

St Dominic's Catholic College

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VERITAS

Kia ora whanau,

9th May 2019

Welcome to Term 2

We have had a wonderful start to Term 2, and it is lovely to see all our girls looking so smart in their winter uniform. The term looks to be just as busy and exciting as the first one and I urge you to keep an eye on the school calendar, Facebook page, School App and emails that come through highlighting the different upcoming events.

Principal's Awards

This week many of our students received Principal's Award in celebration of their outstanding achievement, in a range of academic and cultural areas. We congratulate all these girls for the effort and dedication they continue to present in school. Well done!

Traffic Safety on Swanson Road

As you may be aware, traffic congestion around our school has become heavier over recent years. This has become increasingly more serious along Swanson Road at peak times and is creating an issue for our students crossing the road as they walk home or make their way to the Sturges Road Train Station. Following many phone calls from concerned members of the public, as well as observations from our Senior Management Team, we have now directed our students to cross the road at the traffic/pedestrian lights before and after school. Due to the high number of students from our and other neighbouring schools crossing the road, it has become incredibly unsafe for them to use the 'island' outside the station itself. This is not a pedestrian crossing. We have been in contact with the Police and local council to improve the road safety for our children in this area and are awaiting their response. Please remind your children to use the traffic/pedestrian lights, so they remain safe. Thank you.

Whanau Consultation Evening

On Wednesday 22nd May at 7pm, we will be holding our Whanau consultation evening and warmly invite all our Māori families to attend. This is a great opportunity for our Māori community to come together to make connections, share experiences and discuss what we can do in partnership to enhance the educational experience of all our ākongā.

Brother Guy

Last week our Year 13 students, along with all Year 13 students in Catholic Secondary schools in Auckland, were invited by Bishop Pat Dunn to attend a presentation by Brother Guy Consolmagno. Brother Guy is a Jesuit priest and research astronomer, employed by Pope Francis as the Director of the Observatory within the Vatican. I would like to share a small piece of this talk with you as I found him incredibly inspiring, particularly in a time when our young people are trying so desperately to identify connections in their learning and make sense of our world.

Brother Guy spoke about the clear and unquestionable connection between *Science* and our *Faith*. On explaining how one does not exist without the other, he described the science behind a sunset, explaining how energy sources and the power of light enable us to see a sunrise over the horizon. He went on to explain that although its appearance can be explained by science and scientific formula, science does not explain why it is beautiful.

Nga mihi nui,

Anna Swann
Principal

Beginning Experience Grief Resolution Weekend 14 - 16 JUNE 2019 ALONE AGAIN?

Widowed, Separated or Divorced? The Beginning Experience is a non-profit organization with the motto a "Weekend Away for a Lifetime of Change". The retreat will help you work through your painful loss. The participants find new hope, increased emotional health and renewed energy. Date Friday evening 14 to 16 June Sunday afternoon. Cost \$325 or early bird price of \$295 if paid by 3 May. Includes accommodation, meals and materials. Contact Carol, evenings 0210169-0222 or Bev (09)298-9943. Visit www.beginningexperience.org.nz

2019 SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEE ELECTION UPDATE

By Friday 10 May 2019, Parent representative election nomination forms along with supporting information, will be in the post to all eligible voters. Completed nomination forms are to be received by the College Returning Officer by no later than noon on Friday 24 May 2019. Please remember, this is a great opportunity for you to share your skills and expertise in a governance role. For further information about becoming a Trustee, please click on the link. <https://www.trustee-election.co.nz/becoming-a-trustee>.

CONGRATULATIONS to **World Archery Champion** Hannah Anderson (13ST). She competed in the IFAA World Indoor Archery Championships in Wellington during the last week of term 1. Hannah won the Gold medal in the Young Adult Long bow division and will hopefully represent NZ in the world field archery event (outdoors) next year in Estonia. *IFAA = International Field Archery Association.*

YUMMY STICKER PROMOTION TO WIN SPORTS GEAR

The Yummy Sticker promotion has kicked off again for this year, so please start collecting your Yummy stickers and bag cut-outs. This is a chance to share in \$200,000 of free sports gear for schools. Stickers are due in at the end of Term 3 (Friday 27 September), I will send out a reminder closer to the time. Meanwhile crunch on some Yummy apples, there are around ten different varieties of apples available at the moment, with a couple more on their way! Sticker sheets will be available in form classes and outside the gym office. Thanks in advance, The PE Department.



Well done to the girls who participated in the **RELAY FOR LIFE!** They want to give a heartfelt thanks to all their sponsors as they raised over \$8,200.

GUMBOOT FRIDAY
Our girls supporting Kiwi Kids struggling with mental illness!



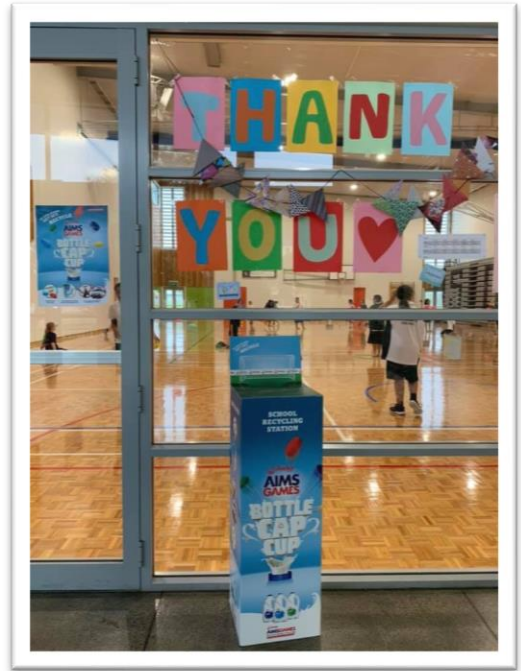
2019 Theme

Be who God meant you to be, and you will set the world on fire - St Catherine of Siena
Kia meingia i te Atua ki a koe, a ka whakatūria koe te Ao i runga i te ahi



ANCHOR BOTTLE CAP CUP

A reminder we are still collecting Anchor milk bottle caps until the beginning of June in the hopes of winning our school some awesome prizes. Students should collect as many as they can and bring them in to their form classes. Mrs Swann will be shouting the



winning form class PIZZA, so get collecting!

NOEL LEEMING PROMOTION

Great news – the St Dominic’s Catholic College Friends & Family promotion in conjunction with Noel Leeming Henderson, commences on Sunday 19th May 2019. The generated during this towards the purchase of College. Attached is our you need to do is print it out or the Henderson store to access

Monday 13th May 2019 to 2.5% of total sales promotion will go additional devices for our Friends & Family flyer, all show it on your phone in the deals available.

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St Dominic's Catholic College - 13 - 19 May 2019

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Offer runs 13 - 19 May 2019 and is only available at Noel Leeming stores listed below with the exception of Cost* + 10% storewide on select IT accessories, PC software, AV accessories, & PC consumables. *Average cost reflects the average price of the product including any administration and handling costs, and does include any volume related adjustments which may apply and GST. Offer is not available online and cannot be used in conjunction with any other promotional offer or with any other promotional offer. Offer does not apply to any Noel Leeming Gift Card purchases, Tech Solutions, extended warranties, logins, delivery fees, DigiOne products, Apple hardware (including iPhones), gaming consoles and bundles, iTunes cards, mobile phone top up cards, bonus, locker hall prizes, 1kg (1kg) points, corn of standard paint for every \$100 of cumulative spend at Noel Leeming over a 12 month period. Visit noelleeming.co.nz for more details. An additional 2% surcharge applies when purchasing items on a credit card. See in store for details. Some of our nationally advertised specials may be at a lower price than this offer but you will receive the best price on the day for the items you choose.

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