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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The 2025-26 Victorian State Budget was released this week.

There are three key components that will be very beneficial to schools and kindergartens.

1. Public transport for all students under the age of 18 years will be free. This will be a subsidised saving for Emerson School students and families.

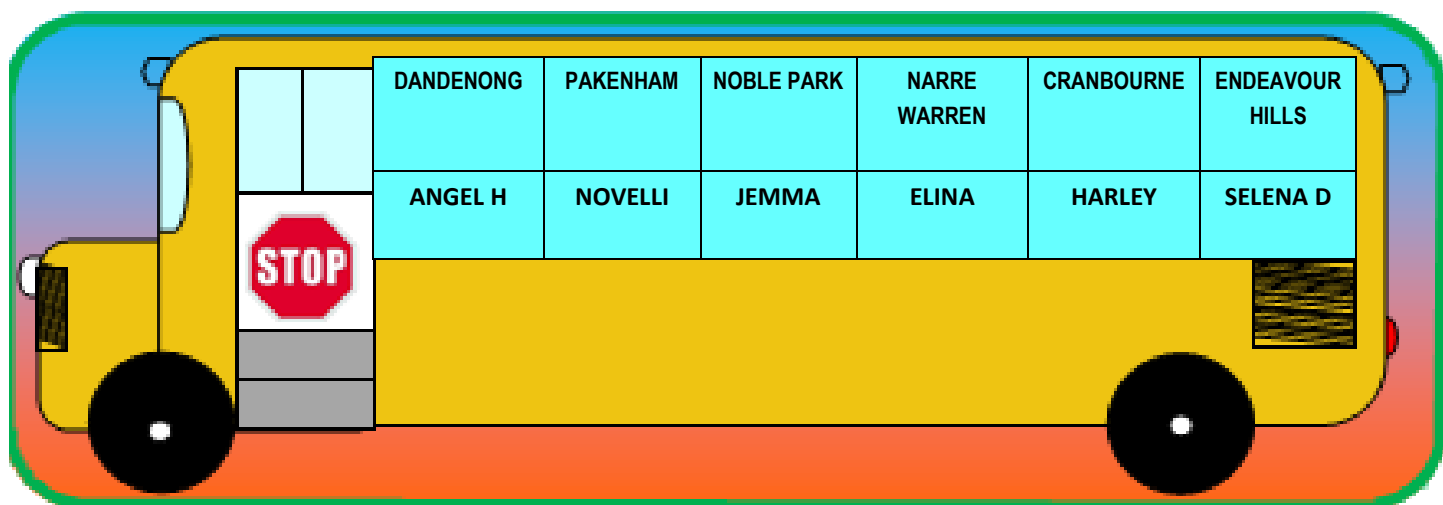
2. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Funding (CSEF) will be increased to \$400.

Free kindergarten for three and four year old children will be introduced. Early childhood education is an essential component for preparing young children for school.

Emerson Technology Centre - Update

Over the coming weeks, we will be adding furniture and equipment to our new Technology Centre in preparation for the commencement of classes in these exciting learning spaces.

JOHN MOONEY Principal



DIARY DATES 2025

MONDAY 9TH JUNE - King's Birthday (**NO SCHOOL**)

FRIDAY 4TH JULY - Last day of Term 2 (**EARLY FINISH**)

MONDAY 21ST JULY - First day of Term 3

VALUE OF THE FORTNIGHT

Value: Confidence

We will continue our study of the value Confidence, next week.

Confidence is about having an attitude of 'I can do this'. It doesn't matter if it is doing new schoolwork, playing a new game, or learning to play a new instrument; if you believe in yourself and tell yourself you will be able to do it, then you will be successful! Confident people feel very good about themselves because they learn from their mistakes, never give up and always give their 'personal best' in all they do. It is not surprising to know that Confident people achieve many things good things!

Dianne Wright

Campus Principal - Middle School

Celebrating Mother's Day with Love and Creativity

To celebrate Mother's Day, JSB and SSC students took part in a fun and meaningful activity. They planted succulent cuttings and made special handmade gifts using recycled materials.

During this project, students learned how plants grow through propagation and discovered how to be creative while caring for the environment.

By working together, they not only made thoughtful presents for their mothers, but also built strong friendships and teamwork.

This simple project showed the joy of giving handmade gifts and reminded us all of the importance of caring for nature and each other.

We're sure all the mothers who received these gifts felt very loved and appreciated!

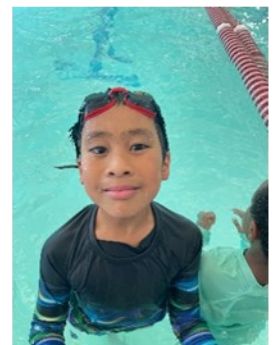


Junior School News: Term 2 Splash's Swimming Program

The students in JSE, JSF, JSG and JSH are midway through their 8 week swimming program. The students have embraced the program with enthusiasm, engagement and happiness. They continue to build on their water safety skills, swimming technique and independence. They are also having a lot of fun!!

Thank-you to the wonderful staff at Splash's Dandenong.

Leanne Russell – Head of Junior School



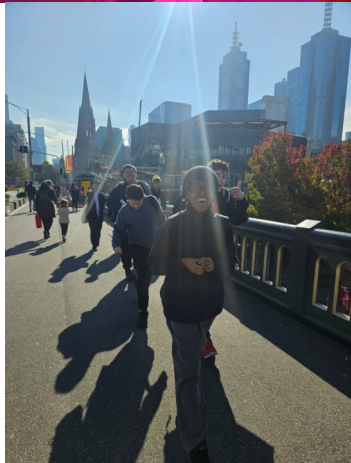
MSE Excursion to ArtPlay Centre.

During our excursion to ArtPlay Centre in Melbourne City, we were swept into a magical adventure inside a giant puzzle-box of illusions by Wonderbox Sensorium, where quirky carnival characters with pockets full of magic led us through an immersive, multi-sensory Wonderland.

Fantastical large-scale projections, curious tiny surprises, and infectious live music brought the experience to life in a whirlwind of colour and sound.

Later, we relaxed among the golden autumn leaves in Fitzroy Gardens, enjoying lunch under the crisp canopy.

Our day ended with a classic tram journey down Swanston Street, soaking in the vibrant city atmosphere.





Camp, Sports & Excursions Fund

CSEF & SSB

CSEF Application

Parents who received CSEF in 2024, are not required to complete an application form for 2025, providing there has been no change to their family circumstances.

New Families to Emerson School

Any new families to Emerson School will be required to fill out the application form attached with a copy of your current Health Care Card, you will then need to hand it to the main office.

CSEF Information

Financial Assistance Information for Parents

Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF).

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund, will ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities.

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum. CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance will be paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions, or sporting activities for the benefit of your child. The annual CSEF amount per student will be:

- ✦ \$154 for primary school students
- \$256 for secondary school students.

How to Apply:

You will need to provide a copy of your current Health Care Card with the application.

[Financial Assistance for Families](#)

Parent application close 28 June 2025.

[csef-application-form-2025.pdf](#)

Claiming Your CSEF or SSB Benefit

You will be able to claim your CSEF or SSB on excursions when giving consent for events.

School Saving Bonus reminder and allocation to school activities



The Victorian Government is delivering the School Saving Bonus (SSB) – a one-off support of \$400 for eligible government school students from Prep to Year 12 in 2025.

The SSB can be used for uniforms and textbooks until Monday 30 June 2025.

Any funds remaining after 30 June 2025, including online voucher amounts that have not been redeemed, will become a credit to use on school activities. However, the credit will not be available on your family account at our school until late July.

To use any remaining SSB funds to cover the cost of school activities in July, please refer to the [SSB online system](#) and allocate the funds to school activities before 30 June 2025.

To learn more about the SSB online system, download the step-by-step [System guide for parents and carers \(DOCX, 945KB\)](#) or watch this [School Saving Bonus video](#). [System guide translations](#) are also available in 14 languages.

The Department of Education's SSB contact centre will remain available until 30 June 2025. The contact centre can be reached by:

- completing the [School Saving Bonus enquiry form](#)
- calling 1800 338 663, between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm on weekdays.

After this date, please contact our administration team for any SSB related questions.

Thank you,

John Mooney
Principal

JUNIOR SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

SUPER STYLE

Nasim JSA

FANTASTIC

Derren JSB

CREATIVITY

Russell JSC

OPTIMISM

Nyle JSD

PATIENCE

Ishani JSE

OUTSTANDING
EFFORT

Michael JSF

BEST DANCER

Tane JSG

OUTSTANDING
EFFORT

Storm JSH

EMPATHY

Aden JSI

BEST WRITER

Ashhal JSJ

MATHEMATICS

Roman JSK

COMPASSION

Qaireena JSL



MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE WEEK

MSA CHASE

For incredible dedication and effort in literacy lessons.

MSB ANNABELLA

For improving her listening skills and following instructions.

MSC GIUSEPPS

For making a good start in MSC and settling in well.

MSD TYLER

For being helpful.

MSE ZOE

For having a positive outlook and attitude in the classroom.

MSF PAUL

For working so well in completing his mini project about Edith Cowan.

MSG ISA

For showing an improvement in following teacher instructions.

MSJ GISELLE

For fantastic work in literacy.

MSK ERIC

For working really hard at basketball.

MSL KIAN

For always giving his best and working hard in class.

ARTISTS OF THE WEEK —

JESSE MSB, LAYLA MSF, MAX MSE AND ELI MSL.

WOODWORKER OF THE WEEK —

TINA MSC — For good shellacking of her pencil holder.

ESO George — OLIVIA MSB - For working well in Computer Lab.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MILKSHAKE AWARDS



SPORTS STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS

