



# Newsletter

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## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

A parent said to me this week "I wish that my son had come to Emerson School when he was in Prep class! He is loving it at Emerson. He can't wait to come to school every day".

It is important that parents know about Emerson's learning programs. We need to spread the word and publicise the availability of Emerson enrolment.

Our new building is going to be a great selling point in the months ahead. Stage One will be ready for occupation in late May. Stage Two (Technology – Wood and Automotive) construction will begin by December of this year and be ready for occupation by late Term 3, 2024.

I encourage parents, families, students and staff to spread the word about Emerson wherever and whenever you can.

### ***School Council Members for 2023***

Membership and Office Bearers for 2023 are:

#### ***Parents:***

Deborah Barnett	Roy Tran - Treasurer	Akira Buddhipala
Jodie Debono	Christine Ferguson	Emma Hill
Dzenana Maliki	Joonakris Rimando	

#### ***Department of Education Members:***

Dianne Wright	Jenny La'Brooy – Secretary	Sam Silverwood	Pam Mohan
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#### ***Community Members:***

Heather Norman – President	Carmel Webster – Vice President
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#### ***Executive Officer:***

John Mooney – Principal

Congratulations to all Council members for your generosity in serving on our School Council.

***John Mooney***  
***Principal***

## DIARY DATES 2023

**THURSDAY 30TH MARCH** - PSR Night (early finish)

**WEDNESDAY 26TH APRIL** - Term 2 Commences

**THURSDAY 6TH APRIL** - House Investiture

**MONDAY 12TH JUNE** - King's Birthday Holiday (no school)

**THURSDAY 6TH APRIL** - Last Day of Term 1 (early finish)

**FRIDAY 23RD JUNE** - Last Day of Term 2 (early finish)

**MONDAY 24TH APRIL** - Curriculum Day (no school)

**MONDAY 10TH JULY** - Term 3 Commences

**TUESDAY 25TH APRIL** - ANZAC Day (no school)

## VALUE OF THE FORTNIGHT

We will be studying the value, Flexibility, for the next fortnight.

Flexible people are open to change. There are currently many changes happening at Emerson. In the past week we have watched our old senior block classrooms being demolished to make way for stage two to commence.

This has led to many students and teachers having to relocate to other areas of the school. All have adjusted easily and positively.

*Dianne Wright  
Campus Principal—Middle School*

## KINDNESS AWARDS

- ◆ Ali (MSK) has been nominated by Mr Bowen for being welcoming to a replacement teacher at Emerson. He spoke to her in a kind and friendly way and made her feel very welcome.
- ◆ Eljon (SSE) has been nominated by Emma K as he noticed a Junior student fall over and he helped him up and made sure he was ok.
- ◆ Ms Innes has been nominated by Julie for helping stack the 30 boxes of paper that were delivered into the cupboards in the office.
- ◆ Keenan (MSD) has been nominated by Mrs Ralph for helping keep the mirrors in the Slattery Hall clean.

## SPORTS STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS



## CITY OF GREATER DANDENONG HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

City of Greater Dandenong Youth and Family Services offer school holiday activities, featuring a range of diverse and exciting activities for young people.

**Join us for the All About Autumn School Holiday Activities during the April 2023 holidays.**

**When:** 11 - 21 April 2023

**Venue:** Various locations

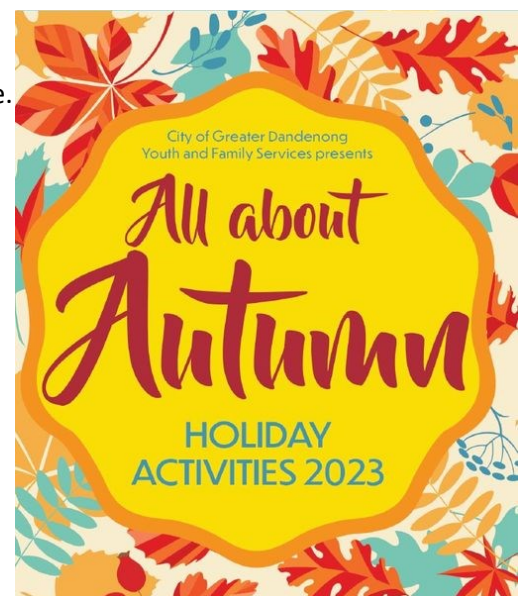
**Age:** 12 - 25 years

**Cost:** Free or low cost

**Bookings:** Registration essential. Bookings open.

For enquires contact Youth and Family Services on 9793 2155 or visit:

<https://youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au/programs/holiday-activities>



## JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS—GOODBYE JUNIOR SCHOOL PLAYGROUND

It is bittersweet that we say goodbye to our back playground. I have watched hundreds of students over the past 23 years happily climb, balance, swing and slide day after day. We loved our playground but we are excited to welcome a new day/night full sized tennis court, a full size basketball court, an adventure playground, a ball game area and a nature play walk.

The first photo below was taken last Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> March. The second photo was taken on Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> March.

Watch this space for future development updates!

*Leanne Russell  
Head of Junior School*



## JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS—HOLI JSA FESTIVAL OF COLOURS

March 8th was a day full of colours for the students of JSA! They celebrated Holi, the Indian festival of colours, in a very artistic way.

The students painted colourful cardboard clothes with their hands and attached a photo of themselves. While the colours bring in the excitement for the students, the smooth texture of the paint keeps them calm!

The JSA students have settled very well into school life at Emerson School. Welcome to Rahul, Elsie, Alice, Yahya, Kingsley, Salahuddin and Philip!

*Mrs D'Souza  
JSA Classroom Teacher*



**JUNIOR SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS**

**SUNSHINE**

**Imran JSD  
Jessica JSJ**

**PENMANSHIP**

**Aayan JSF  
Gerrard JSH**

**MATHEMATICS**

**Rielly JSI**

**TOP SPELLER**

**Jackson JSK**

**OUTSTANDING EFFORT**

**John JSB  
Janidu JSC**

**BEST BEHAVIOUR**

**Saleh JSE**



**GOOD LISTENER**

**Yahya JSA  
Rashidul JSG**



**BOOK CLUB NEWS**

Edition 2 of Book Club is out now. Everyone at our school can order from Book Club.

All Junior classes and MSA, MSB, MSC and MSD receive brochures.

If your class doesn't receive brochures, you can still get one from the office, or ask your teacher, and I can give you one. You can also view the latest brochure and order online at [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://scholastic.com.au/LOOP).

**ORDERS FOR EDITION 2 CLOSE 21 MARCH, 2023**



*Judy Moutsakis*

*Book Club Organiser*