

# St Dominic's Catholic College

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## St Dominic's College Whānau Pānui 28/5/2021



Kia ora whānau,

We continue on with a busy and productive term, with a lot happening in and around the College.

### Pink Shirt Day – Acting with Kindness and Anti-Bullying

Last Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May was National Anti-Bullying Day. Staff and students dressed in pink to bring awareness to how we can all stand up to bullying behaviour. Through the mufti collection and the bake sale, we raised \$848.50 which will be donated to Mental Health. Many thanks to Katrina Johnson our Guidance Counsellor, and our student leaders for organising this day, and also to those who supported with their generosity.





## Year 12 Retreat

Our Year 12 students had a great 2-day retreat last week at Willow Park. The theme was 'Encounter' and the students were encouraged to reflect on their journey so far and also look ahead to what lies before them. We are thankful to the teachers that shared this experience with them, the LOGOS staff who led us and also to Ms Whitham-Blackwell for organising and preparing the retreat.



## Dominican Justice Service and Workday.



Last year, a new service and workday initiative was introduced for Year 7-10 students here at St Dominic's Catholic College to promote student service and work experience in our community. This year it was for every student and there were no classes on the Teacher Only Day on 13 May 2021. The primary purpose is to give our ākonga (students) an opportunity to serve our community in some way and donate any koha they may receive to the College. All funds raised go into the College Dominican Justice Fund, which provides support for students and families undergoing hardship.

For her service, Mele Tuituu (9EJ) asked Mrs Jones if she could do some work for the environment at the College. She spent the day cleaning up all of the themed gardens, which are looking beautiful and clean again and the bee drinking fountains are filled with clean fresh water. Thank you Mele for your service to the College. A fabulous effort by all those who participated. Thank you to all businesses, families and workplaces that supported our students and our College. We are very grateful.

The total amount raised so far this year is \$6151.

## Trip to the Orchestra



On the 18<sup>th</sup> of May, 42 girls from various music groups in the college had an opportunity to join with other secondary schools and participate in the Auckland Philharmonic Orchestra's Discovery Concert in the Town Hall.

This one-and-a-half-hour concert emphasises the importance of Vienna and symphonies with songs from famous artists like Beethoven, Mozart, Strauss, Brahms, and Haydn.

We want to thank Ms Kim and Mr Ahn for supervising us and making this experience possible. We also want to thank the Auckland Philharmonic Orchestra for preparing this enriching concert to not only entertain us, but also educate us as young people of the future. It has helped us appreciate the music of the past that still resonates in our society today.

## Visit from the Northern Stars!

We were blessed to have key members of the Northern Stars netball team come and train with our Premiere and Premiere Development netball teams on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May. Anna Harrison, Gina Crampton and Jamie Hume spent an hour and a half with the teams teaching and running drills as well as providing great advice for these players. Thank you to Ms Lasenby for organising this for the girls! It was really inspiring.



## ***POLAR PLUNGE for WOMEN'S REFUGE***

Two weeks ago our Wāhine Toa group organised a polar plunge challenge to raise funds, resources and awareness for Women's Refuge. Thank you to students and families who donated gold coins and toiletries for this great cause. In the last Pānui- the evidence was left out, so here it is.....





**GREAT NEWS FROM ... The Sports Department:**



### **2021 JWSX Squad Announcement**

We are really proud to announce that Margaret Alatofa and Hope Maka have both been named in the 2021 Junior White Sox (JWSX) squad for 2021. This is an awesome achievement that these girls have worked hard to achieve. Congratulations!!

### **Netball Waitakere Representatives 2021**

Congratulations to Bernadette Veatupu, Jessica Tobin, Margaret Alatofa and Heta Matautia for being named in the Under 18 Representative team for 2021, and Mia Swann for being named in the Under 16's. Well done to all of you and good luck for the Representative season.

Please continue to let us know about the great successes you experience in sports locally, nationally and internationally so we can celebrate these achievements with you. Email our Mrs Smith in our sports department [Sport@stdoms.ac.nz](mailto:Sport@stdoms.ac.nz)

### St Dominic's PTFA Quiz Night

A reminder to book your team in now for our PTFA Quiz Night on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June. It is sure to be a great night with lots of fun, games and of course the title of *Quiz Champions* to be won! Contact Mrs Vicki Jones in the office to secure your table now.

### COLLEGE PRODUCTION OF 'ANNIE Jnr'

We are really excited about our upcoming production of Annie. Purchase your tickets now at the college office.  
\$20 Adults and \$10 school age student concessions available.

**ST DOMINIC'S  
CATHOLIC COLLEGE**

**PROUDLY PRESENTS**



**THE MUSICAL**  
**Annie jr.**

BOOK BY THOMAS MEEHAN, MUSIC BY CHARLES STROUSE  
& LYRICS BY MARTIN CHARNIN.

**7pm Friday 2nd July**  
**2pm & 7pm Saturday 3rd July**  
**5pm Sunday 4th July**

**COLLEGE GYM**

**\$10 STUDENT / \$20 ADULT**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE**

ST DOMINIC'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE PTFA

## QUIZ NIGHT



**Sat 19<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

**\$10 for adults \$5 for school/college students**

min age 15yr olds (must be accompanied by an adult)  
Year 12 & Year 13 unaccompanied ok

**Venue: St Dominic's College Gym (NO STILETTO HEELS please)**

**To book a table: call 09 839 0380 or email:**

[vjones@stdoms.ac.nz](mailto:vjones@stdoms.ac.nz)

Possible door sales on the night. Join us for this great fundraiser!

**Doors open at 6pm - Quiz starts at 7pm**

Savoury snack food, pizza etc. and drinks for sale.

Licensed bar operating (I.D required)

Cash or EFTPOS welcome

*Parking at front of school off Rathgar Rd  
and at the rear entrance off Pinedale Place.*

**Key Calendar Dates:**

- **Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May:**  
*BoT Meeting 6.30pm*
- **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> June:**  
*PTFA Meeting 6.30pm*
- **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June:**  
*Queen's Birthday – College Closed*
- **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June:**  
*Kidspower Talk – Evening Time TBC*



"No act of  
kindness, no  
matter how small,  
is ever wasted."

– Aesop