PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

On last Tuesday morning, we received the news that one of Junior students, Anthony Tan had passed away after a three year journey with cancer. Anthony would have had his seventh birthday on June 27.

Anthony commenced at Emerson at the beginning of 2015. He loved school and was a very popular student. He loved to share his great love of Lego with his friends. His condition deteriorated during Term Two of 2016. He spent his final days at The Very Special Kids Facility in Malvern.

I would like to thank all staff members who supported Anthony in his 17 months at Emerson. I would particularly like to thank Siobhan Liddy, Anthony’s classroom teacher, during his time at Emerson. Siobhan has kept a close watch over Anthony at school and in her visits to his home and while he was in hospital.

On behalf of our school community, I have passed on our feelings of caring support to Anthony’s parents Tony & Leah and also to his brothers Adam & Andrew.

Anthony will live on in our hearts at Emerson. Indeed, he was our teacher in the way he persevered and endured with his lovely smile despite the burden of his physical condition.

JOHN MOONEY
Principal

SAFE BUS TRAVEL

It has been noted that as the weather is getting colder and wetter some parents, who have notified the school that a parent or carer must be present at the drop off point, are waiting inside their car until the bus arrives. Please ensure you are standing at the bus stop 5 minutes prior to your child’s drop off time. This will ensure the safety of all students travelling as they do not have to get past your child in the narrow passage way to disembark the bus.
Value of The Fortnight

RESPECT

We will spend our final week of Term 2 studying the value, 'Respect'.

We show respect every time we listen to what the other person is saying without interrupting them.

Respectful people follow directions and obey the laws of their country.

At Emerson we can show Respect by following our school rules.

Respectful people are nice to be around as they treat others with care and dignity.

I was very impressed with the respect that our students showed at last week’s conference.

Our students spoke very politely to each other and to the delegates. Their behaviour was exemplary and their performance was extraordinary.

I was very proud of all the Emerson students and the staff!

DIANNE WRIGHT
Campus Principal

END OF TERM LIBRARY PROCEDURES:

All staff and students are reminded to return their Library Books to the Library prior to Friday 24th June 2016 last day of Term 2.
Cross Country

The 2016, SSSSA cross country was held at Duncan McKinnon Reserve this year, in partnership with the Glen Huntly Athletics Club. Our Emerson cross country team had trained tirelessly every Thursday afternoon in the lead up to this event. They had run through the heat of our summer and in more recent times, the rain and freezing conditions we are experiencing at the moment. On the day, all of our runners performed fantastically. We had a record number of 8 students Chloe S (JSI), Gow D (JSJ), Blake H (JSF), Steph C (MSG), Dylan W (MSL), Thomas C (SSB), Tyson M (SSF)) ran fast enough to qualify for the State Cross Country next term, against some of the fastest runners in Victoria! Importantly it was fantastic to see all of the students supporting each other in a real display of Emerson comradery.

SSV Soccer Tournament

Our Emerson Senior Soccer team broke new ground last week, participating in a School Sports Victoria (SSV) competition against other High School’s in our district. Schools such as Dandenong High, Noble Park and Lyndale Secondary College were at first surprised and then suitably impressed by the standard of football we produced. Against some state and national level soccer players, our students played with a determination and attitude that has become a trademark of our Emerson sporting teams.

Interschool Sport

Our SSSSA soccer and hockey tournaments were held last week and we took over 50 Emerson students to compete in the various grades. The day was hugely successful, with all of our athletes competing in true Emerson spirit. We also competed well enough to come home with both ‘A’ and ‘B’ grade soccer premierships, as well as the ‘A’ grade hockey premiership. Over the next 2 weeks, we will have a coach’s report written for each of our teams by their respective coaches.

A Grade Soccer

A’s Soccer participated in SSSSA tournament which had six schools in the A’s boys division. On the day there were two pools between the six schools. Emerson was put into Pool B which had Rossbourne and Marnebek, in both our pool games we played very well which resulted in a draw against Rossbourne 0-0 in a tight battled game and against Marnebek we got over the top of them to win 1-0. As Rossbourne defeated Marnebek 1-0 as well that meant our goal differences were the same so we had to decide who would get 1st place in the pool by going into a penalty shootout against Rossbourne. Luckily Emerson won the shootout, which meant Emerson were on top of pool B and were going to face Heatherwood in the Semi-final who were 2nd place in Pool A.

The Semi-final was a goal scoring frenzy, as the Emerson boys ended up winning 4-0 which was one of the best games we had played all season. When we won the Semi-final, we found out we were going to play the team that managed to give us our only loss for the season which was Ashwood. The boys were very keen to make amends for Ashwood beating Emerson in the Grand final last year, which was their only loss for that season. The team played together very well and in doing so got the result they were all after, which was beating Ashwood convincingly 2-0. Emerson didn’t concede a goal all day and were deserving winners as they played all the games in great spirits and with great sportsmanship.
C Grade Soccer

Our C grade soccer team should be proud of the way they conducted themselves at the end of term carnival. It was a long hard day for the six students in the team who all stepped up a level. After starting the day with a loss they all regrouped for their second game and came away with a well deserved win. They were all ready to start their third game of the day when the opposition didn't show. This put the team into the semi finals where they had their match of the day. The result was decided by a penalty shoot-out where we advanced to the grand final, job well done!!! This is where we met Port Philip for the fourth time this term, the team we hadn't worked out how to beat. The fourth time we met was the best game we played against them. This game was also decided by a penalty shoot-out. We weren't so fortunate this time with the result. Although the result says we were runners up on the score sheet the six boys walked away as winners due to the way they worked together and represented Emerson.

Well done Anthony D (SSC), Dale P (SSE), Jesse H (SSS), Kavin H (SSS), Michael F (SSE) and Lleyton B (SSH).

Hockey

After a very cold start to Friday morning and only five players per team the hockey teams had a great day. A Grade played against Ashwood, Berendale and Heatherwood during the round games. They were lucky enough to finish 1st in their pool and played against Berendale in the final. The score was 11-2. Berendale started out strong with a 1-0 lead, but Emerson made use of their excellent teamwork skills and finished the game with a dominant win!
**WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY**

Thank you to all our students, staff and families for raising $290 for our Green Dress / Free Dress Day on Friday, 10th June, 2016.

_This money was raised as a donation to Landcare Australia._

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**‘DONUT DAY’ - JUNIOR & SENIOR SCHOOL**

On Monday 20th June, 2016 (Juniors) and Tuesday 21st (Seniors) the Food & Hospitality class is holding “Donut Day”.

Cinnamon Sugar Donuts and/or Iced Donuts will be sold for $1 each.

Orders are to be handed to the Class Teacher by Friday 17 with the correct money.

SSF students will collect the orders Friday FROM THE CLASSROOM.

Donuts will be delivered to the student’s pastoral classroom.

_Thank you for supporting this VCAL PDS 1 Learning Outcome._

**NAME: ............................................................. Class Teacher: .............................................................**

Money enclosed: $................................. Number ordered: .............................................................

(late orders accepted)