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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Remembrance Day

On the 11th of November every year, we are encouraged to remember the enormous sacrifices that have been made by the men and women of our armed forces over the last 100 years.

Australians have participated in a number of major wars that have led to a very large number of fatalities and permanent injuries. On this day, we have invoked the name "*Remembrance Day*" to enshrine our thanks and gratitude to these generous men and women who devoted and, in many cases, gave up their lives to that we could live in peace.



Superheroes Production Feedback from the Emerson Community

Our recent 'Superheroes' student performances held last week entertained a large group of family members, relatives, friends and past students. This event was clearly our biggest family gathering since before the COVID pandemic period. ***We need to have more celebrations and gatherings like this to share our school culture and relationships in a face to face way.***

In a similar vein, our next Emerson Past Students' Association gathering will be held on Sunday, 17th November. The first gathering held in June was an outstanding success. I am looking forward to increasing the number of Past Students getting involved.

John Mooney
Principal

VALUE OF THE FORTNIGHT

We will continue our study of the value, Peacefulness, next week. People who demonstrate peacefulness are calm and positive. They look for the good in others and do not lose their 'cool' in times of anxiety or anger.

We need to concentrate on feeling calm and quiet. We could start by closing our eyes and imagining that we are in a place where things are very peaceful. Perhaps we could imagine we are in a rainforest or floating on a cloud. Peacefulness is very good for our health as staying calm protects us from stress related diseases including heart attacks, cancer and mental health issues.

Dianne Wright
Campus Principal, Middle School

DIARY DATES 2024/2025

THURSDAY 19TH DECEMBER - Last day of Term 4 for students

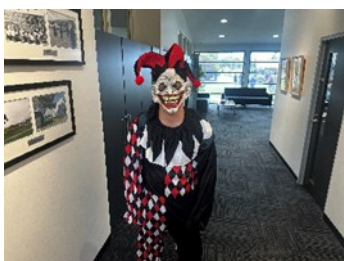
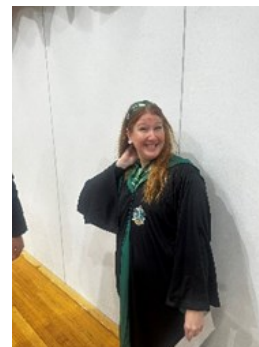
FRIDAY 20TH DECEMBER - Last day of Term 4 for staff

WEDNESDAY 29TH JANUARY - First day of Term 1 for students

HALLOWEEN DRESS UP DAY

The Emerson School community enjoyed a wonderful day last Friday when the entire school was invited to dress up for Halloween. I'm not sure who enjoyed it more...the students or the staff! The costumes were amazing. Thanks to everyone for supporting such a fun event.

*Leanne Russell
Head of Junior School*





VICTORIAN ALL SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Over two weekends in October and November, five Middle and Senior students participated in the Victorian All Schools Championships.

This competition featured the best athletes from both independent and government schools across the state. As a team we collected 2 x Gold and 2 x Silver medals:

- Nick D (SSR) – 1 x Gold (100m), 1 x Silver (200m)
- Fosi F (SSS) – 1 x Gold (Shot Put)
- Cain C (SSB) – 1 x Silver (Long Jump)

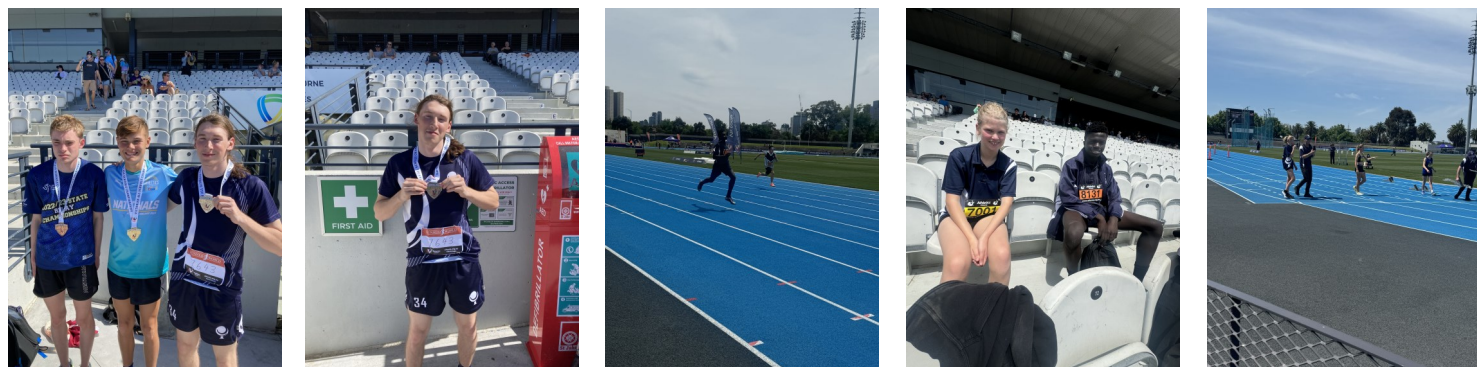
Many students achieved personal bests: Nick: 200m – 25.59

- Dakota A (MSF): 200m – 31.44
- Omal T (MSL): 200m – 23.88
- Cain: Long Jump – 4.97m

Nick, Cain and Fosi have all qualified for the National All Schools Championships which will take place in Brisbane in early December.

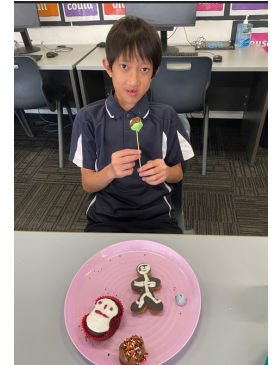
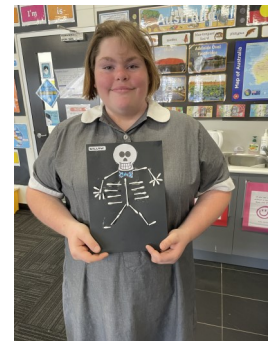
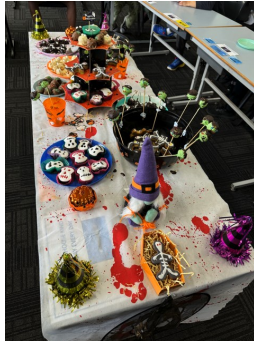
A huge thank you to Nick's father John who volunteered to fulfil Emerson's duties and assist with the long jump competition last Sunday!

*Chris Winter
Athletics & Cross Country Coach*



HALLOWEEN FUN IN MSI

The students in MSI enjoyed a week of Halloween activities including Literacy and Numeracy activities and Halloween craft activities, including one where students made a skeleton out of cotton buds. We also cooked up a bunch of delicious, spooky Halloween treats which all of the students were able to enjoy at our class Halloween party on Friday afternoon.



MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCIAL SEWING GROUP

Ana, Anj, Mrs Marlow and Ms Georgalli wanted to celebrate the gorgeous rag dolls done down at our Middle School. Amela, Marwa, Noor, Willow, Ariadna and Indego worked really hard to complete these and have entered them into the Dandenong Show which is on this weekend. If you are down there, keep a look out and fingers crossed their efforts are rewarded. Well done for listening and persisting to learn a new skill!



KINDNESS AWARD

Mrs Jacobs nominated Indujaa for a Kindness award. Indujaa saw a student, who was new to the school, standing in the front foyer with her parents. Indujaa went over to the new student and introduced herself and then offered to walk her to class.

DANDENONG SHOW 2024

Come along to the Dandy Show for a family friendly, fun-filled day. This day is where the city meets the country with lots on offer including, a dog and car show, arts and crafts, amusement rides, show bags, live entertainment, food and fireworks.

There is something for everyone over the two-day weekend event.

Featuring:

- arts and crafts
- horses
- poultry
- amusements
- show jumping
- cooking
- showbags
- live music
- cattle
- knitting
- food trucks
- flyball dog competition
- photography
- sheep
- rides
- car show

The fireworks display will take place at 9pm on Saturday 9 November.

The Dandy Show is an alcohol-free and affordable family-friendly event.

Entry fees - Adults \$15, children 10 years and under are free.



Holiday Program Important Information!

What to bring

- On excursion days only please bring a packed lunch
- Labelled water bottle
- Suitable clothing for an active day – closed toe shoes and a jacket. If it is predicted to be wet and cold
- SunSmart hat for Spring and Summer holidays
- Medical Management Plan & Medication if applicable – see below for details

Don't forget!

- Keep your lunchbox nut-free to keep everyone safe
- Do not include food items that need to be reheated
- Label all items with child's name!
- Bus departure and arrival times are indicative only. For an accurate estimated time of arrival and departure please contact your service directly.

Personal belongings

Money and other valuables should be left at home. If brought to the service, these items remain the responsibility of the family. TheirCare does not accept responsibility for loss or damage.

TheirCare provides

- Breakfast, morning tea, lunch, and afternoon tea
- Sunscreen

Unexpected changes to activities

In the unlikely event that an activity is unable to run, an alternative activity will be provided. Activities and times are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances such as severe weather or provider availability.

Changes to your booking

Please contact your Service Coordinator to make changes to your booking.

Serious stuff! Medical Management Plan & Medication

All children who have been diagnosed with a medical condition including allergies, food/chemical intolerances, anaphylaxis, asthma, epilepsy will need to provide:

- a completed Medical Management Plan with a colour photo
- necessary medication

Please note it is a legal requirement under the Education & Care National Regulations and the Terms and Conditions for booking that these are provided.

In the interests of child safety, care may be refused on the day should the appropriate documentation or medication not be supplied.



The place to be these holidays!

LEVEL UP!

Summer Holiday Program

Book Now!



pass the Popcorn



Octopus art attack!



Engage your senses



Inhouse fun

Bookings close November 29

Please return booking form to service

If you have any questions, please feel free to speak with one of our friendly Educators at the service or call Customer Support 1300 072 410.



Excursion & Super Excursions days: arrive at the service by 9:00 am. Pick-up after 2:30 pm. Wear runners & socks.

THURSDAY



2 JAN



Game On

Its Game On with fun activities designed for all abilities! Children will improve hand-eye coordination in Bubbles Bean Bag Toss, practice fine motor skills and following instructions with our Paper Robots, explore creativity with Musical Masterpiece, and build problem-solving skills while making a Pokemon Kaleidoscope.

FRIDAY



3 JAN



Sensory Pool

Join us for a sensory-filled day at with Sensory Pool! We will explore the textures and shapes of multi-use kinetic sand while promoting sensory development and creativity. Afterwards, we'll be taking part in more sensory delights as we dive into the Ocean Sensory Bin, create yummy Ice Cream in a Bag, and make Jelly Fish Hands.

MONDAY



6 JAN



Minute To Win It

Join the excitement of Minute to Win It, where every child can participate at their own pace in fun, inclusive challenges that build coordination and problem-solving skills. After the fun, lets enjoy creating Reusable Water Balloons, explore textures with Water Colour Sat Paintings, and make delicious Fruit Salad and Jelly Cups!

TUESDAY



7 JAN



Farmyard Buddies

We're on a journey to the Farm! Get up close with friendly animals and learn all about these fascinating creatures. Then back at Emotion Connection, promoting emotional awareness and social skills in a playful way! Then lets make a healthy Banana Split as a treat!

WEDNESDAY



8 JAN



5 Senses Museum

Step into the 5 Senses Museum! Engage your senses at a variety of exciting sensory stations! Each exhibit invites exploration through touch, sound, sight, and more! Afterward, children can test their coordination with Coconut Bowling, craft a Popcake Stick Bird Feeder, and create a delicious Chocolate Raspberry Chia Pudding.

THURSDAY



9 JAN



Ice Ice Baby

Get ready to chill with Ice Ice Baby! Join in a group game of Cross the River, get our creativity flowing with Ice Painting, craft and taste the sweet treat Coconut Ice, and have fun outdoors with Frozen Pom Pom Balls. It's a cool adventure full of self-expression, sensory play, and teamwork!

FRIDAY



10 JAN



Playground Playtime

Get ready for the best indoor Playcentre Adventure ever! Refine your balance, strength and gross motor skills with the multi-level playground, slides and multi-level ball pit. Afterwards, lets make sensory Fine Safety Table Cards, promoting fine motor skills and learning about fire safety, then making yummy Frozen Yogurt Bark!

MONDAY



13 JAN



Pass the Popcorn

Join us at the movies today to watch Paddington in Peru. Follow Paddington and the Brown Family as they visit Aunt Lucy in Peru. A thrilling adventure ensues when a mystery plunges them into an unexpected Journey through the Amazon rainforest and to the mountain peaks of Peru.

TUESDAY



14 JAN



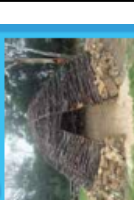
Sandy Adventures

Experience the excitement of a Summer beach inspired day in service with inclusive, sensory-rich activities! Build coordination and balance through Stage Hopping, enjoy tactile exploration with Sand Foam Sensory, practice teamwork in the Beach Ball Towel Game, and develop listening skills while playing Under the Sea Musical Statues.

WEDNESDAY



15 JAN



Cultural Immersion

Join us on a bush tucker trail then enjoy story telling and dance. Hang out in the traditional huts and take home your very own native seedling. Then back at service express yourself in a collaborative art piece and join in the fun of pin the cherry on the ice cream.

THURSDAY



16 JAN



Snap, Bubble & Pop!

Join us for a day of fun-filled sensory activities! Bounce into action with Balloon Games, catch some magical floating Bubbles, and explore the sea in our Ocean Sensory Bin. Kids will also enjoy making tasty Earth Free Snacks and put their reflexes to the test with the classic game of Snag!

FRIDAY



17 JAN



Inside Out Octopus

Join us for a fun and creative day at our Reversible Push Octopus! We will explore emotions by flipping it from happy to sad and express ourselves as we DYE spray colour! Afterwards, we can make our own Lava Lamp, enjoy Musical Drawing, and splash around with exciting Backyard Water Games!

MONDAY



20 JAN



Inflatable Fun Zone

Dive into a world of bouncy fun at our Inflatable Obstacle Course! Boost your gross motor skills and keep your year through a variety of amazing obstacle courses! Then, make and decorate your own kites to fly high with Paper Bag Kite craft and express yourself through dance and play with the Emoji Dance Game!

TUESDAY



21 JAN



Fire Fighter for a Day

Become a Fireman for a Day! With a real firefighter leading the way, children will learn about essential fire safety skills in a hands-on, exciting experience. Then, dive into creative activities like Foil Fire Painting, explore textures with Fire Sensory Cards, and enjoy making Baked Potatoes in a fun campout-style activity!

WEDNESDAY



22 JAN



Bear-y Cool

Today, were diving into creativity with Bear-y Cool! Enjoy watching the paint drip down in layers as we design our very own bear-shaped messy boxes, promoting fine motor skills and self-expression. Afterwards, lets make Tun-Balls, play Animal Farm Group Games for teamwork, and create colourful Puffy Paint Fairy Flaps!

THURSDAY



23 JAN



Pins & Wins

Step into the world of Ten Pin Bowling! Put on your bowling shoes and put your skills to the test! Develop confident and fundamental movement! Then back at service, promote your gross motor skills and have fun with Musical Hot Potato and then promote fine motor skills and creativity with Fuzzy Sidewalk Chalk Art!

FRIDAY



24 JAN



Tropicana

Join in the tropical fun today as children will get hands-on with creating Turkish Piza, practicing fine motor skills and teamwork. They'll unleash creativity with Animal Print Tracks and Toucan Handprint Art, while building strength and coordination in the exciting Jungle Crawl Challenge.

MONDAY



27 JAN



Service closed!

TUESDAY



28 JAN



Service closed!



SUMMER 2025 Holiday Program Booking Request Form EMERSON SCHOOL THEIRCARE

Child Details

Name:

First

Last

Date of birth:

Year level:

Has this child attended the Holiday Program or After School Care program at the service in the last twelve months?

YES NO → Please complete an enrolment form

Parent/Guardian Details

Name:

First

Last

Address:

Street

Suburb

State








Postcode

Phone:

Email:

Dates Requested (please tick):

	DATE	ACTIVITY	TYPE	MY CHILD WILL BE ATTENDING THE EXCURSION	MY CHILD WILL BE STAYING AT THE SERVICE
<input type="radio"/>	2 JAN	Game On		<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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Parent/Guardian Signature

Date:

BOOKINGS CLOSE Friday 29th November 2024



Excursion: Head out on a bus ride to a fun venue



Super Excursion: A larger scale, multiple service, extra special excursion to a venue



Special Activities: A skilled facilitator will attend your service and run a fun and engaging activity



In-house Fun: A range of at service activities your educators will facilitate

* The excursion attendance question is to assist with venue and transportation planning and can be changed by the parent/guardian right up to the day of the excursion. A permission form will need to be signed at the service prior to the excursion day and contains a risk assessment. Please discuss any mobility or special requirements with the service Coordinator.



OSHC Priority of Access 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

It is wonderful that the Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) program is continually growing. It is exciting to have such a huge interest in the program. Unfortunately, the funding for the OSHC program only permits a certain number of students to attend each day. At Emerson School we are anticipating reaching capacity, therefore, we ask parents/carers to complete the attached priority of access form to enable a system to ensure bookings are allocated fairly.

To ensure the system we introduce is fair we have considered the 'priority of access guidelines' developed by the Australian Government. Priority of access guidelines can be accessed here: <https://www.dese.gov.au/uncategorised/resources/priority-access-guidelines-child-care-services>

Priority 1 – a child at risk of serious abuse or neglect

Priority 2 – a child of a single parent who satisfies, or of parents who both satisfy, the work, training, study test

Priority 3 – any other child.

These forms will only be viewed by our management team.

Contact Numbers for OSHC

Vildan Dede (Program Manager)

0487 480 732

Work hours: 10:00am – 6:00pm

Breeanna Fogarty (Area Manager)

0466 784 074

Forms can be photo texted to

0487 480 732

or emailed to

emerson@theircare.com.au



OSHC Priority of Access – Parent Form

If you have any questions or need assistance to complete the form, please contact Vildan.

Student Name: _____

Room: _____

Parent/Guardian Name/s: _____

Please circle statement/s that apply to you and your family:

Both parents/carers working/studying full time

Single parent/carer working/studying full time

One parent/carer working/studying full time & one parent/carer working/studying part time

Both parents/carers working/studying part time

Single parent working/studying part time

Carer respite – parent

Carer respite – out of home care

Carer respite – foster parent

Family with a parent/carer experiencing physical or mental health challenges

Other: (please list)

Details regarding parent/carer work/study schedule: (please circle)

Parent/Carer One:

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday N/A

Parent/Carer Two:

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday N/A
