Dear Families

On Saturday we had the Djerriwarrh festival and it was a fantastic day. The festival had a wonderful atmosphere so I hope you were all able to enjoy some of the fun and events on the day. The weather could not have been better and the children looked wonderful in their outfits. They, and their parents, had gone to a lot of effort to dress for the era we had chosen. I’m sure there was a fair bit of washing and scrubbing over the next day or two to remove the hair colours, tattoos and other little extras that had been added. A very special thank you to Mr Shane Magri for organising and driving the truck for us. Thanks also to Ms Sharni O’Leary for co-ordinating a team of staff from St Catherine of Siena and St Dominc’s for the combined float.

Next week we will have the first of our Advent Paraliturgy. These will be held weekly for the next four weeks at 9:00am in the hall. We invite parents, grandparents and other family members to join us. A different grade/year level will run these paraliturgies. Last week was very busy with our Year 2’s visiting a gym in Ballarat and participated in a range of activities. Our Year Prep and Year 1 students participated in a Zumba class at school and the Year 3 students had a healthy snack morning with an incredible range of food brought in to share with others. All of these activities stem from this terms Inquiry which is a Wellbeing unit and focuses on spiritual, emotional and physical health and the factors which can impact on this.

Last week a team of senior students attended the Rugby Gala Day. The children had a great day and played several matches against a range of schools from the Melton area. Thanks to Mr Sage for organising this event and training these students over a number of weeks. Thanks also to Mr Higgins who supervised the students on the day.

Best wishes for a great week.

Carmel Marantelli
PRINCIPAL

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Tuesday, November 13**  Prep 2013 information Meeting 7Pm
- **Thursday, November 15**  School Closure Day
- **Friday, November 16**  Year 3 excursion to Coles

**St Dominic’s Parish Office**
10 Unitt Street, Melton
Tel: 9743 6515, Fax: 9747 8603
Email: stdoms@bigpond.net.au
Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday between 10am - 4pm

**Mass Times**
- **Saturday Evenings**: 6.00pm
- **Sunday Mornings**: 9.00am & 11.00am
- **Tuesday Evening**: 7.00pm at St Dominic’s
- **Wednesday - Friday**: 9.15am at St Dominic’s
School Fees

School fees are now overdue and with only 7 weeks of school left need to be finalised. Statements have been mailed home recently. Please make arrangements to pay these fees as soon as possible.

If you are experiencing difficulty paying school fees please make an appointment at the Office to see Carmel Marantelli or Fr Michael on 9743 6515 to discuss your situation.

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Cdf Student Banking

Thursdays are student banking day
Deposit books are to be handed in to class or the Office by 9.00am on banking day. Encourage your child to save by opening up a CDF Banking account.

Application forms are available from the Office

Liberary News

Scholastic Book club orders are due by November 23
No late orders after this date will be accepted

Advent Paraliturgry

Monday November 19th, 8.50am in School Hall
Hosted by 5/6L
Jesse Tree Decorated by Preps

Monday November 26th, 8.50am in School Hall
Hosted by 4IK
Jesse Tree Decorated by Grade 1

Monday December 3rd, 8.50am in school Hall
Hosted by 5/6MNP
Jesse Tree Decorated By 2QS

Monday December 10, 8.50am in School Hall
Hosted by 3UV
Jesse Tree Decorated By 2/3RT
Parking and Drop Off
Throughout the building of the Church there have been many changes to the available parking. This has made the drop off and pick up times difficult for many parents. As you all realise our prime concern is for the safety of the children as they, particularly the younger ones, do not always have an awareness of their safety. Please note the following points in regards to parking and drop-off.

- The morning drop off is the only time that parents are to enter the car park
- Children are not to exit cars in the drop-off area until the car has reached the concrete curb
- Children are to exit the car from the passenger side and not the driver side of the car
- Drop off is only for immediate drop off. Parents who wish to see school staff will have to park elsewhere before entering the school
- Any parent requiring access to the disabled park either morning or afternoon needs to discuss this with Carmel prior to parking in this spot.

Thank you all for your continued patience in this matter.

cyber(smart:)
As the year draws to a close and Christmas approaches the number of social events increase. With this, children appear more active on social media. While most will take all care to use this carefully, it is important for parents and adults to understand the ways we can help children remain safe while using the internet and social media sites. The following is the address of the Australian Communication and Media Authority (ACMA) parents’ page which has a range of videos, brochures and resources you can access and use when talking to your children about cyber safety http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/parents.aspx
CATHOLIC REGIONAL COLLEGE, MELTON

ENROLMENT APPLICATION MEETING FOR YEAR 7 STUDENTS IN 2014

Parents of students in Year 5, 2012 are advised that an Enrolment Application Meeting for Year 7 students in 2014 at Catholic Regional College, Melton will be held on:-

Wednesday, November 14 at 7.30pm in the College Hall

Parents who are seeking enrolment for their child at Catholic Regional College, Melton must attend this meeting.

COLLEGE TOURS

Tours for prospective parents will be held on Wednesday, November 14th at 2:00pm.

Tour bookings can be made by contacting the College on 9743 6522 or via the College website on www.crcmelton.com.au

CHRISTMAS TREES

The Knights of the Southern Cross will be selling ‘shaped’ 6 feet tall [1.8metres] Christmas trees again this year.

Orders and enquiries to Mick Laffin on 0417 522 864 or Lawrence Camenzuli on 0425 744 767.

The cost will be $50.00 delivered or $40.00 picked up from St Dominic’s between 11am - midday on December 1.

Payment is required on ordering.

Melton Visitor Information Centre celebrates ‘150 Years of Government in Melton’

Melton City Council Primary School Students display drawings at Melton Visitor Information Centre alongside selected historical imagery to celebrate ‘150 Years of Government in Melton’.

Students were asked to draw a picture relating to the eras 1862 – 2012 and the exhibition links with Djerriwarrh Festival 2012 parade.

Exhibition Dates: 1 - 25 November 2012

Where: Melton Visitor Information Centre, 323 High Street, Melton, VIC, 3337

Entry: free

Please feel free to contact the Melton Visitor Information Centre on 9747 7300 or email visitor@melton.vic.gov.au for details.