



VERITAS

Dear Parents and caregivers,

27th September 2018

Tena Koutou, tena koutou tena koutou katoa. Nga mihi nui ki a koutou nga mātua nga kaitiaki.

Term 3 has been a busy term with exams for seniors and many sporting events that our girls have participated in, such as AIMS. Results are in this newsletter and special mention to Arabella Culley who gained a Bronze medal in the AIMS New Zealand backstroke final. As well as UNISS there are the usual sports activities that take place during the season. A big thank you, as parents and senior students who supported, coached and encouraged our various teams throughout the winter season. Many of the teams would not have happened without your support.

Congratulations to Emma Winter who came 2nd in the Korean Speech Competition, which was held at the University of Auckland last Saturday. Miss Kim, Mr Choi and students from the Korean Friendly Club supported Emma. **Congratulations** also to our Year 7 and 8 Basketball team who came 3rd in the Western Zone Basketball competition. **Congratulations** to all the students who received badges at our High Achiever's Tea on Tuesday 25th September. This was held a little earlier than usual due to NCEA starting earlier.

Please note that the beginning of Term 4 has Sports Prizegiving on Wednesday October 17th, Senior Prizegiving on Thursday 25th October with Thanksgiving Mass following on Tuesday 30th October. This means that our senior students need to ensure that they use Term 4 wisely before they go on study leave.

Senior students have been meeting with their academic coaches over these past two weeks of term, you may like to ask your daughter what was discussed and get her to show you her goals for the remainder of the year.

Tutorials Year 11 – 13 - NCEA Revision classes are held all year and in the Term 3 holidays we offer both revision and exam preparation style classes. While revision classes are content-based, exam preparation classes focus on going through past paper questions. This is the link for the tutorial timetable

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1N1jQlmcRbuSxsLowD36vMwx44NOmI_3POGuJQNoyjU0/edit?usp=sharing

Thank you to Mrs James who has been with us for the past year taking Mrs Ah Ken's Religious Education and Physical Education classes whilst she was on maternity leave. Also thank you to Miss Taylor who has been Acting Dean for Mrs Ah Ken's Year level, their work has been much appreciated. Finally, on behalf of the staff I wish you a safe and happy holiday.

God's blessing to you and your families.

Carol Coddington
Principal

PREMIER NETBALL COACH VACANCY

We are seeking applications for an experienced, enthusiastic and professional Premier team netball coach for the 2019 season. Netball is the largest sport in the college with the Premier team being the pinnacle of role modelling within the school. Commitment to the special character of the school and adherence to all policies set for Netball are required. For the position description or to apply, please contact Rachel Phillips rphillips@stdoms.ac.nz. Closing date: 5pm 31st October 2019.



COMPANION TRAINING WORKSHOP

Seasons for Growth is a peer support program which assists people of all ages to understand and manage the changes they experience when a significant loss occurs. We are looking for volunteer Companions (adult facilitators) who would be willing to assist in the delivery of this program in schools and the community. A 2-day Companion Workshop will be held on Monday 5th and Tuesday, 6th November, 2018 at St Columba Centre, 40 Vermont Street, Ponsonby 10.00am - 4.00pm, morning tea will be provided. REGISTRATION IS ESSENTIAL by Wednesday, 31st October. To register or find out more about this program, contact: Delia 09-360 3027, or deliar@cda.org.nz www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/religious-education/seasons-for-growth/

Cans 4 Christmas

Thank you for your generosity in donating food for those in need. Over 1500 cans have been collected to support St Vincent de Paul and Mercy Hospice, that's a record-breaking effort! Thanks especially to all those girls and their families who made extra amazing contributions, the top three form classes: The third top class was 7AR with 133 cans, 12SB with 137 cans and the winner: 12HP with an astonishing 171 cans collected! **Well done everyone!**



THE ST DOMINIC'S CHEER TEAM competed on the weekend at their first ever cheer competition. They were up against five other High schools. Our team was made up of mainly Year 7 and 8 students and two Year 9 students who gained a Silver having zero deductions! Mackenzie Lovell from the team was selected for the Junior New Zealand development team. They looked amazing on stage, their coach Harry from All Star Mystix Cheerleading and their parents were all extremely proud. **CONGRATULATIONS GIRLS!**

AIMS GAMES week held earlier this month is a competitive sporting competition for Intermediate age students. This year our school was represented by the following students. Leia Millar participated in the Women's Artistic Open Junior Advanced Gymnastics competition on Sunday, showcasing her skills on the beam, floor, vault and bar. Bethany Friend, Olivia Stairmand and Arabella Culley competed in the swimming pool on Monday and Tuesday. They were very busy with many races throughout the two days of competition. Congratulations to all for achieving personal bests in their events, and special mention to Arabella Culley for achieving a bronze medal in the Girls age 10-11 200m backstroke. Our newly formed hip hop group demonstrated their dance skills after six weeks of hard work on Monday night at the tournaments opening ceremony. We are very proud of these students for representing our school and doing their best.

Official results: Leia Millar, Gymnastics – 16th in the Women's Artistic Open Junior Advanced. Bethany Friend, Olivia Stairmand, Arabella Culley – Swimming, all had personal bests. Arabella Culley won a bronze medal in the Girls age 10-11 200m Backstroke. Hip Hop Group which consisted of Olivia Todd, Rikki Taer, Holly Hadwin, Angelina Lapa, Dakota towers, Jessica Milham, Tatyana Rasmussen, Judie Zhang and Tamzin Olley who came 17th out of 25. Well done to all our competitors!



Monday 15th October Term 4 begins, Wednesday October 17th Sports

Prizegiving Thursday 25th October Senior Academic Prizegiving

