

2019 St Dominic's College Captain's Speech – Benjamin Xiberras

Good morning Mr. Ronchetti, staff, students, parents and guests. It is with great honour that I stand before you today, as the college captain, in this, our 60th year here at St. Dominic's. The leadership roles that the College Prefects, along with the entire year 12 cohort have taken up are not just mere titles, and we look forward to supporting every student at the college throughout 2019, making it the best year possible.

Over the past 60 years, the school has grown more than any would have believed possible in 1959. Despite so many changes our proudly held traditions and values of old are still flowing stronger than ever here now. Looking back at the humble beginnings of St Dominic's, the question is posed to all students; what can we create for the College in the 60 years that will follow?

In the holidays that just passed, I had the privilege of travelling to Queensland, where I got to spend a few days with other EREA captains from across Australia and New Zealand.

Everybody there was completely different, with different backgrounds, different interests and different opinions. However, each and every one of them had aspirations for a common goal; to improve their already-impressive school spirit and to get each and every student involved, progressing beyond the boundaries of their prestigious schools and into the wider community. These are but some of the things that we envisage for our future here at St. Dominic's too, doing so with our proud Catholic faith close to our hearts. By being witnesses to God's love in the community through the social justice outreach program, we can build upon the already instilled values that the college has built over 60 years and extend our boundaries beyond the classroom.

In this special year, we must support each other to achieve the best results we can in all aspects of College life.

Thankyou.