



St. Dominic's Primary School

Camberwell East



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Thursday 8th May, 2025



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.

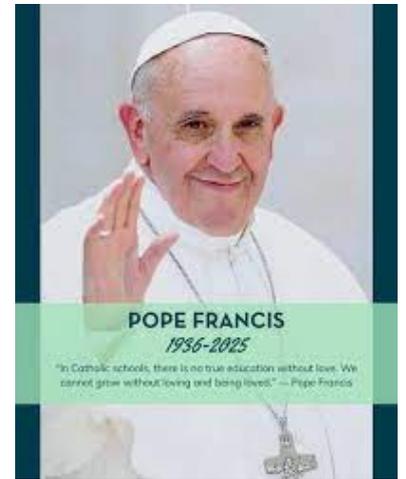
St Dominic's Primary School acknowledges the Wurundjeri people as the traditional custodians of the land on which we work, learn and gather. We pay our respects to the Elders of the past, present and future and acknowledge their spiritual connection to Country.



Important Dates

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

- Year 5/6s Canberra Camp- Tuesday 6th-Friday 9th May
- **MOTHER'S DAY- Sunday 11th May**
- School Enrolment Tours- Monday 12th May
- School Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting- Tuesday 13th May (7pm)
- GIDSSA Cross Country- Tuesday 20th May
- National Simultaneous Storytime- Wednesday 21st May
- Prep Family Prayer Night- Wednesday 21st May
- Centenary Gala Dinner (Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club)- Saturday 24th May



Reminders, Every Week:

- ★ **Sunflower Kids Playgroup**- Mon. 2.30-3.30pm & Thurs. 9-10.30am (Community Hub)
- ★ **Chess for Kids**- Wednesdays 1.40-2.40pm (Veritas Hall)
- ★ **St Dom's School Choir** practice- Friday mornings at 8.00am (Italian room)



Highlights from our Mother's Day Breakfast



House Cross Country Carnival (more highlights in next week's Newsletter!)



A brilliant day of Autumn sunshine blessed us, as we celebrated the fun and festivities of our House Cross Country carnival, on Thursday 1st May! With the final scores being the closest in recent history, there was only one point separating 1st and 2nd place on the day.



*1st Place: Caesarini (Gold)
2nd Place: Siena House (Red)
3rd Place: Aquinas House (Blue)
4th Place: De Porres House (Green)
House Spirit Award: De Porres*



Centenary Gala News



On behalf of our St. Dom's school community, our PFA and staff, you are warmly invited to attend our Centenary Gala Dinner, on Saturday 24th May.

This special event is being held at Kooyong Lawn Tennis Club, with tickets being \$165 per person, all inclusive.

If you wish to attend, ticket purchases can be made by following directions below:

- Go to our trybooking link - <https://www.trybooking.com/DAREL>
- Select your Table
- Purchase & pay for your ticket

We look forward to a momentous celebration together, marking our school's Centenary year!

St. Dominic's Parish News



St. Dominic's Parish Newsletter
[The Dominican](#)

Centenary News!

ST. DOMINIC'S CENTENARY WEBSITE:

(including online merchandise store)

stdominicscamberwelleastcentenary.brokenpixel.com.au

ST. DOMINIC'S CENTENARY EMAIL ADDRESS:

centenary2025@sdcamberwelleast.catholic.edu.au

Centenary Merchandise

St. Dominic's Primary School
Camberwell East

1925 2025

Celebrating 100 years of Faith, Learning and Community



BACK TO ST. DOMINIC'S

for those from 1940 – 1950

SATURDAY, 10th MAY, 2025

1.30 pm – 4.30 pm

- Visit the school!
- Enjoy time with your former classmates!

PLEASE PASS THE WORD AROUND!!

Further enquiries: Sr. Margaret Fields OP

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Prep 2026 Roadmap

St. Dominic's, Camberwell East: 2026 Prep Enrolment Roadmap	
2026 Enrolment Information Evening This meeting is primarily for those seeking 2026 Prep enrolment, however families looking to enrol their child/ren at other year levels are most welcome to attend.	Wednesday 30th April - 7pm, in Veritas Hall <i>Bookings via the event on our website</i>
Closing date for 2026 enrolment applications: Application completed online & must include \$100 enrolment fee for new families or \$50 enrolment fee for families with a sibling currently enrolled at St. Dominic's	Friday 23rd May, 2025
Prep 2026 Placement Offers sent	Friday 30th May, 2025-
Prep 2026 Placement Acceptances due back	Friday 13th June, 2025
Meet & Greet dates (for all new Prep 2026 enrolments) Parent/s & child/ren Meet & Greet with Natalie Kenny - Principal & Fr Paul Rowse - Parish Priest	Meet & Greet (individual family meetings held at St. Dominic's school) during the weeks of: 2nd June, 9th June, 16th June 2025
Big School Story Time! Welcoming our 2026 Preps through Story & Fun (with our Principal, Natalie Kenny)	Term 3, 2025: Dates TBC
Welcome to St. Dominic's Community Welcome, Information, then light refreshments for all new 2026 parents, in Veritas Hall - 7pm	Thursday 23rd October - 7pm
Prep Transition Mornings For all Prep 2026 students & Parents invited to attend Welcome sessions during these times	Wednesday 29th October, 2025 Wednesday 12th November, 2025 Wednesday 3rd December, 2025

Term 2 Chess Club

TERM 2, 2025 - REGISTER NOW @
CHESSFORSCHOOLS.COM.AU

SPECIALISED CHESS COACHING

Since 2002, we have been providing our popular Chess For Schools program in schools throughout Melbourne and Greater Geelong

"I am thrilled with the tremendous success of the chess program run by Chess for Schools. The students' adoration for the program is evident as they eagerly anticipate lunchtime on Tuesdays, bursting with excitement. The instructors' dedication, patience and attentiveness foster an engaging and nurturing learning environment, igniting the children's passion for chess as their skills flourish".

Jessica Ward, Teacher - Loreto Toorak.

HOW CAN CHESS BENEFIT YOUR CHILD?

Educational: Improved IQ, critical thinking, concentration, analytical skills, memory.
Social: Develop new friendships, social interaction skills, sportsmanship.
Emotional: Confidence, self-esteem, resilience through winning and losing games.

CLASS STRUCTURE:

Different lessons are taught each week from a structured syllabus ranging from tactics, strategies, master openings, traps & special moves. After the lesson children are paired up in a fun tournament play off. Prizes are awarded to the top 3 players at end of term.

BOOK HERE ➔ CHESSFORSCHOOLS.COM.AU

CLASS DETAILS - ST DOMINIC'S PRIMARY

DAY	TIME	LOCATION	DATES	COST
Wednesdays	1:40pm - 2:30pm	Library	30 April to 25 June	\$145 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 concept and thinking. Keep up the great work!"
Katherine Lambert: Hampton Primary School

Second Hand Uniform

All items continue to be just \$5 each — we're the only shop in Melbourne that hasn't been hit by inflation in the past 12 months!

Online Order Requests - Open Now

We've set up a new [online form](#) to submit requests for uniforms you would like to order. If you fill out the form here, we'll be in touch asap to advise either that it's ready to pick up, or that we don't have any but will leave it as a standing request for after our next Donation Day.

Here is the request link:

<https://forms.gle/bu5dUWrMgH99sY369>

If you have any questions please drop me a line at uniforms@cleary.au and I'll get back to you as soon as I can!

Thanks! John Cleary

Term 2 Junior Rockers News



SPECIAL OFFER!
For New Students in 2025.
Get one **FREE** lesson in Term 2 when you sign up for a full-term of instrumental music lessons, for any instrument of your choosing!

HOW TO CLAIM:
Simply write "Free Lesson" in the notes section of the application form to receive the Free Lesson!

T&C's apply. Get in touch for more information.

info@juniorrockers.com 1300 GO ROCK www.juniorrockers.com

School Choir



There are some changes to the choir practice schedule in Maddie's absence. Please note the following dates below for the newsletter.

If new children would like to join our St. Dom's School Choir, new members can join after May 16.

Friday May 9 – No Choir Practice (Due to Year 5/6 camp and Siena Mother's Day Breakfast)

Friday May 16 – Choir is back! Maddie returns and we'll be introducing two new songs to the children.

Piano Lessons

Kit has 30 years of teaching experience and is currently in her 13th year of teaching piano at St. Dominic's. She is an accomplished piano and vocal teacher, graduating with a degree in Music from the London College of Music in addition with the following qualifications; Associate Teacher's Diploma and Licentiate Teacher's Diploma.

She has previously studied under the renowned Neil Immelman from the Royal College of Music in London, which is where her trusted expertise comes from. As well as school and teaching commitments, Kit has also worked with the children's choir in church for over 10 years.

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.

Please reach out to kityenpin@gmail.com or 0423 499 966 if interested.



Community News



SURREY HILLS PRE-SCHOOL CENTRE
2025 OPEN DAY
-SATURDAY- MAY 17TH
10AM - 12PM
18 VERDUN STREET, SURREY HILLS
SURREYHILLSPREESCHOOL.COM.AU/OPEN-DAY
EXCEEDING KINDERGARTEN Victorian Government Approved
Surrey Hills Pre-School Centre
WE ARE COMMITTED TO KEEPING PRESCHOOL SAFE FOR YOUR PEOPLE SAFE



ENROL NOW FOR 2026

It really is like another world.

3 year old program 2026
As every child will be encountering kindergarten for the first time, we aim to make them feel secure and happy. We provide a comfortable learning environment to allow them to explore the world around them, and develop at their own pace.

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Sessions			8:30am to 10:00am	8:30am to 10:00am	8:30am to 10:00am

4 year old / Pre Prep program 2026
The program focuses on encouraging the children to be actively involved in their own learning, with the ability to determine areas of interest and exploration.

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Sessions	8am to 9am	8am to 9am		8am to 9am	8am to 9am

Book a tour
Contact our Director, Nikki Starnard

Location: At the rear 163B Wattle Valley Road Camberwell
Tel: 9800 1812 Email: stsdunstan.king@kindergarten.vic.gov.au



ENROL NOW FOR 2026
3 & 4-year-old Kinder Programs
stsdunstan@kindergarten.vic.gov.au

KINDER OPEN DAY
Saturday 17 May 2025 10am - 12pm