Term 1, Week 9
March 27, 2012

2012 Motto  “Be all that you can be and you will set the world on fire”
St Catherine of Siena

Reflection - Easter

God of Good Friday and God of Easter,
as again we sing that joyous and explosive greeting, ‘Christ is risen’;
may we take into our hearts the beautiful but harsh truth
that our faith in You does not cut us off from the world but
immerses us in it;  Amen

Dear families

Last week and this week our Year 3 and 4 students have celebrated the Sacrament of Penance and made their First Reconciliation. This is one of the Sacraments of Initiation and is an important time for the children as this Sacrament is a new moment of grace and a time of awareness about our personal and social sin, calling us to remember our Baptismal commitment, our life confirmed in the Spirit, our unity with the Eucharistic people. Thank you to Mrs Mel Anderson, Mrs Cathy Mullaney, Ms Lisa Connolly, Ms Amy Litley, Ms Sharmi O’Leary and Mrs Trish Morrison for preparing the children to receive this Sacrament. Thank you also to all of the staff for their support throughout these ceremonies.

Over the last few weeks the parents in the Parents and Friends Association have been very busy organising the Hot Cross Bun drive and Easter Raffle. These events are important fundraising activities and we thank you all for your work in spending some of your valuable time organising these events. Many thanks also to all of you for supporting these initiatives and purchasing raffle tickets and hot cross buns. All money raised will be used to support the children and their learning.

Recently, with some of the money raised previously, we have purchased equipment for the oral language room which our students, particularly those in the junior school, will use to support their language development.

On Thursday, 19th April we will be coming together as a community to celebrate “Growing and Creating Together”, this is an opportunity to celebrate the richness of the community and to recognise the talents and expertise that each of us bring. On this day we will also launch our Community Arts Project which will see the development of a community garden on the site. Information regarding this event went home last week. I ask you all to keep this day free so that you are able to be with us for this celebration. In the morning children will be in family groups and have the opportunity to share a family treasure with the group, we will launch the Community Arts Project, have a parade of national dress and morning tea. Parents and family members are invited to share the morning session with us. After recess children will experience a range of cultural activities.

It is amazing that already we are at the end of term 1. Thank you to everyone for your support throughout this term. Best wishes to you all for a safe and happy holiday and Easter. I look forward to continuing to work with you all next term.

Carmel Marantelli
PRINCIPAL

END OF TERM 1 THIS FRIDAY, March 30 - 1.30pm

Term 2 Begins Monday, April 16

TUESDAY, APRIL 24 - SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY
Fees for 2012 will be $1050 or $1850 per family plus a Curriculum and Excursion Fee of $220 per child. The Curriculum and Excursion Fee is now overdue so we ask that you finalise by this Friday, March 30.

Statements have been mailed.

Term 1 Fee

The Term 1 fee of $250 is now overdue, please make arrangements to pay this fee. We have a number of ways in which you can pay, Eftpos, cash, cheque, direct debit, Bpay or Centrepay.

Parish Stewardship Please note

All Families will be billed at the higher rate of $1850.00 in Term One. In Term Two the Parish will issue the school with a list of all families who have paid their contribution to St Dominic’s Stewardship Program. Those who have paid will then be given their parish exemption of $800.00 off the family School Fee for 2012 (the lower fee will be $1050.00). This will show up on your Term 2 statement.

Caffeine will be closed on Friday March 30 Last Day of Term 1

CANTEEN ROSTER

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SCHOOL PHOTOS will be held in Term 2 on FRIDAY, APRIL 27

Envelopes will be sent home next Term.

HEAD LICE ALERT

PARENTS PLEASE ENSURE YOU CHECK YOUR CHILD/REN’S HAIR. HELP BREAK THE CYCLE.

The school has been notified of a number of cases of head lice. Department of Human Services (Public Health Division) guidelines require that we ask you to:

Check your child’s hair

- If infected, treat the hair with a recommended lotion from the chemist & repeat 7 days after first treatment
- Wash all bedding, towels hairbrushes/combs
- Make sure that no eggs remain attached to the hair

Head lice are very common so there is no need to be alarmed, however they should be treated quickly to prevent them from spreading.

We are asking that all parents examine their child’s hair and look for the following signs:

Persistent scratching, particularly behind the ears and the nape of the neck accompanied by a red rash.

- Tiny silver white eggs at the base of the hair shaft
- Small pale brown lice. You may wish to use a magnifying glass and a fine tooth comb under strong light to help identify the lice. We understand that this process is tedious and time-consuming, but Department of Human Services (Public Health Division) insists that no student attend school when affected by head lice.

ONCE TREATED, STUDENTS CAN RETURN TO SCHOOL
WINTER UNIFORMS

All Children should be wearing winter uniforms in Term 2
Girls Winter Tunics - we have been advised by our supplier that there is a slight delay in delivery.
Families will be notified via the newsletter when they arrive.
We sincerely apologise for this inconvenience.

Uniforms For Sale

The following uniform items are available for sale, all items are in good condition. If interested please contact Elizabeth on 0415 052 380
1 x size L - full brim hat 1 x size 6 - polo
1 x size 8 - Jumper 6 x size 6 - shorts
All items for $100

HAVE YOU LOST………………

A pair of adult reading glasses? A pair were left in Office Reception area.
Please contact the Office to claim them.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

As you are aware a new-tiered fee structure will be introduced in 2012. However, in 2011 all families were asked contribute to the Parish Stewardship Program. To those families who have already made the effort to establish their contribution to this program we are very grateful for your support. I would like to remind families who are yet to contribute to ensure this has been addressed as soon as possible. We aim to have everyone on the lower tiered fee option in 2012.

As always any family who is experiencing genuine financial difficulties can discuss suitable arrangements with the Parish at any time. Of course, these payment arrangements and conversations remain confidential at all times.

Father Michael Moody
Parish Priest
On Behalf of St. Dominic’s Parish Finance Committee

EASTER MASS TIME TABLE

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| Holy Thursday April 5| Mass of the Lord’s Supper – 7.30 pm
|                      | Adoration – 8.30 pm to 11.00 pm |
| Good Friday April 6  | Stations of the Cross – 10.30 am (commencing in the hall)
|                      | Celebration of the Lord’s Passion – 3.00 pm |
| Holy Saturday        | Blessing of the Easter Food – 10.30 am
|                      | Please note: **No Evening Mass** |
| Easter Sunday April 8| Mass: 6.30 am Easter Vigil
|                      | 9.00 am and 11.00 am |

RECONCILITATION

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**Calendrier des événements**

**March**

- Vendredi 30 : Fin de la première moitié de l'année - Les études se terminent à 13h30

**April**

- Lundi 16 : DÉBUT DE LA DEUXIÈME MOITIÉ
- Mardi 24 : Jour de fermeture des écoles
- Mercredi 25 : Jour de l'Anzac
- Jeudi 26 : Excursion du prép à Werribee Zoo
- Vendredi 27 : Jour de photo des étudiants

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**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**AUS KICK REGISTRATION**

Où : Réserve Kurunjang Centenary Avenue

Quand : Mercredi, 28 mars à partir de 16h00

Contact : Peter 0412 452 836 / Lauren 0409 865 037

**MOTHER'S DAY CLASSIC**

PÉRILLE / COURIR pour la recherche du cancer de grossesse 4km/ 8km

Quand : Dimanche, 13 mai

Où : Jardins Alexandra & The Tan Track, Melbourne

Enregistrer : mothersdayclassic.com

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Veuillez vous inscrire sur le tableau disponible dans le foyer de l'église. Cela nous aidera avec les demandes d'assiettes pour le repas.

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