



Newsletter

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

I would like to thank all parents and students who participated in our Pop Up Vaccination Hub at Emerson last Tuesday. Together we will participate in providing the conditions for more COVID restrictions to be lifted.

I was hoping that the builder of Stage One of our modernization building program would have been announced this week. This has not occurred but I know that we can expect the outcome soon.

*John Mooney
Principal*

CASUAL DRESS DAY TO SUPPORT UKRAINE

Friday, 11th March will be a Casual Dress Day to support the children and their families of Ukraine who are currently suffering due to the war in Ukraine. Money raised will go towards helping with food and medical supplies. Students can dress in blue and yellow clothing, or casual clothes, for a gold coin donation. The best blue and yellow, the colours of the Ukraine flag, outfit will win a free Subway lunch.



VALUE OF THE FORTNIGHT

We have been studying the value, Cleanliness, for the past fortnight. This Sunday is Clean Up Australia Day. It is not too late to register if you want to be a part of this important day. Here is the link: <https://www.cleanupaustaliaday.org.au>

Our value for the next fortnight is Respect. Respectful people have a caring attitude and treat others with dignity. They always speak to others in a courteous way.

Respect involves obeying school rules and those of your home, not because someone tells you to, but because it is the right thing to do.

Friday 18th March is National Day Against Bullying and Violence. All our staff have been sent a toolkit in preparation for this very important day.

I am so proud of the way our students look after one another and constantly show kindness and compassion to those around them.

Emerson School is a special place where we treat everyone with respect.

*Dianne Wright
Campus Principal—Middle School*

DIARY DATES 2021/2022

Monday 14th March 2022

Labour Day Public Holiday

NO SCHOOL

Wednesday 23rd March 2022

Investiture of Student Leaders

STREAMED VIA FACEBOOK

Thursday 31st March 2022

Program & Student Reviews

WEBEX

Friday 8th April 2022

Last Day of Term One

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Our 2022 School photos will be held on Tuesday, March 15th. The follow up photo day for absent students will be on Monday, March 21st. Photo packs went home earlier this week. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

MSA BRIAN G

For always being happy and doing his work.

MSB ARIADNA C

For being a good helper.

MSC NOOR K

For always working quietly.

MSD RYLEE E

For excellent team work when completing our STEM activity.

MSE ROOZBEH A

For sitting appropriately on a chair and using two hands to type.

MSF ADRIAN U

For being better at ignoring distractions when completing work tasks. Well done!

MSG NESALI D

For engaging in group work and showing confidence when answering questions.

MSH RYLEE C

For a great start at Emerson School.

MSJ JACK M

For doing a great job with his Numeracy work.

MSK A KEE YA B

For seeing that things need to be done and then doing them.

MSL KAI F

For finding an incredible 83 words in Boggle. Well done!

ARTIST KAYELIA H

For an excellent copic marker drawing of Harley Quinn from Batman and a beautiful silk screen print.

ESO SHAE M

For settling in to Middle School quickly, being kind to others and being enthusiastic to learn.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MILKSHAKE AWARDS



JUNIOR SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Arvey H

JSA

**Positive
Attitude**

Janidu N

JSB

**Best
Improvement**

Harnoor N

JSC

**Superb
Storyteller**

Sophia F

JSD

**Lovely
Listener**

Ahmed M

JSE

**Supreme
Determination**

Ngatupuna T

JSF

**Perfect
Patience**

Yunus S

JSG

**Wonderful
Worker**

Annabella O

JSH

**Super
Speller**

Hamzah N

JSI

**Wonderful
Worker**

Maryam H

JSJ

**Lovely
Listener**

Harley T

JSK

**Positive
Attitude**

JUNIOR SCHOOL— 'TWOSSDAY'

On Tuesday, 22nd February (22-02-2022), you might have noticed something interesting about the date - lots of twos. That's because it's officially 'Twosday'.

The date of 22/02/2022 is special because it's a palindrome, which means it reads the same backward as it does forward. There were many 'Twosday' activities and discussions occurring in our Junior School classes. The students in JSF are pictured wearing their 'Twosday' crowns.

Leanne Russell

Head of Junior School



SPORTS STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS



KINDNESS AWARDS

* Sarah-Marie S is nominated by Ms Carrigg for giving some of her pocket money to another student to purchase a snack while on her weekly excursion to the local supermarket.



CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY 2022

Clean Up Australia Day is on Sunday, 6th March.

On Wednesday this week students participating in Sustainability did their part, picking up rubbish around the school grounds at Middle School.

Hilary Corlett



EMERSON SCHOOL BUS REMINDERS

- * Please be at the bus stop 5 minutes before your designated time of pick up and drop off.
- * Only use your designated bus stop, if something unexpected arises (parent held up due to traffic caused by an accident, etc) and you need to change your designated stop please contact the school office on 9791 8900 to arrange this. This should be a rare occurrence.
- * Please inform the school office if another person is picking up your child from their designated bus stop. This needs to be done on each occasion unless it is a regular occurrence, ie every Friday and you have informed the office of this nightly or weekly occurrence.
- * Junior School parents and parents who have marked a parent must be present prior to their child disembarking the bus are required to be standing at the bus stop 5 minutes prior to the bus being due.

Please do not wait in your car until the bus arrives.

These rules are in place to ensure the safety and well being of all students travelling on the school bus and that the buses run as close to schedule as possible.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.



Julie Wayth

Transport Coordinator

NOBLE PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE ART SHOW

This weekend you can catch a small glimpse of the awesome creativity that takes place in the Junior, Middles and Senior School Art Rooms at Emerson. Emerson is one of the school's fortunate to be invited to participate in 'The Noble Park Community Centre Art Show - 2022' and on Wednesday Ms Paul & Miss Innes set up the display of student works.

At the Art Show you'll also see many works from people in the local community, who have used range of different mediums and techniques including photography, textiles, drawing, painting, collage and more to create their art works.

If you visit the show this weekend you may see your own work or that of someone you know on exhibition!

Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th March 2022

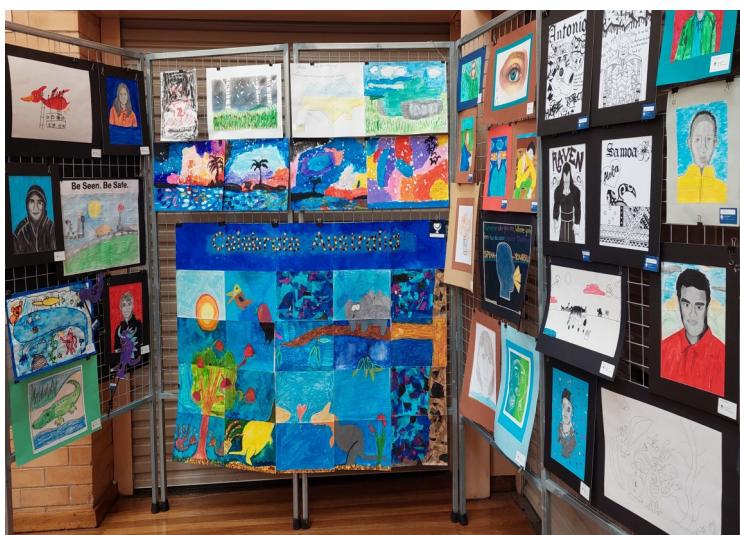
10:00am-4:00pm

**Noble Park Community Centre
Memorial Drive, Noble Park**

**For more information;
www.npccartshow.com/about-us**

Pam Paul

Junior/Senior School Art Teacher



URBNSURF

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Well done to the group of Senior and Middle School Graduates who participated in the learn to surf and water safety sessions, as part of Emerson's Advance program. Students abilities improved remarkably, each time they got in the water. Awesome effort by everyone who attended!



What will your child do after year 12?

Post School Pathways

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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!

When: Monday 4th 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.

Sports Update

MELBOURNE INNER EAST CLUB

Special Olympics VIC



ATHLETICS

Sunday Fortnights (Term 1 & 4)
10:45am - 12:00pm | Burwood East

melbourneinnereast.athletics@specialolympics.com.au



FOOTBALL (SOCCER)

Sunday Fortnights (Feb – Oct)
11:00am - 12:00pm | Doncaster

melbourneinnereast.football@specialolympics.com.au



BASKETBALL

Saturday Fortnights
9:30am - 10:30am | Balwyn North

melbourneinnereast.basketball@specialolympics.com.au



GYMNASTICS

Saturdays
8:00am - 9:00am | Balwyn North

melbourneinnereast.gymnastics@specialolympics.com.au



BOCCE

Saturday Fortnights
10:30am - 12:00pm | Bulleen

melbourneinnereast.bocce@specialolympics.com.au



SWIMMING

Wednesday (School Term)
7:30pm - 8:30pm | Bulleen

melbourneinnereast.swimming@specialolympics.com.au



BOWLING (TENPIN)

Last Sunday each month
9:15am - 11:00am | Forest Hill

melbourneinnereast.bowling@specialolympics.com.au



TENNIS

Junior Program (school-aged 8-18)
Sundays Fortnightly | 10:00am - 11:00am | Glen Iris

Adult Program
Sundays Monthly | 11:00am - 12:00pm | Glen Iris
melbourneinnereast.tennis@specialolympics.com.au



CRICKET

Mondays
5:30pm - 7:00pm | Fitzroy North

melbourneinnereast.cricket@specialolympics.com.au



WINTERSPORTS

vic.snowsports@specialolympics.com.au



AFL VICTORIA WILL BE DELIVERING A FREE
AFTERSCHOOL AUSKICK

When: 3:30pm - 4:30pm, Wednesday, March 9th - March 30th

Who: Emerson School Students

Where: St Gerard's Primary School

Year Levels: Preps - Grade 6

Cost: FREE

What: 4 weeks of fun, friendly and inclusive Auskick sessions delivered at your school by experienced AFL coaches!

HOW TO JOIN!

Complete the registration form shared by your PE teacher



Joy!

Our logo tells the story



This is a person with an intellectual disability before Special Olympics when life is challenging.



This is a new athlete discovering their skills.



This is an athlete sharing their talents with families, friends and fans.



This is our worldwide sporting community that values people with an intellectual disability, supports their goals and celebrates their achievements.

Since 1976, Special Olympics Australia has improved the lives of people with intellectual disability by providing environments where they can participate in sport and gain the benefits of being more physically active.

So, if you know someone with an intellectual disability encourage them to get involved. There is more joy to spread.



Your local club is:

Melbourne Inner East

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Sport for people with intellectual disability



Let's start with the facts

Special Olympics Australia is part of a global sporting community for people with intellectual disability pioneered by the late Eunice Kennedy Shriver, sister to US President John F Kennedy.

Special Olympics Australia strives to ensure that everyone living with intellectual disability can benefit from participating in sport. Our dedicated network of volunteers creates inclusive sports training, coaching, and competition opportunities that allow people with an intellectual disability to reach their personal best – in sport and in life.

Special Olympics Australia is the peak national body developing and delivering inclusive sport and physical activity programs for people with intellectual disability.

We provide:

Weekly grassroots sporting, recreational, social and health activities in local communities around Australia.

An environment where people with an intellectual disability can develop physical fitness, build self-esteem, demonstrate courage, and make friends.

Competition pathways ranging from weekly club events, to regional, state, and national games, culminating in the Special Olympics World Games.

Sports

Special Olympics Australia offers multiple sports that fit all life stages. Sports offered varied by location, but may include:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basketball | <input type="checkbox"/> Sailing |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bocce | <input type="checkbox"/> Softball |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bowling | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Swimming |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cricket | <input type="checkbox"/> Table Tennis |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Equestrian | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tennis |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Football (Soccer) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Winter Sports (Alpine skiing, ice-skating, snowboarding) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Golf | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gymnastics | |

Competition

Athletes of all abilities can climb our competition ladder because we match people of similar abilities together at sporting events.

Lifestyle

We also offer programs to keep athletes healthy and develop their leadership skills.

Impact of Sport

All Australians deserve to play sport and feel the joy of a local sporting community. For people with an intellectual disability, who may not fit into mainstream clubs, Special Olympics Australia offers a welcoming environment where they can meet people of similar ability and develop skills at their own pace.

Benefits for all Australians

Athletes get fit, have fun, make friends and develop confidence through sport.

Families gain a network of support that helps them understand what's possible which inspires hope for the future.

The public open their hearts and minds to people with an intellectual disability when they get to know them and this helps build inclusive communities.

Inclusive communities have a respect for diversity that we encourage and celebrate.

Corporate partners can demonstrate social responsibility, diversity and corporate volunteering strategies.

Schools and disability service providers can get their clients fit for life through our tailored programs.

