



St Dominic's Catholic College

9th November 2011

20/2011

Diary dates



Thurs 10 Nov
NCEA Begins
Orientation Evening

Fri 11 Nov
Yrs 7 & 8 Athletic's
Day

Sat 12 Nov
Entrance Testing

Mon – Thur 14-17 Nov
Year 10 Retreat

Fri 18 Nov
Teacher only day

Tues 22 – Fri 25 Nov
Year 8 camp

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Our senior students are now on study leave and I would ask that we keep them in our prayers as they prepare for their NCEA examinations. Our Year 7- 10 students still have four weeks left of school and classes will continue as normal. It is important that your daughter is at school every day unless she is ill. If your daughter is away from school would you please contact our Attendance Officer.

All Year 8 students who are returning to St Dominic's College next year are expected to attend the Placement Testing this Saturday 12th November 9.00am–11.30am. The Dominican Sisters' Academic Scholarship is awarded to the student who gains the top place in this test. The Scholarship is worth \$1000 and goes towards fees for 2012.

CONGRATULATIONS to our 2011 Dux, Azariah Alfante and our Approximate Accessit Claire Caballes, both girls can be justifiably proud of achieving their goals.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who received a High Achiever's Award :

NCEA Level 2 endorsed with Excellence: Azariah Alfante, Nadine Banks, Claire Caballes, Rhonwen Grace, Maggie Li, Sophie Matthewman, Chalynn Seaton, Natasha Sheldon, Helen Widjaja.

NCEA Level 1 endorsed with Excellence: Neha Bennet, Jee Hae Choi, Hannah Darroch, Jessica Dingle, So (Sophie) Yee Jeong, Kendall Jones, Tanisha Pereira, Samuditha Rupasinge, Ji Hyun (Joanna) Seon, Grace Wong

Azariah Alfante for gaining 2nd place in NZ's STANZA Spanish Oral Competition

Renee Beveridge for selection as a member of the NZSS Orienteering Team

Brianna Chapman for selection to Urban Youth Dance Group

Nancy Huang for top 100 placing in the University of Otago National Junior Mathematics Competition and High Distinction in Australian National Chemistry Quiz

Caitlin Smart for High Distinction in ICAS Science and Australian National Chemistry Quiz

Alexa Frost for top marks in Year 9, 2011 Entrance examination; winner of the Dominican Sisters' Scholarship

Laura Davies for membership of the Auckland Youth Symphonic Band.

CONGRATULATIONS also to Kendall Hollingsworth (9LB) who was placed 3rd on floor at the NZ Secondary Schools National Gymnastics Competition and 8th Overall, and to Lilian Rose Martinez (11PG) on winning the "2011 Create a Character" Competition run by Auckland Council Libraries. A Highly Commended prize was awarded to Gabrielle Kanapi (11LJ).

Please be reminded that the College is closed on Friday 18th November 2011 – this is a Ministry of Education approved day for teachers to work together in preparation for the implementation of new Level 2 NCEA Standards which comes into effect in 2012.

RIP We pray for the repose of the soul of Sr Basil OP. Eternal rest grant unto her, O. Lord.

God's blessings to you and your family,

CAROL CODDINGTON
PRINCIPAL

2011 COLLEGE MAGAZINE

If you wish to purchase the school magazine/yearbook, please ensure that you have paid your \$30. If you are unsure if any automatic payments you have made cover the magazine, please contact the accounts office on Extension 8913 or 8852. The magazine will be given out on the last day of school.

"TRAVELLING TOGETHER: in search of – the True; the Good; the Beautiful"

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

The PTFA would like to receive any second hand uniforms to sell. Please drop them into the College office with your contact details and how much you would like to sell the uniform for.

YOUNG ENTERPRISE TEAM MAKES NATIONAL FINALS

Congratulations to the Young Enterprise team “Zinnia” who has won the West Auckland Zone and the right to compete in the national finals in Wellington in December. Young Enterprise teams are tasked with developing a business idea and running that business over the year. Zinnia’s innovative product was custom-made erasers – you can check them out on Facebook. Two team members will be flown to Wellington to present a retrospective report on their business and will attend the national awards ceremony that night. The team is made up of Marissa Long (Managing Director), Caitlin Smart (Communications Director), Angela Yip (Finance Director), Angela Tse (Finance Director), Jueun Lim (Marketing Director), Nancy Huang (Production Director) and Megan Au (Production Director). Good luck, Girls!

YEAR 10 RETREATS

Due to circumstances beyond our control we have had to change the dates of some of the Year 10 Retreats.

The new schedule is as follows:

- MONDAY November 14, 10SE & 10DL Mrs McKeown
- WEDNESDAY November 16, 10ZA Mrs Rodrigues
- THURSDAY November 17, 10RN Mrs Fairless
- MONDAY November 21, 10HR Mrs Bunce

Please pray for the girls on retreat. Thank you, Mr Drysdale

MESSAGE FROM ACCOUNTS

This is a friendly reminder for parents and caregivers of students who will be leaving St Dominic’s College at the end of the year. Attendance Dues must be paid in full by 31 December 2011. Families who have an ongoing automatic payment are exempt from this date, but must commit to continuing payments until the account is paid. Failure to pay the account or make contact with the School Accounts Officer to arrange alternative methods of payment, will result in the overdue account in being sent to the Auckland Common Fund Ltd. This may result in the account being sent to Debtworks NZ Ltd for default listing at credit reporting agencies. If you have any queries, please contact Laura on Ext 8810 or Karen on Ext 8913

JUNIOR TENNIS

The Junior tennis team won the final match of 2011 in a tightly contested game against MAGS last Saturday. With the score at 4 –all, winning hinged on the singles game between the two number one players. The team is to be congratulated on their commitment, perseverance and continual improvement. We look forward to two strong teams in 2012, Intermediate and Junior, following on from this success. (New players welcome!)

Juniors in 2011: Keshia Reyes, Hannah Cadelis, Monique Barnes, Anna McLeish, Summer Vaha’akolo, Tayla Joseph and Mariah de Sousa

