St Dominic's Catholic College

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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

DOMINICAN JUSTICE WORKDAY - Fri 29th August 2025

The Dominican Justice Workday is an annual St Dominic's Catholic College initiative that began in 2020. Its purpose is to give students the opportunity to serve their community and donate any *koha* (payment) they receive to the Dominican Justice Fund. This fund supports students and families experiencing hardship, helping with subsidised school and extracurricular activities. With the current economic climate and recent weather events, we know that many families face financial pressures. All donations made to the Dominican Justice Fund directly support our students' wellbeing and learning opportunities.

Workday Details:

- Date: Friday 29th August 2025 (Teacher Only Day no onsite learning)
- Students are expected to arrange a work experience or service position either within or outside the home, carrying out duties above and beyond normal family chores.
- Payment is accepted only as a koha and is at the discretion of a responsible adult.
- Suggested koha rates for approximately 5 hours' work:
 - Years 7–8: \$20 (\$4/hour)
 - Years 9–10: \$25 (\$5/hour)
 - Years 11–13: \$30 (\$6/hour)

If your daughter is under 14 and unable to arrange work, and requires supervision at school on this day, please contact the school office by **Wednesday 27th August 2025**.

Ideas for Service/Work Experience: Gardening, lawn mowing, window cleaning, litter pick-up, section clearing, painting, landscaping, cooking, in-house cleaning, stacking shelves, packing boxes, dog walking, or assisting with local businesses or community groups. Students should start seeking opportunities now—asking family, neighbours (with your permission), local businesses, or current employers.

Students will also receive a **blue form** on **Mon 25th August** to record completion of service and the amount of *koha* donated and will have the bank details for online payment. Money can also be paid directly to the office on the students return to school on Monday 1st September 2025. **If you can offer work for one or more students on the day**, please contact the school at **09 839 0380** or <u>office@stdoms.ac.nz</u>. Thank you for supporting our school community and helping make a difference through the Dominican Justice Fund.

Kind regards, **Laura Friend** Deputy Principal