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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

In last week's newsletter, we were able to include photographs of the official opening of our new Stage One Administration – Senior Wing. Our Local Member, The Hon Gabrielle Williams MP, performed the unveiling of the official plaque.

The atmosphere of celebration and pride was simply wonderful. The students of Senior School Essential Foods (SSE) provided an incredible High Tea. The positive feedback from visiting guests has continued to be received during the week. The main message is that our visitors were amazed by the standard of our new building and the high level of performance by our students.

We will be focusing on the celebration of our 50 years of service in the weeks ahead in Term 4. There are so many stories to tell about our journey since we opened our door in February 1973.

*John Mooney
Principal*

VALUE OF THE FORTNIGHT

We will be continuing our studies on the value, Tolerance, for the next week.

One of the greatest leaders of all time is Nelson Mandela. His life reminds us that tolerance and justice can overcome cruelty and hatred.

Thrown in jail for 27 years because he dared to challenge the South African government's Apartheid Policy. Nelson believed all men and women were equal regardless of the colour of their skin.

He preached and practised tolerance even though he was surrounded by enormous prejudice and intolerance. His words and actions were so powerful that he eventually eradicated the Apartheid Policy.

Nelson showed the world how powerful tolerance is in bringing peace and harmony to peoples' lives.



"No one is born hating another person because of the color of his skin, or his background, or his religion. People must learn to hate, and if they can learn to hate, they can be taught to love, for love comes more naturally to the human heart than its opposite."
~ Nelson Mandela (18 July 1918 – 5 December 2013)

*Dianne Wright
Campus Principal, Middle School*

DIARY DATES 2023

SATURDAY 18TH NOVEMBER - Emerson School Open Day

TUESDAY 19TH DECEMBER - Last day of Term 4 for Students

WEDNESDAY 20TH DECEMBER - Last Day of Term 4 for Staff

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE WEEK

MSA FRED G

For displaying courage.

MSB HAIDER A

For being a good friend.

MSC ELI B

For his enthusiastic learning about natural disasters.

MSD RUBY H

For her improved reading.

LINCOLN H

For his improved handwriting.

MSF NOAH H

For working independently and being more focussed on set tasks.

MSG NISINI Y

For always doing the right thing and being a fantastic role model for her peers.

MSI OMAL T

For always working hard.

MSJ JAXON M

For being helpful around the classroom.

MSK ALENA L

For improving on her unjumbling letters task.

MSL MICHAEL C & NATHAN P

For showing kindness and friendship.

ESO JADE B

For her excellent work in a spelling activity.

ARTIST MARTIN M

For his action artwork of a McLaren Speedtail and a Lotus Evija.

MICHAEL C

For his calico bag printed with the ACDC logo.

MR MAC SHAHID F

For intently listening to teacher instructions.

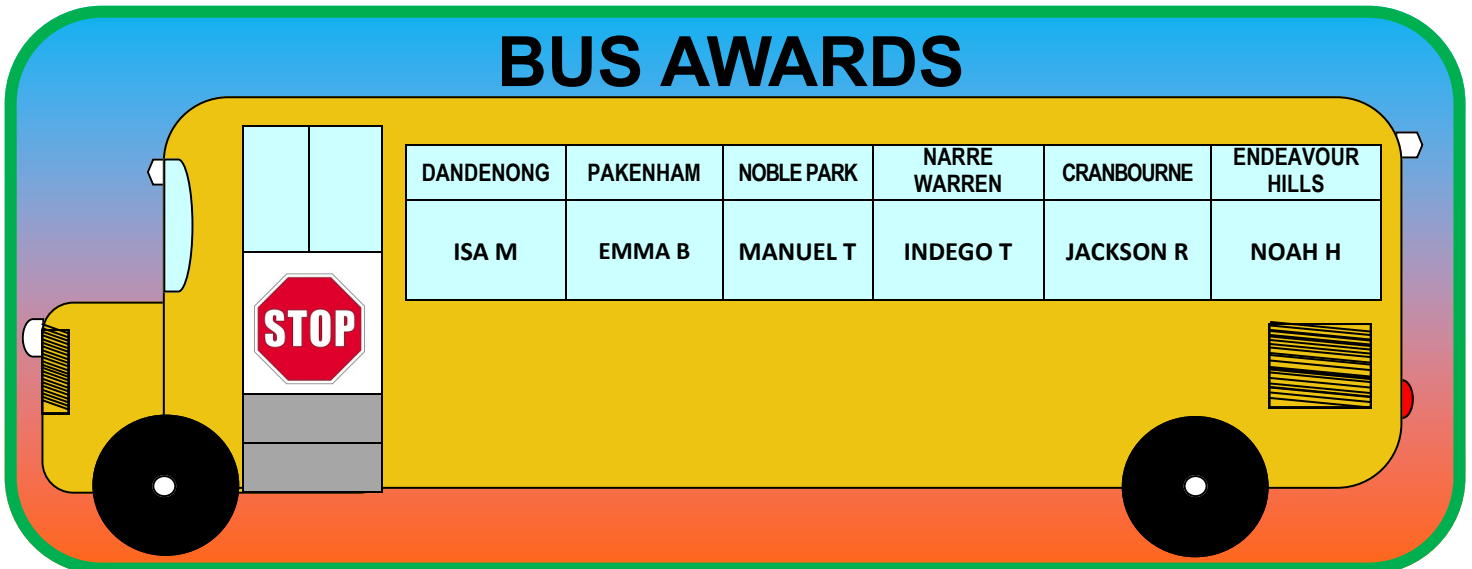
SCIENCE JADE B

For all her thoughtful questions during class discussion.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MILKSHAKE AWARDS



BUS AWARDS



ATHLETICS

Region Finals (Primary)

On Wednesday 18th October 10 Emerson Junior and Middle students represented the school at the Primary Southern Metropolitan Region Track and Field Finals at Casey Fields Regional Athletics Centre.

The weather was glorious and our students made the most of the good conditions. Dakota A (MSB) won her three events, even beating some boys in the 800m! There was a strong sense of pride for our students when reflecting on their achievements, none more so than Kian P (MSC). In a very competitive 100m, Kian was reluctant to take his place on the start line. Kian summoned the courage to join his competitors and went on to take the Silver medal. Every one of our students took home at least one medal.

The following students have automatically qualified for the State Finals on November 1st:

- Dakota A – 100m/200m/800m
- Kian P – 100m/200m/long jump
- Hamza N (JSI) – 100m/200m
- Isaac E (JSG) – 800m
- Fredrick G (MSA) – 800m
- Elijah R (JSJ) – 100m/200m/800m
- Angelia T (MSC) – shot put
- Mustafa R (MSC) – 200m/800m



Depending on the number of entries, further invitations may be sent to our students to compete at the State Finals. We wish the team all the best!

Thank you to Daina for supporting the team on the day.

State Finals (Secondary)

On Monday 16th October 12 Middle and Senior students braved the rain and wind to represent the school at the State Finals at Lakeside Stadium.

The competition was extremely strong however our students rose to the challenge. We finished 4th in the overall team scores and collectively took home 3 x Gold, 6 x Silver and 5 x Bronze:

- Nick D (SSR) – 2 x Silver (long jump, 200m), 1 x Bronze (100m)
- Brodie J (MSG) – 1 x Silver (200m), 1 x Bronze (800m)
- Alisha P (SSP) – 3 x Gold (100m, 200m, shot put), 1 x Silver (long jump)
- Habiba M (SSE) – 2 x Silver (200m, 800m)
- Catherine D (SSD) – 2 x Bronze (100m, 200m)
- Jennifer H (MSG) – 1 x Bronze (200m)

Many students improved on their performances from the Region Finals, which given the tough conditions at Lakeside is a phenomenal effort. A special mention goes to Kai F (SSS) who fought gallantly and narrowly missed a medal in the 100m and 200m. Our students' kindness was once again on display. Following the 200m, Habiba saw her teammates laying on the track and gasping for breath and she rushed to bring each of them a refreshing cup of water.

Thank you to Mr Peduto and Emma Ryde for supporting the team on the day.

Chris Winter
Athletics and Cross Country Coach

SPORTS STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS



KINDNESS AWARD

Meayjwok A from SSD has been nominated by Ms Chong for helping move a lot of musical equipment from the new Senior building back to the music room. It was raining and Ms Chong would not have got everything moved without Meayjwok's help.

EMERSON SCHOOL PRODUCTION—NEXT WEEK!!!

EMERSON SCHOOL
Presents

Emerson's Excellent Adventure

Whilst working on a group project, five students find themselves thrown into five iconic movies. Come along and see how our characters work through some tricky and thoroughly entertaining situations.

Can you recognise the five iconic movies they visit?

Date: Wednesday 25th October 7pm
Venue: Emerson School, Middle School Campus, Stadium
Entry: Gold coin donation on entry