Enquire, contemplate, act.

Welcome back to Term 3 and to this first edition of our electronic newsletter. We hope the current format makes our fortnightly communication even more accessible and interesting for our many families and friends.

A New Term

Even though I have experienced it many times over, I find the transformation of the school with the return of students each term simply amazing. After the quiet of holidays the place bursts into life almost at the flick of a switch. And so it is, that in our first two weeks there have already been plenty of examples of our students excelling in many different ways.

Perhaps because of this wonderfully frantic pace it is important for staff to take some time out occasionally to reflect on our roles and our contribution to the mission of the College. So on the first Monday of term we spent the day contemplating what the Year of Grace might hold for each of us and we explored examples of our students excelling in many different ways.

St Dominic’s Day

We are looking forward to celebrating St Dominic’s Day next week and in so doing celebrating our links with Dominican communities throughout the world and throughout the ages. As you know the central part of these celebrations is our College Mass where the entire college community along with many parents and friends gather to celebrate Mass in the round. Having the altar in the centre of Calaruega Hall helps us transform our gymnasium into a sacred space that is different to its daily purpose. Symbolically it also places the Eucharist at the centre of our community. This St Dominic’s Day we pray that by starting afresh with Christ at the centre of our community that His love will radiate in and through all of us to the world beyond.

Winter Sleep Out

As thirty of our students and their teachers participate in our annual winter sleep out this weekend their actions provoke us to reflect on the injustices caused by inequality and indifference. At the same time their act of solidarity reminds us that we have much to be thankful for here at Cabra. As a Dominican school it is our hope that by facilitating student enquiry into such issues and providing them with opportunities for contemplation that we might inspire and encourage them to play their part in building a better world. Congratulations to the students and staff members who have made such a generous and committed response to the winter sleep out appeal.

Best wishes for the remainder of Term 3. May there be moments of inspiration, plenty of opportunities for contemplation and challenges that call for your action.

Brian Schumacher

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DIARY DATE
Feast of St Dominic OP

Friday 3rd August (Week 3)
Important day in our College calendar
• Full winter uniform
• Mass celebrated with Fr Charles Gucci
• Spectacular Talent quest after recess
• Dismissal at 1.30pm

(Please note change of dismissal time)

Winter Sleep Out
Homeless People Awareness

In Australia there are over 100,000 homeless people on any given night. It is believed this is just the tip of the iceberg. How many others are ‘couch surfers’ or just one short step away from being homeless?

Nearly half of Australia’s homeless people are women and sadly, around thirty percent are children. The most common reasons for homelessness are family breakdown, unemployment, drugs, alcohol and domestic violence. (Source: Vinnies Website, http://www.vinnies.org.au/home-sa).

On Friday the 27th of July, the Social Justice group and other concerned students from Cabra Dominican College will participate in a Winter Sleep Out on the school grounds. We hope to raise awareness of the issues faced by homeless people each day, such as hunger, cold, and not feeling like a participating member of society.

We are seeking donations of blankets to be passed on to Vinnies, as part of their winter appeal, and would very much appreciate that blanket in the back of your cupboard that hasn’t been used in a while. Any winter clothes that you no longer wear would also be helpful. Donations can be left in the Vinnies boxes in the front and middle school offices.

Thank you for your support, Catherine O’Halloran, Rebecca Jasper and the Social Justice Group.

Year of Grace

On Sunday May 27, 2012 the Church celebrated its birthday with the celebration of Pentecost (when the Holy Spirit descended on Jesus Christ’s disciples). It also introduced the “Year of Grace”.

A year where we are being simply invited to have a deeper encounter with Jesus, perhaps even improve our relationship with Him. Grace is about being aware of yourself, others and God. Grace thrives when we can feel the love of Jesus guiding our day.

The Year of Grace Committee, directed by Archbishop Wilson, is inviting us to be aware of Grace, be prayerful with one another and find new ways to connect with Jesus.

We are invited to explore the Year of Grace website and use it as a space for prayer and a place for resources and information about this special year in the Catholic Church.


Official Year of Grace Prayer

Composed by the National Planning Team and endorsed by the Bishop’s Working Party, the following is the official prayer for the Year of Grace —

Gracious God,
You have blessed this ancient land with many gifts, especially its people.
We thank you for the Year of Grace, a time to start afresh from Christ.
You invite us to contemplate the face of Jesus your Son, that we may experience a new wave of grace, and that the light of Christ may burn more brightly in our lives.

Atsume our hearts and minds to the presence of your Holy Spirit, that our Church may be transformed, our relationships be healed, and our nation grow in compassion and justice.

With the intercession of St Mary MacKillop, who showed us new ways of living the Gospel, we make our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mary, Help of Christians, pray for us.

Deborah Lubatti (Cabra Dominican College Staff) and Cate Gielowski (St Thomas Goodwood Parent).

UNIFORM SHOP

Second Hand Uniforms

Condition of Sale

All uniforms must have the current Cabra logo with the exception of the rust jumper. If unsure, we can advise on the current styles and logo.

Blazers and skirts are to be dry cleaned prior to being put on consignment. To protect the enamel on the Blazer buttons, we recommend covering of them with alfoil before sending to the dry cleaners.

The Uniform Shop will only accept good quality, approved Cabra uniform that has been freshly laundered and is free of stains, paint, holes andrips.

Payment for sale of consignment garments is by way of credit to your school account, or if you are in credit or no longer have a student attending Cabra, a cheque will be posted to you. A handling fee of 25% will be deducted from the sale.

Uniforms that are unsuitable for sale or not sold within 12 months will be donated for distribution through the Salesian Missions.

The Uniform Shop also will accept donations of pre-loved uniforms.

UNIFORM SHOP TERM 3 OPENING HOURS

Entrance via Little St

Monday: 8.30am to 5.30pm
Wednesday: 8.30am to 5.30pm
Friday: 8.15am to 3.45pm
Phone: 8179 2400
Email: uniform@cabra.catholic.edu.au
**PERFORMING ARTS – BEANIE AND THE BAMBOOZLING BOOK MACHINE**

**Drama Class Performance**

Written by: Tess O’Callaghan

Beanie and The Bamboozling Book Machine was presented in week 9 of term 2 by the Year 12 drama Class. With four performances which were all full over 550 people saw the show in the new St Doms Hall. The play told the story of a boy who wants to avoid reading so he creates a machine to put books on video and answer teachers questions, but it all goes terribly wrong when the characters from the books escape and want to stay in reality. Through some audience interaction, colourful costuming and very energised acting combined with imaginative sound and lighting the yr 12s captured their audiences and created a very successful show.
It was exciting and genuinely refreshing to see our students eagerly arrive back to school to start Term 3. Although I am sure there were groans when the morning alarm went off last Tuesday, students had enough time to warm up by 8.45am and were excited to reconnect with one another. We are blessed at Cabra to live and work in an environment where our students are encouraged to be the best that they can be whilst also being aware of the impact of their actions on others and how they can make a difference. Individuality is celebrated as we are aware of our own unique gifts and use them in community with one another to make a more substantial impact to our own lives and that of others. We had the joy of hosting a Dominican Leaders Day with students from our local Primary schools at the end of last term. Our young people from a range of schools were given time to reflect on what it meant to be a leader in a Dominican school and how we can share these gifts with others. Our Middle School assembly provided a rich contextual example of this, as we had students celebrating academic successes of Semester 1, others sharing their sporting achievements and we were also astounded by the excellent Language Perfect competition results, where Cabra was successful on an International level. Some of our presenters were encouraging others to support the St Vincent de Paul Blanket drive and our Social Justice members were asking for donations of wood and cardboard boxes for the students who will be participating in the winter sleep-out.

In all of this, our young people have to choose their own story
- Who am I?
- Who do I want to be?
- Who am I called to be?
At Cabra, as a Catholic school in the Dominican tradition we reflect on
- Who are we?
- Who do we want to be?
- Who are we called to be?

Our staff plan many rich, educational in-class experiences to meet the needs of our young people but there is also a rich tapestry of events for our students to immerse themselves in. We continually seek new ways to meet the needs of our young people by using the Curriculum frameworks to shape our learning plans and exploring the many technological tools available to us. As a learning community, our staff actively look for ways to promote the development of the whole person and opportunities to discuss the richness in human interactions, ethical decision making and our moral responsibility.

“Remember the past with gratitude, to live the present with enthusiasm and to look forward to the future with confidence”

Novo Millennio Ineunte (1999)

We know that there may be days that may not seem quite as exciting as another. Our reflection in our Year of Grace, is to look for the many blessings in our lives and be thankful for all of our opportunities. We thank you for sharing this journey with us at Cabra Dominican College.
CLASS | TEACHER | CLASS CAPTAINS
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6 Gold | Sue Willcock/Antonella Masia | Amelia Edmonds and Lachlan Baily
6 Rust | Fiona Graff/Rob Jarrad | Tasmyn Lynch and Nathan Claridge
6 White | Sarah Russell | Georgia Croucher and Adrian Camporeale
6 Black | Taunia Parker/Cathy Robinson | Jessica Thomas and Samuel Ballard
7 Gold | Carol Smith/Cathy Robinson | Christopher Doyle and Emma Baguley
7 Rust | Emily Cahalan | Gabriel Dal Bello and Caitlin Gardiner
7 White | Savior Herd | Emma Zaina and Jaxon Smart
7 Black | Michael O Dea | Elish Macaulay and Cameron Jew
8 Gold | Ian Carmichael | Lauren Dunk and Billy Karnaros
8 Rust | Kim Jones | Cecilia James and Patrick Dekuyer
8 White | Charlotte Hejka | Joshua Henderson and India Shackleford
8 Yellow | Shaun Ossitt | Chloe Hall and Louis Hutchinson
8 Tan | Ann-Maree Davies | James Solly and Melanie Deek
8 Black | Celeste Becker | Sebastian Gaggi and Sheridan Bartlett
8 Navy | Jill Selby | Max Coombe and Charlotte Terrell

Girl Power Program

Written by: Flavio Zandona, Year 8 Coordinator and Michelle Roberts, School Counsellor

In the final week of the Girls Power Program the Year 8 girls were visited by 2 members of the Port Power Football team, Andrew Moore (No. 26) and Ben Newton (No. 38). Andrew and Ben helped teach the girls some football skills - handballing, kicking, bumping, and tackling. It was a lot of fun and finished with a signing of autographs from the footballers. Many thanks for the Year 8 girls for your enthusiasm with the program, hope you learnt some new skills, had fun and met some new friends.

Comments from the girls

“I really enjoyed the last session of Girl power. It was really fun as Andrew and Ben from Port Power came out and did football activities with us. We learnt lots of team work skills and it was good that it was only girls and no boys” – Kaila Gale, 8 Navy

“The Girl Power sessions were fun because we did lots of football activities. The last lesson was the best as 2 Port Adelaide players came out and did teamwork skills with us that helped us to work together better and co-operate” – Leila Scott, 8 Black

“I really enjoyed when the Port Power players came to show us some of their skills. This session helped me to relax and have fun. This Girl Power session had many team activities, which I feel helped the girls in our year level to co-operate with each other” – Tenille Merchant, 8 Navy.

CONGRATULATIONS

By: Georgia Croucher, 6 White

On Saturday 8th of July, I competed in a competition called Battlegrounds Adelaide with my dance crew Lil Flavas from the Flava Dance Studios. It was a Hip Hop dance competition and we came 1st in the Junior Division. We are going to Sydney in November to compete in the National Competition. If we go well, we will have the opportunity to compete in the World Competition.

Click the image below to watch the performance.

DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE A SLEEP PROBLEM?

The Child and Adolescent Sleep Clinic in the School of Psychology at Flinders University is providing treatment for children (aged 7 to 12 years) who are experiencing at least one of the following:

- Refusing to go to bed at night
- Having trouble falling asleep
- Waking up and cannot get back to sleep
- Having trouble waking up or getting out of bed in the morning
- Often sleeping in their parents’ bed or bedroom

Places are limited.

For more information, please call 8201 7587.

HILLS YOUTH THEATRE

Senior students present...

‘MURDER AT THE ORIENT EXPRESS’

A comedy whodunnit set in a Chinese restaurant.

Saturday 11 & 18 August 5.30pm
Sunday 12 & 19 August 2.30pm
Friday 17 August 7.30pm

STIRLING COMMUNITY THEATRE
7 Avenue Road, Stirling

Tickets from Matilda Bookshop
8 Mt Barker Road, Stirling. Ph: 8339 3931

Adults $12, Child/Conc $10,
Family $40.00 (+ $1.50 per ticket booking)
Language Perfect Championships

Written by: Sandra Ciccarello, Languages Coordinator

In the 10 days of the Championship in May, language students in Years 8 to 12 were tested on their reading, listening and writing skills using the Language Perfect software. They gained points by learning new words and phrases. The championship created a huge buzz about language learning and everyone involved found it fun and worthwhile.

Well done to our all our Award Winners with special mention to Callun Quin and Benjamin Disher for receiving the Gold Award.

School Achievements:

Total Questions Answered: 313,486
Estimated time spent learning: 603 hours of online language learning

- Competing students: 414
- 2nd overall in SA (out of 24 schools)
- 100th overall globally (out of 802 schools)
- 1st for Italian in SA (out of 19 schools)
- 3rd for Japanese in SA (out of 19 schools)
- 26th in Australia for the 251-500 students category (out of 94 schools)

Student responses:

“The topic of planets in Italian is really cool, I learnt of the planets and how to spell in just one day! There are so many things to mention about this site, but I love it!” – Stephanie Zeniou

“Wow this website is great! This is a great way to learn” - Roisin Gleeson

“This is a good program. It works well and its teaching methods are simple. It’s fun to play too!” Joshua Collins

“I’m enjoying these activities and I think it is helping my learning” – Zoe Mills

Congratulations to the many students who logged on and competed in the Championships. These results were amazing!

Pi Week

Written By: Cathy Robinson, Midle School Teacher

Last week in Year 6 we celebrated Pi Week. Pi Approximation Day happened on Sunday 22/7 (22/7 = approx pi = 3.14159). We had lots of fun measuring circles and discovering the magic number of pi. The week culminated in a celebration of pi with “pi pies” supplied by our wonderful tuckshop ladies. Thank you.

Student Reports—

By: Amelia Edmonds 6 Gold

Pi week in 6 Gold has been a fun and exciting week. We have enjoyed every minute, especially with our great teacher. We played games like quizmo, sang songs such as Ludolph the Mathematician, a special Pi song and many more things. We also did measuring activities with circumference and diameter of circles and working out pi.

We went out as a class, in pairs, measuring circles. We measured a circle on the big oval and then some people paired off to do some more measuring of circles. We measured many different sizes of circles for example fire hydrants, plant pots, door knobs, clocks poles, and much more to find out how close to pi we could get (3.14) We got very close to pi several times.

We have had some singing pi competitions that we have practiced for. Also we have some Study ladder online activities on different parts of circles - like the sectors, quadrants, diameter, radius and circumference of circles and much more.

By: Hayden Ayliffe – 6 Gold

In teams we went around investigating and measuring the circumference and diameter of circles, then divided the circumference by the diameter which should have been pi (3.14), but we were always off by 0.5 or 0.8. But that’s not all! To start it off we found out what pi was and that it never ends! We read a story called Sir Cumference and the Dragon of Pi. We sang songs such as Circumference of a Circle and Ludolph the Mathematician. On study ladder we were given some activities to do with circles. On the last day (Friday) we played Pi Quizmo and we were given a Pi Day badge that allowed us to collect some pies from the tuckshop.

Old Scholar – EXHIBITION

Old Scholar (2006) Alice Blanch, winner of the Fleurieu Peninsula Art Prize Youth Scholarship 2011, is holding an exhibition of her photography as part of the South Australian Living Artists (SALA) events. Support Alice by visiting her exhibition at Gallery on Waymouth, 30 Waymouth Street, Adelaide. Opening on Wednesday 1st August at 6pm, continuing to Wednesday 29th August.
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What enables young people to flourish?

The following excerpt is taken from one of Australia’s leading psychologists Michael Carr-Gregg’s book called Surviving Adolescence. Psychologists over the years have looked at young people from disadvantaged backgrounds and found that resilient young people share five key traits.

These include:
• Having an adult mentor or role model in their lives
• Having something they’re good at
• Having emotional intelligence
• Having a sense of meaning in their lives
• Positive self-talk and a willingness to persevere

Michael Carr-Gregg has an extensive amount of resources available on his website that can assist parents and caregivers with their child’s journey through adolescence: http://www.michaelcarr-gregg.com.au

College Uniform

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring your child is wearing the winter uniform correctly. This is one way that students demonstrate that they are proud to be a part of the Cabra community and are respectful of its traditions and culture. They are reminded that the College blazer should be worn as the outer garment to and from school, shirts should be tucked in, ties need to be worn correctly and skirts for girls should cover the knees. Uniforms will be checked at the beginning of Week 3.

Use of Pedestrian Crossings

Each day we have over 1,100 students travelling to and from school. Some students walk to school, some catch public transport, while other may ride their bikes or be driven to school by a parent or guardian. The vast majority of the students respect the road rules and use the pedestrian crossings appropriately. We would like to take this opportunity to remind all students to ensure that they obey the road rules and be attentive to the fact that they need to use the pedestrian crossings when crossing any road.

Notifying the College

If your son or daughter is absent

When a student is absent from school parent/guardians need to notify the College.

The phone numbers and information you will require is detailed here:

Absent from School?

Please notify the school...

If your child or children will be absent from school, parents and guardians are required to notify the college.

Option 1: Leave a telephone message:

CABRA Absentee Hot line – 8179 2477

After the message tone, please leave the following information:

• Child’s name • Home Class
• Reason (Family, Unwell, Holiday etc)
• Your Name (Parent or Guardian)

Option 2: Send an SMS – TEXT message:

TEXT Message – 0427 767 937

• Child’s name • Home Class
• Reason (Family, Unwell, Holiday etc)
• Your Name (Parent or Guardian)

2012 Archbishop’s Awards Nominations

Congratulations to Madalin Yeo-Ellis from 11G and Jack Kutcher from 12W for being nominated for the Archbishop’s Awards for 2012. The Award acknowledges students who have displayed outstanding commitment to their education and to supporting the wider community. Madalin and Jack will be presented with their awards at a special ceremony at the Cathedral later in the year. The Archbishop uses the Award to formally acknowledge outstanding individuals who are nearing the completion of their school life with a focus on the level of service which they bring to their individual schools and local communities.

Elevate Education Presentation

This Friday the Year 10, 11 and Year 12 students will have a guest speaker from Elevate Education Team present to them. The presentation will build upon the initial information that the College’s students with a number of useful study tips which they will be able to incorporate into their existing study regime.

‘Common Ground’ Conference

In the second week of the school holidays I accompanied the College Captains Claire McKenzie and Thomas Cusack along with the Vice Captains Emily Gordon and Mitchell Johnston to a three day Leadership Conference which was held in the Southern Highlands of NSW. The Leadership Conference entitled ‘Common Ground’ included students and teachers from Dominican Colleges in Adelaide, Queensland, NSW, Victoria and New Zealand.

The special gathering provided the students with the unique opportunity to gain an insight into the Dominican story and experiences from their peers located in other Dominican schools. We were privileged to hear a variety of guest speakers present sessions which provided the students with an insight into the type of work being undertaken by Dominicans as part of their global network. We also had a presentation from a teacher who had undertaken a pilgrimage through ‘Dominic’s Lands’. The pilgrimage which started in Spain travelled through Southern France and then on to Northern Italy.

One of the key goals which the Leaders would like to achieve as a result of their experience is to arrange a number of events which connect the four Dominican Colleges here in Adelaide. The first of these initiatives will involve the Leaders attending the St. Dominic’s masses in the other Colleges.

St Dominic’s Day

St. Dominic’s Day will be celebrated on Friday the 3rd of August. The day will commence with a special Whole School mass in the morning followed by a talent quest. All students will be required to wear their full winter uniform on the day. Please note that PE uniform is not to be worn. Students will be dismissed at 1.30pm on the day.

2013 SACE Orientation Evening

The 2013 SACE Orientation Evening will be held on Wednesday the 1st of August in the new St. Dominic’s building commencing at 7.30pm. The evening will provide the parent/guardians of our current Year 10 and 11 students with an overview of the structure of the SACE along with the Assessment procedures.
Year 11 Retreats – Week 4

This year’s Year 11 Retreats will be held on Monday the 9th and Friday the 10th of August in Victor Harbor. The students are already looking forward to the experience and the Retreat Team lead by Ms Maree Samuel has been busy putting the finishing touches to the program.

Common Ground Conference Sydney

Written by: Claire McKenzie
On Monday of the second week of holidays, Emily, Tom, Mitchell and I went to Sydney for the Common Ground conference.
The conference was held at the Santa Sabina Tallong campus, 2 hours south of the city by bus. We were accompanied by Dominican schools from all around Australia and New Zealand. We stayed for 3 days and got to know a lot of the other students that attended. Most of all we learnt a lot more about Saint Dominic.
The first day we focused on our identity as individuals and our identity as a school. We stood up and talked to the other schools about the events that happen at Cabra and how we exercise the values of Saint Dominic in our everyday lives. We listened to other schools from around the country and found that we had a lot in common in terms of the values of Saint Dominic.
We then did an activity where we had to create a model of a Dominican school or what we thought a Dominican graduate would look like. The group I was in came up with qualities such as; forgiveness, sense of community and vertias (truth).
The second day we started the morning with liturgy and three guest speakers. The first speaker told us about her journey on a pilgrimage, following the footsteps of St Dominic. We learnt a lot about St Dominic’s childhood and where he first began preaching the gospel. We then had Sister Elizabeth Helby talk to us about the other Dominican’s that live around the world. We found this very interesting as it made us more aware of the other Dominican’s that live around the world, the work they do and the history of Dominicanism. We also learnt about the history of our college, how is was founded and by who, and how it has developed over time. In the afternoon we took a break from the theory and went on the high ropes course which was very enjoyable. 
We had an hour of free time which was used to get to know the other people attending. On the final day after packing our bags, we walked a Labyrinth. Each of the students was able to take the journey at their own pace. A labyrinth is a path that forms a circular pattern, there’s only one way in and one way out. In our case, we were to use the Labyrinth as a pilgrimage and reflect on where we are in our lives and what we had learnt over the past few days.
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Afterwards, we sat down in our school groups and thought of different ways we’re going to share what we have learnt with our school. We came up with a range of ideas; including displays about Saint Dominic’s life around the school. This will help educate the rest of the school further about St Dominic. We ended our trip with a liturgy constructed by the group; we were all allocated different jobs. After that we headed back to the airport by bus and then headed home.

From this trip I learnt many things about myself as a student, our school and St Dominic. I became familiar with how St Dominic’s values are present in me as a student at Cabra. I found this experience to be very informative and worthwhile.

DEBATING 2012

Written by: Cameron Bradshaw, 10 BLACK
This year I am on Mrs. Woodbridge’s debating team with Eliza Juinper and Leigh Symonds. We meet at lunch times for our meetings. The people in my team are very nice and help me a lot. Debating for me is an exciting challenge and an interesting learning experience. The debates are fun and it is a very educational experience which taught me to see deeper views on world issues. A very special thank you to Mrs. Woodbridge who spends a lot of time and works very, very hard to make sure our debates are fantastic!

MURDER SOLVED — BY CABRA STUDENTS!

Written by: By Jack Manners and Megan Wheatley
At the end of last term nine students from Year 10 went to Flinders University for a Forensic Science activity. We were initially shown some of the basic applications of the science, and then were escorted to a lecture hall, where a presenter provided some history and compared real life forensic work to what is seen in TV shows such as NCIS. After some amazing acting and the ‘death’ of Professor Lawrance, we found ourselves trying to solve the great ‘2012 Chemical Murder Mystery’. We then proceeded to the university laboratories to analyse the evidence collected from the crime scene.

In the end it was found that the murder was done by a group of co-workers. We did guess that, but were too modest to show off in front of the students from other schools, so we kept it to ourselves. It was really interesting to see some of the techniques used to solve a murder and we enjoyed being able to do some of the testing ourselves. Overall it was a really interesting day!

COMMON GROUND BLESSING

Loving Father,
Give us new vision to see your shaping hand at work in all the gifts to our country and the gifts of each other and in the care and protection with which you frame our lives.
May we always live in this land united in purpose and freed in the Spirit.
May we pray in thanksgiving for the time we have shared together.

May we carry Dominic’s passion as we return to the north, to the south, to the east and to the west from this Common Ground.
May we rekindle the light of Dominic’s story in our schools, in our communities and in our hearts.
May God’s love be our compass for every word we speak, every interaction we make, every action we take.

And may God bless us and those we love, today and always. Amen.

SPORT NEWSLETTER – ELECTRONIC DELIVERY UPDATE

The Sport Newsletter is now delivered electronically each fortnight along with the College newsletter via email subscription. Families must first subscribe to receive the newsletter this way. Subscription is via the College website.

In alternate weeks (Week 1, 3, 5, 7, 9) the Sport newsletter will be emailed directly to families and students involved in co-curricular sport.

A limited number of print copies will still be available from the gym foyer each week. Please email sport@cabra.catholic.edu.au if you do not receive the electronic sport newsletter in alternate weeks.

PROFESSIONAL SPORT PHOTOS – ALL Cabra Sports Teams!!

Academy Photographers will be at Cabra in Week 4 (Tuesday 7th and Thursday 9th August) to take photos of all Cabra sport teams. A full shot schedule is available in the SPORT NEWSLETTER. Please ensure students arrive on time.

Photos will be available for purchase at a later date.

IMPRESSIVE SPORT PHOTO SCHEDULE!
Welcome back to school, we hope you are nice and rested as we have a busy term ahead of us in the Middle School Library. We kick off with UK visiting author, Derek Landy of Skulduggery Pleasant fame. This free event open to the public will be held on Saturday 18th August in St Dominic’s Hall from 1 – 3pm. Tickets are limited, so please see Ms SB or Mrs Mills before Friday 27th July. Order forms for book purchases are available until 3rd August, including the latest in the series, book 7, Kingdom of the Wicked. Derek will be available to autograph his books after the talk.

Other things to look out for this term include Book week in week 6. The theme this year is “Champions Read” and on Thursday 23rd August we would like all the year 6 & 7s to come dressed as their favourite champion. The Premier’s Reading Challenge is in its final stages so please make sure your records are up to date. All books borrowed over the holidays are now overdue so please return them to the library as soon as possible as we have many titles on reserve for other students. Thank you.

New Electronic Resources Available

As part of our mission to provide the latest and most relevant information resources we have expanded our collection of subscriber electronic databases. After a very successful trial we have decided to add to our already comprehensive Australian and New Zealand Reference Centre resources to include History, Literary and Consumer Health Reference Centres in addition to Points of View and our existing Biography and Science Reference Centres. Access from the Cabra Intranet Libraries page or from home via: http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?authtype=uid

USER ID: cabra PASSWORD: library

A to Z World Culture

The Library is now able to offer students and staff access to an excellent searchable database of country and cultural information. It is called AtoZ World Culture and it offers comprehensive up-to-date information on over 170 countries from all parts of the globe. You can access an incredible wealth of information on any of these countries from population information right through to music, art, festivals, holidays etc. Login details are: http://www.atozworldculture.com/a-z_culture_home.asp?c=cabra

USERNAME: cabra PASSWORD: library

And of course don’t forget to visit the Cabra Senior Library Blog for all the latest books, reading and information news.
Welcome to what purports to be another very active term for Cabra’s musicians and staff. We have a number of events happening as you will see below.

**Congratulations to the following:**

— Natasha Poulton and Tiani Zollo-Semmler who were selected to participate in the State Music Camp. Both girls are member of the String Ensemble and at this camp were provided with a wealth of experience and exposure to many musical challenges. We wish Natasha all the very best for her new life in Canada. Her contribution to the String ensemble was greatly valued.

— Wire Choir on their performance in the last week of term at a lunchtime concert in Pilgrim Lane. “Please pass on my thanks to Tim and the fabulous Wire Choir. They were just fantastic and their music was just so perfect for the Music in the Lane project. It’s such a unique concept to have so many electric guitars playing together. Not only did it sound great, it looked impressive too.” Kathy Pike, Music in the Lane Project Coordinator

— The Large Vocal Jazz Ensemble for attaining 3rd prize in the ‘Small Choirs Open age’ section of the Adelaide Eisteddfod. They sang “Over the Rainbow” and “Bassically Speaking”. The adjudicator’s comments included “nice swing/blues sound, nice crescendos, lovely gentle mood, nice ending and mood”. A great performance.

**FUTURE EVENTS**

On Sunday July 29, Concert Band is having a very special day. Starting at 10am they are working with members of the Mitcham City Brass Band in sectional workshops and as a combined band, with the day culminating in a concert at 5pm in St Dom’s Hall. Everyone is invited to the concert. Sunday is the first of three extended rehearsals in preparation for Concert Band’s participation in the Australian Bands Competition at Westminster School on Thursday August 16.

Our first ever Cabaret on Cabra soil is on Saturday August 11 in St Dom’s Hall starting at 7.30pm. Please put this date in your diary. Ensembles participating are Wire Choir, Jazz Band, USA drummers, Show Choir (Concert Choir), Large Vocal Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Train, Revelation, Stage Band, Year 12 ensemble, Senior & Junior Rock Bands. The Cabaret is always a highly enjoyable evening for all, and we would love to have many parents, friends and relatives share this occasion with our very talented students and ensemble directors. Tickets are available now from the book room. They will not be sold at the door on the night. If possible, please could you purchase them sooner rather than later.

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**UPCOMING MUSIC EVENTS**

- **Concert Band Big Play Day and Concert** – Sunday July 29
  10am to 6pm
- **Pageant Rehearsal** – Monday July 30
  Pageant Warehouse – Drummers - 6pm to 7.30pm
- **CABRA CABARET** – Saturday August 11 – 7.30pm
  St Dom’s Hall
- **Concert Band Rehearsal** – Sunday August 12
  Band room – 1-5pm
- **Concert Band Rehearsal** – Wednesday August 15
  Band room – 2.45-5pm
- **SA BANDS COMPETITION** – Thursday August 16
  Concert Band – Westminster School – 8.30 – 1.00
- **Stage 1 & 2 solo performance evening** – Thursday August 16
  Cabra Chapel and Band room
- **Pageant Rehearsal** – Monday August 27
  Pageant Warehouse – Drummers - 6.00 – 7.30pm
- **Stella Maris School Fete** – Sunday September 9
  Ensemble to be decided
- **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS MUSIC FESTIVAL** – Tuesday September 18
  Festival Centre - Festival Choir – 7.30pm
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