



Newsletter

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Last night I attended the Parent Information Night at our Heatherton Road Campus. An amazing number of parents and family members attended to hear our Specialist staff members speak with pride and enthusiasm about their specialised subjects. After those presentations, parents were able to meet with our Junior, Middle and Senior Department staff.

I found the evening to be inspirational. The collaborative atmosphere clearly demonstrated the bonds between students, staff and parents. These aspects are the key components to the success of our school.

It was wonderful to hear from parents new to our school. They told stories about how their child had already made significant positive growth in the first five weeks of Term One.

Thank you to all family members and staff who made last night such a success. It was our first face to face Parent Information Night since COVID times.

JOHN MOONEY
Principal

VALUE OF THE FORTNIGHT

We will be studying the value, Responsibility, for the next fortnight.

Responsible people keep their promises. They can be depended upon to do the right thing and are accountable for their actions. They honour their commitments. Responsible people do not blame others or make excuses when things go wrong.

Dianne Wright
Campus Principal - Middle School

DIARY DATES 2025

MONDAY 10TH MARCH - Labour Day (**NO SCHOOL**)

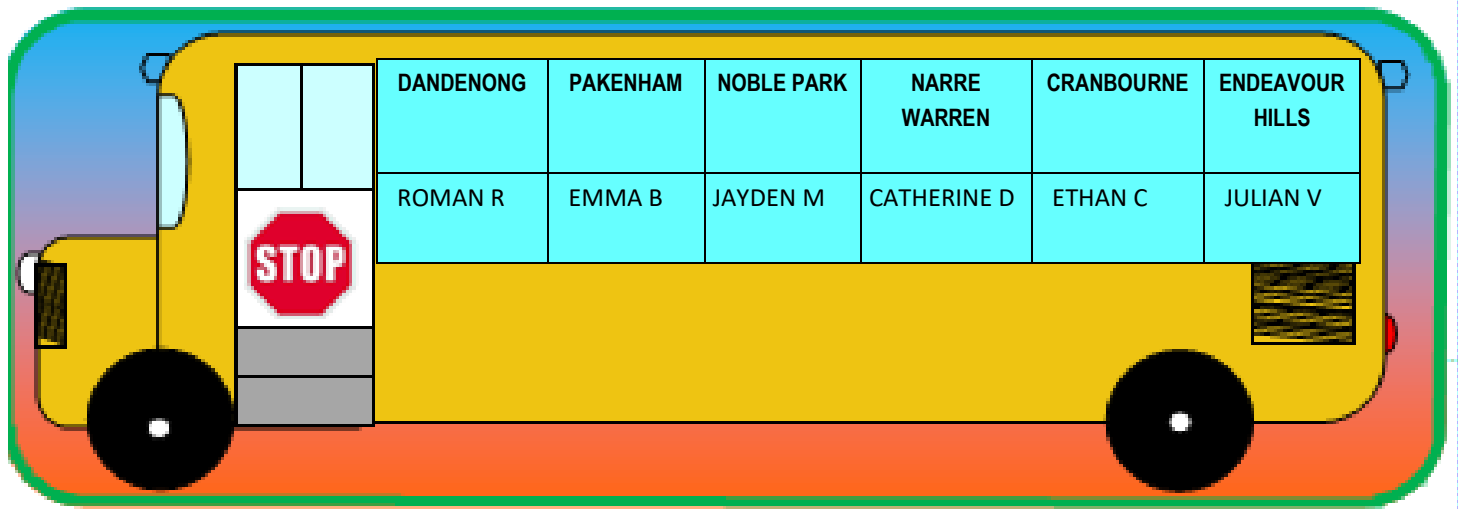
THURSDAY 18TH MARCH - School Photos

THURSDAY 27ST MARCH - PSR Night (**EARLY FINISH**)

FRIDAY 4TH APRIL - Last Day of Term 1 (**EARLY FINISH**)

TUESDAY 22ND APRIL - First Day of Term 2

FRIDAY 25TH APRIL - Anzac Day (**NO SCHOOL**)



Senior School Captain Elections.

On Thursday 20th of February, Emerson Senior School Campus held their School Captain elections. The nominees were:

Sinai F SSF

A Kee Ya B SSV

Habiba M SSC

Jai W SSA

Luke D SSA

Mahdi N SSA

Everyone did a fantastic job and the winners will be announced at the investiture at the end of March and at our Senior School assembly.



SSA enjoying their democracy sausages.

Junior School News: JSK GARDENING

JSK is starting a garden in the SSH school garden area.

Last Wednesday, we all went to the garden and looked at the wonderful garden Mr Taylor prepared for us. We looked in the shed at the materials and took out digging implements and watering cans to practice with.

Everyone was very enthusiastic to fill the watering cans as it was so hot. We then went to the garden and looked at where to dig and water. Everyone was very busy and the digging was excellent. The students all watered the garden bed and then some people watered the other plants.

It was inspiring to see the students so engaged in the activity, and we are all looking forward to planting some flowers and vegetables in the coming weeks.

In the classroom we discussed plants and wrote and illustrated about fruit trees.

Great work JSK!



JUNIOR SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

OUTSTANDING
EFFORT

Winston JSA

BEST
BEHAVIOUR

Deana JSB

SUPER STYLE

Nedrine JSC

ACHIEVEMENT

Alaya JSD

FRIENDSHIP

Lachie R JSE

SUPER STYLE

Charity JSF

OUTSTANDING
EFFORT

Justin JSG

OUTSTANDING
EFFORT

John L JSH

NEAT
HANDWRITING

Minaj JSI

INITIATIVE

Ashhal JSJ

RESPONSIBILITY

Zayd JSK

ACHIEVEMENT

Benyamin JSL



MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE WEEK

MSA KINGSLEY

For being very kind and completing all work assigned.

MSB ASHTON

For making good choices.

MSC XAVIER

For always showing kindness by opening and holding doors for everyone.

MSD MALISA

For excellent participation in our weekend news session.

MSE ZOE

For completing all literacy and numeracy tasks on time.

MSF ANGELIA

For displaying a positive attitude in the classroom.

MSG KEENAN

For his contribution in literacy.

MSJ WALEED

For following class rules and sitting in his seat.

MSK MUSTAFA

For being prepared to give things a go.

MSL SIENNA & SHAHID

For being helpful and kind to others.

ESO JOEL

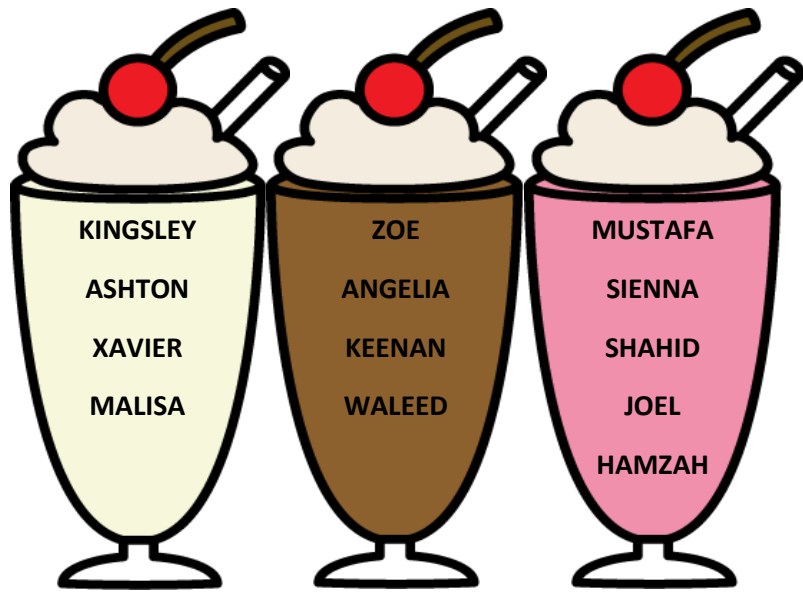
For showing excellent effort & care with his daily work

WOODWORK HAMZAH

For showing great maturity

ARTIST OF THE WEEK—BEAU SAWYER FROM MSF

MIDDLE SCHOOL MILKSHAKE AWARDS



SPORTS STAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS



REMINDERS



A reminder of Emerson Schools Privacy Policy, here is the link to the policy on our school website.

https://www.emersonsc.vic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/Schools_-_privacy-policy-1.pdf

SUBWAY ORDERS



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 10.00am each week.

SCHOOL HAT REMINDER



Reminder to wear hats for Term 1.

It is compulsory for students to wear hats in Terms 1 & 4. We also strongly suggest sunscreen is applied and a water bottle is brought to school to keep hydrated.

START & FINISH TIMES

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**



The annual Monash Children's Hospital Walk is taking place this Sunday 2nd of March.

Register today with your friends, family, and colleagues to make strides for young lives and raise funds for Monash Children's Hospital.

This year the Monash Children's Hospital Walk will be held at **Monash University, Clayton Campus**. They've put together a brilliant 1km and 5km course showcasing the campus – you can expect a scenic walk with lots of artwork, gardens, and unique buildings.

Our lively event village will play host to an array of fun activities and entertainment, perfect for a family day out, all for a good cause.

Funds raised from the Monash Children's Hospital Walk are used in vital programs, services and other supports that ensure our young patients and their families receive world-class care.

Registrations are open now!

To register and begin fundraising, please visit: www.mchwalk.com.au

The first 1,000 people to register will receive a free MCH Walk tote bag, with children under 12 receiving an exclusive MCH Walk superhero cape on the day!

Should you have any questions, please contact mchwalk@monashhealth.org



TheirCare
where kids love to be!

Dear Families,

With our upcoming Holiday Program fast approaching, we would like to kindly remind our families that while we will do our best to accommodate the days you have selected, due to the high number of students wishing to attend our Holiday Program, there may be some days that you tick on your request form, that we are unable to book your child in.

This is just due to us ensuring our bookings are fair for all families across the board.

All bookings for this Term's Holiday Program will be done by TheirCare Coordinators, Please do not try to book online yourself.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause but thank you for your understanding.

Bookings for this Term's Holiday Program will close on the 21st of March, we will be sending confirmations of the days your child is booked in from the 24th of March onwards.

Kind Regards,

Vil, Tegan & TheirCare Team.



OSHC Priority of Access

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>

These forms will only be viewed by our management team.

Please return all relevant forms back to TheirCare, no later than **Friday the 21st of March, 2025**, this will ensure we have enough time to figure out places and let you know what days your child is booked into the Holiday Program.

Contact Numbers for OSHC

Vildan Dede (Program Manager)

0487 480 732

Work hours: 10:00am – 6:00pm

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: _____

Junior/Middle/Senior School 2025: _____

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

The place to be these holidays!

TheirCare
Where Kids love to be!
presents

MAD FUN

AUTUMN Holiday Festival

featuring... YOU!

Music • Art • Dance

Pass the Popcorn

Bubble - O - Fun

Silent Disco

Musical Monets

Bookings close Friday 21st March

Please return booking form to service

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.

General daily advertised activities are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances, at the discretion of the service coordinator.

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.





TheiCare
where Kids love to be!

Emerson School TheirCare

Times 9:00am - 5:00pm

Location 1430 Heatherton Rd, Dandenong VIC 3175

Call 0487 480 732



Excursion



Super Excursion



Special Activities



In-house Fun



Public Holiday

With the maximum CHILD CARE SUBSIDY. **Without the CHILD CARE SUBSIDY.



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

MONDAY



7 APR



Taste the Rainbow

Join us in service as we embark on a journey with the fairies! Engage your fine motor skills to prepare fairy bread balls. We up fun and journey ingredients together with your friends to create your colourful, tasty and magical treat. Later on, engage with beautiful ribbon wand dancing and delightful sensory rainbow beans!

TUESDAY



8 APR



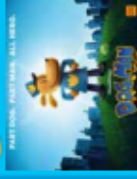
Bubble - O - Fun

Get ready for a splash of colour with Rainbow Bubble Pops! Blow and catch magic bubbles and enjoy making rainbow bubble wands. You will get to take home your own reusable bubble kit. The fun continues as you will get to make bubble paint, butterfly and choose your own adventures.

WEDNESDAY



9 APR



Pass the Popcorn!

Today's movie from DreamWorks animation the movie, Boogies. When a faithful police dog and his human partner officer owner are injured together on the job, a handbrained but fire-savvy surgery fuses the two of them together and Log Man is born. Log Man is sworn to protect and serve-and fetch, at and roll over.

THURSDAY



10 APR



Musical Monets

Enhance your artistic knowledge as we recreate Monets, Nobly's masterpiece. Show off your favourite dance moves to the tunes at service. Work on your self-confidence and share your creativity with others at service. Later on, learn about colour theory as you watch water move through material with Walking water rainbows.

FRIDAY



11 APR



Farmyard Friends

Join us for a Farmastic Day! Build on self-confidence as we interact and get up close to learn all about these friendly farm animals. Get a haul for the farm life as well even get to go on a tractor ride! Afterwards others at service, we'll get to create our very own sensory Muddy Pigs art and craft colourful! Harvest!

MONDAY



14 APR



Harps a Breeze

Experience the magic of music! This cultural music experience uses the harmonica to boost auditory skills, refine fine motor coordination, and build confidence as we explore global sounds. Afterwards, have more fun crafting an Autumn Leaf! Hatching using natural material and creating playful STEM Dandel thought!

TUESDAY



15 APR



Neon Canvas

Step into a luminescent world at Head Makers, where your creativity shines bright and your self-confidence boosts as we get to create glow-in-the-dark, shine art! Back at service, the excitement continues with us we join in on a fun STEM activity with Harbled Paper! Thus show off your creativity with Shad Light Jet!

WEDNESDAY



16 APR



Bounce & Beyond

Jump into fun times as we head to our favourite indoor play venue! Tasty TheirCare has taken over the venue, as we bounce to new heights of fun with the parkour arena, ninja course and more! Back at service, the fun continues with sticky spider webs and a mermaid fall leaf painting!

THURSDAY



17 APR



Art Attack

Join us today in service for a day of creativity. Draw the rainbow and see the magic message! We will have a smashing time creating our own friendly monsters. Become confident and hands on learners with Dream Paintings, create your art and feel the best.

FRIDAY



18 APR



Service closed!



Autumn 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):

WEEK 1:

	DATE	ACTIVITY	TYPE	MY CHILD WILL BE ATTENDING THE EXCURSION	MY CHILD WILL BE STAYING AT THE SERVICE
<input type="radio"/>	7 APRIL	Taste the Rainbow		<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	8 APRIL	Bubble - O - Fun		<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	9 APRIL	Pass the Popcorn!		<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	10 APRIL	Musical Monets		<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	11 APRIL	Farmyard Friends		<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

WEEK 2:

	DATE	ACTIVITY	TYPE	MY CHILD WILL BE ATTENDING THE EXCURSION	MY CHILD WILL BE STAYING A THE SERVICE
<input type="radio"/>	14 APRIL	Harps a Breeze		<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	15 APRIL	Neon Canvas		<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	16 APRIL	Bounce & Beyond		<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	17 APRIL	Art Attack		<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
	18 APRIL	PUBLIC HOLIDAY - CLOSED			

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date:

BOOKINGS CLOSE Friday 21st March 2025



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.