



THE DOMINIC COLLEGE SONG

My association with Dominic College began when my son commenced in Prep in 1976. My journey with Dominic was to, eventually, span some 14 years as parent, teacher and friend.

I was involved in the liturgical life of Dominic for many years from First Communion, Reconciliation, Confirmation and Graduation Masses and the Middle School productions of *Joseph* and *Godspell*.

For the initial 16 years, Dominic College was without a school song. Whilst this may not be seem very important, I felt differently because a school song is an anthem of ownership and represents a

further means of stating the school's tradition, ethos and beliefs.

It is akin to the singing of a National Anthem which bonds a country's people and is a source of pride, hope and patriotism.

Even a crowd of virtual strangers attending one of Australia's beloved AFL games is united in a common bond, albeit for a short time, when they stand to sing their

club song. So, I set about rectifying this and to give Dominic College a school song.

It was evident the song needed to focus on two aspects: the saints from whom Dominic College took its name, and the emblem and its symbolism.

My desire was to align the lyrics with a heart-warming melody that was vibrant and energetic, yet evoked strength and pride. I offered my composition, in all humility, to the Dominic community in 1989 and it was received well and readily accepted, becoming a part of life for staff, students, parents and friends and initiating a 'new' tradition.

I congratulate all who are part of the Dominic family. May all unite in the singing of their anthem, bonded in a love for their school, respect for each other and faith in their God.

Helen Harvey (Beha)



Fra Angelico, Dominic College's new Creative Arts classrooms, were opened and blessed in February 2018. The classrooms consist of two art rooms and two music rooms, as well as recording studios, practice rooms, media facilities and storage and tutors' rooms. The footprint of the building has been expanded to encompass these new rooms at ground level, with new courtyard and balconies, while the exterior brickwork is enhanced with a digital byte from the College Song.

Fra Angelico is adjacent to the specialist dance and drama studio The Oratory Space and completes the Dominic College Creative Arts facilities.

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*To live by truth and justice
Caring for our world
To live our lives with dignity
Fashioned by God's Word.*

*Dominic Guzman,
Preacher of the Word,
Dominic Savio,
Example for the young
May our lives reflect
The graces you have shown
Patrons of our College
We make your name our own.*

*The symbols of our College
Strength within the Shield
The Torch is the light of Truth
It guides us to our Star
Together we share
Our hopes and our fears
Encouraged by faith
Our dreams become our future years.*