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Emerson Newsletter

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Dates to Remember

June

- 8th - King's Birthday Public Holiday
- 18th - SSG Meetings
- 26th - End of Term 2
 - Middle School Campus finishes at 1:45pm - Buses have been notified
 - Jnr/Snr School Campus finishes at 2:00pm - Buses have been notified

July

- 13th - First Day of Term 3

2026 Victorian school term dates

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

2026 Curriculum Days

Term	Date
Two	To Be Advised
Three	To Be Advised
Four	To Be Advised



Principal's Report

Celebrating Jenny La'Brooy's 50 Years of Service to Education.

Last Sunday, 24th May, Jenny La'Brooy was presented with an award recognising her outstanding 50 years of service to education in the State of Victoria. The award was presented by the Hon Ben Carroll, Minister of Education and Deputy Premier.

Jenny has been a valued member of the Emerson School community since 1985. Throughout her time at the school, she has undertaken many important roles and, more recently, has served as Assistant Principal – Student Services.

Jenny has devoted herself to supporting communication between students, families, staff and the broader community. Her tireless work ethic, dedication and commitment to education have made a lasting impact on countless lives.

We warmly congratulate Jenny on this remarkable achievement and thank her for many years of exceptional service to education and to the Emerson School community.

We are fortunate at Emerson School to have many staff who have been part of the school for many, many years and we thank them for their continued service to our school community.

John Mooney

Principal





Value of the Fortnight

By Dianne Wright - Middle School Principal

We will study the value, Purposefulness for the next fortnight.

Purposeful people are very focused on achieving their set targets. They have a goal and nothing prevents them from achieving that goal. Purposeful people know what they want and know why they want it.

Neale Daniher was diagnosed with the insidious disease MND thirteen years ago. Instead of withdrawing from society and feeling very sorry for himself, Neale decided to fight it and raise money for research into MND so that future generations would not need to suffer like he did. It became his focus and through his purposeful approach he raised over \$100 million towards research.

Despite the odds stacking up against him, he never once gave up. Many people will benefit from his purposefulness. Neale Daniher was an inspirational speaker who spoke wise words. This is an extract from one of his addresses to willing listeners.

'We all have those internal voices. The ones that say: I'm not good enough and I'm just one person. What difference can I make? If there's anything that I want to leave you with today. It's this. Don't wait for a crisis to learn that you are more powerful than you think. Don't let Mr Negative have the final say and never underestimate the ripple effect of one small act of courage on the field or off it. Because when you lean into the uncomfortable, when you act for something bigger than yourself, you can change lives.'



PLAY ON, FOR NEALE

Neale Daniher. We will forever remember him as our inspiration. Our fighter. The Reverend.

His fight against motor neurone disease (MND) does not and will not end with Neale.

Let's keep his legacy alive. We march forward towards his vision of a world free from MND. We Play On, for Neale.



FIGHT MND Fundraising

"Neale once said, 'When all is said and done, more is said than done. Let's **DO** something to fight MND."

On Friday June 5th, will be Emerson School's chance to **DO** something, we will be fundraising for The Big Freeze and Fight MND, in honour of Neal Daniher.

Staff and Students can wear their Big Freeze beanies for a gold coin donation.

A limited number of Big Freeze Beanies will also be available for purchase from the Middle School Front Office, with all proceeds going to the FIGHTMND charity.

Beanies are \$25 each and will be cash only.





Inter-House Music Festival

All Emerson School Staff and Students celebrated our Inter-House Music Festival today.
It was heaps of fun!

A very big Thank You to all Emerson staff and students who worked so hard to make it such a success.



Student of the Week



Junior School Awards

JSA	Harrison C	Caring Heart
JSB	Zayd M	Really Reliable
JSC	Rocky E	Most Curious
JSD	Deana B	Helping Hero
JSE	Yahya S	Giggle Box
JSF	Tane T	Friendliest Friend
JSG	Alice S	Compassionate and Kind
JSH	Peyton R	Perseverance Power
JSI	Staysh R	Happy Helper
JSJ	Saleh M	Growth Mindset
JSK	Nua S	Excellent Effort
JSL	Jet S	Quality Worker



Student of the Week



Middle School Awards

MSA	Dallas S	For his leadership skills and respectfulness in class
MSB	Jack S	For improving his skills in telling time
MSC	Rashidul R	For always trying his best and showing determination
MSD	Tevin T	For always being tolerant and kind to all
MSE	Miley C	For finishing work on time and having the neatest handwriting
MSF	William E	For completing more "Value" typing and showing an improvement in his typing ability
MSH	Ella S	For working excellently during independent work
MSI	Xavier L	For terrific work in our human body unit
MSJ	Areeb R	For great communication
MSK	Indujaa M	For finishing all of her work and her patience
	Dion I	For staying focused and working really well
MSL	Cruz O	For his fantastic effort during class

Artist of the Week	Roshne MSD, Alisa MSF, Fred MSK
Woodworker of the Week	William E - For spending his lesson sorting the mixed up nails, measuring them and placing them in the correct containers
ESO Student of the Week ESO George	Tevin T - For doing well in class and for working well in his swimming classes



Milkshake Awards

Ali G

Jack S

Rashidul R

Tevin T

Miley C

Ella S

Xavier L

Areeb R

Indujaa M

Dion I

Cruz O

Alisa T

William E

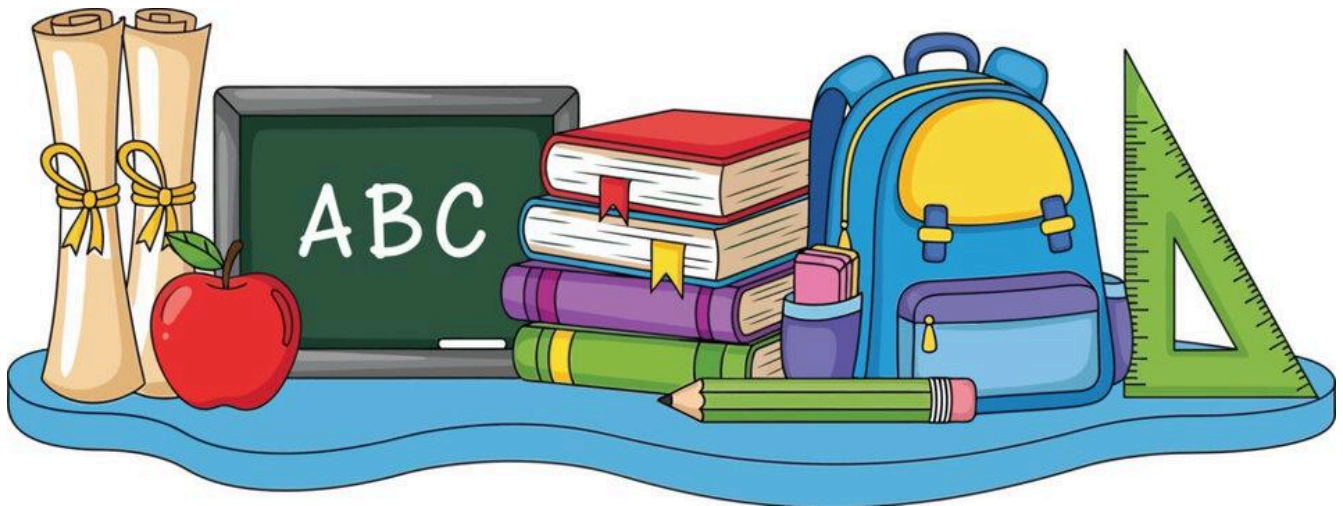




Sports Stars

JSF	
JSI	
JSJ	
MSA	
MSB	
MSF	
SSB	
SSI	
SSV	





Staff News

Emerson Middle School Campus Teachers and ESO's would like to thank our OT Anj and Psychologist Nicole, on presenting an informative and practical Personal Development session on "Supporting Co-regulation" - Recognizing and understanding emotions.

Professional Development (PD) sessions are important for teachers because they help improve teaching skills, build confidence, and keep educators updated with new learning strategies and technologies.

In addition, PDs support teachers in understanding changes in curriculum and educational policies, which helps them provide the best possible learning environment for their students. Overall, attending professional development helps teachers grow professionally and positively impacts student success.





After School Care Winter Holiday Program

Dear Parents/Carers,

TheirCare forms are now available for the Winter School Holiday Program.

Copies are available at both campus's as well as on Compass.

Please complete all forms and return to TheirCare or your child's campus.

PLEASE NOTE THAT NO CHILD WILL BE ALLOCATED THE FULL TWO WEEKS ATTENDANCE DUE TO LIMITED SPACES.

THINGS TO DO

Community Activities, Events and Tickets



PRE-LOVED TOY DONATION

If you have any unwanted, preloved toys at home, we would love to give them a second life! We are specifically looking for toys that could be used in the junior school for outdoor play in the sandpit, mud kitchen (plastic only please), dinosaurs, cars, animals etc.

Please drop them off at the front office at Junior/Senior Campus.

thank you

Open to performers aged 12-25

DANDY'S GOT TALENT PERFORMER APPLICATIONS

Keen to perform live? We are currently accepting performer applications from singers, rappers, dancers and bands. Applications close 31 May.

Final showcase: Thursday 9 July 2-30pm - 7pm
The Castle 61 Princes Hwy Dandenong

Prizes to be won

Apply to perform here

Greater Dandenong

AMLEY CITY SOUTHERN CROSS RIDDIM

ELVIS CHARITY FUNDRAISER

LIVE MUSIC BY ANDREW PORTELLI

SILENT AUCTIONS, DOOR PRIZES, RAFFLES AND MORE!

SATURDAY 25 JULY 2026 6.30PM TO 12AM

TICKETS: \$75 PER HEAD INCLUDES BUFFET DINNER

BOOKINGS: 03 9595 1111

SANDOWN GREYHOUNDS RACING CLUB, VIEW ROAD, SPRINGVALE VIC 3171

THROUGH THE ARCHWAY IN THE CAR PARK UP THE ESCALATORS

TO BOOK TICKETS PLEASE TEXT FULL NAMES OF THOSE ATTENDING ELVIS FUNDRAISER 25 JULY 2026 UP 03 9595 1111 OR FACEBOOK



Announcements

CSEF Applications are closing 26th June, 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



Important Reminders



Please remember to label your child's school jumpers and jackets this winter season. It makes returning lost property easier.

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

Collecting Students during the day

We kindly remind all parents and guardians to please ensure that you avoid collecting your child/children during the below recess and lunch times.

Junior School	Junior School
Monday - Friday	Recess 10:30am-11:00am Lunch Eating Time 12:30pm - 12:45pm Outside Play 12:45pm-1:30pm

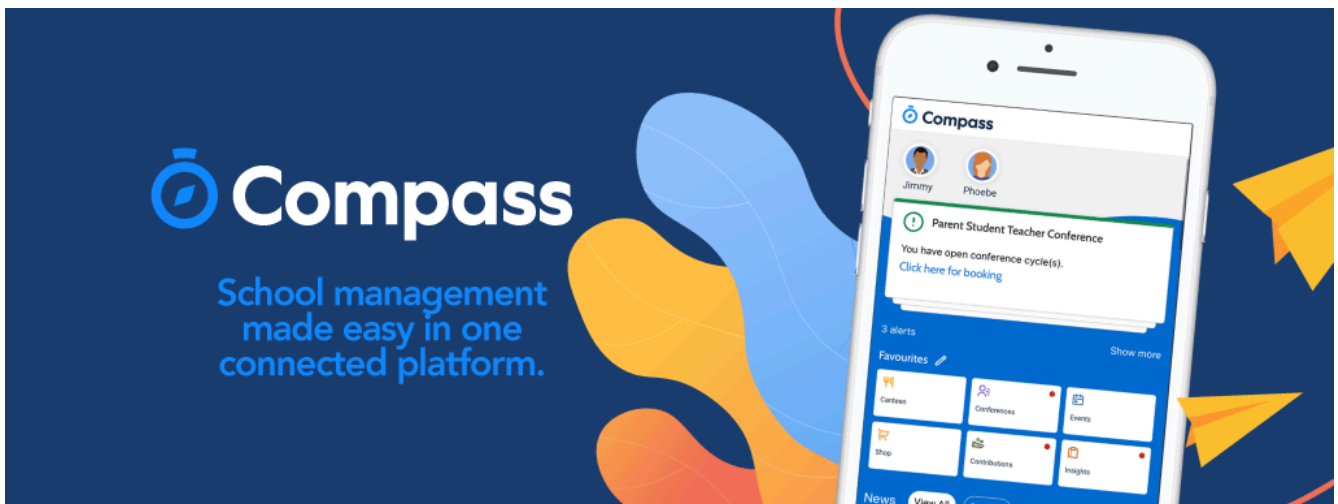
Middle School	
Monday - Friday	Recess 10:30am-11:00am Lunch Eating Time 12:30pm - 12:45pm Outside Play 12:45pm-1:15pm

Senior School	
Monday	Recess 10:30am - 11:00am Lunch Eating Time 12:30pm - 12:45pm Outside Play 12:45pm - 1:30pm
Tuesday - Friday	Recess 11:15am - 11:45am Lunch Eating Time 1:15pm - 1:30pm Outside Play 1:30pm - 2:15pm



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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