

Newsletter

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

It is hard to believe that we have completed Week 8 in Term 2 and that we have only three weeks left in Term 2.

I encourage all students and staff to continue working together to maximise every learning opportunity.

At this morning's Whole School Assembly, it was wonderful to witness the communication and relationships between students and staff. These connections are the essential foundations for a school to be valued and successful.

JOHN MOONEY Principal

SPORTS STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS



VALUE OF THE FORTNIGHT

Generosity

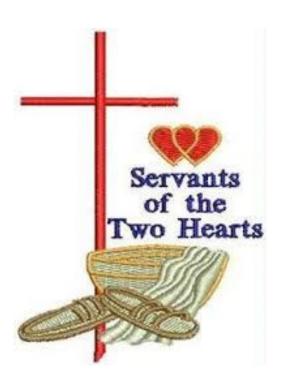
We will be studying the value Generosity for the next fortnight.

Generous people give freely with no strings attached. They give because they care.

The Emerson community have an opportunity to help a group of people who are doing it tough at the present time.

Next Friday 27 June we will be having a Free Dress Day with all proceeds going to the charities, *Reaching Out Because We Can* and *Servants of the Two Hearts*. The money raised will go directly to helping the Homeless and those affected by Family Violence.

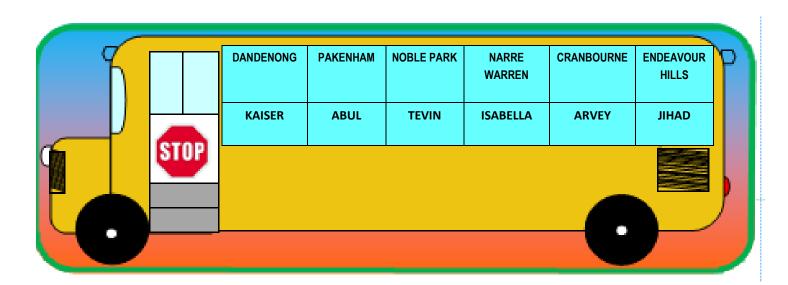




<u>Dianne Wright</u>

<u>Campus Principal</u>

Middle School



Waratah Beach Surf Camp

Our students had an amazing time at the Waratah Surf Camp!

They settled in well and threw themselves into every adventure – from the Flying Fish rope swing to beach walks, teamwork challenges and the low ropes course.

Everyone was excited for the surf lessons and had a great time.

We enjoyed campfires and there were plenty of smiles, laughter and support for one another.



Waratah Beach Surf Camp Photos Cont



























Emerson School at the 2025 SSSSA Cross Country!

Our students proudly represented Emerson School at the 2025 SSSA Cross Country held at Ruffey Lake Park in Doncaster.

It was wonderful to see students pushing themselves while also cheering on and supporting one another throughout the event.

Congratulations to all our runners for their amazing efforts — and a special shoutout to those who have qualified for the State Cross Country in July!

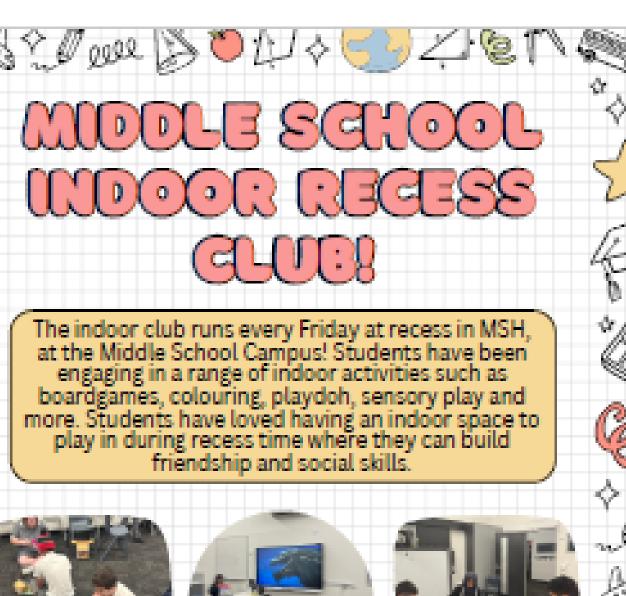




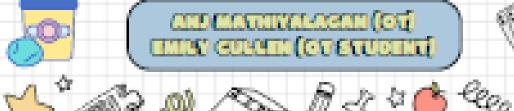


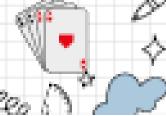
Emerson School at the 2025 SSSSA Cross Country Photos cont











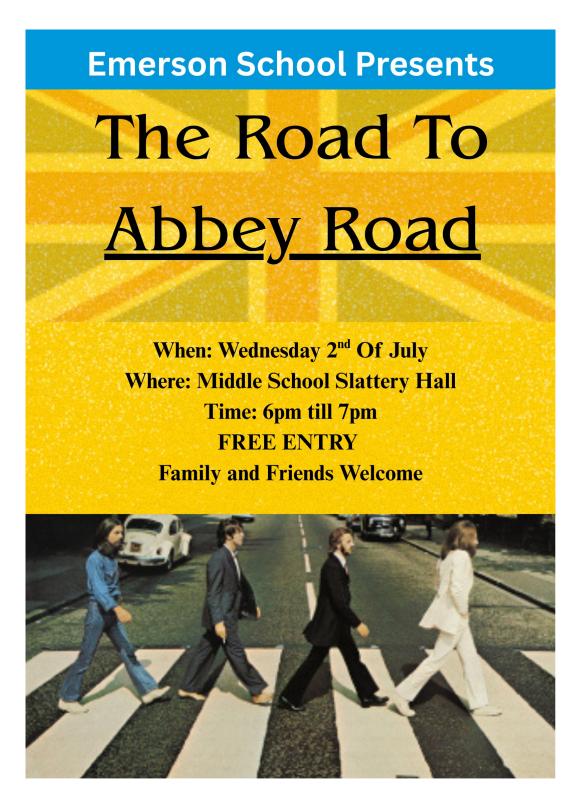


Emerson School Production 2025

Emerson School is proud to present our own production of 'The Road To Abbey Road' which will run in the Middle School Slattery Hall on Tuesday and Wednesday July 1-2 (the last week of term 2).

This show traces snapshots of the Beatles' history and features singing, dancing and acting from our Senior and Middle School students, with in-house music provided by the SSP band.

There will be daytime performances for all Emerson students to attend, and one show open to the public, free of change, on the evening of Wednesday July 2, running 6-7pm. Please come along!



JUNIOR SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

TOP SPELLER

Khai JSA

POLITENESS

Deana JSB

OPTIMISM

Sia JSC

SHARING &

CARING

Kingley JSD

PARTICIPATION

Henry JSE

POLITENESS

Nua JSF

INITIATIVE

Kaiser JSG

OUTSTANDING EFFORT IN WRITING

Rebekah JSH

OUTSTANDING EFFORT

Joshua A JSI

BEST BEHAVIOUR

Tarik JSJ

BEST BEHAVIOUR

Zayd JSK

LEADERSHIP

Jet JSL







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Dear Parents & Carers

It has been a privilege to supply school lunches to your children.

Due to the increase in ingredients costs, with effect from 1st July 2025 we'll have to increase the price of six inch lunch orders to \$6.50 and the footlong lunch orders to \$9.00.

We wish to thank you for understanding and continued support.

Team of Subway Dandenong

PLANTS FOR SALE Middle School

There are a variety of pot plants for sale in the Middle School Office Foyer.

All proceeds go to the Charities **Reaching Out Because We Can** and **Servants of the Two Hearts.**

These Charities serve the homeless, domestic violence survivors, people with disabilities, victims of crime and disasters, financially disadvantaged, asylum seekers, refugees and those that are at risk or less fortunate.

The variety of plants for sale include:





Snap Dragons



Dusky Bells



Primula Lavender



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Pacific Beauty



Nemesia Cabaret



Pansy



Blue Finger

PRICES

Plants \$3.00 each or 2 for \$5.00

Small Pot with Plant \$6.00

Large Pot with Plant \$12.00

Small Pot only \$5.00

Large Pot only \$10.00



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 <u>SSB online system</u> and allocate the funds to school activities before 30 June 2025.

To learn more about the SSB online system, download the step-by-step <u>System guide for parents and carers (DOCX, 945KB)</u> or watch this <u>School Saving Bonus video</u>. <u>System guide translations</u> 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