



Issue 33— Friday 31st October 2025

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Today is International Teachers' Day and is being celebrated by countries throughout the world.

Teachers play a very important role in preparing our young children and older students to be the adults of tomorrow. Teachers create an atmosphere of kindness, gratitude and collaboration whereby students can develop their capabilities within a joyful school culture.

Thank you to all Emerson teachers who provide learning opportunities that our students will always remember.

John Mooney
Principal



Curriculum Day and Melbourne Cup Public Holiday.

Emerson school will be closed to students on Monday November 3rd for Curriculum Day and Tuesday November 4th for the Melbourne Cup Public Holiday.

Subway will also not be available on Wednesday November 5th.

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

We will be studying Peacefulness for the next fortnight.

Peacefulness is an inner sense of calm. Practising peacefulness helps create a calm mind which is free from troubled thoughts. Peacefulness quietens your body and mind and creates an inner stillness. When we are peaceful and calm we act in a way that respects others and their differences.

Kindness, making the world a better place.

Last Tuesday we had some very kind visitors to our school. Sue Vincent, Ellen Hallihan and Dalena Graham from the Star Netball Club, presented us with a very generous cheque for \$7462.23.

Fifty years ago Sue founded the Stars Netball Club. In its prime the Stars Netball Club had many members but over the years the numbers started to dwindle and so she and her committee members sadly had to wind up the club.

Then they had to decide what to do with all their training equipment and left over monies. They thought of the wonderful students from Emerson who have had such a strong presence at the Gloria Pyke Netball Complex over many decades.

Their very generous donation will go to the netball program at Emerson. We are all grateful for Sue, Ellen and Dalena's kindness and generosity.

Dianne Wright Campus Principal Middle School

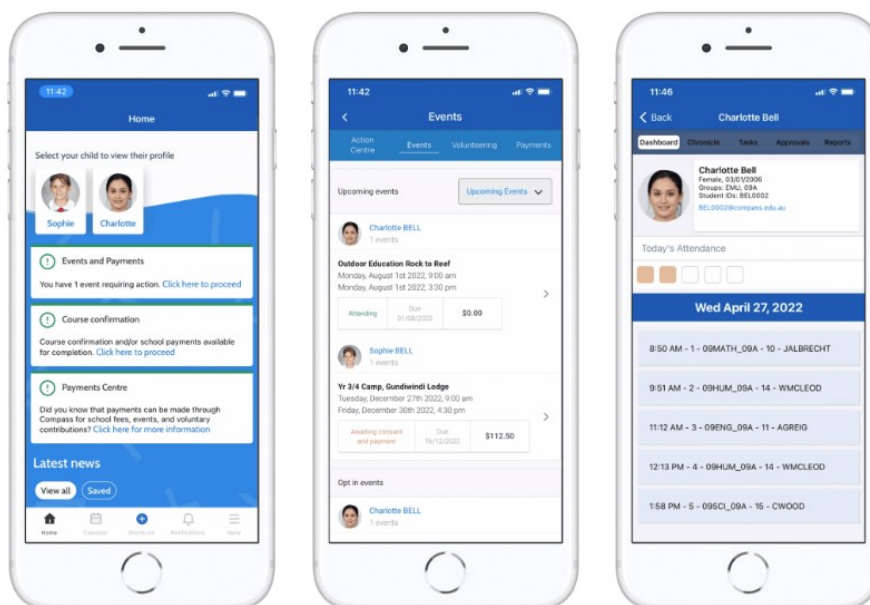


Compass for Parents has launched.



Parents and carers of Emerson School now have access to the Compass School Management app and can now access the following features.

- Monitor your child's attendance, and enter an explanation for absence or lateness
- Download and view your child's academic reports
- Pay and provide consent for events such as excursions and camps, and pay school fees



How do I access Compass?

Compass Apps

You can download the Compass App on Apple iOS and Android devices, simply search for Compass School Manager in the store.



Access the website via the Emerson School [Website](https://schools.compass.education/) page.

Access the website by searching the following link in your browser,
<https://schools.compass.education/>

Please contact the school if you need assistance with replacement log in details, logging in or resetting your password.

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Summit Camp: A Journey of Growth, Challenge, and Inspiration

From Monday 27th October to Wednesday 30th October, twenty-five Senior School students had the privilege of attending Summit Camp in Trafalgar East, nestled in the beautiful Gippsland region.

The camp provided an incredible opportunity for our Emerson students to step outside their comfort zones, challenge themselves, and discover what they are truly capable of achieving. The Summit's curriculum based activities and workshops are thoughtfully designed to promote personal growth, resilience, and teamwork, encouraging students to "get comfortable with being uncomfortable."

Across the three action-packed days, students participated in an impressive range of activities, including **High Wire, Cave Challenge, Laser Skirmish, Summit Window, Flying Fox, Tash's Ladder, Nail Walk, Snake Experience, Bag Blitz, and the unforgettable Mud Obstacle Mayhem**. Evenings were filled with laughter, reflection, and connection—culminating in a campfire complete with toasted marshmallows.

A highlight of the camp experience was the focus on Gratitude and Morning Intentions, two powerful practices that encouraged students to begin each day with mindfulness and positivity. Each morning, students were invited to reflect on three things they were grateful for, setting the tone for a day of purpose, growth, and appreciation.

The Summit team are renowned industry experts in creating programs that blend fun, inspiration, and personal development. Every experience is carefully tailored to build resilience, leadership, confidence, and teamwork—skills that extend well beyond the camp environment.

Our students returned from camp feeling empowered, energised, and proud of their achievements. They demonstrated courage, perseverance, and teamwork in every challenge—qualities that truly embody the Emerson spirit. We are incredibly proud of every student for the effort, enthusiasm, and positivity they brought to the experience.

A heartfelt thank you to our dedicated staff members who supported and encouraged students throughout the camp—Mr David Kemp, who organised and led the camp with positivity and enthusiasm every step of the way, along with Mrs Lana Formoso, Mr Kelsea McLean, and Mrs Daina Carlson.

Summit Camp 2025 was not just an adventure—it was a memorable journey of self-belief, growth, and connection that our students will carry with them long after the final campfire ember faded.







Jnr School

Student of the Week



HARDWORKING HERO

KHAI M

JSA

FANTASTIC FRIEND

DERREN S

JSB

HARDWORKING HERO

NOAH K

JSC

GREAT LEARNING

ANUSHKA D

JSD

SUPER FRIEND

ISHANI N

JSE

MOST IMPROVED

CHARITY B

JSF

HARDWORKING HERO

ARVEY H

JSG

HARDWORKING HERO

ERIN U

JSH

HARWORKING HERO

MINHAJ A

JSI

HARDWORKING HERO

JACK S

JSJ

MATHS MAGICIAN

TEVIN T

JSK

ART ATHLETE

BENYAMIN T

JSL





Middle School Student of the Week

MSA**DANIEL**

For improving in numeracy.

MSB**THOMAS**

For learning to wait for his turn to speak.

MSC**ETHAN & MILEY**

For outstanding achievement at athletics.

MSD**MALISA**

For improved letter sounds knowledge.

MSE**ZOE**

For excellent listening skills displayed in class during specialist lessons.

MSF**ZAR**

For showing more confidence when contributing in classroom discussions.

MSG**KOBI**

For always being a great friend to his peers in MSG.

MSI**FRED**

For coming second in the 200m at State athletics.

MSJ**ROSHNE**

For adapting so well to her new class.

MSK**MUSTAFA**

For competing in the State school athletics.

MSL**SHAHID & JEMMA**

Shahid for outstanding work on his passion project and Jemma for her wonderful effort at State athletics.

ARTISTS OF THE WEEK —

NAKSH MSA, ALTAIR MSB, JACKSON MSF & IMRAN MSI

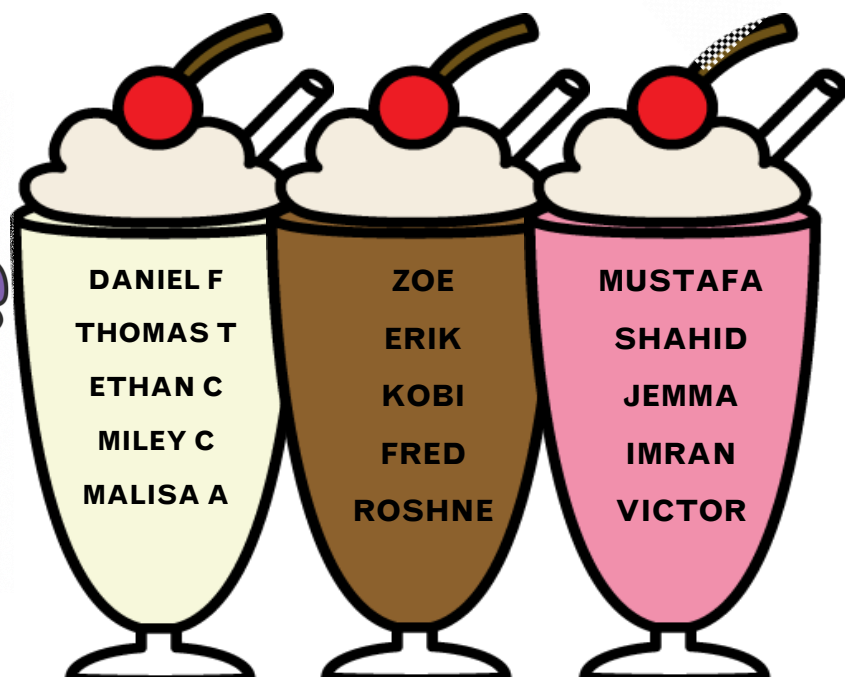
WOODWORKER OF THE WEEK - VICTOR

For his concentration whilst using the Pedestal Drill.

ESO LANKA - MALISA

For improving her literacy skills.

Milkshake Awards



Sports Stars of the Week

