communication which has supported those impacted, and in ensuring students who have needed to isolate have been well-supported. All COVID Safe are in accordance with current health directives and advice from MACS (Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools).

A reminder that parents/carers are most welcome to bring their child into the classroom (or drop at their classroom door) between 8.45-9.00am. You are also welcome to collect child/ren from outside their classroom in the afternoons. As these are brief visits, Vaccination status is not required.

We look forward to welcoming you into your child's learning spaces. Many parents have been supporting learning in classrooms recently, and we are so grateful for this. Unless done so already, your child/s teacher will advise you of future opportunities to support in classrooms as parent helpers, keeping in line with the COVID Safe requirements detailed below.

Recent updates:

1. Workers and Volunteers in Schools under the Pandemic (Workplace) Order 2022 (No. 8)

'Education workers' include volunteers who attend an education facility and work in close proximity to children, students or staff. This includes parent helpers, canteen assistants, reading helpers, excursion supervisors or classroom or working bee volunteers. As such, any volunteer performing any work at a school is an education worker and they must be fully vaccinated (boostered) or have an exemption.

2. Household contacts

Students and staff who are household contacts of a COVID-19 case are not required to quarantine. They can return to school as long as they undertake rapid antigen tests (RAT) 5 times within their 7-day period and wear face masks indoors if they are aged 8 and above, unless they have a valid exemption. Families are invited to request additional RAT kits from school should they be needed in these cases.

**NOTE- if there is a confirmed positive COVID case in your household, please advise school either via email to me nkenny@sdcamberwelleast.catholic.edu.au or by calling our school office. Once we are aware of this, we can supply additional RAT kits for testing required, as well as supply face masks if needed.*

3. Face Masks

Face Masks are no longer required in schools, and are optional. The exception is if a child or staff member is at school and has a positive COVID case in their household- in this case they are required to wear a face mask when indoors and must notify our office.

4. Rapid antigen testing:

Twice weekly RAT testing is no longer a requirement, however Rapid antigen tests continue to be available to all staff and students for the remainder of Term 2. Should you have a positive Covid case/s in your household, we can provide RAT kits for daily testing. Just contact our office if needed.

We thank you for your support.

**With thanks & in partnership,
Natalie Kenny - Principal**

PFA UPDATE

Dear Families,

Our Election Day Stall was an amazing success, the sun was out and with that our community came out in fantastic support of our school. It was great to see many of our school families and voters alike taking the time to enjoy the sunshine post voting with a sausage or two! A very big thanks to our families who took the time to bake some amazing cakes, biscuits, bliss balls and slices. Our cake stall was the envy of the surrounding schools and we sold out by lunchtime.

Special thank you also to the many volunteers leading up to the day and on the day, without you and your contribution, we could not have done this.

We are thrilled to say that we have raised \$3,735 from the three stalls and this money will go towards supporting the school with educational materials.

Now on to planning our next event.....we will keep you posted!

New PFA members are welcome at any time, feel free to come along to our next PFA meeting at East End Wine 7pm Tuesday June 7.

St Dominic's PFA



COMMUNITY NEWS

St Dom's netball club is looking for new players for the spring season.

Our current NetSetGo participants are having fun learning netball skills every Saturday morning at Ashwood courts! There are still 5 weeks to go if you feel like you want to give Netball a try!

If you are in years 3, 4, 5 or 6 and want to play in a team, spring season is commencing on Saturday the 27th of August. Please follow the instructions on the flyer to register your interest. We are really keen to fill spots especially in our year 5 team. Netball is a great way to be social and active with friends!

If you have any other enquiries, please contact:
stdomsnetballvicepresident@gmail.com



ST PAUL'S KINDERGARTEN
Premier Fundraising Event



HEROES VS. VILLAINS

TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday 18 June
7:00 PM for 7:30 PM Start
Canterbury Primary School

COMMUNITY EVENT - ALL WELCOME!

This is a community fundraising event, please extend the invitation to family and friends.

Prizes for highest trivia score, best costume and best table set up

Scan the QR code below for more details and to book via TryBooking.



Are you in grade 3, 4, 5, or 6?

St Dominic's Netball Club

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COMMENCING SATURDAY 27TH AUGUST

Register your
interest:



**Boys and Girls
All abilities welcome**

