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Dates to Remember

March

- 26th - Investiture of School and House Captains

April

- 2nd - Last Day of Term 1
 - Middle School Campus finishes at 1:45pm - Buses have been notified
 - Jnr/Snr School Campus finishes at 2:00pm - Buses have been notified

2026 Victorian school term dates

2026	Start date	Finish date
Term 1	28 January	2 April
Term 2	20 April	26 June
Term 3	13 July	18 September
Term 4	5 October	18 December

2026 Curriculum Days

Term	Date
One	Tuesday 27th January
Two	To Be Advised
Three	To Be Advised
Four	To Be Advised



Principal's Report

By John Mooney

To All Parents, Guardians and Carers,

The Australian Education Union (AEU) has called on its members to take Strike Action on next Tuesday, 24th March, 2026.

Based on the information provided to me today, a substantial number of staff will be taking part in the strike action.

Consequently, our programs on Tuesday, 24th March will provide mainly for the supervision of students. Teaching programs will be limited.

All students are entitled to attend school on next Tuesday. However, if you decide to keep your children home on that day, I ask that you let our office staff know on Monday, 23rd March, so that I can plan student supervision for the Strike Day on the following day (Tuesday, 24th March).

Thank you for your patience and understanding in this matter.

John Mooney

Principal



Value of the Fortnight

By Dianne Wright - Middle School Principal

Value: Responsibility

We will continue to study the value Responsibility for the next week.

Next week our Student Leaders will be presented with their badges at our Investiture Ceremony.

These students have been chosen to lead the school because they have shown everyone that they are responsible and trustworthy.

This group of students can be relied upon to honour their promises and always do their best.



Harmony Week Celebration with Our Buddy Class

JSB is delighted to have SSH as our buddy class this year. As part of our horticulture program, SSH students regularly spend time in the garden, and our JSB students enjoy visiting the garden space and observing the chickens.

On Monday, SSH teachers and students organised a wonderful Harmony Week celebration for JSB students. One of the key activities was a coloured sand art experience, where junior students filled their jars with different layers of coloured sand. This activity represented that we are all different, but we belong together. Just like the colours of the sand gradually blend over time, different cultures also come together and connect when shared in the same space.

To make the day even more special, SSH students set up a hot dog BBQ, and everyone enjoyed a classic Australian favourite together. The celebration was filled with smiles and a strong sense of community. The highlight of the day was the visit from two friendly dogs, Summer and Maple, who brought extra joy and excitement to everyone.

It was a meaningful and joyful experience that strengthened connections between our buddy classes and celebrated inclusion and belonging.

Sunny Sidhu

JSB Class Teacher



Student of the Week



Junior School Awards

JSA	Lucas G	Handy Helper
JSB	Eli T	Awesome during Assemblies
JSC	Adam L	Creative Kid
JSD	Zara K	Energy to Learn
JSE	Yahya S	Energy to Learn
JSF	Aiden H	Giggle Box
JSG	Alice S	Excellent Effort
JSH	Henry N	Helping Hero
JSI	Staysh R	Fabulous Friend
JSJ	Storm E	Excellent Effort
JSK	Phoebe B	Friendliest Friend
JSL	Aden P	Great School Citizen





Sports Stars

JSD	Noah B
JSF	Amelia E
JSH	Michael K
MSB	Minhaj A
MSE	Yunus S
MSF	Alisa T
SSD	Eli B
SSE	Jennifer H
SSV	Alena L





Bus Awards

Term 1, Week 6 Awards

Endeavour Hills	Maggie K
Narre Warren	Isabella E
Cranbourne	Noah H
Pakenham	Kade G
Noble Park	Omal T
Dandenong	Shahid F

Congratulations!



Their Care Autumn School Holiday Program

Their Care's upcoming holiday program will run from 7 April to 17 April,

Please find below links to the flyer, a priority form, and booking form.

The priority and booking form must both be completed and returned to Their Care.

Hard copies are also available in the reception of both Campuses.

The closing date for submissions is Friday, 20 March 2026.

Program

Manager

Vildan Dede Agca



Announcements

Foodbank Mobile Supermarket

Foodbank will operate a "Mini Supermarket" from North Dandenong Neighbourhood Centre, providing much-needed food relief to Emerson School Families.

Families can choose from a selection of dairy, bread, fruit, vegetables and other healthy food staples.

Emerson Families can pick up a voucher from the office of either Campus, the voucher will need to be presented at the Foodbank Mobile Supermarket.

The Mobile Supermarket will be held at the Dandenong North Neighbourhood Centre, 41 Menzies Ave, Dandenong North.

Dates:

- *Tuesday 19 May*



CSEF Applications are now open for 2026.

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) provide payments for eligible students to attend activities like school camp or trips, swimming and school organised sport programs, outdoor education programs and/or excursions and incursions.

Parents with an eligible government Pension, Veteran Affairs or Health Care Card can apply. If you have already claimed CSEF at Emerson, you will not need to re-apply in 2026.



2026 Youth MYKI Card

During 2026, select students will participate in the Travel Education Program. Students will travel on PTV and require a MYKI card.

\$5.00 annual Youth MYKI cards are available to all students under 18 years old. Families will be required to purchase a MYKI card for each child.

Click on the following [Youth Myki link](#) to purchase the MYKI online, OR, go to a manned Train Station to purchase the card. Once purchased, all travel is FREE. If you order the MYKI online the Myki card will be posted to your home with your child's name printed on the card. This saves confusion of who the card belongs to.

If you are having any challenges with buying a MYKI card or registering the MYKI please email Christine.marlow@education.vic.gov.au and I would be happy to make a time to assist you.

Remember to check the Compass portal for permissions for your child to attend excursions.

Compass keeps all information current which is best for your child for medical information, emergency contacts, etc. Compass makes it quick and easy for parents and staff. Please ask the office if you need help using Compass.

Kind regards,

Christine Marlow

Travel and Road Safety Education

Emerson School



Ready to try something new?

Join Scouts

Narre Warren South Scout Group is welcoming new members to unlock adventure and start their Scouting journey!



Narre Warren South
Scout Group



Our Section meeting nights are
 Joeys | ages 5-8 | Monday 5:30pm - 6:30pm
 Cubs | ages 8-11 | Monday 7:15pm - 8:45pm
 Cubs | ages 8-11 | Friday 7pm - 8:30pm
 Scouts | ages 11-14 | Wednesday 7pm - 9pm
 Venturers | ages 14-18 | Thursday 7pm - 9pm

We meet at 101 Oakgrove Dr, Narre Warren South

For more information or to join, scan the QR code
glnarrewarrensouth@scoutsvictoria.com.au

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2026 EASTER EGG HUNT



What: Easter Egg Hunt for local kids aged 0-16 and their families!
Where: Dandenong Park, Dandenong
When: Saturday, March 28, 10:30am-12:30pm

REGISTRATION ESSENTIAL



Scan here to book your child's (free) ticket

Presented by



Gabrielle Williams MP
 State Member for Dandenong



Julian Hill MP
 Federal Member for Bruce

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Important Reminders

School Start and Finish times

We kindly remind all parents and guardians to please ensure that children are dropped off and picked up within our school's operating hours. Arriving on time helps children settle into their day, attend all of their classes, and maintain continuity in their learning.

Timely pick-up at the end of the day is equally important, as it allows us to operate safely and responsibly within our scheduled hours. Your cooperation plays a vital role in supporting your child's education and ensuring a smooth day for everyone.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership.

JNR/SNR Campus		Middle Campus	
Monday	9:00am - 3:00pm	Monday	9:00am - 2:45pm
Tuesday	9:00am - 3:00pm	Tuesday	9:00am - 2:45pm
Wednesday	9:00am - 3:00pm	Wednesday	9:00am - 2:45pm
Thursday	8:50am - 3:00pm	Thursday	8:50am - 2:45pm
Friday	8:50am - 3:00pm	Friday	8:50am - 2:45pm

**Please note—THURSDAY morning is Houses and FRIDAY morning is Assembly
Both ARE held at the MIDDLE SCHOOL Campus**

Reminder to wear Hats for Term 1

It is compulsory for students to wear hats for Terms 1 & 4.

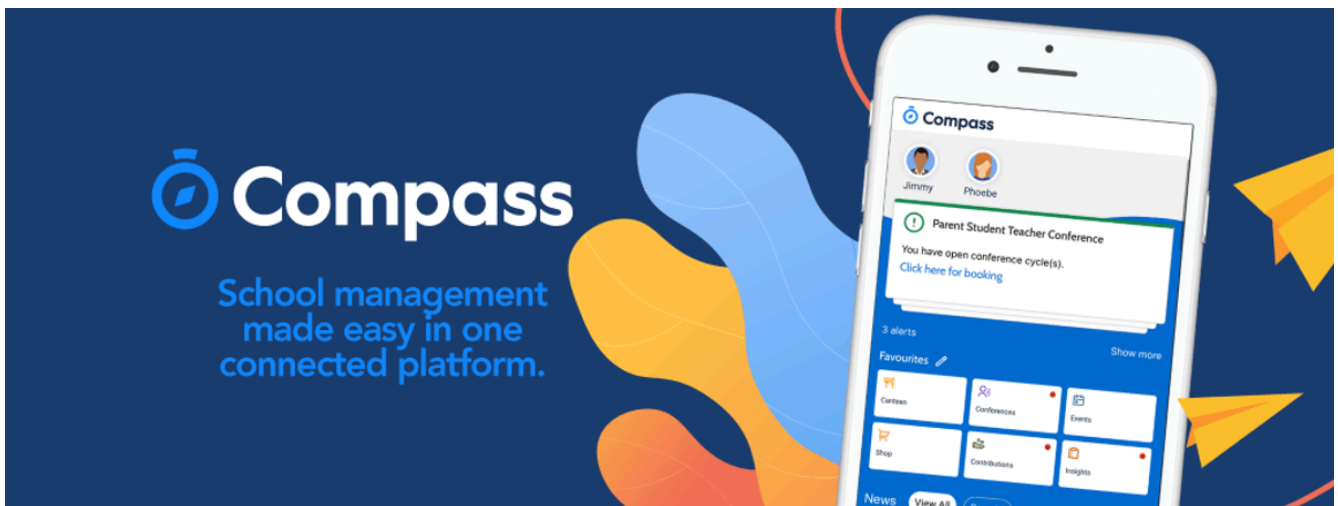
We also strongly suggest that sunscreen is applied and a water bottle is brought to school to keep hydrated.

Students are not permitted to wear hats depicting offensive or illegal logos.



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 10:00 am each week.**



Compass

Emerson School will be no longer sending home paper consent forms and instead will be using the Compass Management System.

All 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

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](#) 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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