One of the many aspects of St Dominic’s Day that I love is that we keep it simple; we gather, we pray, we celebrate, we simply stop and smell the roses, as they say, can be so important for parents and children. Sure we probably use it for in each day for a quiet moment of reflection or to place in our yearly calendar, taking some time with an opportunity to think about their life from a different perspective. The word “retreat” is usually defined as withdrawing to a quiet, secluded (safe) place and as you can imagine in doing just that it really does offer the participants something different to their day-to-day experience.

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COLLEGE NOTICES

ABSENT FROM SCHOOL? PLEASE NOTIFY US

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

Option 1: Call and leave a Voice Message:
Please note: You will not speak with anyone; please just leave a message with the following details:

Dial: 8179 2477
After the message tone please leave the following information:
- Child’s name
- Home Class
- Reason (Family / Illness / Holiday)
- Your Name (Parent or Guardian)

Option 2: Send a TEXT Message:
Please note: You cannot ring this number; please just TEXT the following details:

TEXT Message to: 0427 767 937
In the text message please leave the following information:
- Child’s name
- Home Class
- Reason (Family / Illness / Holiday)
- Your Name (Parent or Guardian)

COLLEGE SHOP

www.cabra.catholic.edu.au/services
Trading Hours

DURING SCHOOL TERMS ONLY
MONDAY and WEDNESDAY – 8.30am – 4.30pm
TUESDAY and THURSDAY – 8.30am – 2.30pm
FRIDAY – 8.30am – 4.00pm
• Closed Daily between 12.30pm to 1.00pm for lunch.

Uniform Shop
Sale of Second Hand Uniforms:
Please note until further notice, due to storage constraints, we cannot accept garments for consignment at this time

Contacts

STATIONERY, SERVICES, PAYMENTS:
Telephone: 8179 2456
Email: collegeshop@cabra.catholic.edu.au

UNIFORMS:
Mara Bogisch: Available Monday, Wednesday & Friday during school term
Email: uniform@cabra.catholic.edu.au
Telephone: (08) 8179 2461
Facsimile: (08) 8272 4861

LEARNING REVIEWS

Save the Date – Week 9, Tuesday 15th September
Student Parent Teacher Learning Reviews are fast approaching – Week 9. Please put a reminder in your calendar for this important event, Tuesday 15th September. Cabra is once again using the Edval PTN online system for the organisation of this event and parents will be emailed information in Week 8 enabling them to request interviews with teachers via the web. Any concerns prior to this please contact:
Ann-Maree Davies at: adavies@cabra.catholic.edu.au
or the Front Office: cabra@cabra.catholic.edu.au

COLLEGE CANTEEN

Canteen orders can be made through the Qkr! ordering and payment application. For instructions, please refer to the Help Guides published in the Issue 7 Week 4 Newsletter on Pages 7 to 10. Orders can be taken up to 8am each day.

STUDENTS LEAVING CABRA

If your child/ren will not be returning to Cabra in 2016 the Registrar must receive notice in writing.

Please email abooth@cabra.catholic.edu.au by Friday 25th September 2015.

A minimum of one term’s notice must be given. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.
Amber Booth, Registrar
COLLEGE NOTICES

MIDDLE SCHOOL EXHIBITION

You are invited to view the fantastic work of our Middle School students on display this Friday 4pm to 6pm with light refreshments. Come and see the many ways rituals define our daily and cultural lives in painting, woodwork, metal, sculpture and more!

Where: Fra Angelico Arts Centre – Cabra Dominican College

Cabra Dominican College Middle School Exhibition
Friday 14th August • 4pm to 6pm • Fra Angelico Arts Centre

SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE

All young people under 18 years are welcome to attend the School Dental Service. Dental care is FREE for most school-aged children.

SA Dental Service participates in the Child Dental Benefits Schedule. A small fee may apply for students not eligible for the Child Dental Benefits Schedule.

To locate your local School Dental Clinic, or for more information about the Child Dental Benefits Schedule, please phone 8222 8222 or visit www.sadental.sa.gov.au

COMMUNITY NOTICES

The services and events contained in this newsletter are in no way connected with the school and are included for your information only. Parents and caregivers need to make their own enquiries and assessments about the suitability of these events and services for their needs and those of their children.

CLUB TENNIS - PLAYERS WANTED (ALL AGES)

HOPE WARD TENNIS CLUB (AN ANZ HOT SHOTS CLUB)

Has vacancies for Junior & Senior members, of all standards, for the Summer 2015/16 Season (commencing mid October).

Interested? Then come along to our Open Day/s:-

Seniors: Sunday 23/8 12pm to 2pm (includes free Sausage Sizzle)
Juniors (17 & under): Sunday 30/8 11am to 1pm (includes free Sausage Sizzle)

GLANDORE COMMUNITY CENTRE

SELF DEFENCE

5 week program open to all teens, young adults, parents.
Monday 10 August 2015 (5 weeks)
7.30–8.30pm
Cost $50
Bookings essential 8371 1139

FEDERATION OF PARENTS AND FRIENDS

The Federation of Catholic School Parent Communities is the peak body for catholic school parents in SA.

Keep up to date by visiting: www.parentfederation.catholic.edu.au

Be connected. Be informed. Be heard.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL

Join with thousands of young people from Year 9 to 25 years of age to celebrate the Australian Catholic Youth Festival in Adelaide.

3–5 December 2015

www.youthfestival.catholic.org.au

CABRA PARTICIPATING IN WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN

Cabra is once again participating in the Woolworths Earn and Learn promotion.

For every $10 spent, you will be given a sticker and these can be placed in the collection box near the entrance to Woolworths Cumberland Park or in the Middle School office.

In previous campaigns, Cabra families accumulated enough points to earn a full class set of kits to learn and investigate electrical circuits.

Lucy Barker, Science Lab Manager
Music News

After a busy musical start to the term, the music department are now preparing for upcoming music festivals, concerts, performance assessments and our lunchbox series. Please make sure that you continue to support your sons and daughters attending weekly rehearsals to ensure that ensembles are prepared for their concerts and events. Once again thank you for your ongoing support.

ABODA

Cabra has three ensembles entered in The South Australian School Band & Orchestra Festival competition being held next week.

On Wednesday, String Ensemble and Drum Corps are competing followed by Concert Band on Friday. Please ensure that ensemble members are ready to catch their bus at their allocated time.

Catholic Schools Music Festival 2015

Participating ensembles have been sent information regarding this event on September 21-24. Please check your emails for discounted ticketing information due Thursday August 13.

Calendar of Events

Please continue to check the Calendar of Events updated in each newsletter, your emails, information from Ensemble Directors and the music notice board located just outside the Music Office for detailed information regarding upcoming events.

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For enquires regarding the music department, phone 8179 2406 or email: sheaslip@cabra.catholic.edu.au

Library News

"If you remember the pleasure of hearing a story many times, and you will remember that while you were listening you become three people. There is an incredible fusion: you become the storyteller, the protagonist, and you remember yourself listening to the story." — Marina Warner, From the Beast to the Blonde: On Fairy Tales and Their Tellers

On Tuesday Cabra was fortunate enough to have a visit from a young Adelaide author, Tarran Jones to chat about fractured fairy tales. Tarran is a published author whose fractured fairy, ‘All That Glitters’ appears in the Twice Upon a Time Anthology! We have several copies if anyone is interested in having a look.... they are more suited for older readers.

Tarran has been writing since she was a small child and her enthusiasm for stories captivated her Year 8 audience who have been writing and illustrating their own fractured fairy tales this term.

Tarran is quite literally all about the books and even works at Collins Booksellers at Castle Plaza.

Check out the Bookshop Blog and Tarran’s own website below:

Collins Booksellers Edwardstown Blog
Tales from the Scribe

Sport News

Cabra wins Dominican Cup!

Well Done to the Open B1 Soccer and Open A Basketballers on winning their Dominican Cup games on the weekend – for full report and lots of photos, see Sport Newsletter. Good luck to the Open Girls Basketballers who will play in the finals day next Wednesday.

REMININDER: Winter Sport Team/Knockout Professional Photos are taking place in Week 5 on Thursday 20th August. All students who play sport for Cabra are involved and need to check their schedule which should be up in all class rooms for their time slot for photos and be at St Dominic’s Hall dressed in the correct sport uniform ready to go.

CONGRATULATIONS to Natassia M (10Y) who won Gold in the U15 Girls Little Athletics State Cross Country championships at Heathfield High on Sunday July 26th. Well done!
On Thursday 30th and Friday 31st July at the Hopgood Theatre Noarlunga Centre, the kids from East High took us on one wild ride!

High School Musical is a timeless tale: boy and girl from different sides of the tracks meet, fall for one another and then fight against the odds to be together. Sounds familiar, right? But the difference between this story and that of Romeo and Juliet and Grease is that these young characters don’t need to meet a tragic end or change their identity for somebody else in order to be happy - they just need to find the courage to be who they were born to be...to embrace their individual talents and to share them with the world!

That’s exactly what has happened throughout our journey together in the lead up to Cabra’s production of High School Musical. Each of our talented and committed performers have brought something special to the stage and, through working together, have achieved greatness. Many of our performers were either singing, dancing or acting for the very first time - not only because they are continuing to realise their talents but because they are finally finding the confidence to share them with the world. I was so proud of each and every one of their performances but more importantly, I am proud of them for having the courage to stand together against the ‘Status Quo’. 

A thousand thanks go to the HSM production team for the endless creative hours they have dedicated to the show and to our wonderful musicians who bring our story to life. Thanks must also go to the many staff members, parents and volunteers who have assisted with preparations and rehearsals and to the technical experts for helping to make our production look and sound spectacular.

Finally, thank you to our wonderful cast for their passion and to their family and friends for supporting them by attending the shows to experience it. We really were all in this together.

Go Wildcats!

Sally Scott, Director.
Regards, Jason Thur

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The 2015 Aurecon Bridge Engineering Competition

Bridge-building was part of Cabra’s Gifted and Talented program for 2015. In two teams of three, Year 9 students Joe, Alex, Elijah, Simona, Emily and Rylee each designed and built bridges over a six-week period, and using restricted amounts of balsa wood, string, glue and cardboard. Their constructions were then load-tested to determine the strongest bridge. Bridge experts from Aurecon and Engineers Australia assessed each bridge for strength, workmanship, creativity and visual appeal. It was a challenging but rewarding experience.

Mrs Celeste Becker – Stephen Bull
Gifted and Talented Coordinator – Library Coordinator

Reflections from students

- A new experience. A definite challenge and a ton of fun while learning! — Simona P
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Left: Elijah, Alex and Joe show the judges their bridge design

Below: Joe, Elijah and Alex have their bridge load tested

Left: Emily and Simona with their bridge named “The Procrastinator”

Below: The “Procrastinator” bridge undergoing load testing.

St Dominic’s Day

Last week on St Dominic’s Day it was hard not to feel a sense of pride in the way the Middle School students conducted themselves. It was a special day for the College and the students ensured the day was a huge success through their participation and behaviour for the entire day. In what has become a tradition at Cabra the talent show that concluded the day was a showcase of the gifts that some students possess. The Middle School was extremely well represented by a multitude of dancers, singers and instrument players who were able to execute their routine in front of over 1000 students. What an experience for those individuals!

Subject Selection – Yr 9’s

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(Week 4, Term 3)
College Production

The 2015 College Production of ‘High School Musical’ which was held recently was one of the most entertaining productions the College has had in recent years. I would like to congratulate all of the students and staff who devoted so many hours towards ensuring that the production was an overall success. It was a very rewarding and memorable experience for all of the students who are involved.

St. Dominic’s Day Celebrations

Last Friday the College celebrated St. Dominic’s Day with our Eucharist in the morning which was followed by our College ‘Talent Quest’. The theme of the Mass was ‘Embracing Our Youth’. All of the students participated beautifully in the day’s events and thoroughly enjoyed the celebrations. The ‘Talent Quest’ was a wonderful showcase of the depth of talent which we have here at the College.

Year 11 Retreat

This morning the Year 11 students departed the College to make their way down to Victor Harbor for their Retreat. The two day Retreat experience is to provide the students with the time to stop and reflect on their individual life journeys and to connect with each other through the sharing the stories of their life experiences. I will be visiting both Retreat sites tomorrow morning. We wish the students and staff the very best for the next two days.

Year 12 Trial Exams

Next week the Year 12 students commence their ‘Trial Exams’. In the lead up to this week the students have been working diligently preparing for what will be a very busy assessment period for them. We with them the very best for next week.

Acknowledgement of Cabra’s Sports Coaches

Last night I had the opportunity to thank a number of the sporting coaches which support the College Curricular program. A special gathering was held to thank and to acknowledge all of the work which the coaches do to support the students in their individual and team sporting pursuits. It was wonderful to see so many ex-scholars who really value being a part of the Cabra Community well beyond the years which they were enrolled here as a student.

Students Morning and Afternoon Pick Up and Drop Off Zone

In order to ensure that students kept safe as they enter and leave the College property each day it is important to remind all parents and caregivers that the main pick up and drop of zone is at the rear of the property via the Little Street entrance to the College. I would ask that parents and caregivers to not use the front entrance of the College to drop off or to collect your son/s or daughter/s. In recent weeks a number of parents have been driving into the property via the front gate and this has caused significant issues in relation to students’ safety as the students enter and exit the property at peak times.

‘Pride of Australia Award’ Nomination 2015

Congratulations to Hayley Sands who has been nominated for the 2015 ‘Pride of Australia – Courageous Child Award'. Hayley is a Year 10 student here at the College. The awards recipients will be announced at Government House on Wednesday September 23rd.

Student Reflection on High School Musical

High School Musical was such a great experience! I had so much fun preparing for the stage production, and on the 2 days of performing i honestly could say there is nothing like it. Getting to know people, having fun performing, and also with the whole HSM group being as one big family that was also the best. — HARRY N

UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE OPEN DAYS 2015

Flinders University
Friday 14th August and Saturday 15th August 2015 9.30am-4pm
Flinders University Open Days

Adelaide University
Sunday 16th August 2015 9am- 4pm
Adelaide University Open Days

Roseworthy Agricultural College
Tuesday 22nd September 2015 10.30am and 2pm Phone: 8313 7812

University of SA
Sunday 16th August 2015 9am- 4.30pm
Uni SA Open Days

TAFESA Adelaide College of the Arts
Sunday 16th August 2015 10am – 3pm
Adelaide College of the Arts Open Days

International College of Hotel Management
Sunday 16th August 2015 2.30pm
Regency International House, 163 Days Road, Regency Park. Phone 8228 3612
Register – admissions@ichm.edu.au or

Academy of Interactive Entertainment
Sunday 16th August 2015 10am – 3pm
Academy of Interactive Entertainment Open Days

CABRA VET AND WORK EXPERIENCE CO-ORDINATOR
— Mrs Sharkey
St Dominic’s Day — Embracing Our Youth

Thank you to all for a wonderful celebration of St Dominic’s Day. It is always a privilege to be a part of it. The theme ‘Embracing Our Youth’ was certainly evident throughout the preparations to create a sacred space in Caleruega Hall and during a joyful and beautiful celebration of the Mass on Friday, with Father Charles Gauci.

During the Mass, the Brass ensemble provided a powerful addition to the ‘Hymn to St Dominic’. The piano and harp music piece played and sung by the Dobson sisters, for the Offertory procession, was hauntingly beautiful. The staff of the Music faculty work countless to prepare and execute the music and the sound set up for the both the Mass and the Talent Quest.

The Homeclass banners, once again, reflected the theme beautifully in so many creative ways. The Sisters, staff and students, commented on the uniqueness of the banners this year. Thank you to all those involved in creating this beautiful display.

Thank you to Gemma Heath and Elley Hassiotis who worked very hard to organise and present the Talent Quest. It was wonderful to witness such talent and a variety of acts, bringing fun and laughter for our students and staff.

The celebrations ended with a lovely Staff lunch in St Dominic’s Hall. It was a wonderful day for students and staff.

Maree Samuel – Head of Religious Education Leadership Team
ST DOMINIC’S DAY GALLERY