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LOVE AND MERCY – WHERE TWO OR THREE GATHER IN MY NAME, THERE I AM.

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Dear Families,



**All of them were
filled with
the Holy Spirit!**
Acts 2.4

This past weekend we celebrated the Feast of Pentecost. The disciples received the gifts of the Spirit, to speak with words of kindness and to act with love. Pope Francis says that in reflecting on the message of Pentecost, we are caught up in a world today where the use of social media is often used for insults. The Pope states: "The more we use social media, the less social we are becoming." May we all be open to the gifts of the Spirit, to be people of kindness, welcome and love.

Celebrating NAIDOC Week this week. It is a week which celebrates the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



We invite you to walk with us in a movement of the Australian people for a better future. The theme of : VOICE. TREATY. TRUTH.

The Indigenous voice of this country is over 65,000 plus years old.

They are the first words spoken on this continent. Languages that passed down lore, culture and knowledge for over millennia. They are precious to our nation.

It's that Indigenous voice that include know-how, practices, skills and innovations - found in a wide variety of contexts, such as agricultural, scientific, technical, ecological and medicinal fields, as well as biodiversity-related knowledge. They are words connecting us to country, an understanding of country and of a people who are the oldest continuing culture on the planet.

Prayers : Your prayers and thoughts are asked for Mr Kim and his family. Mr Kim's mother passed away suddenly last Wednesday after a brief illness. John hopes to be back at school for a few days this week. His mother's funeral will be early next week. May our loving God be with John and the family during these days, and may his loving mother rest in peace.

REMINDER TO RETURN PARENT/TEACHER/STUDENT CONVERSATION APPOINTMENT FORM SENT HOME WITH YOUR CHILD LAST WEEK.



Skoobag multi language app: The app is very easy to use and manage, and offers a translation for your language. A great feature of the app is that you can use it to easily notify the school if your child is absent, rather than having to call the office. The app has many features including: notifying the school when your child/children absent; medication form; newsletter, change of details form etc.

Preparations are underway for the **Sacraments of Reconciliation** (Penance) and **First Eucharist** to be celebrated by our Year 4 students who are baptised Catholic. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held on Wednesday July 24th at **12pm** (not during the evening as in previous years) The Sacrament of First Eucharist will be held on Saturday September 7th at 6pm or on Sunday September 8th at 11am. Please come in and see Ms Bretag if you have any questions.



Enrolments for Prep in 2020 at St Dominic's are now open. Interviews have started. Please come and see Teresa or Daphne in the office for an enrolment form if you want your kinder child to start school next year. Interviews will be arranged when application forms have been completed. Don't forget to encourage other families and friends to consider St Dominic's as a place for learning for their child. A child must have turned 5 by 30th April, 2020 to be considered eligible for Prep enrolment.



Congratulations to the following students who were *Week 7 Students of the Week : Well done on your great efforts.*

Prep Red	: Alison; Rose	3/4P: Jyotsna; Mark
Prep Purple	: Yordi; Hunter	3/4R: Isaac; Rushil; Carlos
1/2L	: Cynthia; Zavian	3/4 S: Noor; Yohan
1/2M	: Riel; Sophia	5/6I: Peter; Yousif
1/2N	: Mran; Romeo	5/6J: Nicholas; Demiana
		5/6K: Tahnya; Laura

Mrs Burnett's Reading Award: Yousif; Tahnya
 Hub : Nassef; Martin; Nicholas; Oriana; Tuuaga
 Breakfast Club : Samantha N
 Volleyball : Jacinta; Bhupendra
 Soccer : Marvin; Martina

Let's Eat Kiosk: CANTEEN

SNACK BAR IS OPEN TUESDAY AND THURSDAY EACH WEEK
Each child can spend up to \$2.00 AT SNACK BAR.

Tuesday, June 11th: Shamy,
Thursday, June 13th: Enas



Some important dates for the coming weeks (more to come)	
Week 8	
Monday June 10th	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday (No school!)
Tuesday June 11th	3.40 Staff PLT - NCCD
Wednesday June 12 th	8.15 Breakfast Club ReLATE PL for Core Team Mackillop Family Services, South Melb.
Thursday June 13th	9.10a.m. Year 5/6 mass
Friday June 14 th	8.15 Breakfast Club Maths incursion in Hall Principal's Network mtg – Gayle No assembly – Maths Incursion
Week 9	
Mon-Wed June 17 th , 18 th and 19 th .	Year 6 Camp
Week 10	
Friday June 28th	END TERM 2 : Students finish school at 1.30pm.

Wishing all a good week ahead.

Gayle



ST. DOMINIC'S FAMILIES AND SCHOOL WORKING TOGETHER FOR BETTER LEARNING OUTCOMES.