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## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

There are now only 10 school days left in Term One. Congratulations to students, staff and families for the way that we have worked together in these COVID times. The attitude of our students and staff has been truly remarkably positive.

Thank you to everyone for increasing our levels of booster COVID vaccination. We need to remain vigilant in matters of sanitization and wearing of masks in some situations.

I notice that we are not looking at infection numbers as much as we were in 2020 and 2021. However, it is a good idea to note daily trends. Over the last 24 hours in Victoria, there were 3394 PCR test results and 6865 RAT test results. There were 244 people in hospital, 15 in Intensive Care and 11 people unfortunately died.

Our Programs and Student Review (PSR) meetings will be held by WebEx next Thursday, 31<sup>st</sup> March. I encourage all parents and guardians to participate in these most important discussions.

**John Mooney**  
*Principal*

## VALUE OF THE FORTNIGHT

We will continue our study of the value, Responsibility, next week.

On Wednesday, reality TV Star, Marley Biyendolo, presented our 2022 Student Leaders with their badges at our Investiture Ceremony. All these students have been chosen as they have shown staff that they can be relied upon to do the right thing at all times.

On behalf of the Emerson Community I would like to congratulate all our Student Leaders and wish them a year where they will be able to carry out their roles with vigour and honour.

**Dianne Wright**  
*Campus Principal—Middle School*



## DIARY DATES 2022

**Thursday 31st March 2022**

Program & Student Reviews

**Friday 8th April 2022**

Last Day of Term One

**Tuesday 26th April 2022**

First Day of Term Two

\*WEBEX\*

**JUNIOR SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS**

**Justin C**

***JSA***

**Exceptional  
Engineer**

**Philip L**

***JSB***

**Best  
Improvement**

**Rueben R**

***JSC***

**Lovely  
Listener**

**Casey W**

***JSD***

**Best  
Improvement**

**Rashjdual R**

***JSE***

**Caring  
Friend**

**Blayden C**

***JSF***

**Reading  
Superstar**

**Jesse M**

***JSG***

**Mathematical  
Mastermind**

**Jet S**

***JSH***

**Positive  
Attitude**

**Erik A**

***JSI***

**Best  
Improvement**

**Cruz O**

***JSJ***

**Reading  
Superstar**

**Ben P**

***JSK***

**Sensational  
Sports Star**

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## JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS — 2022 JUNIOR SCHOOL CAPTAINS

I would like to introduce our 2022 Junior School captains...Faith and Domenic.

I am very proud of Faith and Dom for the way in which they conducted themselves at the Investiture Ceremony on Wednesday. They are both happily wearing their school captain badges with pride.

Faith and Dom are polite, caring, responsible, diligent, friendly and wonderful members of our Junior School community.

I look forward to working with them this year.

Congratulations Faith and Domenic!



**Leanne Russell**  
**Head of Junior School**

## JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS — HOLI... THE INDIAN FESTIVAL OF COLOURS

Friday, 18th March was a day full of colours for the students of JSB! They celebrated Holi, the Indian festival of colours, in a very artistic way. The students painted a big piece of cardboard with their hands and turned it into, what they call, 'a rainbow castle'!

Painting with the hands is a great sensory activity for students. While the colours bring in the excitement for the students, the smooth texture of the paint keeps them calm!

The giant castle is displayed proudly in JSB!



**Sunny Sidhu**  
**JSB Classroom Teacher**



## MIDDLE SCHOOL ART NEWS

The jacket Joseph is wearing is currently being decorated by the Middle School students for the *Special Scarecrows at Government House Program*.

The Governor of Victoria, Her Excellency the Honourable Linda Dessau AC, and her husband, Mr Anthony Howard AM QC, have invited special schools from across Victoria to participate in a fun and unique program that involves students making a scarecrow that will be displayed within the Peace and Prosperity Garden at Government House.

Emerson School has been invited to bring their scarecrow to Government House, meet the Governor and enjoy a tour of the State Apartments on Wednesday, May 11th.

The State Apartments include the Ballroom, the State Hall, the State Drawing Room, the Billiards Room and the State Dining Room.

Excursion participation forms will be distributed Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> March to be returned by Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> of April.



*Shirley Innes*

*Middle School Art Teacher*

## KINDNESS AWARDS

\* Chris Winter has nominated Ben P from JSK for helping him cut up the oranges for the Junior and Middle School students who were participating in the football clinics.



## SPORTS STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS



## SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS — VICROADS ZOOM

More than a Licence—Everything a supervising driver needs to know, is an hour long online session as part of the Road Smart Program, aimed towards supervising drivers.

They will be presenting a range of topics, with practical information and helpful tips. Join them via Zoom at 6pm, Thursday 31st March by emailing [roadsmart@roads.vic.gov.au](mailto:roadsmart@roads.vic.gov.au) to register.



## I SEA, I CARE EXCURSION

Six students from Middle School have been selected as I Sea, I Care Marine Ambassadors. These students are: Teagan (MSA), Ariadna (MSB), Mustafa (MSB), Martin (MSC), Eric (MSC) and Noah (MSD).

The I Sea, I Care program provides students with an opportunity to learn about what lives in our bays and waterways, and the issues facing them.

On Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> March, students attended the first excursion as part of the I Sea, I Care program and visited Beaumaris Life Saving Club Marine Education Centre.

Students learned about whales and dolphins, and their unique features. They also learned about the impact of littering on marine life. Students went snorkelling, and also explored rock pools. They found sea urchins, sea snails and crustaceans. Everyone enjoyed themselves, even though it was a bit cold in the water! A special thank you to Ariadna for being such a great helper on the day.

Students will attend another three excursions throughout this year as part of the I Sea, I Care program.



***Shannon Burnett***



## MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS—MSA ZONES OF REGULATION

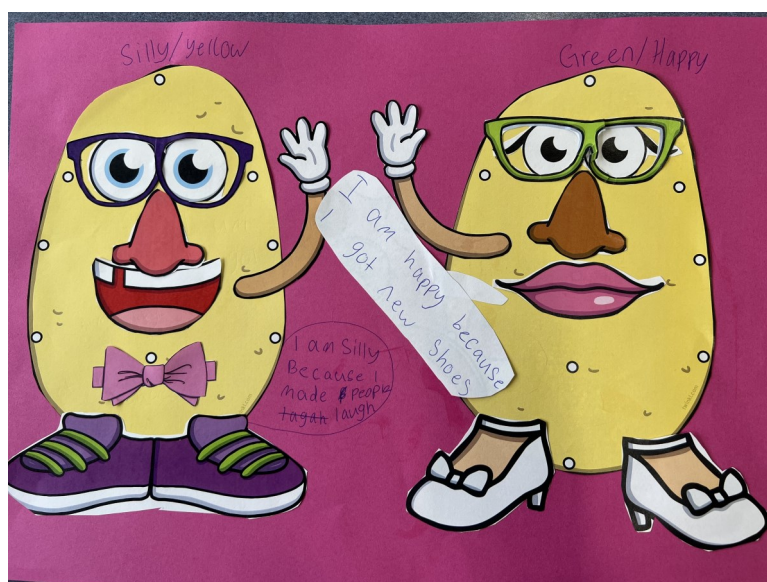
Students in MSA have been undertaking lessons on the 'Zones of Regulation'.

As part of this weeks lessons, they exercised their creative side and made potato head characters.

Students linked their characters to a zone and explored different emotions. Well done, MSA!

***Kevin Van Twest***

***MSA Classroom Teacher***





## CROSS COUNTRY NEWS

Virtual

# Inter-House Cross Country

Bring  
your  
runners!



Wear  
your  
house  
colours!



Taking place during PE lessons

**Seniors**  
**Mar 21-25**

**Middle**  
**Mar 28-Apr 1**

**Juniors**  
**Apr 4-8**

## GET ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHER

Do your children love sport and getting active? Does your family or child have a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card? You may be eligible for up to \$200 to support your child's sport and active recreation activities. Find out more at [www.getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers](http://www.getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers)

Get \$200 to help your  
child play sport!

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Apply for up to \$200 to support your child  
in sport and active recreation activities.

To be eligible your child must be:

- aged 0 to 18 years
- a resident in Victoria
- named on a valid Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card and Medicare Card.

Visit [getactive.vic.gov.au](http://getactive.vic.gov.au)



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# What will your child do after year 12?

## Post School Pathways

Some services that you will be able to explore are;

TAFEs and RTOs

Disability Employment Services

NDIS representatives

Day services

SLES providers and more...



Let's shape their future!

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**When: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> of April**

**Time: 5:00 - 7:00 pm**

**Where: Emerson School**

**1430 Heatherton rd. Dandenong North**

**Please register your spot by calling vocational pathways  
office at Emerson School.**