PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

At a special staff function held yesterday, we farewelled Mrs Robin Leahy who has been associated with Emerson School for 29 years. Robin commenced as a sessional replacement teacher in 1986. In 1992, she accepted a permanent position at Emerson School and has been with us ever since.

I would like to thank Robin for her loving dedication to our students and to our school over so many years. She will continue to keep in touch with us all to ensure that our school continues to grow in stature.

Our School Council elections will be held over the next four weeks. Please find details of this important process attached to this newsletter.

JOHN MOONEY
Principal

Value of The Fortnight

CONSIDERATION

We will be studying Consideration for the next fortnight.

Consideration is about understanding how our actions and words affect others. Often when we get angry we may yell and shout without realising how that is hurting those around us.

Considerate people do things that helps themselves and other people. They show others that they care about them.

Over the next fortnight I would like to know which people, you think, show consideration to others. Please write down the name of the considerate person and then write why you think they are considerate.

I will have a special prize for all people on the list.
Robin Leahy Retires from Emerson after 29 years of Service.

Robin has been a foundation staff member of Flynn House since its inception in 2002.

Last Wednesday Flynn staff and students presented Robin with some special gifts as a thank you for all her love, support and friendship.

Thanks Robin for all your wisdom, fairness and hard work over the past 29 years.

Parent Information Night Reminder

Just a reminder that this event will start at 7.30 pm sharp in the Emerson Room at our Heatherton Rd campus.

This is an information night for parents and carers only.

**BUS AWARDS**

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**EMA**

Please be aware that as of this year EMA is no longer available.
JUNIOR SCHOOL STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

JSA AMELA H
For settling well into JSA.

JSB JOSEPH P
For doing well in class art sessions.

JSC RILEY T
For coping well with change.

JSD KAI F
For always being polite and doing his best.

JSE THOMAS C
For trying had to complete his handwriting.

JSF LACHLAN H G
For making an excellent start in JSF.

JSG TUGBERK G
For always trying his best.

JSH SAMANTHA C
For being helpful and caring.

JSI ELOUISE S
For being a great helper.

JSJ LACHLAN P
For his excellent behaviour and attitude.

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Mr Bowen LEIGH W
For always completing his work to the best of his ability.

Miss Harding DIVA S
For having a great work ethic.

Mrs Hoek NOUR S
For having a positive start to the year.

Mr Jeans SHERRAHN M
For being an excellent team leader in girls club.

Mr Mara NIKITA V
For always being a fantastic student and completing all her work.

Mr Marzenko KOBE P
For his positive and kind attitude towards others.

Miss Murphy SRIVATSAV V
For starting the year off well in the classroom.

Ms Ryan BRITTNEY J
For making a fantastic start to the year & being very helpful in class.

Mrs Searle ALICE C
For being an excellent worker and role model.

Mrs Slusher MICHAEL F
For completing all his work to the best of his ability.

Mr Tindal DALE F
For always working hard & setting a good example.

Miss Yearwood PATRICK M
For showing initiative.

Miss J CHRIS F
For being so helpful without being asked.

Ms Hickox NICK H
For great behaviour & attitude.
EMERSON SPORTS REPORT

Runners Club

It has been great to see so many students and teachers participating in the runners club each morning. Everyone is working extremely hard to reach the first milestone of 50 laps!

We have two students who have achieved 50 laps for the year......

Senior Sport

This year, in an Emerson School first, we will be getting some of our sporting stars to write a weekly match report for the newsletter. This role will be rotated throughout all of the senior school students who are involved with sport and it will be great to hear the different perspectives each week.

Bulls – Jordan

The A grade basketball team went to Dandenong stadium to play Ashwood. The A grade team was losing 7 to 5 in the first half. Then in the second half we work as a team and came back in the second half to win. The scores were 22-13. The best players were Jordan Luke, Kylie, Sha and Ben. An important highlight was Sha beating an Ashwood player with a cross over and making a lay up.

Angels – Jacqueline

On Friday the 13th of February the Emerson Angels went to Dandenong stadium. They played Ashwood school, the scores were 36 – 24. The best players were Shayal, Fiona, Tash, and Renee. Our team displayed great sportsmanship and worked well as a team.

Bull Sharks – Sameh

Last Friday 13th February Emerson Bull sharks went to the Dandenong Stadium to play a game of basketball. We played against Ashwood. It was a close game and the scores ended in a tie. The best players were Damien, Corey, Sameh and Matt.

MCSI HAVE A BLOG

We would like to invite you to visit our blog and share the learning in our classroom.

You can visit:


or use this QR code to visit our blog on your mobile device.
It has come to our attention that some students in the school may have head lice and I seek your cooperation in checking your child’s hair this week.

Head lice do not transmit infectious diseases – they are transmitted by having head to head contact with someone who has head lice. You may be reassured to know that head lice are commonly found in places other than at Emerson School. Head lice are common in school-aged children and are the most adaptable of creatures. They have survived living solely on humans for 10,000 years!!!!

What can you do?
I seek your cooperation in checking your child’s hair and in those instances where head lice or eggs are found, treating your child’s hair.

If head lice or eggs are found on your child’s hair you need to inform:
- the school and advise when the treatment has started.
- parents or carers of your child’s friends so they too have the opportunity to detect and treat their children if necessary.

When can my child return to school?
Health regulations requires that where a child has head lice, that child should not return to school until the day after appropriate treatment has started. Please note, this refers only to those children who have live head lice and does not refer to head lice eggs.

Emerson School is aware that head lice can be a sensitive issue and is committed to maintaining your confidentiality.

IMMUNISATIONS
If you have received immunisation cards could you please ensure that you return them as soon as possible, even if you are not participating in the program.

SUSTAINABILITY:
This year at Emerson School, in our Sustainability classes, the students are really enjoying the results so far!
House polo shirts can be ordered through school again this term. Only house polo shirts, in the appropriate house colour, will be allowed to be worn on Wednesdays. No other clothes, regardless of colour, will be accepted. If students do not wish to buy a house polo shirt they will need to wear their correct school uniform to Emerson on Wednesdays.

The cost of the polo shirts have been heavily subsidised by the school and will cost $10 each.

Please fill in the form below and return it to the office with the money no later than 28th February if you wish to purchase a house polo shirt.

HOUSE POLO SHIRT ORDER FORM

NAME: _______________________________ CLASS: ____________

HOUSE: ____________________________ SIZE: ____________

QUANTITY: ____________

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: $___________
EMERSON SCHOOL
SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTION 2015

At Emerson School we have School Council of 15 members.

- 8 Parents who are not employed by the Department of Education and Training (DET) (Two year terms)
- 4 DET employees (Two year terms)
- 1 School Principal
- 2 Co-opted Community Members (Two year terms)

TOTAL: 15 MEMBERS

Every year the terms of office of half of the parent members and half of the DET employees expire and an election is held. These retiring councillors are eligible for re-election if they still qualify as a parent of the school or are a DET employee according to the conditions of category membership.

PARENT MEMBERS

In March 2015, the terms of office of four parent members expire. Karen Kinson, Lyn Ackers, Annette Duggan and Dallas Everard have declared themselves available for re-election.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION & TRAINING (DET) MEMBERS

The terms of office of the two councillors in this category will expire in March 2015. Dianne Wright has declared herself available for re-election.

KEY DATES

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Nomination forms are available from our Business Manager, Lynn Carland.

JOHN MOONEY, PRINCIPAL
AND COUNCIL ELECTION RETURNING OFFICER

Friday, 20th February, 2015