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## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

At last Tuesday's School Council meeting, our Building Modernisation program was discussed. An Occupancy Permit has already been issued. We will be authorised to occupy the building when a Completion Certificate has been issued. I estimate that this will be achieved over the next fortnight.

Our first task will be to organise furnishings for the building. It has not been possible to do this until the builder's project has been completed.

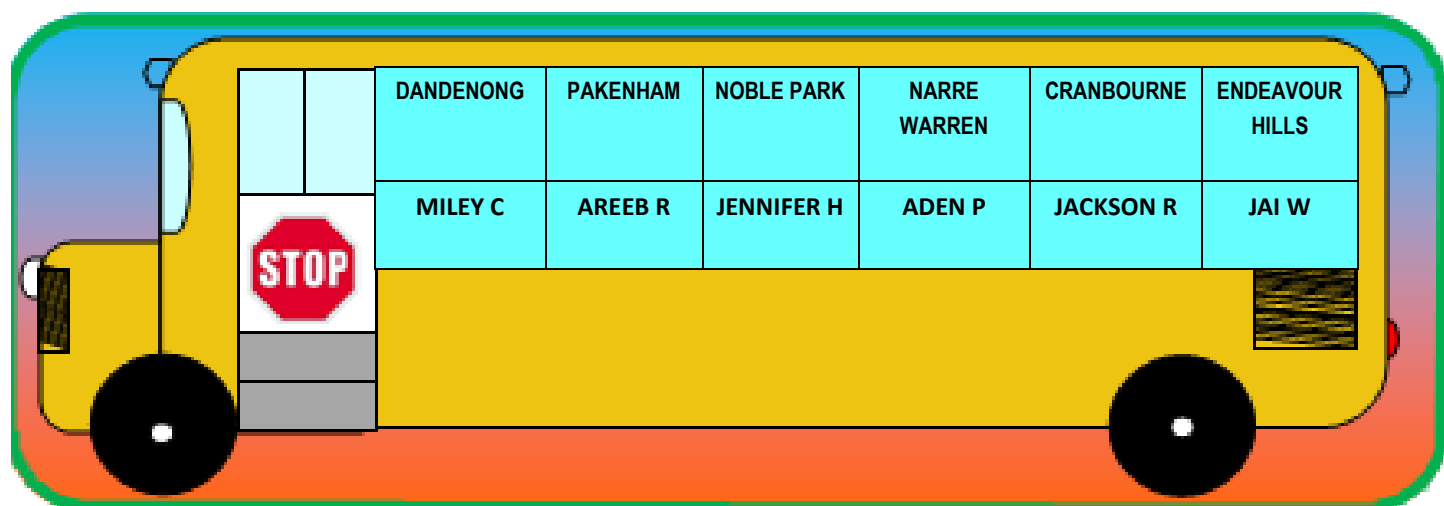
The cost estimates for the next two stages were also discussed at the School Council meeting.

These Stages will be called:

- 3a - Junior School and Specialist facilities
- 3b - Performing Arts and Gymnasium.

In the coming months, we will commence a campaign to promote the construction of these final stages.

**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: Compassion



We will continue studying the value Compassion next week.

Compassion is forgiving someone who has hurt you.

The iconic leader of South African Nelson Mandela, Born: 18th July 1918— Died: 5th December 2013, showed great compassion towards those who had been responsible for sending him to jail for 27 years.

Nelson lived at a time where black people were segregated based on the colour of their skin.

Nelson Mandela wanted all people treated as equals and tried to fight this, but they threw him in jail.

When he was released some 27 years later, the world had changed, and he was able to dismantle the legacy of apartheid.

When he was elected as president of South Africa in 1994, he chose one of his oppressors, Frederik De Klerk, to be his vice president. Together they brought an end to apartheid and worked towards reconciliation between the country's racial groups.

Nelson Mandela demonstrated the power of compassion and forgiveness.

He is affectionately remembered and described as the Father of the Nation.

**Dianne Wright**

**Campus Principal - Middle School**



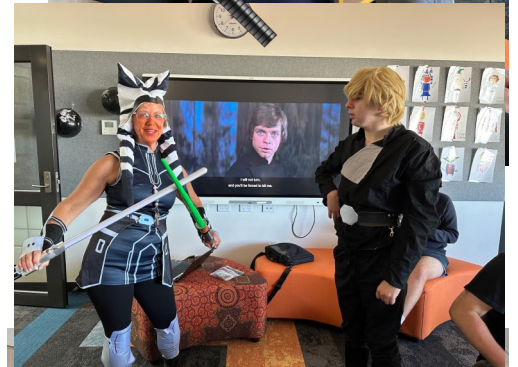


# STAR WARS DAY



Students in the Senior School celebrated on Friday with Star Wars Dress Up Day, conceived and hosted by Simon Pierce and co-hosted by Angel Mungalched.

Students and staff alike dressed up as their favourite Star Wars characters, mixed and mingled, shared their fan toys and books, had Star Wars themed snacks, and watched Episode VI: Return of the Jedi (1983). It was a fantastic day and everyone had a great time sharing their love of the Star Wars universe.





## **Junior School News: Student Representative Council**

A Student Representative Council (SRC) is a group of students elected by their teachers and peers to represent students within the school. SRCs provide a student voice on a range of school related issues, such as school rules, classroom activities, ideas for improving wellbeing, improvements to the school's grounds, and much more.

At Emerson School, each pastoral classroom has a designated SRC student or as we sometimes call them in Junior School, 'Class Captain'. Each student displays leadership qualities and has a commitment towards working with others to improve our school community.

Every fortnight on a Wednesday the SRC students meet with Mr Winter and Ms Pubby at lunchtime to discuss ideas about Junior School and work on group activities.

We look forward to working with and supporting this wonderful group of students throughout the year. Each of them will be presented with their SRC badge at an upcoming ceremony.



Julie - JSA



Yahya - JSB



Dustin - JSC



Alice - JSD



Azizah - JSE



Charity - JSF



Kaiser - JSG



Tyler - JSH



Josh Anderson -JSI



Dallas Sope - JSJ



Rueben - JSK



Aeden - JSL

## **SSF ACCOMPLISHMENT**

Congratulations to all the SSF Food and Hospitality students on successfully completing their ABC of Espresso making at William Angliss Institute.

This was an intense 3 hour theory and hands on course. The students were able to enhance their current knowledge and espresso making skills. Well done everyone!



## **SUBWAY ORDERS IN TERM 2**



**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.



## Mothers Day

The very talented students of SSE were busy in the kitchen making beautiful cakes for Mothers Day. They hand crafted all of the decorations themselves.





## 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



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.



**JUNIOR SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS**

**OUTSTANDING  
EFFORT**

**Subhan JSA**

**SUNSHINE**

**Benny JSB**

**GOOD LISTENER**

**Noah JSC**

**OUTSTANDING  
EFFORT**

**Kingsley JSD**

**INITIATIVE**

**Henry JSE**

**HONESTY**

**Michael JSF**

**OUTSTANDING  
EFFORT**

**William JSG**

**OUTSTANDING  
EFFORT**

**Aden JSH**

**GOOD LISTENER**

**Adella JSI**

**SUPER READER**

**Jaxon JSJ**

**OUTSTANDING  
EFFORT**

**Anthony JSK**

**INQUISITIVE**

**Wally JSL**



## MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE WEEK

**MSA      ROSHNE**

For using her feelings and dance break chart.

**MSB      ASHTON**

For improving his maths skills.

**MSC      ELLA**

For a great contribution on singular and plural names.

**MSD      NATHANIEL**

For improved participation especially when completing spelling activities.

**MSE      JOSH**

For his hard work and commitment in MSE.

**MSF      ISAAC**

For improving his work rate when on task.

**MSG      HAIDER**

For improving his ability to work independently.

**MSI      CAMERON**

For displaying maturity.

**MSJ      KAYLA**

For doing a sensational job of completing her work.

**MSK      SHAWN**

For always working to the best of his ability.

**MSL      SHAE**

For her fantastic effort and attitude towards all of her schooling.

**WOODWORK      BRAXTON A—MSA**

For accurate and independent use of the horizontal boxer.

**ESO      WILLOW MSK**

For always helping others.

**ARTISTS OF THE WEEK— MICAH MSK, MU MSK, CIENNA MSL and SHAWN MSK.**

## MIDDLE SCHOOL MILKSHAKE AWARDS



## SPORTS STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS

