



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

SUPERVISION OF STUDENTS IS BETWEEN 8.30am TO 3.30pm ON SCHOOL DAYS.

Dear Parents and Carers

A huge thank you to all our families who made the time to attend Family Day last Wednesday. The day went really well and there were many happy faces in each group as the children shared some time with family members. It was truly wonderful to welcome our community back into our school after such a long time. I would like to acknowledge and thank our wonderful staff for their enthusiasm and preparation; Mrs Wright and her Family Day Committee for all their organization and hard work to ensure a successful event; Mrs O'Leary and the choir for making our Mass a joyful experience and, of course, Fr Dong for celebrating Mass and for his warm welcome to our school community. Well done everyone and thank you.

Car Parking

Just a gentle reminder to all drivers that the front car park is NOT a drop off zone. If you enter this carpark then you will be walking your children into the school once you park the car. Also remember that if the carpark is full, you cannot double park here. The Joseph Street entrance is the Kiss and Drop Zone. Drivers please remember not to get out of your car, the children should quickly get out and move towards the school. This keeps the traffic flowing and everyone moving quickly. Thank you everyone for your co-operation.

School Production

Only four (4) weeks to the School Production. I hope all our families have purchased their tickets as this is the only way to gain entry into the theatre. Some parents have questioned the amount for the tickets. I can reassure you that we are not making a profit, we are simply covering costs. Everything is expensive at the moment. If you compare the price to movie tickets or theatre tickets, we are not over-charging. Tickets are only required for people using a seat – that is adults and children who are in the audience. Our school students will not require a ticket. Thank you for understanding and your support.



St Damian's Primary School

Production of

The Magical Toybox Tour

Cast A - Thursday 24th August

Cast B - Friday 25th August

*Performance begins at 6.30pm at Loyola College Theatre
No prams at the venue please.*

School Advisory Council

The members of the SAC will meet next Tuesday, 1 st August at 7.30pm in the school.

Prayer for Grandparents

Dear God, Bless our cherished grandparents with love, health and happiness. Thank you for the wisdom, care and unconditional love they bring into our lives. May our time together be filled with joy and precious memories. Amen

Have a great week everyone,

Rosanna

Faith News

Sacrament of Eucharist

This term, our **Year Four Students** will be participating in the Sacrament of Eucharist on **Saturday 9th September at 2pm**. Please let me know in writing if you wish your child to receive a special Blessing. Our Students will be participating in a **Sacrament of Eucharist Reflection Day** here at School on **Thursday 17th August**. All Year Four Students are invited to wear casual clothes on this day.

Sacrament of Eucharist Parish Presentation Masses

Sacrament of Eucharist Parish Presentation Masses will take place on **Saturday 26th August at 5:30pm** and **Sunday 27th August at 10am**. Please choose whichever date suits your family best. You do not need to tell the School which Mass you will attend.

Sacrament of Eucharist Parent/Child Evening

Please remember, the Presentation Sisters will be conducting a **Sacrament of Eucharist Parent/Child Evening** in the Hall on **Thursday 31st August at 7pm**. At least one Parent/Guardian from each family is strongly encouraged to attend this evening to with their Child in preparing to participate in the Sacrament.

St Damian's Family Day

Thank you to all family members who joined us yesterday in celebrating St Damian's Family Day. Your stories and journeys make our School Community unique and alive with the Spirit of God. A special thank you to Father Dong for leading our celebration with Mass. Thank you, also, to our Teachers and Students who worked together in preparation for the day.

Grandparents

Grandparents, with their gentle presence and heartfelt advice, hold a special place in our hearts. They are a family's greatest treasure and the family's strong foundation. They can pass on important traditions and life stories that a grandchild will not only relish when young, but will grow to appreciate even more over time. Grandparents have a magical ability to create a safe and nurturing space where their grandchildren feel cherished and accepted. In their embrace, grandchildren find comfort and understanding as they offer a listening ear, a shoulder to cry on and a wealth of wisdom from a lifetime of experiences. Loving grandparents celebrate the smallest achievements and shower their grandchildren with endless pride and encouragement. They instil a sense of belonging and self-worth, which builds confidence and resilience. The love of a grandparent is immeasurable.

Pope Francis reminds us, "Dialogue between the elderly and the young helps to obtain a more complete vision of the way in which a more humane and fraternal society can be built." This year's theme for World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly is *His mercy is from age to age* (Luke 1:50).

Prayer to Saint Anne and Saint Joachim, Grandparents of Jesus

*Saint Anne and Saint Joachim,
you were ever faithful to God, trusting in Him in your lives
and while you prayed for a child.
Your patience and perseverance in Prayer are an example to us.
We ask that you pray for us that we may be ever faithful and trusting in God.
May we always keep our focus on Him and trust in His timing in our lives.
May our love for God and our faith in Him never waiver,
no matter what happens in our lives.
May we appreciate the faith of others and be inspired to a deeper faith.
May our lives of faith in God be richly blessed.
May we know, love, and serve God with all of our hearts.
Saints Anne and Joachim, thank you for your example of faith.
Thank you for your wonderful daughter, our spiritual mother Mary.
Thank you for the love of God and the faith you inspire in us.
Grandparents of Jesus, pray for us.*

Amen.

family day



SCHOOL MUSICAL

The Magic Toy Box Tour

The School Production of The Magic Toy Box is fast approaching.

To give students an experience of performing on the big stage, a whole school rehearsal at Loyola College will be taking place during the school day on **Wednesday 16th August**. **All students will be transported to and from school by bus.** Excursion permission slips will be sent home shortly.

For each performance night, parents are asked to drop off at Loyola College at 6:15pm. Please note this down. More information about the performance nights will be sent out in due course.

All tickets are now on sale. There is no limit on ticket numbers. Please be sure to only purchase tickets for the performance date that your child/ren have been allocated.

Cast A—Thursday 24th August

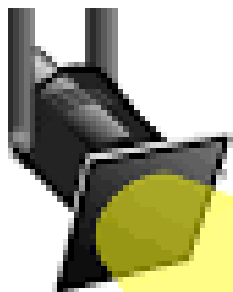
Cast B—Friday 25th August

Please click here to purchase tickets:

<https://www.trybooking.com/CIJZC>

We look forward to sharing the fantastic work of the students with the school community!

Alex de la Rambelje and Marg O'Leary—Performing Arts and Music Teachers



CALLING ALL ST DAMIAN'S ARTISTS!!!

WE NEED YOU TO DESIGN THE FRONT COVER OF OUR SCHOOL PRODUCTION BOOKLET.

Remember to include:

Wording: St Damian's Bundoora School Production 2023

Image: St Damian's Logo

Name of production: THE MAGICAL TOY BOX TOUR

Date, time and location of the production:

CAST A: Thursday 24th August @6.30pm Loyola College

CAST B: Friday 25th August @6.30pm Loyola College

Images linked to the production: lego, little dog, circus tent and/or different worlds = jungle, magic vegetable farm, Antarctica, pirate ship/treasure island, outer space and Ancient Egypt

Your name and Grade

All entries must be in colour, on an A4 sized page and handed in to Ms Richardson (5R) by Monday 14th August.

There will be TWO winners - a CAST A and a CAST B winner. Competition winners will have their artwork used for the front cover of our Production Booklets and will receive a prize for their effort and creativity!



MUSIC NEWS

Well sung Choir members!

It is great that so many students are regularly committing to lunchtime rehearsals.

Truly wonderful were the students who turned up last Saturday to support the Year 6 students as they received the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Thank you so much to the core group of singers:

James H in Year 5

and James H, Laura, Winter & Sera in Year 4.



Now we look forward to these upcoming events :

Family Day Mass - on 26th July -
and the School Musical Production song - on 24th and 25th August.

Looking forward to your continued joyful music making. Affirming the way you are working so well as a team to balance our sound.

From Ms Marg O'Leary
Music Teacher



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| Term 3 | |
| July | |
| Monday 31st | Whole School Assembly 4F & 4N Presenting 2.30pm |
| August | |
| Monday 14th | Whole School Assembly 6C & 6S Presenting 2.30pm |
| Wednesday 16th | Whole School Production Rehearsal day — Loyola College 8.50am-3pm |
| Thursday 24th | School Production Cast A—6pm |
| Friday 25th | School Production Cast B—6pm |
| Saturday 26th | Sacrament of Eucharist Presentation Mass 5.30pm |
| Sunday 27th | Sacrament of Eucharist Presentation Mass 10am |
| Monday 28th | Whole School Assembly 2S Presenting 2.30pm |

SECOND HAND
UNIFORM SHOP

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 cannot accept damaged, old or stained items). Cash sales only.

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



Dear Parent/Guardians,

Thank you so much for continuously supporting our school, especially through fundraising. We are excited to announce we are holding a **Billy G's Gourmet Cookie Dough** drive as a major fundraiser this term.

Billy G's Gourmet Cookie Dough is an exciting fundraiser, made by an Australian, family owned and operated business. There are nine (9) dough-licious flavours to choose from, including the most popular **Choc Chunk** and **Caramel White Choc**. You can also create your own cookie magic with the Golden Classic flavour – the base of the Billy G's secret family recipe. Billy G's Gourmet Cookie Dough is exclusive to fundraising, so stock up!

Get started! Students have now received a Billy G's Order Form with instructions on how to collect orders. Please note Billy G's is a completely cashless fundraiser. All orders must be placed online and paid by credit or debit card or PayPal, so make sure you create your online fundraising page at www.australianfundraising.com.au today!

Start Date: 13/7/2023

Final Orders Due: 27/7/2023

Estimated Delivery Date: 10/8/2023

How do we create a Fundraising Page? Creating a fundraising page is easy!

1. Visit www.australianfundraising.com.au and click the "Cookie Dough Login" button on the home page.
2. Then click the register button to fundraise on the cybersafe, Billy G's Cookie Dough platform.
3. Enter Parent/Guardian details and create a password and click Register
4. Create a profile page for your child. Enter first name, Search by Group - Enter St Damian's Primary School, click all classes.
5. Choose your goals and create a unique avatar!
6. Place your order using the "Order Now" button and share your fundraising page with your family and friends via the "Share" section so they can start buying some yummy cookie dough. Easy!

How do prizes work? Every student who sells a tub will receive an incentive prize for their efforts! But why not aim higher? The more tubs you sell the more prizes you will receive! There are 12 prizes available, so set your own fundraising goal and aim for them all! Prizes are automatically ordered at the end of our fundraiser based on the number of tubs you have sold.

You can win Big! Our highest tub seller will go into a draw to win a \$10,000 JB Hi-Fi Shopping Spree OR PlayStation 5 Gaming Bundle. Plus, every student that achieves all online virtual badges will win a Billy G's Cookie Scented Plush Toy.

Happy fundraising,

St. Damian's P&A Committee



LPFA PROUDLY PRESENTS

Trivia & Entertainment Night

SATURDAY 12TH AUGUST

OLYMPIC HOTEL, PRESTON

7PM - LATE

\$80 PER PERSON

ADULTS ONLY

TICKET INCLUDES 3 COURSE MEAL

DOOR PRIZE RAFFLE

LIVE MUSIC FROM THE 80S AND 90S

COURTESY OF 'LOUIE AND THE PARTY BOYZ'



WWW.LOYOLA.VIC.EDU.AU/TICKETS

HOOKIN2 HOCKEY

COME AND TRY HOCKEY



Hookin2Hockey is an introductory program that caters for all abilities and is super fun!

Ages from 5 and up
\$70 for 8 weeks with our first session for FREE!
All equipment except mouthguards is supplied



Starting Saturday 22nd of July for 8 weeks

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT Rachael Bannan
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