



St. Dominic's Primary School

Camberwell East



School Bulletin No. 6

Thursday 18th April, 2024



St Dominic's 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 Primary School acknowledges the Wurundjeri people as the traditional custodians of the land on which we work, learn and gather. We pay our respects to the Elders of the past, present and future and acknowledge their spiritual connection to Country.



IMPORTANT DATES [St. Dominic's School Google Calendar](#)

UPCOMING DATES:

- 2025 School Enrolment Tours & 2025 Enrolment Information Evening (7pm)- Thursday 18th April
- 'Principal for a Day' & Whole School Assembly (2.45pm in Veritas Hall)- Friday 19th April
- PFA Meeting- Tuesday 23rd April (7pm)
- **ANZAC Day- Thursday 25th April (School Closure Day)**
- **Staff Formation Day- Friday 26th April (School Closure Day)**
- Sacrament of First Eucharist Commitment Masses- Sat. 27th April (6pm) or Sun. 28th April (9.30am)
- UPP- Unleashing Personal Potential Student Leadership Workshop- Year 6s- Monday 29th April
- School Advisory Council Meeting- Wednesday 1st May (7pm)
- **Year 5/6s Level Mass, in St Dominic's Church- Thursday 2nd May (2.30pm)**
- 2025 School Enrolment Tours- Friday 3rd May
- 2025 School Enrolment Tours- Monday 6th May
- Mother's Day Stall- Monday 6th May
- **Camp Kangarooie- Year 5/6s- Tuesday 7th May-Friday 10th May**
- Annual Walk to School Day- Friday 10th May (further information soon!)

Term 2 Level Masses:

- Year 5/6s- Thursday 2nd May (2.30pm)
- Year P & 1/2s- Thursday 16th May (2.30pm)
- Year 3/4s- Thursday 13th June (2.30pm)

Parents, we ask you to regularly check on school dates, via Google Calendar, our weekly Newsletter/Bulletin, as well as via your Audiri app which is linked to the Google Calendar. If you need assistance with accessing any of this information, please contact our school office staff. Thank you

Welcome Back to Term 2!

Parents & Carers,

Wishing you and your families all the blessings of the Easter Season. May the joy, love and hope of the Easter Jesus, live in you & through your families, friends and our community, knowing that in Him, We are loved.

Yours in partnership,
Natalie Kenny & St. Dominic's Staff



A BIG Welcome to our New St. Dominic's Students!

Welcome Eleanora (1/2M)



Welcome Alice (3/4T)



Welcome Emilia (5/6PH)



Welcome Hugo (5/6G)



2025 Prep Enrolments

Parent & Families,

Thank you for those who have been advocating for our wonderful school, encouraging friends and neighbours to enrol at St. Dominic's!

We value the importance of families making the right decision for their child/ren, as well as their family, when enrolling for school.

Our team is here to support families in this decision and to address any concerns or queries.



Enrolment Forms can be accessed via this link or on our school website.

Enrolments for Prep 2025 close on Friday 24th May, 2024.

Enrolments can be completed at any time prior, to secure your child's place as soon as possible.



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**ENROL NOW & join us
for our school tour dates**



19 February 2024 (Mon) – All day

18 April 2024 (Thurs) – All day + 7-8pm

27 February 2024 (Tues) – All day

03 May 2024 (Fri) – All day

06 March 2024 (Wed) – All day

07 May 2024 (Tues) – All day

18 March 2024 (Mon) – All day

15 May 2024 (Wed) – All day



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2024 Cross Country Carnival



Congratulations to every one of our St. Dom's students!

Our 2024 Cross Country Carnival was a wonderful day.

We are so proud of the sportsmanship, teamwork and efforts of every child & staff member.

Special thanks to Maria Mitchell, our PE teacher, who prepared students and coordinated this great event.

Congratulations to Caesarini House, who are our 2024 Cross Country Winners!

Special congratulations to our 2024 Spirit Award- Aquinas House



Reminder: Smartphones/watches at school



Parents & Carers,

As per our 2024 Digital Technologies User Agreement, all devices brought to school by students must be housed in a secure box each day and stored safely in our school office.

We thank you for continuing to work with us to support students who bring these devices to school. If you have any queries, please contact our office.



Parenting Matters.....



Disasters, the media and your child



When natural disasters occur in Australia, or man made disasters occur elsewhere in the world, they are often given constant media coverage. It can seem like every time you turn on the TV there is more news about the event, who has been hurt and what is happening now.

Media coverage during times of disaster is important. It can help to provide people who have been affected by the disaster with news and information about where to go, how to access help and when it is safe to return to their homes. However, many people, including children and families, can become absorbed by the constant news stream about the disaster and sometimes watch or listen for hours.

We know that during times of disaster children need to be protected and kept in mind. This can also mean not allowing them to have too much access to media coverage about the disaster.

The impacts

When disasters are being shown on TV, or covered on the radio or on the internet, parents really need to be mindful about how much exposure their child has to this. The media often focus on the most frightening aspects of a disaster and this coverage can often contain graphic, scary and disturbing images. Seeing this type of media coverage can cause distress or worry for children and adolescents. Children and young people will also often discuss what they have seen in the media with each other, so even though your child may not be seeing it on TV, they are still exposed to it by their friends.

Some of the ways that this sort of media coverage can impact on children and young people are:

- » It can lead to children and young people thinking a lot about the disaster and this can impact on their sleep and their time at school.
- » It can cause worry and anxiety that the same sort of disaster may happen to them or their family
- » It can lead them to generally feel that they are unsafe and that something bad may happen to them or their family.

The more media coverage a child or young person sees, the more likely it is that they will become afraid or upset.

Disasters, the media and your child

Helping your child

It is important that parents, carers and other family members help children and young people to cope with the media coverage that they may see of a disaster.

Some ways that you can do this include:

- » Restricting the amount of time that children and young people are able to watch TV or internet coverage of the disaster.
- » Making sure that you are there with your child when they are watching coverage of a disaster. This way you can talk to them about their fears and answer any questions that they may have.
- » Distracting your child from the media coverage by doing something else with them, such as watching a different TV show or playing a game.
- » Helping your child to understand what has happened and why it has happened and providing information on how likely this is to happen to you and your family.
- » Reminding your child that while what is happening in the disaster is upsetting, there are also lots of good things happening in the world, though these do not always receive the same level of media coverage.
- » Helping to remind your child that they are safe and that you are there to answer any of their questions and provide comfort to them if they are feeling unsafe.
- » Giving support to your child when upset, answering their questions and comforting them with physical affection.

Talking to your child and making sure that you continue to follow the normal routines and rhythms of your daily life are important ways to help your child feel safe and secure. Keep in mind that if your child does begin to show signs of excessive worry or distress at the media coverage they have seen, you may need to speak to your GP or another health professional.

For more information

The Trauma & Grief Network: Supporting families

www.tgn.anu.edu.au

This tipsheet has been written by Professor Beverley Raphael and Amanda Harris.


Professor Beverley Raphael is a Psychiatrist, Head of the Academic Unit of Psychiatry and Addiction Medicine at the Australian National University and Chairperson of the Australian Child & Adolescent Trauma, Loss & Grief Network.

Amanda Harris is a Psychologist and the Director of the Australian Child & Adolescent Trauma, Loss & Grief Network.

The Trauma and Grief Network is funded by the Australian Government and part of the Australian National University's Australian Child and Adolescent Trauma Loss and Grief Network.



Walk Safely to School Day!

Walk Safely to School Day is an annual event when all Primary School children are encouraged to walk and commute safely to school. 

Regular physical activity has many social, emotional, physical and mental health benefits.

Walking to school is a great way to incorporate physical activity into a daily routine to support healthy development.

Also, reduced car dependency does lead to cleaner air! 

It is a good opportunity to reinforce road safety rules too 

Please support this event, together with your child, on **Friday 10 May**



SAVE THE DATE! *Mother's Day* **HIGH TEA**

Friday | 17 May | 1:30pm

Come along to help celebrate our Mothers and special friends over a delicious high tea to honor the special people in our lives.
\$55 a head includes special gift and keepsake

Please email a photo of you and your child to be used for a keepsake gift and to be displayed on the day.
donnamurphy@outlook.com.au

Any dietary requirements to be listed on the trybooking link below, vegetarian options available

PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS
VIA TRYBOOKING BELOW



Mother's Day **HIGH TEA MENU**

Top Tier

Traditional scones with jam and cream

Sandwiches

Chicken, spring onion, salad, mayonnaise
Beef with beetroot relish, alfalfa and fetta
Cucumber and cream cheese

Savoury

Caramelised onion and goats cheese quiche
Mini cheese burgers

Dessert

Red velvet cupcakes
Profiteroles



*In next week's Newsletter....
Updates on our Italian Festa
funds raised and how
this will maximise learning
opportunities for all
St. Dom's students!*

Mother's Day **GIFT STALL**

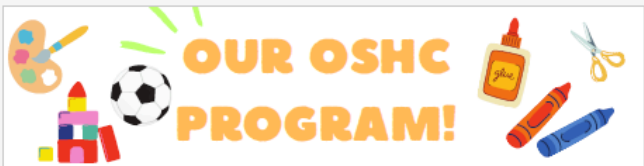
Students to bring a small amount of money to purchase gifts from the stall during school hours.
Gifts priced from \$1 - \$10

Please bring a bag
(labelled with students name)
To take gifts home.

Monday 6th May

Beyond EduCare

Chess Coaching 😊



Beyond EduCare is proud to now be operating the OSHC program at St Dominic's Primary School!

Educators Shayan and Claudia have had so much fun getting to know several St Dominic's students and exploring a range of fun and exciting activities and games during the before and after school care sessions.



The educators of Beyond EduCare recognise that the primary years of schooling is an eventful period of learning and development, as children are exposed to new challenges and opportunities, while rapidly expanding their physical, social, emotional, cognitive and language domains of development. Through this recognition, is an understanding of the value and importance of a space where children feel safe to explore their passions and ideas and learn to make decisions.



Children who attend the service are encouraged to share their ideas for the program and in conjunction with engaging in planned activities, have opportunities to initiate their own play and learning. This ensures that activities during OSHC are meaningful to the children and provides a sense of belonging and responsibility.

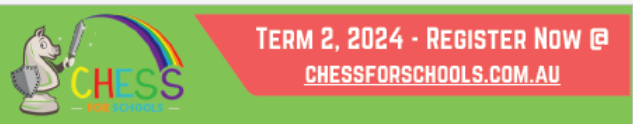
While we are half way through term 1, the educators and children attending OSHC have been super busy, engaging in a variety of fun and creative activities. From creating cardboard cities, to putting on Taylor Swift concerts and competing in obstacle courses, the OSHC service at St Dominic's Primary School offers valuable opportunities for child exploration and development. Over the last few weeks at OSHC, the children have particularly enjoyed playing with the remote control rally cars, creating some fabulous artwork, constructing buildings and cars out of magnetic blocks and participating in some fun and competitive sport games and challenges.

We have been having so much fun at OSHC and the educators at Beyond EduCare look forward to meeting more students of St Dominic's.

TO BOOK A BEFORE OR AFTER SCHOOL SESSION WITH US:

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CLASS DETAILS - ST DOMINIC'S PRIMARY

DAY	TIME	LOCATION	DATES	COST
Wednesdays	1.40pm - 2:30 pm	Library	24 Apr to 19 Jun	\$138 per child/per term

"Alex loves chess club and gets very upset if he misses a session. His chess has definitely improved and his teacher, Anita feels that it helps with his math in class in terms of concepts and thinking. Keep up the great work!" Katrina Lambert: Hampton Primary School

Junior Rockers Guitars & Vocals

Dear Parents,

We hope this message finds you well. We are excited to announce that Junior Rockers will be offering our engaging and fun music lessons as part of the extra-curricular activities for Term 2.

At Junior Rockers, we believe that music is a wonderful way for students to express themselves, develop confidence, and learn valuable skills that will benefit them throughout their lives. Our program is designed to be inclusive and enjoyable for all students, regardless of their previous musical experience.

Here are some highlights of what our program offers:

Expert Instruction: 🎸 Our experienced music instructors are passionate about teaching and are dedicated to helping students discover their musical talents.

Variety of Instruments: 🎵 Students can choose to learn a variety of instruments, including guitar, drums, piano, and vocals.

Fun and Engaging Lessons: 🎶 Our lessons are designed to be interactive and enjoyable, making learning music a rewarding experience. Choose from our traditional lessons, or try our new **Group Lessons**, available from just \$22 per lesson!

Performance Opportunities: 🎤 Students will have the chance to showcase their skills in performances throughout the year, boosting their confidence and stage presence.

Convenient Location: 🏠 Lessons are held at school, making it convenient for students to participate without the hassle of traveling to external locations.

We invite you to sign up your child for Junior Rockers music lessons in Term 2 and let them embark on a musical journey full of creativity and growth. To register or learn more about our program, please visit www.juniorrockers.com or contact us at info@juniorrockers.com.

Thank you for considering Junior Rockers as part of your child's extracurricular activities. We look forward to welcoming your child to our music program and helping them discover the joy of music!



Music Tuition In Your School

Junior Rockers

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🎸 Guitar
🎹 Piano
🎤 Singing
🥁 Drums

Sign up to shared lessons with a friend, get 1 free lesson each!

SIGN UP NOW

- No sign-up fee ✓
- Experienced teachers ✓
- Parent portal & lesson calendar ✓
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- Private & shared lessons available ✓
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Come join St Dom's Tennis Club



- Open to players of all levels, for social play, night competition, seniors or juniors
- Very affordable annual membership fees
 - Family \$230
 - Adult \$120
 - Student \$50
 - One-off joining fee waived for school families
- Mod-grass courts (3) with lights, with access to BBQ and clubhouse facilities.
- New members very welcome, especially from school
- Contact president Peter Davy, davy@bevwill.cpom.au or 0417 142 464

PIANO LESSONS

Kit has 30 years of teaching experience and is currently in her 13th year of teaching piano at St. Dominic's.

Kit inspires her students to do their best no matter the level of piano, whether it's for piano exams or for leisure, ensuring that it will be a fun and rewarding experience.

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OR 0423 499 966 if interested.



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School Crossing Supervisor Awards are back: VOTE 1 for our very own Greg Rizio!

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▶ Follow this link to access the Nomination Form and all further information you need!

www.schoolcrossingsvictoria.com.au/supervisor-year-awards/



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Book a tour

Wednesday 27 March
Tuesday 19 April
Monday 29 April
Wednesday 8 May



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welcomes you to see our campus in action on a school tour.

Upcoming dates are:

Monday 29 April
Wednesday 8 May

Register to attend. (Here is the booking URL to hyperlink:

<https://www.camhigh.vic.edu.au/book-a-tour/>)

All tours depart at 9am from the Main Office at the centre of the campus. You will be guided by a member of our Principal team.