



**CATHOLIC
SCHOOLS
OPEN WEEK**
August 4-10

Term 3, Week 2 2025



Important Dates

11.15am St
Dominic's Day
Liturgy-4/5B
Friday 1 August 2025

Parent Teacher
Connection
Meetings continue
this week
Monday 4 August 2025

Catholic Schools
Open Week
Monday 4 August 2025

Principal School
Tours @ 9.15am &
5.00pm
Tuesday 5 August 2025

School Board
Meeting 6.00pm
Tuesday 5 August 2025

SACPSSA Cross
Country
Wednesday 6 August 2025

9.00am Mary
Mackillop Liturgy -
1H
Friday 8 August 2025

Parent Cyber Safety
Evening Yr 3-6 @
6pm
Tuesday 12 August 2025

Book Week Begins
Monday 18 August 2025

Book Week
Performance
Monday 18 August 2025

Book Week
Assembly (6D) &
Parade
Friday 22 August 2025

Catholic School
Music Festival
Rehearsal
Tuesday 26 August 2025

Swimming Week
Begins
Monday 1 September 2025

School Board
Meeting 6.00pm
Tuesday 9 September 2025

School Photos
Thursday 11 September
2025

RA, RF, RK
Assembly-9am
Friday 12 September 2025

SACPSSA Cricket

Sports Day
Friday 19 September 2025

CSMF rehearsal &

Assembly 9am-2M
Friday 26 September 2025

Last Day of Term 3

- normal finish

3.00pm

Friday 26 September 2025

Welcome to this week's Newsletter

Please note: If you are reading this newsletter from your email, you will not see any photo galleries or videos featured within it. Click read more to view the internet version of our newsletter so that you don't miss out on seeing our latest photos and videos.

From our Leadership Team

Welcome Back! We hope you had a restful break and are feeling refreshed for the exciting term ahead - there is so much to look forward to! A very special welcome to the 23 new Reception students and their families who have joined our community this term, plus Rachel, Maren and Lily who have also joined us. We hope you already feel a strong sense of belonging here at our school and we look forward to getting to know you all in the weeks ahead.

Tomorrow, we look forward to celebrating St Dominic's Day, a special occasion to honour the life and legacy of St Dominic, whose values of truth, compassion, and service continue to inspire our school community. After a liturgy at 11:15am, our students will take part in a variety of activities with their buddy class as we reflect on what it means to live out the Dominican spirit in our daily lives.

Parent-Teacher Interviews Thank you to all families who have already booked a time to meet with your child's teacher. While official bookings have closed, it's not too late, please reach out directly to your child's teacher or contact the front office if you'd still like to arrange a time to connect and discuss progress and goals for the semester ahead.

Catholic Schools Open Week

Next week is Catholic Schools Open Week - a wonderful opportunity to showcase our school to prospective families. If you know someone considering enrolment, we are hosting school tours on **Tuesday at 9:15am and 5:00pm**. Bookings can be made via our school website. We'd love your help in spreading the word!

T2D Traffic Changes (effective tomorrow)

We have now been informed that as part of the ongoing Torrens to Darlington (T2D) project, **access to Walsh Avenue and Crystal Avenue from the South Road right-hand turn lanes will be permanently closed from tomorrow evening**. From **Monday**, please allow extra time and plan alternative routes as needed. During this period of transition, I kindly ask that all community members remain patient and respectful to one another and to staff during our busy kiss-and-drop times - thank you.

Building Works

Our long-awaited building works are about to begin. In preparation, the playground and part of the back verandah adjacent to Francesca and Lynda's room will be demolished. Internal hoarding will be installed in these classrooms late next week, with demolition commencing the week beginning August 11. We will continue to keep you informed of changes as they occur to ensure the safety and smooth operation of our school environment.

Meanwhile, our new playground is developing beautifully – the sandpit is really starting to take shape. We are hopeful that the trampolines, sandpit, and new monkey bars will be ready for the students to enjoy later this term. Exciting, but very busy times ahead!

Staff News

We are also pleased to share the wonderful news that Chelsea Foord is expecting her second child. Chelsea, Nic, and big sister Sadie are looking forward to welcoming their little girl around Christmas time. Chelsea will be taking leave for the first half of 2026.

Next week, we also welcome back Marlo, who has just returned from a wonderful honeymoon exploring Europe. A sincere thank you to Simon Angley for his work supporting our Year 6 learners over the past two weeks while Marlo was away.

What a gift it is to be part of such a vibrant and caring school community.

As always, thank you for your continued support and partnership.

God bless,
Michelle Starr



From 3A

The 3A students learnt about St. Dominic, to celebrate St. Dominic's Day. They learnt about his life, and why we celebrate him. The students then drew St. Dominic in their art books to create a beautiful piece of art. 3A were then able to paint and learn more about why he became a Saint. We asked a few students about who St. Dominic is, and here are their answers.

What did St. Dominic do?

He built schools so nuns could teach students and the poor. He also studied six years in arts and four years in something else.

What does the dog mean?

It is a vision his mum got, to see that Dominic was special.

Why do we remember St. Dominic?

Because he built all the schools and if it weren't for him, we wouldn't be here at a private school.

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What did St. Dominic do?

He made schools and helped homeless people.

What does the dog mean?

It was like God showing the mum that he was special.

Why do we remember St. Dominic?

Because he gave up what he had for other people, and he started St. Bernadette's.

Indigo

What did St. Dominic do?

He made schools, and the sisters were teachers. He made new buildings. He helped poor people.

What does the dog mean?

The dog means something special to Dominic. The dog came from the mother's dreams. The dream meant the dog will set the world on fire.

Why do we remember St. Dominic?

Because he built the school, he helped poor people and sold his books to do it. He was a good person.

Hajia

What did St. Dominic do?

Instead of doing stuff, like buying expensive stuff, he bought things for the homeless. He walked to Rome, and he asked the Pope permission to have a group.

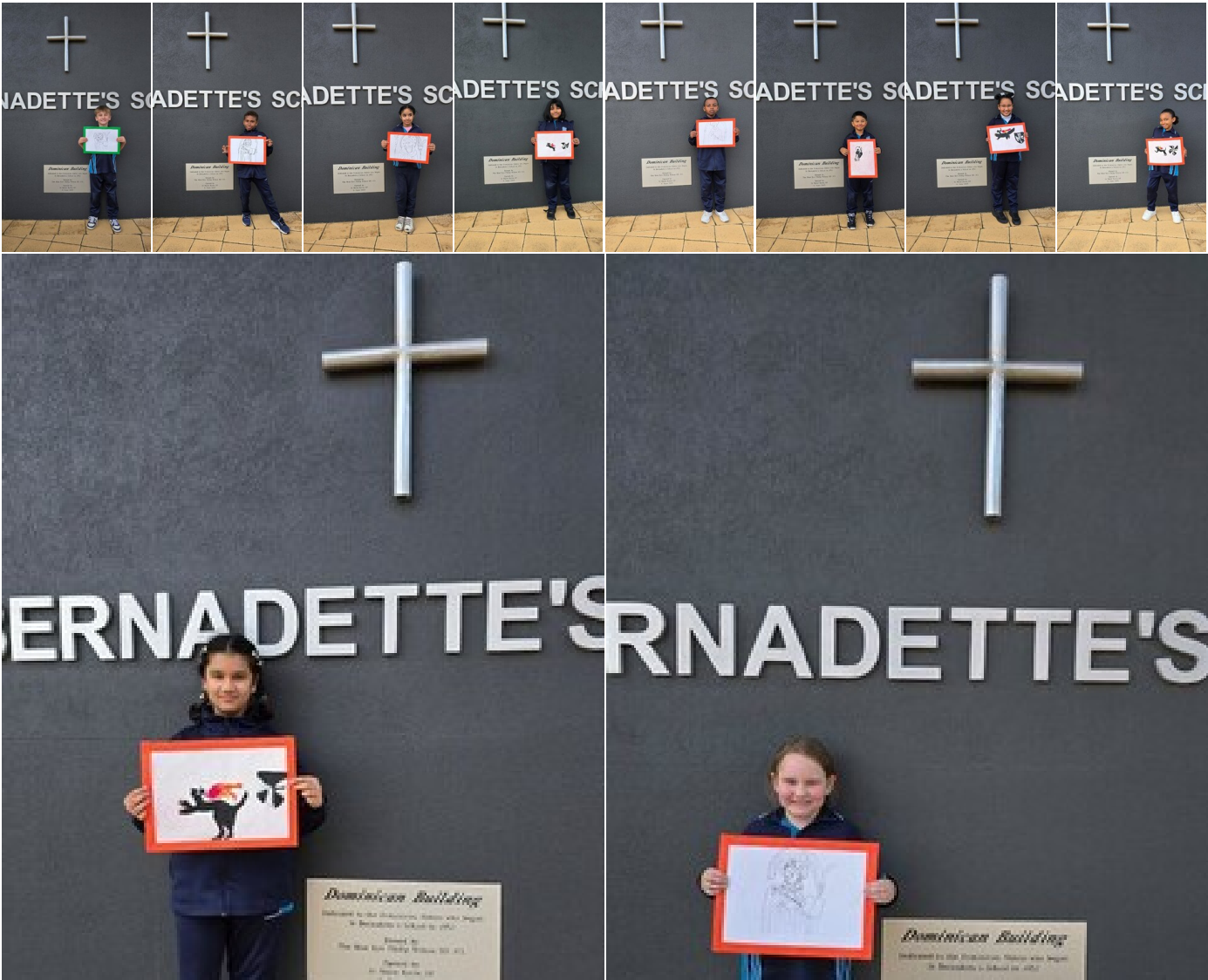
What does the dog mean?

The dog represents the meaning of Dominics mum, saying that the dog will light the world with fire, to show that Dominic is in this world.

Why do we remember St. Dominic?

Because he is a Saint. They are kind, always take care of each other.

Patrick



Japanese News - Ms Chizuru Banks

From Japanese Lessons

Konnichiwa minasan, good afternoon, everyone!

I hope that you have been enjoying a fulfilling two weeks in Term 3.

It is remarkable how swiftly time progresses—only five months remain until the conclusion of the year. This reality underscores the diligence of our students as they strive to attain a sense of achievement.

Below are some highlights of their educational endeavours:

- All year levels had a warm-up challenge with Kahoot.
- Reception students are successfully recognising greetings in both Romaji and Hiragana scripts.
- Year 1 students can count fluently up to 10 in Japanese and have begun reading these numbers in Kanji characters; several students have advanced to counting up to 20.
- Year 2 students are utilising personality adjectives to describe their family members.
- Year 3 students are learning the names of the months to discuss their families' birth months and are practising writing them in Kanji characters.
- Year 4 and Year 5 students are engaged in discussions about age to describe their family situations while also writing these in Kanji characters.
- Year 6 students are utilising classroom expressions in Japanese and learning to recognise these expressions in Hiragana scripts.

I look forward to witnessing continued proactive participation and progress in the students' Japanese speaking abilities and intercultural understanding. Their pronunciation is commendable. I encourage all students to seize opportunities to express themselves in the language and not fear making mistakes!! 😊

Wishing you all a successful Term 3.

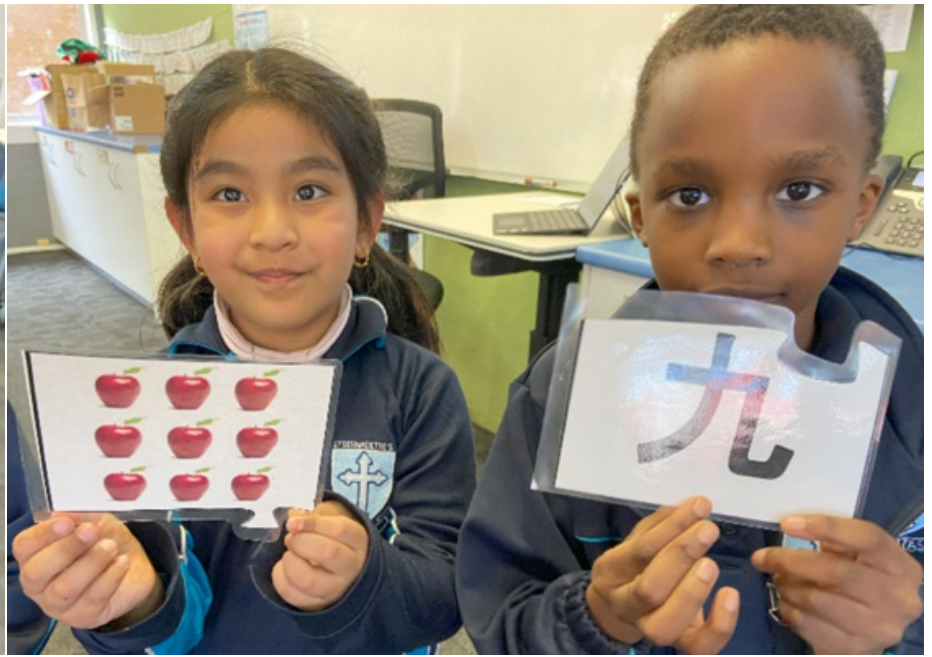
Chizuru Banks

Here are a couple of quizzes about the Japanese Summer Festival

1. **What type of food is commonly sold at festival stalls ()?**
 - A. Sushi
 - B. Ramen
 - C. Takoyaki
 - D. Tempura
2. **What is the purpose of the Obon Festival, held in summer?**
 - A. To celebrate the harvest
 - B. To honour ancestors
 - C. To welcome spring
 - D. To pray for good grades

Answers: 1. C 2. B





Cyber Safety



JOIN US FOR OUR CYBER SAFETY NIGHT

Essential tips for online safety



TUESDAY 12TH AUGUST, 6–7PM

We urge parents of Years 4-6 to attend this important session, where you'll gain valuable knowledge and practical skills to help your children become safe and responsible users of the online world.



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RAZZAMATAZZ 2025



Australian Lions Medical Research Foundation proudly presents **RAZZAMATAZZ 2025!**

The show is organised for Adelaide's less fortunate children & families & children/adults with additional needs & their carers.

Tickets have been proudly sponsored by local businesses & are completely free.

Where: The Woodville Town Hall

When: Sat 23rd August at 11am, 1.30pm & 4pm

For Tickets: PH: 1800 132 003 or Email: razzamatazzshow@gmail.com

Mitchell Park Cricket Club

SENIOR, JUNIOR & U18 GIRL CRICKET PLAYERS

REGISTRATION DAY

Come join us on Sunday August 17th from 1-3pm for a free BBQ, cricket and information for the upcoming season.



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**Blackwood
Recreation Centre**

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