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## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

We have now come to the end of Term 3. It has been a very busy Term as we all continue to move on from the COVID19 pandemic of the past two years. Whilst we are still required to be vigilant, it is pleasing to see life resuming with some normality. I would like to congratulate students and staff for the way that they have managed to seamlessly return to working so well together. I find it to be so affirming when students tell me how much they love coming to school and how they look forward to the learning celebrations.

Building works will still continue on the modernization of our Junior/Senior Campus throughout the Term break. With the installation of steel structures already commencing, we will certainly notice much progress on our return from holidays.

I wish everyone a relaxing Term break. Term 4 will start on Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October. I look forward to seeing everyone on that day.



**John Mooney**  
*Principal*



## DIARY DATES 2022

<u>Monday 3rd October 2022</u>	<u>Friday 16th December 2022</u>	<u>Tuesday 20th December 2022</u>	<u>Monday 30th January 2023</u>
First Day of Term 4	Last Day of Term 4 (Students)	Last Day of Term 4 (Staff)	First Day of Term 1 (Students)

## **VALUE OF THE FORTNIGHT**

We have been studying the value, Happiness, for the month of September.

Eight years ago one of our Junior School students suggested that the Emerson Community would benefit from study the value, Happiness. Every year since that conversation we have studied value, Happiness. Thank you, Ethan, for those wise words so long ago.

The secret to being happy lies with us. We can decide if we want to be happy or miserable. The choice is ours. Some people search their whole lives trying to find happiness. A few years ago, staff listened to Mr Hugh Van Cuylenburg talk about Happiness. Hugh told us that the key to obtaining happiness is by practicing Gratitude, Empathy and Mindfulness.

Hugh visited North India as a teenager and was amazed at how happy the children were even though they had very little in the way of material possessions. They were grateful for what they did have. He has spent many years visiting schools and other organizations teaching positive mental health strategies through the Resilience Project. There are three important characteristics of people who are happy. They are grateful, show empathy and practice mindfulness. Mindfulness is about being in the present, not concerning oneself with things that happened in the past or worrying about what may happen in the future.

I have added a link to Hugh's website for you to explore.

<https://theresilienceproject.com.au/>

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

## **JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS — GOOD LUCK JESSIE!**

Our best wishes are with Jessie Gore (JSD Classroom Teacher), her husband Sam and son Teddy as she takes leave from Emerson School to await the arrival of a new family member.

Junior School staff celebrated with Jessie and Teddy at a special 'baby shower' afternoon tea.

Good luck Jessie – we look forward to hearing about the safe arrival of baby Gore.

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



**JUNIOR SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE TERM AWARDS**

**Michael K**

***JSA***

**For making us  
happy with his  
infectious smile!**

**Aiden H**

***JSB***

**For being keen to  
learn and his effort  
to do the right thing.**

**Jaxon S**

***JSC***

**For his improved  
listening and  
working hard to be  
safe at school.**

**Ahmad F**

***JSD***

**For his enthusiasm to  
learn and always trying  
his best at school.**

**Gerrard Y**

***JSE***

**For his enthusiasm  
to learn.**

**Noah A**

***JSF***

**For being mature and  
showing leadership.**

**Rielly D**

***JSG***

**For making a great  
improvement in  
class this term.**

**Adil H**

***JSH***

**For his super  
improvement in JSH  
this term.**

**Indujaa M**

***JSI***

**For her neat and  
organised approach  
to all learning  
tasks.**

**Cruz O**

***JSJ***

**For his excellent  
attitude and being a  
mature, caring  
friend.**

**Haider A**

***JSK***

**For improving his  
attitude towards  
his classwork.**

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## MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE WEEK AND MILKSHAKE AWARDS

**MSA OMAL T**

For displaying patience.

**MSB LINCOLN H**

For improving his reading skills.

**MSC CANDIZ M**

For always trying her best in the classroom.

**MSD WILLIAM C**

For his improved attendance.

**MSE ROOZBEH A**

For excellent behaviour, attitude and focus throughout the term.

**MSF TAMMIE C-Y**

For always showing kindness and care to her peers and teachers. Her cheery attitude is to be admired!

**MSG BRODIE J**

For assisting his peers during Numeracy.

**MSH NIHAEL M**

For working hard all week.

**MSJ ADAM W**

For being a delightful and resilient member of MSJ.

**MSK A KEE YA B**

For working hard on her artwork.

**MSL KAI F**

For a fantastic week in MSL. Well done Kai.

**MS INNES A KEE YA B**

For her photography artwork on timber.

**MR MAC HUNTER M-R**

For the joy he had cutting wings on his plane project.

**ESO BLAKE W**

For always trying his best in class.



## SPORTS STAR OF THE TERM AWARDS





## TERM 3 MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT ARTWORK





## **SNOW CAMP 2022**

On Monday 5th September, 19 students and 4 staff spent the night at school in preparation for our trip to Mount Buller on Tuesday. Some students went swimming at the Oasis Swimming Pool in Dandenong after school and then had pizza for dinner before heading off to sleep in the gym at the Middle Campus.

On Tuesday morning we got up at around 4.00 am, had breakfast then drove to Mansfield, where we purchased some supplies for lunches and snacks for the next few days.

We then transferred to the Mount Buller bus to take us to our accommodation and drop off our bags. We all got fitted with our ski gear and had our first Ski School lesson!

After our lesson, we had lunch and headed off for an afternoon of skiing.

At first, it was harder than I thought it would be. I spent a lot of time trying to stop and from falling over. We went on the ski lifts to get to the different runs. After an afternoon of skiing we headed back to the lodge for a dinner of spaghetti.

On Wednesday we had breakfast and headed out for another Ski School lesson followed by lunch and then more skiing for the afternoon before returning our skis and equipment. Back at the lodge we had pizza and sticky date pudding for dinner.

On Thursday we had breakfast and packed our bags for the trip home. The weather was pretty bad and it was raining. We were delayed leaving due to a landslide and the only road in/out of Mount Buller had to be cleared.

We stopped for a late lunch at McDonald's before returning to school.

We all had a really good time and would like to thank the teachers for taking us, especially Mr Hutching for organising the trip.

*Riley R*





**SNOW CAMP 2022**





**FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 12-25**

# FIERCE 2022 YOUTHFEST

Celebrate Victorian Youth Week with us. Come along to a jam-packed day of high energy sports, live games, creative art workshops and performances from local artists on the FIERCE Youth Stage.

TRY DIFFERENT SPORTS  
INTERACT WITH LOCAL SERVICES  
WIN PRIZES AND GIFTS  
ART WORKSHOPS

Thursday 22 September  
11am to 2pm  
Noble Park Skatepark and surrounding area  
Memorial Dr, Noble Park

**DON'T MISS THIS EVENT!**

For more information visit [youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au](http://youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au) or contact Youth and Family Services on 9793 2155.

## YOUTH COUNSELLING AND SUPPORT SERVICES

The City of Greater Dandenong Youth and Family Services provides free individual and family counselling to young people aged 12-25 years who live, work and study or have a significant connection to the City of Greater Dandenong.

For more information on how to access our service, visit our website at [youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au](http://youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au) or call us on 9793 2155.

**FREE EVENT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 12-25 YEARS**

# SEPTEMBER SOCCER TOURNAMENT 2022

Friday 30 September  
9am-5pm  
Soccer 5s 29 Brindley Street, Dandenong South

**DIVISIONS**  
Under 14 Male | Under 25 Male  
Under 16 Male | Under 25 Female  
Trophies for the winning teams and medals for the runners up.

**ONLINE REGISTRATION ESSENTIAL.**  
Register your team via [youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au/sepember-soccer-tournament](http://youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au/sepember-soccer-tournament) or phone Youth and Family Services on 9793 2155

CITY OF GREATER DANDENONG YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES PRESENTS

# Spring Spectacular

## HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

September 2022

**BOOKINGS OPEN MONDAY 5 SEPTEMBER**  
10 ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS  
FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 12-25 YEARS

# Spring Spectacular

## HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

### Week 1

#### SOCCER CLINICS WITH MELBOURNE CITY MONDAY 19 SEPTEMBER

It's time to brush up those dribbling, juggling and bending skills. Join Melbourne City FC for a soccer clinic. There are separate clinics for females and males.  
**Females only - 10am-12pm | Males only - 1pm-3pm**  
**FREE | Booking required**  
Dandenong Park, 174 Lonsdale St, Dandenong

#### IMPACT @ COCO'S TUESDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

Come along and gain volunteer experience whilst making a positive impact in our local community.  
**10am-3pm | FREE | Ages: 18-25 year olds**  
Registration required through [youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au](http://youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au)  
CoCo's Dandenong, Shop 2-3, McCrae St, Dandenong

#### GLOW IN THE DARK MINI GOLF TUESDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

Join us for 18 incredible holes in the dark with the world around you glowing!  
**12pm-2pm | Cost \$15 | Bookings required**  
Glow Golf, 31-35 Star Crescent, Docklands  
D - dep 9.50am / ret 4pm  
N - dep 10.10am / ret 3.40pm  
S - dep 10.30am / ret 3.20pm

#### CUPCAKE WORKSHOP WEDNESDAY 21 SEPTEMBER

Come along and learn how to bake delicious cupcakes!  
**12pm-2pm | Cost \$5 | Booking required**  
Noble Park Community Centre, Memorial Dr, Noble Park

#### FIERCE - YOUTHFEST 2022 THURSDAY 22 SEPTEMBER

Join our fun filled half day event full of sports, arts and crafts, and music at Noble Park Skate Park. Celebrate the Victorian Youth Week and socialise with other local young people for what will be a memorable day.  
**11am-2pm | FREE**  
Noble Park Skate Park and surrounding area, Memorial Dr, Noble Park

#### ROCK CLIMBING TUESDAY 27 SEPTEMBER

Join us for an adrenaline pumping day of rock climbing!  
**12pm-2pm | Cost \$15 | Booking required**  
Boulder Lab, 1418a Centre Rd, Clayton South  
D - dep 10.45am / ret 3.10pm  
N - dep 11.00am / ret 2.50pm  
S - dep 11.20am / ret 2.30pm

#### EMPLOYMENT BOOTCAMP WEDNESDAY 28 SEPTEMBER

Do you want to learn how to be work ready?  
Do you want to learn about interviewing skills?  
Do you need help finding jobs?  
**10.30am-3.30pm | FREE | Ages: 15-18 year olds**  
Registration required through [youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au](http://youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au)  
39 Clow St, Dandenong

#### MACRAME WORKSHOP WEDNESDAY 28 SEPTEMBER

Learn to create your very own Macrame with a creative knotting technique. Then take your art home and have it on display!  
**11am-1pm | FREE | Booking required**  
Youth and Family Services Office, 39 Clow St, Dandenong

#### HIP HOP DANCE WORKSHOP THURSDAY 29 SEPTEMBER

Bust your moves and learn to do Hip Hop dance with the incredible team from FunFit!  
**12pm-1.30pm | FREE | Booking required**  
Springvale Community Hub, Supper Room, 397-405 Springvale Rd Springvale

#### SOCCER TOURNAMENT FRIDAY 30 SEPTEMBER

2022 soccer tournament is back on!  
Get your team ready. There are 4 divisions - U14 male, U16 male, U25 female and U25 male. You can register as an individual or a team but be quick as there are limited spots available.  
**9am-5pm | FREE | Registration essential** through [youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au](http://youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au)  
Soccer 5s, 29 Brindley St, Dandenong South

#### Week 2

### Booking information

- Bookings essential. Bookings can be made online by completing online registration and payment through [youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au/programs/holiday-activities](http://youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au/programs/holiday-activities)
- If you need any support in making a booking online, please call 9793 2155 from Monday - Friday 9.30am-4pm.
- To attend these holiday activities, you must live, study, work or have a significant connection with the City of Greater Dandenong.
- Book in early as some activities will sell out. Spots cannot be kept on hold.
- For activities that include a waiver, the waiver must be completed prior to the activity.
- All booking cancellations must be made at least 48 hours prior to be eligible for a refund (unless due to medical reasons, then please advise Youth and Family Services).
- Bookings are non-transferable under any circumstances.
- Activities are subject to weather conditions and alternative activities may be arranged if necessary. Activities may be cancelled where booking numbers are low.
- Please arrive at least 15 minutes prior to bus departure times for all activities. If you are late, the bus may leave without you.
- Young people must follow peer leaders' and staff instructions at all times.
- Offensive or abusive language and behaviour will not be tolerated and may result in a young person being asked to leave the activities and possibly not attend the rest of the holiday activities.
- Please bring your lunch. There may be no time to buy lunch during the activities.
- Please follow the 'what to bring list'.
- All activities and events are strictly no smoking, no drugs and no alcohol.
- Careers are welcome to assist young people with additional needs. Careers may need to arrange their own transport and entry fee. Please contact Youth and Family Services for further details.

FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 18-25 YEARS

# Volunteering IMPACT

Community Services

- Get involved in your community
- Build your skills in retail
- Gain 'hands-on' volunteer experience.

**WHEN:**  
Tuesday 20 September  
10am-3pm

**WHERE:**  
CoCo's Op Shop  
Shop 2, 3/48 McCrae Street  
Dandenong.

To register and find out more information, call 9793 2155 or visit [youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au](http://youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au)

# EMPLOYMENT BOOTCAMP

Build the skills you need to find your first job.

**Topics include:**

- Review resume
- Interview skills
- Finding job vacancies
- Online applications
- Making first impressions count

**Wednesday 28 September 10.30am-3.30pm**  
39 Clow Street, Dandenong

Open to young people aged 18-18 years who are still studying.

Places are limited. Register your interest at [youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au](http://youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au) or call 9793 2155.

Follow us on Instagram @greaterdandenongyouthservices  
Live us on Facebook facebook.com/cgdyouthservices

**Locations for bus pick up and drop off points**

- D - Clow Street Office, 39 Clow Street, Dandenong
- N - Noble Park Aquatic Centre, Memorial Drive, Noble Park
- S - Springvale Library, 5 Hillcrest Grove, Springvale

Wheelchair accessible activity and/or venue.  
Please call 9793 2155 for further details.

For further information about holiday activities and events or if you have a referral enquiry, please contact Youth and Family Services on 9793 2155, visit us at [youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au](http://youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au) or [facebook.com/cgdyouthservices](http://facebook.com/cgdyouthservices)

All COVIDSafe Guidelines will be fully met to ensure public safety for these holiday activities.

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