

### Newsletter

#### Issue 30— Friday 10th October 2025

Junior & Senior Campus 1430 Heatherton Road, Dandenong 3175 Phone: 9791 8900 Email: emerson.sch@education.vic.gov.au

Middle Campus 19-21 Gloria Avenue, Dandenong North 3175 Phone: 8762 6466 Website: www.emersonsc.vic.edu.au

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome to our students, families and staff to what promises to be an exciting and productive Term 4. I hope everyone had a restful and enjoyable break, and we are thrilled to see our students return with such energy and enthusiasm.

Over the holidays, our Emerson Room has had a stunning makeover. With fresh paint and brand new carpets, it looks and feels like a completely new space. This vibrant upgrade has already created a more inviting and comfortable environment for learning, and we cannot wait for you to see it.

Term 4 is an eleven week term packed with opportunities and events. One of the most significant highlights will be our School Review, taking place in Week 5. This is an important moment in our school calendar, providing us with the chance to reflect on our achievements, celebrate our strengths and plan for the future.

#### John Mooney



#### **DIARY DATES 2025**

**Monday November 3rd** - Curriculum Day, no school for students.

**Tuesday November 4th -** Melbourne Cup Public Holiday - No School

Tuesday November 18th - Market Day

Monday December 1st - Senior School Graduation Dinner

Thursday December 4th - House Day—BIG DAY IN

Thursday December 18th - Last day for students

Friday December 19th - Last day for staff

#### **VALUE OF THE FORTNIGHT**

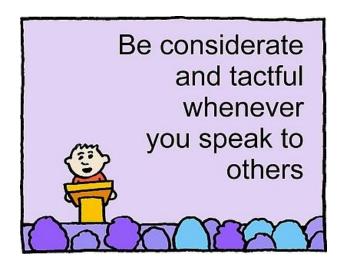
#### **Tact**

We are studying the value Tact this fortnight.

Tactful people share the truth in a kind manner, they share their views without being mean, cruel, or hurtful to others.

Without tact, people can be rude and insensitive, they can say things that are very painful for others to hear.

Without tact people can say things that damage relationships between people and between countries.



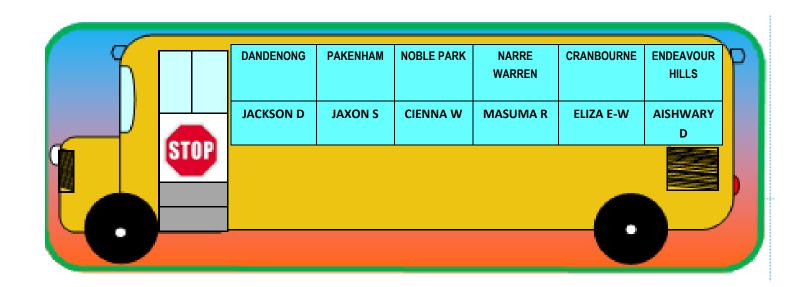
**Dianne Wright** Campus Principal Middle School

#### **SUBWAY ORDERS**

#### 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.





#### Koorie Students Visit the Dreaming Spirit Gallery

On October 8th, a group of our Koorie students had the special opportunity to visit *The Dreaming Spirit* gallery, kindly invited by Uncle Mark (Mark Brown). While not all students were able to attend, those who did had a truly memorable experience.

We were warmly welcomed at the gate by Leelee and Louisa, who guided us to the gallery for a meet and greet. The students were spoiled with gift packs organised by Mark and the team—each one filled with goodies to inspire the budding artist in them.

The gallery tour was full of wonder, showcasing a wide variety of fascinating artworks and cultural pieces. The students were then invited to create their own artwork, choosing between drawing and painting. Some chose to paint talking sticks, traditionally used for communication, while others explored their own creative ideas. Together, we also contributed to a collaborative handprint painting to mark our visit.

While waiting for the artwork to dry, Leelee led us in a cultural storytelling session on a mat just outside the gallery—a peaceful and meaningful moment. Before we left, Beau made sure everyone had a turn throwing cardboard boomerangs. Chrissy claimed mine was the best... but Beau might have had other thoughts!

Although we missed seeing Uncle Mark due to a prior commitment, we're incredibly grateful for the experience. We hope to return again soon—it was a day filled with creativity, connection, and culture.

You can visit the gallery here



#### SSE & SSV Beach Clean Up

For their VPC Community Awareness Project in Personal Development Skills, students in SSE and SSV developed, planned, and carried out a Beach Clean-up at the Frankston Waterfront.

Students gathered all the materials and PPE needed for the day. They applied negotiation and collaboration skills, as well as cooperation and communication with their peers.

After collecting a whopping seven bags of rubbish, students celebrated with a BBQ and an afternoon of fun.















"Children and adolescents are in school or in care when daily ultraviolet (UV) radiation levels are at their peak, meaning schools and services are uniquely placed to educate about sun protection behaviour, minimise UVR exposure and ultimately reduce the future risk of skin cancer." – Cancer Council of Australia.

It's that time of year again when the sun is strong and bright! A friendly reminder that all students (and staff!) need to wear a sun-safe hat (preferably navy blue) when outside during Term 4. This includes playtime, PE, excursions and TheirCare outdoor activities.

Most of our students are doing a fantastic job remembering their hats — great work! If you forget your hat, you'll need to sit in a shaded, undercover area to stay safe from the sun. Sunscreen is also available in every classroom, so make sure to put some on before heading outside.

Sun-safe hats include:

Broad-brimmed hats - These have a wide brim that shades your whole face

Bucket hats - These have a deep crown and shade your face, ears, and neck.

Please Note: Baseball caps and sun visors do not protect the cheeks, ears and back of the neck and are not recommended.



#### Let's all do our best to stay SunSmart and safe this term!

























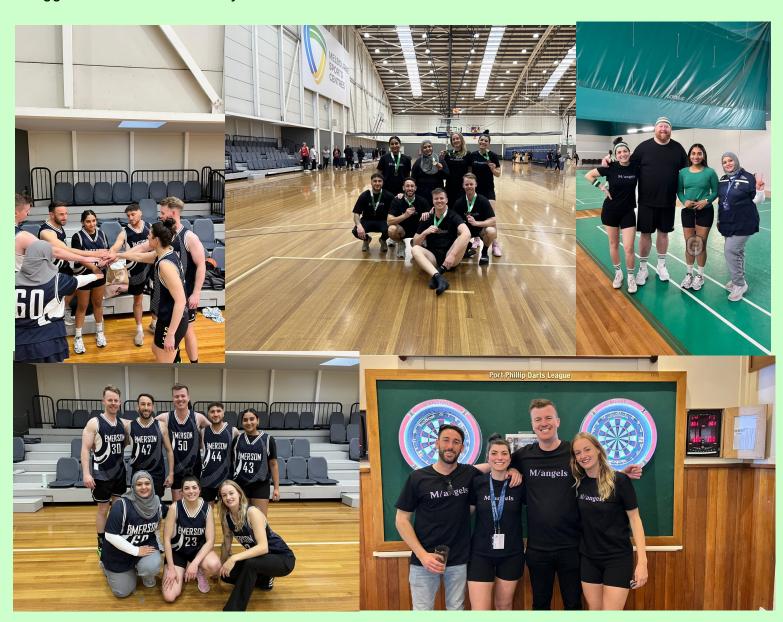


Over the holidays, we had a total of 8 Emerson staff representing our school at this years Victorian Teacher Games: Liam, Marc, LG, Kelsea, Ros, Anj, Zainab and Sara.

Staff played a variety of sports including golf, darts, badminton, lawn bowls and basketball.

They came home with 2 wooden spoons won by Anj, Zainab and Kelsea (in badminton and darts), and a third place medal won by our basketball team - winning four games and losing only two.

This was a fantastic opportunity to get to know each other, have some laughs and get competitive. Hopefully the following pictures will inspire a few more legends to get involved for some even bigger and better wins next year!









**MOST IMPROVED** 

**SUBHAN N** 

JSA

**SUPERB SPELLER** 

**DEANA B** 

JSB

**HELPING HANDS** 

**RUSSELL B** 

**JSC** 

**QUEEN OF KINDENSS** 

**AMELIA E** 

**JSD** 

**HARDWORKING HERO** 

**YAHYA D** 

**JSE** 

**MOST IMPROVED** 

**MICHAEL K** 

**JSF** 

**HARDWORKING HERO** 

**TANE T** 

**JSG** 

**READING ROCKSTAR** 

**AIDEN H** 

**JSH** 

**AMAZING ATTENDANCE** 

**ELIZA E** 

JSI

**ROCKIN' READER** 

**JAXON S** 

JSJ

**HARDWORKING HERO** 

**TEVIN T** 

JSK

**HELPING HANDS** 

**MOHAMED L** 

JSL





#### **SSE CUPCAKE DAY**

## TUESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2025 MIDDLES SCHOOL THURSDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER 2025 JUNIOR AND SENIOR SCHOOL



#### **Cupcake Stall**

- SSE Food Technology Kitchen
- Opens at 10:30 AM (Junior School Students and Staff)
- Opens at 12.00 PM (Senior School Students and Staff)
- Middle School Gymnasium
- Opens at 10:30 AM (Middle School Students and Staff)

#### Flavours Available:

**Vanilla** 

Chocolate

Caramel

Oreo

Ingredients: Flour, Sugar, Eggs, Butter, Cocoa, Oreo

# From Our Sports Captain

Who is the Emerson School Sports Captain who's hair matches with the Brisbane Football Club, Premiership player and Norm Smith medal winner Will Ashcroft?

Our very own Sports Captain Andrew Jeffery!







## Join JUMP! Swim Schools and we'll waive your membership fee

Offer ends , enquire today!

Email noblepark@jumpswimschools.com.au or call 0472 735 872 and enrol today! 3/450 Princes Hwy, Noble Park North, VIC 3174 jumpswimschools.com.au



Emerson School

1430 Heatherton Road

Dandenong, VIC, 3175

10th October 2025



Dear Parents, Guardians, and Members of the School Community,

In line with our dedication to excellence and ongoing enhancement, we are pleased to inform you about our upcoming school review. This review presents a significant opportunity for us to assess our accomplishments and identify areas for growth over the last four years.

To facilitate a comprehensive and meaningful review, we are reaching out to you, our esteemed school community, to share your positive experiences and cherished memories at Emerson School. Your insights and stories are essential in highlighting the strengths and achievements of our school, and we would be immensely grateful for your input.

We kindly invite you to contemplate the experiences of the past four years and encourage you to share any positive experiences you or your children have had at Emerson School. This may include an inspiring teacher or any other staff member, a successful school event, notable academic accomplishments, or personal story of growth and development. Your insights are valuable to us.

You can submit your contributions in the following way:

**Email**: Send your stories and experiences to *jerome.jacobs@education.vic.gov.au* 

We are confident that your input will provide significant insights and assist us in our ongoing efforts to foster a supportive and enriching environment for all students. We appreciate your continued support and engagement within our school community.

Warm regards,

Mr. John Mooney

School Principal

Mr. Jerome Jacobs

Accountability/Review Coordinator