



NEWSLETTER

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Important Dates

March

Wed 16th - Fri 18th

Yr 12 Aboriginal Studies Camp

Thu 17th

Autumn Instrumental Evening at
7.00pm in EPAC

Fri 18th

Yr 3-6 Swimming Carnival @
Marion Pool

Sun 20th

Old Scholars Reunion Day @
College 2.00pm - 4.00pm

Tue 22nd

Junior School Parent/Teacher
Interviews 3.30pm - 8.30pm

Wed 23rd

Junior School Parent/Teacher
Interviews 3.30pm - 5.30pm

Friday 25th

Good Friday

Monday 28th

Easter Monday

Tue 29th

Yrs 3-6 Athletics Carnival @
Bowker Street

Wed 30th

Principal Tour - Middle & Senior

Thu 31st

Principal Tour - Junior
Yr 8-12 SACSA Athletics Carnival
@ Santos Stadium

2016 Term Dates

Term 1

Mon 1 Feb - Fri 15 Apr

Term 2

Tue 3 May - Fri 8 Jul

Term 3

Tue 26 Jul - Fri 30 Sep

Term 4

Mon 17 Oct - Fri 9 Dec

(Term dates subject to change)

Weekly Prayer Meeting
Thursday Morning
8.30am - 9.00am

Upcoming Principal Tours

If you have family and friends who are interested in enrolling their children at the College please draw their attention to this Term's Principal Tours which are being held on

Wednesday 30th March (Middle & Senior) and Thursday 31st March (Junior) at 9.15am.

Bookings are essential, please phone the College on 8292 3888 to register your place.

From the Head of Middle School

Dear Friends and Families

The wellbeing of students, families and staff is a constant area for growth and development for our College.

A new idea has been brewing in the Middle School team for some time looking at how we can focus on the wellbeing and social emotional health of our students, specifically those in Year 9. Statistically government and independent sector studies reveal that Year 9 can often be a 'challenging' year for students who are launching from childhood through adolescence and into an adult world. This is a time when young people are establishing their own identity, independent from their families and recalibrating their internal compass for the future. School life and learning can stumble and decline at this point in a person's life journey.

Within the Middle School team we have been prayerfully considering how we could further develop and grow our Year 9's. We are wanting to give them safe, secure environments with rich community connections. We have been investigating an excellent programme for a number of years called 'The Rite Journey'.

'The Rite Journey' is a unique educational programme designed to support the development of self-aware, vital, responsible and resilient adults. Given the current lack of Rites of Passage in the Western World, young people are often left to invent their own, which are often unhealthy and unsafe. 'The Rite Journey' reinvents the traditional process of a Rite of Passage to assist in transforming the adolescent from dependency to responsibility.

'The Rite Journey' programme aims to cover:

CONTINUITY - Part of the students' lives for an entire year. This encourages ongoing development of self-awareness and builds strong, honest and respectful relationships with peers, parents and teachers, over time.

GENDER SPECIFIC PROGRAMS - Taught in same gender classrooms allows for role modelling, less distraction and freer discussion.

STRONG AND RICH COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS - and support are fostered between students and teachers, parents/caregivers and mentors, as well as between the school and parents/caregivers.

At the end of last year the Middle School team met with Andrew Lines, developer of the programme, to have some initial discussion and thinking through to see if this is a programme that we would want to embrace into our College culture.

This year a team of Middle School staff are investigating this possibility further, with visits to three other schools who currently run this programme. The programme is flexible and adaptable and can be altered and embedded in schools in different ways. We would like to discern if this is something that will engage, inspire and support our Year 9 students in their learning and personal development.

We would value your prayers and support as we delve deeper into this possibility.

If we decide to include this into our Middle School, 'The Rite Journey' includes a substantial two day staff training, comprehensive support materials, along with ongoing assistance. Teachers are trained and empowered to provide 'The Rite Journey' for their students.

We are excited and optimistic at the initial contact and possibilities for our young people.

Andrew Edmondson
Head of Middle School

Junior School

Year 6 Student Leadership Conferences

As part of the Junior School's Leadership Program all Year 6 students attended the GRIP Student Leadership Conference at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre last Tuesday. Students came away with new skills, new ideas and new enthusiasm for making a positive contribution as a school leader to our school community. The students reported that the day was inspiring, encouraging and fun! Junior School Student Leaders will also attend the Halogen Foundation National Young Leaders Day on Tuesday 22nd March. It will be an excellent opportunity for these students to continue to develop their leadership potential along with strong leadership values.

Street Smart - Walk to School Safely

Road safety is an important life skill that we believe should be taught from an early age. The Street Smart program, which all Junior Primary students took part in on Wednesday, is offered as a community service by RAA and the Road Accident Commission. The Junior Primary students were introduced to the '**STOP, LOOK, LISTEN, THINK**' message in the 'Walking Safely' program aimed specifically at this age group.

Easter Sights and Sounds

All Junior students had an amazing and meaningful time visiting the Sights and Sounds of Easter at the Spicer Uniting Church today. Students had the wonderful and moving opportunity to immerse themselves in the portrayal of the lead up to and crucifixion of Christ and to also experience the joy of his resurrection.

Primary School Theme for Term 1 2016

Walk the Emmaus road with – our Great God, the 'I am'. Preparing for Easter. Week 7 Bible Verse – *The Blood of Christ has made us right with God. Romans 5:9.*

Annette Craven
Head of Junior School

Careers Corner

Taster courses are a fantastic way for students to have a look and 'feel' of a career before committing to a formal qualification or VET course. Below is a list of short courses now available:

First Aid (1 day course)

The participant will gain knowledge and skills to confidently recognise and respond to an emergency situation requiring first aid. Students will complete all elements of the course on the day, no prior reading material or post exams required!

Barista (Coffee Making) (1 day course)

Whether you are looking for a part time job or simply wanting to learn how to make the perfect espresso coffee, this course is for you. Participants will be introduced to the skills and knowledge required to extract and serve espresso coffee using a commercial espresso machine.

Responsible Service of Alcohol (1 day course)

This course provides participants with the skills and knowledge to satisfy the requirements for responsible service of alcohol under State/Territory legislation. Please note: Students must turn 17 prior to undertaking this course and will need parent permission if under 18.

A Taste of Hospitality (4 day course)

This course is perfect for students who are interested in learning some basic hospitality and kitchen skills and is designed to give students basic skills in services, handling and preparing food, and is an introduction to the hospitality industry.

Introduction to Makeup Workshop (1 day course)

This exciting 1 Day Introductory Course is fun, hands on and provides a great taste of what a career as a Makeup Artist would be like. If you have a passion for makeup or ever considered becoming a makeup artist, this is the short course for you. The course covers a variety of topics including personal makeup kit basics, skin care, creating a flawless base, casual/professional/evening makeup looks, as well as an introduction to the beauty industry.

Introduction to Hairdressing (2 day course)

This exciting 2 Day Introductory Course is fun, hands on and provides a great taste of what a career in the hairdressing industry would be like. You will learn hairstylist tips and tricks, meet new people and get a taste of what a career in this fast paced, fashion forward industry would be like! The course covers a variety of topics including long hair styling, understanding hair, braiding & creative up styling, as well as career pathways. The course leads perfectly in to the Certificate II in Hairdressing course, which can be studied as a VET course.

All courses will be held on either a weekend or during the April school holidays. Costs will vary and range between \$100 - \$450.

Please note: These courses usually fill very quickly so if your child is interested in any of the above courses it would be worthwhile to act promptly.

Please contact me on ctorjul@emmauscc.sa.edu.au if you or your child would like more information or an enrolment form.

Cathy Torjul
VET Coordinator

Music

Seussical the Musical - Term 2 Week 8

Auditions have happened!

Costumes are being gathered.....Sets are looking good.....Students are getting the Seussical buzz!

We are proud to announce 'Seussical Jr' will be showing at Edwardstown Baptist Church on Wednesday 22nd June (matinee and evening performance) AND Thursday 23rd June (evening performance).

Now is the time to start talking to family and friends about putting this date in their diary!

You might like to inform them that a read of 'Horton Hears a Who' would be a fantastic stepping stone before coming to our show. Its going to be Seuss-tastic!



Nikki Meinel

Junior School Worship Band/Choir

Performing Arts Calendar 2016

All performances are held in the EPAC (unless stated elsewhere).

Term 1	Week 7	Thursday 17 th March	Autumn Instrumental Night @ 7.00pm
	Week 8	Monday 21 st March	Easter in the Mall
Term 2	Week 1	Friday 6 th - Sunday 8 th May	Generations in Jazz @ Mount Gambier
	Week 6	Wednesday 1 st June	Winter Instrumental Night @ 7.00pm
	Week 8	Tuesday 21 st - Thursday 23 rd June	Junior School Musical
	Week 10	Wednesday 6 th July	MS/SS Music Showcase
Term 3	Week 3	Tuesday 9 th August	Yr 11/12 Soloists @ Flinders St Baptist
	Week 7	Thursday 8 th September	Spring Instrumental Night @ 7.00pm
Term 4	Week 3	Thursday 3 rd November	Count Us In Concert
	Week 8	Monday 5 th December	Yr 5/6 Band Program Concert

Andrew Verco

Music Coordinator (Rec-Yr 12)

Student/Family Support Worker

National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence

The National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence will be held on Friday 18th March 2016. This day provides a focus for schools and the wider school community, including parents and carers, to strengthen their everyday messages against bullying and violence. Emmaus joins with more than 1950 schools and 890,000 students across Australia to participate in the day. That is around 25% of all Australian school students taking part.

Some Facts about Bullying

Bullying is an ongoing misuse of power in relationships through repeated verbal, physical and/or social behaviour that causes physical and/or psychological harm. It can involve an individual or a group misusing their power over one or more persons. Bullying can happen in person or online and it can be obvious or hidden.

Bullying of any form or for any reason can have long-term effects on those involved, including bystanders.

Some conflicts between children are a normal part of growing up and are to be expected. Single incidents and conflicts or fights between equals, whether in person or online, are not considered bullying, even though they may be upsetting and need to be resolved.

Bullying can happen:

- Face-to-face (eg. pushing, tripping, name-calling)
- At a distance (eg. spreading rumours, excluding someone)
- Through information and communications technologies (eg. use of SMS, email, chat rooms)

Identifying bullying can sometimes be difficult. Bullying is often conducted out of sight of teachers and children may be reluctant to report bullying.

Online bullying (sometimes called cyberbullying) is bullying carried out through the internet or mobile phones.

Online bullying is one potential cybersafety issue for children when they use computers and mobile phones.

Please go to the Bullying No Way website at <http://www.bullyingnoway.gov.au/> if you would like more information or facts sheets about bullying.

Sue Chapman

Student/Family Support Worker

Uniform Shop

2016 Normal Opening Hours

Monday 8.30am - 10.00am
3.00pm - 5.00pm

Thursday 8.30am - 10.00am
1.00pm - 1.30pm
3.00pm - 5.00pm

Christine Blom-Cursaro
Uniform Shop Manager

Canteen Roster

Week 7 T1

Thu 17th Sharon Smith
Fri 18th Vicki Hollyoak

Week 9 T1

Mon 28th **Public Holiday**
Tue 29th Melanie Pruszinski
Wed 30th Blake Watson
Thu 31st HELP NEEDED
Fri 1st April Monique Watt

Week 8 T1

Mon 21st HELP NEEDED
Tue 22nd No help needed
Wed 23rd Maria Gutteridge
Thu 24th Melinda Brindley
Fri 25th **Public Holiday**

Week 10 T1

Mon 4th Maria Tedesco
Tue 5th No help needed
Wed 6th Bridie Tonkin
Thu 7th Catherine Chua
Fri 8th Karen Ames

Thank you for the time you volunteer in the canteen, it is very much appreciated. The hours are from 9.30am to approximately 1.30pm. Due to Occupational Health and Safety, please make sure you wear enclosed shoes and long hair is tied back. Please also remember to sign in at the Front Office and wear a visitors badge before you commence in the canteen. This is a legal requirement in case of fire evacuation/lock down. Thank you for your assistance with this important matter.

Christine Blom-Cursaro and Janine Richards

College News

OSHC News

Ms Ruth Richards will be concluding in her role as OSHC Director on Thursday 24th March 2016. I would like to thank Ruth for her service to the College in this capacity this year.

This weekend the College will start advertising for a suitably qualified and experienced OSHC Director to commence as soon as is practical (ideally the beginning of Term 2 2016). Please share news of this opportunity throughout the community directing people to the College website for additional details.

Andrew Linke
Principal

Host Families for French Students

This year our College has the opportunity to host two French students from 22nd June to 26th August and we are looking for 2 host families. This would provide your child with an excellent opportunity to practice their French with a native speaker as well as showing them hospitality. We have the profile of two students which is available from Mrs Finlayson on request (a 15 year old boy who is interested in sports and a 15 year old girl who likes running, cycling and family life). **The program is run by the organisation NACEL and they contribute a \$100 Coles voucher per week to cover the cost of food for the duration of the placement.** Please contact Mrs Francoise Finlayson if you would like further information or are interested in being a host family.

Community News

Sturt Lacrosse Club

The Sturt Lacrosse Club are currently inviting new players to join their boys and girls junior teams for the 2016 Winter season. Anyone can play regardless of skill level. They have qualified local and international coaches. When you register with the club you receive a free Lacrosse stick. Junior Registration Day is Sunday 3rd April 2016 11.00am - 1.00pm at the Women's Memorial Playing Fields, Shepherds Hill Road and Ayliffes Road (Gate 2), St Marys. For further information and Registration fees, please contact Stacey Appleton, Club Secretary and Coach on 0417 869 685.

FREE Parenting SA seminar



Presented by Dr Justin Coulson

- *Nationally recognised parenting speaker*
- *Newspaper columnist*
- *TV commentator, author and researcher*

Toddlers and touch screens: What should I do?

- the pros and cons of the digital age for children 0-5 years
- how and when to introduce phones, tablets, apps, e-games
- how to manage electronic media use

Tuesday 5 April

When: 7.00 - 9.00pm

Where: City Rooms, Adelaide Convention Centre, North Terrace, Adelaide

Register to attend in person or view the live webcasts at:
<http://parentingsa.eventbrite.com.au>

Phone: 8303 1660

Email: health.parentingsa@sa.gov.au

Find out more about Dr Justin Coulson at www.happyfamilies.com.au

For parenting information go to www.parenting.sa.gov.au or www.cyh.com.

For the benefit of all participants unfortunately we are unable to admit babies and children.

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Children, teens and pornography: What every parent should know

- the alarming statistics
- are we becoming desensitised?
- the impact on boys and girls
- how parents can guide children and teens

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