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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

On last Monday evening, our Senior School Graduation was held at the Pink Hill Hotel in Beaconsfield. It was a remarkable evening with 39 graduates who spoke about their learning experiences at Emerson. The standard of these speeches was inspirational and will always be remembered by families, staff and visiting guests.

Every year the Rosemary Doward Award is given to a student who has demonstrated a positive application to their learning studies. Rosemary was our Senior School Coordinator who passed away in 2011. This year's winner was Luke Dunstan. Luke was a very worthy winner of this award, and we wish him well in his future studies.

Last Sunday, I attended the annual Community Spirit and Leadership Awards 2025 that was held at the Greater Dandenong Municipal Offices. These awards are organized by our local Federal Parliamentarian, Julian Hill. Each year Emerson School is invited to nominate a student for these awards. In 2025, the award was given to Jayden Mak. Part of Jayden's citation read "..... Jayden is a dedicated and enthusiastic student who consistently demonstrates a positive attitude, resilience and a strong sense of community"

John Mooney
Principal



DIARY DATES 2025/2026

Thursday December 18th - Last day for students
Friday December 19th - Last day for staff

Tuesday January 27th - First day of Term 1 for staff
Wednesday January 28th - First day of Term 1 for students

VALUE OF THE FORTNIGHT

Patience

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

We practise patience by not trying to control things or others. If someone makes a mistake, we should be gentle with them. When things become difficult for us we should not give up. Instead, we should persevere until we achieve the result we desire. If we can set ourselves goals and work towards achieving them, we will know that our future is worth waiting for.

Dianne Wright Campus Principal Middle School



REMINDER TO WEAR HATS FOR TERM 4

IT IS COMPULSORY FOR STUDENTS TO WEAR HATS FOR TERMS 1 & 4.

WE ALSO STRONGLY SUGGEST THAT SUNSCREEN IS APPLIED AND A

WATER BOTTLE IS BROUGHT TO SCHOOL TO KEEP HYDRATED.

STUDENTS ARE **NOT** PERMITTED TO WEAR HATS DEPICTING OFFENSIVE OR
ILLEGAL LOGOS.



Valley Village Mews Buddies Christmas Celebration

On Monday we went to the Valley Village Mews to see our buddies. We enjoyed a wonderful Christmas celebration which included cookies, bonbons, stickers, afternoon tea with orange drinks, gifts, cards, lovely chats and everyone joining in to sing Jingle Bells and We wish you a Merry Christmas.



Athletics Carnival with Glenhuntly



On Saturday 29th November, 12 current and former students travelled to Duncan Mackinnon for Round 6 of the Athletics Victoria Shield League. It was wonderful to welcome back previous squad members as well as a few debutants to the athletics scene.

The program included the 1500m, 100m and long jump. The students were competing with club athletes of all ages. Our team showed determination, for instance Aeden F (JSL) lost his shoe half way into the race, but went back to collect it before finishing the race. Even Aeden saw the funny side of this mishap! It was heartwarming to see the team spirit on show, none more so than when the students were cheering Hannah M (MSE) as she completed the 1500m. The team was rewarded for their efforts with a pizza dinner when we returned to school.

A huge thank you to Mr Lincoln Bowen, Christine McEvoy and her husband Andrew for their incredible support on the day. We are also grateful to Athletics Victoria for waiving the entry fees and Glenhuntly Athletic Club for funding our team dinner, canteen vouchers and donating club merchandise.

Australian All Schools Championships

This weekend Nick D (SSB), Fred G (MSI) and Fosi F (SSP) will represent Emerson and Victoria at the Australian All Schools Athletics Championships in Melbourne.

We wish them all the best!

Chris Winter
Athletics Coach





Beginning Term 1, 2026, Emerson will be changing the way Parents and Carers receive and view our Newsletter.

Newsletters will be sent to Parents/Carers via email where it will be viewable on mobiles, iPads, laptops and other devices .

Parents/Carers can also view the newsletter in their selected language.

Newsletters will no longer be printed and sent home with students but it will still be available on the Emerson website, on Compass and direct to your email.

Should you not receive the newsletter in your email after week 1 of Term 1, 2026, please contact Emerson School's general offices .

Compass for Parents has launched.

Emerson School will be phasing out paper Consent forms and instead using the Compass Management System.

Parents and carers of Emerson School Students can now access the Compass School Management app and use 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 Compass website via the Emerson School Website.

www.emersonsc.vic.edu.au

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

Please contact the school if you need assistance with logging in, resetting your password or using the app.

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are pleased to announce that enrolments are now open for the 2026 Emerson TheirCare After School Care (ASC) program.

If you are interested in enrolling your child or children for next year, we warmly invite you to get in touch. Our ASC program operates from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM, providing a safe, engaging, and supportive environment for students after school hours.

To learn more about the program and begin the enrolment process, please contact Emerson TheirCare ASC at 0487 480 732. You may speak with Coordinator Vildan or 2IC Ebony, who will be happy to provide a full overview of the program and assist with any questions you may have.

We look forward to welcoming new families into our community and supporting your children in a fun and nurturing after-school setting.

Warm Regards,

Vil & Ebony

Emerson TheirCare

Jnr School

Student of the Week



BEST DANCER

IVY C

JSA

FUNTASTIC

ROCKY E

JSB

BEST BEHAVIOUR

JACKSON Q-T

JSC

A GOOD LISTENER

ALICE

JSD

FUNTASTIC

SARAH T

JSE

FUNTASTIC

LILY P

JSF

INITIATIVE

JASON

JSG

OUTSTANDING EFFORT

DYLAN V

JSH

MATHEMATICS

JANIDU N

JSI

GOOD THINKING

ROMAN R

JSJ

GOOD THINKING

RUEBEN R

JSK

CITIZENSHIP

QAIREENA M

JSL



Middle School Student of the Week



MSA KINGSLEY

For working so hard in Numeracy.

MSB COOPER

For improving his reading skills.

MSC ETHAN

For working well in literacy in particular, during the CLIP Program.

MSD NIKKISHA

For excellent work in literacy, particularly with phonics and reading comprehension.

MSE ROBERA

For continually working hard even when the tasks are challenging.

MSF ISAAC

For endeavouring to finish off his work in his Values Book. Well Done.

MSG NOAH

For always wanting to improve their reading skills.

MSI DYLAN

For a great start in life as the Flag Bearer.

MSJ KAYLA

For demonstrating great responsibility on our excursion.

MSK JOEL

For showing great manners and being helpful in class.

MSL ELI

For his fantastic effort toward all of his testing. Well Done!

ARTISTS OF THE WEEK —

NIKKISHA MSD, KEVIN MSE and FREDERICK MSG

WOODWORKER OF THE WEEK -

ESO SRINI—MUSTI R

For his outstanding work on maths.

Milkshake Awards

