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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

ABC Conversation Hour, Thursday 5 May

I was a guest speaker on yesterday's ABC 774 Conversation Hour. This was in response to an article in the Melbourne Age and Sydney Morning Herald suggesting that all Specialist Schools should close and all staff and resources be distributed amongst Government Primary and Secondary schools. I pointed out that the key strength of education in our 'Education State' of Victoria was the options and choices that parents have when choosing a school for their son or daughter.

Emerson specialises in a broad range of intensive learning programs across many forms of literacy and applied learning. Nearly 2900 students have been enrolled at Emerson since we began in 1973. Our greatest advocates are the students, parents, guardians and families who have greatly benefited from our collaborative learning environment.

One of my final comments from the radio interview was that if the unwise decision was made to close Specialist Schools, then you would have to close all accelerated learning and select entry schools also. Another point that I did not mention was that many students in Victoria cannot go to fee paying schools because they cannot afford it.

I am privileged and proud to be part of the Emerson community. I encourage all members of our community to speak openly and enthusiastically about why you chose Emerson. You chose Emerson because it was your right, and the option was there for you to choose. Emerson is more than inclusion. It is an immersion program where students can unlock their potential, have a fuller sense of enjoyment and achievement, and participate as productive citizens of Victoria and Australia.

John Mooney
Principal

SUBWAY ORDERS

SUBWAY ORDERS ARE AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS EACH WEEK ON A WEDNESDAY.

There are special Subway envelopes available at the office of either campus. Please fill in details with the correct money included and hand these to the Office any time before Tuesday 10.00am each week.



DIARY DATES 2022

Monday 13th June 2022

Queen's Birthday

****NO SCHOOL****

Friday 24th June 2022

Last Day of Term Two

****EARLY FINISH****

VALUE OF THE FORTNIGHT

We will continue studying the value, Thankfulness, next week.

This Sunday is Mothers' Day. It is a time where we can show our mums and carers how much we appreciate them. Our mother's work very hard to make sure we feel loved, valued and secure. They help us in so many ways including feeding and clothing us. Lots of mums taxi their children to various activities and appointments each day. They do it without expecting anything in return. Sunday is an opportunity for all of us to thank our mums by making sure they have a great day.

Some students sent me a list of things that they are thankful for.

I thought you might like to reflect on the lists too.

MSH students are thankful for food, friends, parents, Covid tests, airports, teachers and Jesus.

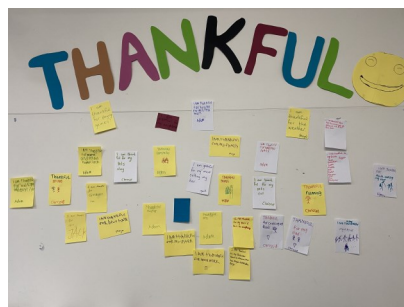
MSB students are thankful for:

- ◆ Ariadna: I am thankful for my friends. They are nice to me.
- ◆ Reef: I am thankful that my mum and dad worked hard so I have a roof over my head.
- ◆ Andrena: I am thankful for my big cousins because they take me to the church.
- ◆ Cesarae: I am thankful that my mum and dad buy me nice clothes.
- ◆ Eli: I am thankful for my teachers because they teach me Maths.
- ◆ Mustafa: I am thankful for my teachers. They teach me well.
- ◆ Jackson: I am thankful because my dad gets me toys.
- ◆ Lincoln: I am thankful for my parents because they believe in me.
- ◆ Aaren: I am thankful for my parents because they help me all the time.

MSJ students have had a great week making cards for their mums. Look how much fun they've had!



Dianne Wright
Campus Principal—Middle School



JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS — JSI, JSJ AND JSK SWIMMING PROGRAM

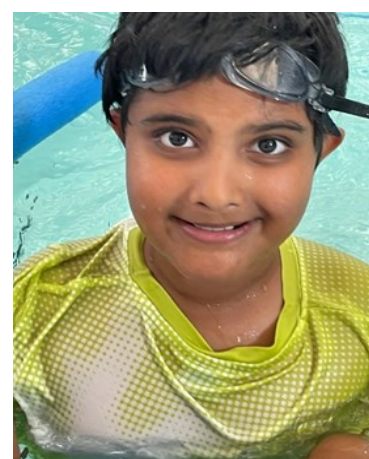
JSI, JSJ and JSK have commenced an 8 week swimming program at Splash's Swimming School in Dandenong.

The swimming program provides a wonderful introduction to formal swimming lessons for many of our Junior School students. For others, it is an opportunity to develop swimming skills to a higher level. Water safety is the main focus of all lessons.

Thank you to Mitchell and his team at Splash's for providing our students with a safe, positive and fun swimming program.

Leanne Russell

Head of Junior School



JUNIOR SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Alex C

JSA

**Happy
Helper**

Erin U

JSB

**Supreme
Dedication**

Harnoor N

JSC

**Superb
Story Teller**

Kiyan J

JSD

**Magnificent
Motivator**

Anthony K

JSE

**Handwriting
Hero**

Tahlia S

JSF

**Bright
Bookworm**

Thomas T

JSG

**Lovely
Listener**

Annabella O

JSH

**Best
Improvement**

Angelia T

JSI

**Caring
Friend**

Indego T

JSJ

**Singing
Superstar**

Dylan K

JSK

**Caring
Friend**

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

MSA ENAMULLAH S

For reading well.

MSB ELI B

For completing all his work tasks.

MSC MARTIN M

For always taking pride in his work.

MSD IQRA W

For an excellent start to Emerson.

MSE ROOZBEH A

For using class time wisely, continuously completing his work.

MSF NATHAN P

For consistently reading at home. Great job!

MSG MASUMA R

For showing a strong work ethic in Numeracy.

MSH NIHAEL M

For a great start to Term 2.

MSJ MAYA W

For helping set up all the audio visual equipment.

MSK HABIBA M

For working hard at everything she does.

MSL ELINA G

For excellent behaviour and participation.

ARTIST BAILEY S

For and excellent clay modelled and painted house.

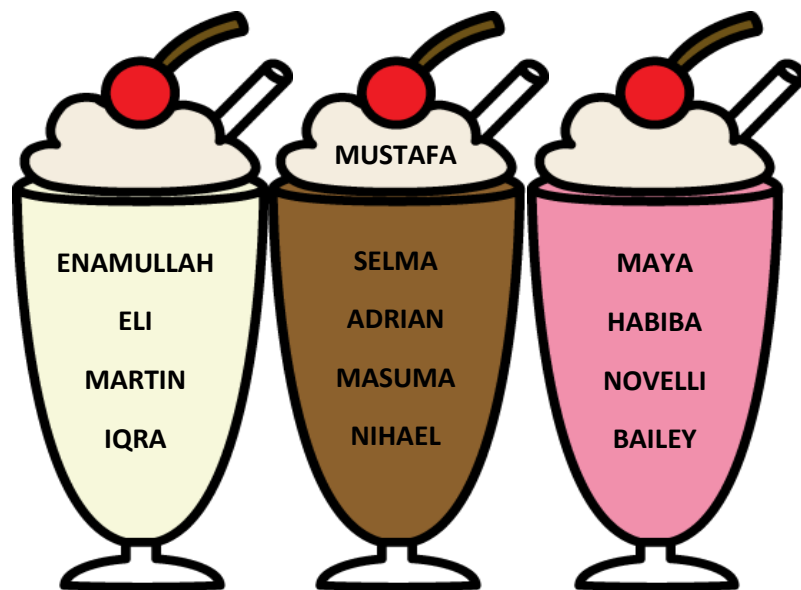
ESO MUSTAFA R

For being kind to everyone all the time.

MR MAC JAYDEN M

For following the technology process.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MILKSHAKE AWARDS



KINDNESS AWARDS

- ◆ Epiha's mum, Liza, nominated by the staff for donating 11 boxes of hand sanitizer to the staff and students.
 - ◆ Ben B nominated by Mr Hutching for lending his bathers to another student who no longer fits into his old bathers.
 - ◆ Ryan M nominated by Mrs Wright for picking up her mask and returning it to her.
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SSE MOTHER'S DAY COOKIES

Students in SSE have been baking and creating cookies for Mother's Day. They have made them into a beautiful bouquets to gift to their loved ones on Sunday.



SPORTS STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS

