

St. Damian's Newsletter

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The St Damian's School Community acknowledges that we come together on the ancestral lands of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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Dear Parents/Guardians & Carers

The extra hour of sleep was very welcome over the weekend as we all put the clocks back one hour. Daylight savings has now ended for another year until October when the clocks go forward again.

We have come to the end of Term One and look forward to the break. The teachers and students are certainly looking forward to slowing down a little over the next couple of weeks as we recharge in readiness for another term of learning. I hope that all in our community find some time to relax and enjoy quality family time during the Easter holiday break and over the term holidays. Term Two begins on Wednesday 26th April at 8.40am.

ANZAC DAY

April 25th is ANZAC day, a time to reflect on the sacrifices made by many to ensure our safety and freedom. Anzac Day is a commemoration of the anniversary of the landing of Australian and New Zealand troops at Gallipoli, Turkey on 25 April in 1915. It marks the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the First World War. Tom, one of our school captains, has kindly offered to represent our school and lay a wreath at the ANZAC service to be held in Watsonia.

We sincerely thank Tom and his parents for their generosity in giving up their time in service to our community. The true ANZAC spirit in action.

Front Car Park/Joseph Street

Parents are reminded that when using the bottom carpark to please park in the bays only, **do not double park.** If the carpark is full please drive through and park at Coles.

Parents using the kiss and drop in the morning, please be aware that there are building works at one of the properties in Joseph Street. This may cause some traffic chaos as has already happened. Please be patient. A reminder that parking is not permitted between certain times on one side of the road.

Working With Children Checks

Just a gentle reminder that anyone entering the school must have a WWC check. It is a Child Safety requirement of all schools to ensure that anyone entering has a current WWCC. These are required even if attending for special school/social events. Working With Children Checks are available online and are free for volunteers. Please ensure that you have one so that you can participate in all school and class events. Thank you for supporting us to keep all the children safe in our school community.

School Assembly

We congratulate all the families who won a prize in the Easter raffle. Many excited children eagerly collected their prize during the assembly last Monday. A huge thank you to all our families for your support, both in donating eggs and Easter related goods, as well as purchasing raffle tickets. Thank you also to our wonderful mums in the P&A for their work in ensuring a successful event. The next Assembly will be on Monday 1st May with Year 4M presenting their learning to our school community. We welcome all families to attend.

Easter Bonnet Parade

It was wonderful to see the many and varied Easter Bonnets during the Easter Bonnet Parade held on Wednesday. Students and families obviously went to a lot of trouble to ensure their bonnet was noticed, thank you to everyone for your contribution. The students and staff had a great time showing off their creation.

Holy Week Prayer Services

Today we held our school prayer services marking the events of Holy Week. The students, under the guidance of their teachers, re-enacted and reflected on the events of Holy Thursday and Good Friday. When we return from the holidays we will then join together to reflect on the events of Easter Sunday. Please note that **Easter is this Sunday 9th April**.

Uniforms Term 2

As term two begins in late April, the weather may be variable with some warmer days experienced as well as some cooler days. For the remainder of April, the students may wear either summer of winter uniform to suit the weather. Please do not mix summer and winter uniform. It is one or the other. From 8th May, which is week three of term two, all students will be expected in full winter uniform.

Prayer -

Lord Jesus, We praise you in this Easter season. Change our lives, change our hearts to be messengers of Easter joy and hope. We make our prayer through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord forever. Amen.



He is Risen, Alleluia.

Wishing everyone a happy and holy Easter. Keep safe and well during the holidays. See you all next term

Rosanna

Faith News

A Prayer for Easter

Eternal God,

The night is brighter than the day

because it is filled with the light of

Christ's Resurrection from the dead.

May all the Baptised live their lives

of faith with Easter joy.

Renew us, O Lord, in faith, hope and love.

As we look forward to Christ's Resurrection

from the dead, may He change our lives

and transform our world, both now and forever.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

May God Bless you and keep you and your family safe throughout the Easter

Season and the School term break.

Mary-Ann Wright

Religious Education Leader



ST. DAMIAN'S CHURCH, BUNDOORA HOLY WEEK SERVICE TIMES

HOLY THURSDAY, 6TH APRIL

7:30 PM MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER & FOLLOWED BY THE ADORATION.

GOOD FRIDAY, 7TH APRIL

10:00 AM ECUMENICAL STATIONS OF THE CROSS & MORNING TEA IN THE DUNLOP ROOM.



CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION

3:00 PM AT ST. DAMIAN'S CHURCH.

HOLY SATURDAY, 8TH APRIL

6:30 PM EASTER VIGIL.

EASTER SUNDAY, 9 APRIL



2023 School Production News

We are excited to announce that the St Damian's whole school production, **The Magical Toy Box Tour**, will be taking place at Loyola College in the Inigo Theatre later this year. This will be held over two nights.

The dates are: Thursday 24th August and Friday 25th August

Each student will be assigned to perform in at least one of the two shows. Year 6 students, and other selected students, will perform in both shows.

More information will be provided in due course, including the show date or dates each student will be involved in.

Please pencil both dates into your calendar.

Alex de la Rambelje (Drama / Dance teacher) and Marg O'Leary (Music Teacher)



The Year Fives are in need of your expertise and assistance in Term Two.

If you are involved in the health profession - doctor, nurse, psychologist, yoga instructor, nutritionist, podiatrist...anything at all to do with health and wellbeing - we're asking for you to share your expertise with the Year Fives next term.

We'd love for you to share with us what you do, the parts of the body you work with/help to maintain or improve, how you help to maintain the health/wellbeing of people - any information you think will be interesting for our students.

Details will be confirmed next term regarding dates and times, however, we're anticipating one morning session in the middle of the term where you conduct a short presentation (5-10minutes). All forms of presentation would be great feel free to bring props, create a slideshow, conduct the session via skype - we're open to any and all ideas.

Please let us know via email if you would be willing to be a guest speaker.and your preferred day of the week to present.

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Please note: All expert speakers are required to have a current Working With Children's Check.

We're also asking for donations of the following items that you may have at home that will be used during our Inquiry: *tubing - old pipes or postal tubes (cut in half preferably)

*ping pong balls *old tennis balls *straws *sticky tape *blu tac

*small toy cars *spaghetti *playdoh *newspaper *balloons *string *wool *cardboard *cotton wool *split pins *icy pole sticks *foam

*egg cartons *buttons *skewers *pipe cleaners *paper cups *pegs

Thank you in anticipation for supporting our learning next term,

Riki Bossini and Nicole Richardon

Year 4 Fundraiser Raffle Winners

Thank you to everyone who supported the Year 4 Raffle.

The winners of the Degani Uni Hill Dinner Vouchers were:

Aaliyah H—2D

Winter B—4F

Leah P—6S

Thank you to Degani Uni Hill for donating the prizes.



Prep A	Alexander Maroge	For showing amazing resilience by approaching all learning tasks with a broken arm.
Prep M	Emilia Huynh	For always helping others and working hard on all learning skills.
1A	Evelyn Wang	For having a positive attitude towards learning and always doing her best.
1M	Neil Zheng	For always participating in class discussions during literacy.
2D	Michelle Chen	For strengthening her writing by improving her word choice to engage readers.
28	Oscar Ngo	For using problem solving skills within the classroom to help others succeed.
2W	Alessio Gioffre	For coming to school with a happy smile and always ready to learn.
3C	Andrew Pantelidis	For undertaking his role as 3c's ICT Leader diligently.
3M	Joshua D'Errico	For consistently doing his best throughout all aspects of the school day/
4F	Winter Borres	For completing an extra long storyboard.
4M	Callan Olpenda	For producing excellent writing pieces and for having a positive attitude.
4N	Orlando lacobaccio	For always showing leadership qualities.
5B	Charlie Wang	For always doing his best in class and contributing to class discussions.
6C	Eva Sorotos	For being a responsible and caring member of 6C.
6S	Tina Hagiliassis	For your incredible growth in Maths this Term.

1A	Mia Salloum	For showing great enthusiasm and participation during Italian class.
3M	Sofia Sorrenti	For always being very attentive during Italian class.
4N	Henry Huang	For listening carefully to the instrucyions and participating in Italian class.
28	Kelvin He	For writing interesting sentences and including descriptive words.





ST DAMIAN'S STUDENT SPECIAL 50% OFF HOT SHOTS PROGRAMS TERM 2

Use the code STPS when booking in for any of our Hot Shots programs in Term 2 to receive 50% off our normal fees. Special offer valid for new clients only.

Call 0402 296 835 or email info@grippingpotential.com.au



Term 2 April	
Tuesday 25th	Anzac Day Public Holiday
Wednesday 26th	First Day of Term 2

St Damian's Parent Association



Easter Raffle Winners

Prep A—Sosaia L Prep M—Ehan L 1A—Jason H 1C—Noah F

1M—Luke V

2D—Levi L

2S—Lara R 2W—Richie H

3C—Oliver M

3M—Chloe C

3T—Salome R

4F—Ava Y

4M—Alessia C

4N—Sera M 5B—Charbel S

5R—Sebastian Z

6C—Mia V

6S—Jonathan C



Donations of clean, good condition uniforms and school bags etc are gratefully appreciated. They can be left in the labelled box outside the School Office.

(We will not accept damaged, old or stained items). Cash sales only.

Open each FRIDAY: 9am-10am (located up the hill just after the office entrance).

