

NEWSLETTER

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Important Dates

March Thu 2nd

SACSA Basketball Open Girls @ Morphett Vale

The Rite Journey Calling

Fri 3rd

SACSA Basketball Yr 8/9 Boys @ Morphett Vale

'Let there be Coffee' Coffee Van in JS area 2.30pm - 3.30pm

Tue 7th

Vietnam/Cambodia Parent Information Evening @7.00pm

Wed 8th

Reception Students Day Off (6)

Fri 10th

MS/SS Athletics Carnival @ Bowker Street Oval

'Let there be Coffee' Coffee Van in JS area 2.30pm - 3.30pm

Mon 13th

Public Holiday

Tue 14th - Thu 16th Yr 12 Ab Studies Camp

Fri 17th

'Let there be Coffee' Coffee Van in JS area 2.30pm - 3.30pm

Wed 22nd

JS Athletics Carnival @ Bowker Street Oval

2017 Term Dates

Term 1

Mon 30 Jan - Thu 13 Apr Term 2

Tue 2 May - Fri 7 Jul

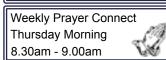
Term 3

Wed 26 Jul - Fri 29 Sep

Term 4

Mon 16 Oct - Wed 6 Dec (Term dates subject to change)

Weekly Coffee Connect Tuesday Morning 9.00am - 10.00am



From the Head of Senior School

Dear Friends and Families

After many years being both a parent and teacher of children who turn into young adults, I have realised that the business of parenting has many elements that are God like. Not that I claim to any saint like status, but rather I think that the joy and agony of raising children provides some of the best and most agonising times in our lives. On occasions my daughters can drive me to the point of despair and in the next breath I would give my right arm for one of them. Is this close to how our Heavenly Father feels with this group of confusing humans? We know we are so loved, that he gave his only son (John 3:16), but children can test us.

My Mum has always said that you never really stop worrying about your children, even when they are adults. However, it was an article written by a school chaplain that caught my eye many years ago and has remained on my fridge for almost a decade. She made such sense I have repeated much of what she said here in an effort to learn how to raise children to achieve their God given potential. She suggests that we all hope to raise healthy kids by building their self-esteem and focusing on their happiness as much as possible. But the result can be the opposite of what we hope for them: our children can become self-absorbed kids who grow up into unhealthy adults, unable to find satisfaction, get along with others, or contribute well to society.

By giving children the message that their lives are all about their own fulfilment, parents are actually preventing them from discovering true Christ like fulfilment. Parents who are bold enough to raise their kids to be givers rather than takers, however, help them find what is best for them in the process.

Below are some suggestions that can help us raise unselfish children in a self-absorbed world, children who understand their purpose based on the love of Christ.

Replace a mirror with a window

Help your children see beyond themselves to other people. If you do not take the mirror of self-centeredness out of your children's hands, they will become intolerable to live with when they grow up. Aim to raise your kids to become selfless adults who function well in the world because they have self-respect, rather than self-absorbed adults who cannot function well because they feel entitled.

Take a hard look at yourself

You are an important role model for your children. Honestly evaluate in what ways your own lifestyle is either selfish or selfless. Do you rationalize thoughtless decisions? Do you make excuses for cruel choices? Do you blame others while forgiving yourself? Do you buy things in order to feel better? Do you discipline yourself to live simply and with contentment, or are you constantly pursing more, yet are never satisfied?

Do whatever you can to model selflessness for your kids, such as by: not allowing difficult circumstances to make you bitter, giving without expecting something in return, making sacrifices, displaying courage and loving your spouse if you are married. It is a very sobering exercise to complete!

Accept responsibility and make a plan

Take full responsibility for your parenting so far – and how that has affected your children – instead of blaming others like your children's friends, teachers or neighbours; the media; or society. Decide that from now on, you will change their perspectives on life, no matter how difficult they may be. Make a commitment to raise your children to be others-centred rather than self-centred. Make a commitment to live with less in order to enjoy more. Make a commitment not to buy the latest products for yourself and your children unless you truly need something. Make a commitment to spend time together as a family regularly.

Build family togetherness

Strengthen your family's relationships to help your children increase their sense of security, which will give them confidence to reach out to others in love. Let them learn from the experiences in your family – through good and bad – that love is a choice rather than just a feeling. Eat meals together as often

as possible. Work on family projects together. Help your kids see how each of their parts in your share projects contributes to the good of the whole.

As we work towards loving our children better and raising them in the love of Christ, we can raise children who are brave and strong in the knowledge of God's grace in their lives.

(With thanks to Sara Walding, Christian Pastoral Support Worker).

Andrea Grear Head of Senior School

Junior School News

Year 6 Peer Mediation Training

During Week 4 Year 6 students were involved in Peer Mediation Training with Mrs Susanne Milne and Mrs Robyn Butler. After two days of intensive training the students are now confident and competent in conflict resolution skills such as listening, critical thinking and problem solving. The students enjoyed the opportunity of learning these essential life skills and look forward to using their Peer Mediation skills at lunchtime to resolve small conflict issues in the playground. Year 6 students also attended the GRIP Student Leadership Conference last Tuesday. The goal is that our Year 6 students will now have a clear vision, a solid understanding and lots of ideas for being a leader during their final year in Junior School.

Junior School Leaders' Induction Ceremony

2017 Junior School Leaders' Induction Ceremony was held on Monday 14th February in EPAC. The ceremony officially inducts the School Captains, House Captains and Student Representative Councillors (SRC).

Before the announcement of the Junior School Leaders, two of the 2017 Senior School Leaders, Lucy and Isaac made inspiring and encouraging speeches emphasising the attributes of leadership and that anyone can be a leader. With much excitement Mrs Annette Craven announced the names of the Junior School House Captains for 2017. School Captains were chosen and announced at the end of 2016

The 2017 SRC Reps were announced and the badges were presented to the students by SRC Coordinator Mr Max Dal Santo.

The ceremony ended with Mr Andrew Linke praying for the 2017 Junior School Leaders. Thank you to the many supportive parents who attended the ceremony.

Congratulations to the 2017 Junior School Leaders

School Captains	Miriam	Kevin	Ella-Grace
Topaz House Captains	Emmanuel	Brooke	
Ruby House Captains	Byron	Makenzie	
Emerald House Captains	Charlie	Luke	

Class	SRC Reps 2017		Reserves
RR	Mia	Giovanni	
RWG	Amelia	Leo	
1/2A	Petia	Gabriel	Chelsea & Mahali-Levi
1/2C	Janice	Leonorah	Zara & Adit
1/2T	Samuel	Zoe	
3/4A	Jaz	Ethan	
3/4D	Adelaide	Eliza	Sienna & Omariah
3/4S	Geri	Blake	
3/4V	David	Grace	Mahalia & Tyler
5/6B	Lucy A	Lance	Patrick & Sohana
5/6CM	Erin	Matia	Lacey & Jacob
5/6CW	Lucy M	Bryant	Gabrielle

Primary School Theme for Term 1 2017

God is Good all the Time. The Call of the Disciples. Week 5 Bible Verse - Jesus said, "Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay His head." Luke 9:58

Annette Craven
Head of Junior School

Employment Opportunity

Emmaus is seeking suitably qualified and experienced Christians to join the Emmaus Staff team in the areas below:

Marketing & Community Relations Coordinator – an ongoing role for 15 hours per week, responsible for the effective promotion of the College to the wider community with an initial focus on supporting the recently announced establishment of a second campus at Brooklyn Park. We are seeking a suitably qualified professional with experience in a similar role and the passion and drive to achieve the public relations/marketing and communications aims of the College both internally and externally.

Applications for this role close on Tuesday 14th March 2017.

Canteen Manager (Job Share) – fixed term contract for the remainder of Term 1 and all of Term 2, working three days per week (Monday, Thursday & Friday) from 9.00am to 3.00pm. The Canteen Manager (Job Share) is responsible for the day to day management of the Canteen. We are seeking a person with good organisational skills and the ability to interact with students and staff in a friendly, service orientated manner. Previous experience in a similar or related role would be considered advantageous.

Applications for this role close on Friday 10th March 2017.

Further details and application requirements for these two important roles can be found on the College website under Positions Vacant. Please share these exciting opportunities to become part of the Emmaus staff team with friends, family and Church associates.

Andrew Linke

Principal

Middle School News

Congratulations to our newly elected Middle School Captains

Topaz	Rukshaan	Zac
Ruby	Ella	Edgar
Emerald	Kate	Paul

The staff and students of Middle School look forward to your leadership and contributions to our community throughout this year.

Andrew Edmondson Head of Middle School

College News

Attention Parents of Year 11 and 12s....

The 2017 Vietnam/Cambodia tour, focusing on history and social justice will again be departing in late November, and will travel until approximately 10th December.

A parent information night will be held on Tuesday 7th March at 7.00pm. The formal application process will run after this.

Neil Blenkinsop

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 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 ** Course Date - Saturday 8th April **

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.

All courses will be held on either a weekend or during the April school holidays. Costs will vary and range between \$70.00 - \$195.00 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.

If you or your child would like more information or an enrolment form, please contact me at ctorjul@emmauscc.sa.edu.au

Cathy Torjul

VET Co-ordinator

Student Wellbeing Coordinator

In our roles as Student Wellbeing Coordinators, Ben Squire and myself come across a lot of resources that are beneficial for parents. If you are seeking particular resources or would like a referral to a support service for your family please contact us.

Below are some valuable resources which we have currently been made aware of:

Free parenting seminar from Parenting SA on Wednesday 22nd March, 7.00pm - 9.00pm at the Adelaide Convention Centre *'The mysterious world of teens: survival tips for parents'* presented by Adelaide Psychologist Kirrilie Smout from Developing Minds Psychology. To register please phone 8303 1660.

Wellbeing Courses run by Rose Park Psychology including 'What's the Buzz' and MindUP. For more information please call 8333 0940.

Workshops and Psychology services specifically for Asperger's Syndrome and Autism Spectrum Conditions run by Minds and Hearts. Please go to http://www.mindsandhearts.net/ to view their workshops.

Please do not forget our own Parent Library which is situated within our College Library. Parents are most welcome to borrow from the wide selection of books, on issues that relate to parenting. For more info about this library please feel free to contact Carolyn Hull or Alicia Buxton on 8292 3851.

Sue Chapman

Music

Performing Arts Calendar 2017

Term 1	Week 9	Friday 31st March	Autumn Cabaret Evening @ 7.00pm in EPAC
	Week 10	Monday 10 th April	Easter in The Mall
Term 2	Week 1	Friday 5 th - Sunday 7 th May	Generations in Jazz at Mount Gambier
	Week 6	Monday 5 th & Tuesday 6 th June	Year 12 Play
	Week 6	Thursday 8 th June	Winter Instrumental Evening @ 7.00pm in EPAC
	Week 9	Wednesday 28 th June	JS Music Showcase @ 7.00pm in EPAC
	Week 10	Tuesday 4 th July	MS/SS Music Showcase @ 7.00pm in EPAC
Term 3	Week 1	Wednesday 26 th - Friday 28 th July	MS/SS Musical
	Week 3	Tuesday 8 th August	Tuesday on Flinders Concert
	Week 7	Thursday 7 th September	Spring Instrumental Evening @ 7.00pm in EPAC
Term 4	Week 6	Tuesday 28 th November	Yr 5/6 Battle of the Bands Concert

Andrew Verco Music Coordinator

Canteen Roster

Week 5 T1		Week 6 T1	
		Mon 6 th	No help needed
		Tue 7 th	No help needed
		Wed 8 th	Blake Watson
Thu 2 nd	No help needed	Thu 9 th	Valda Burleigh
Fri 3 rd	Mandy Nield	Fri 10 th	No help needed
Week 7 T1		Week 8 T1	
Week 7 T1 Mon 13 th	Public Holiday	Week 8 T1 Mon 20 th	No help needed
	Public Holiday Catherine Chua		No help needed No help needed
Mon 13 th	•	Mon 20 th	•
Mon 13 th Tue 14 th	Catherine Chua	Mon 20 th Tue 21 st	No help needed

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 wear enclosed shoes and ensure 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

First Aid

Clothes borrowed from the First Aid Room

We have a number of students who require a change of clothes from the First Aid Room from time to time. During the recent Junior School Water Safety Education week a lot of students misplaced their clothing or underwear and needed to borrow some from the First Aid Room. Due to our relatively short supply of spare clothes, we would love it if these could be laundered and returned to school as soon as possible. Thank you so much to those of you who have returned spare clothes promptly. We really appreciate it.

Ros Argent & Maria McIver

First Aid Officers

Uniform Shop

2017 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

Community News

Mathematics and Science Tutoring

Daniel Ng (College Dux 2015) is seeking tutoring work. If you have a secondary student who would benefit from tutoring (particularly in Mathematics and Science) please contact Daniel on 0403 219 672.

Movie Fundraiser - Beauty and the Beast

Southland Church will be hosting a movie fundraiser on Saturday 25th March at 3.40pm at the Capri Theatre, Goodwood Road.

The highly anticipated movie, Beauty and the Beast, starring Emma Watson as Belle and Dan Stevens as The Beast will be showing just two days after the official release date. All proceeds will go to the Mae Chan Children's home in Northern Thailand. The children are in desperate need of new chairs and the cost of your ticket, \$18.00, will buy a much needed chair for the home.

Please see Barb Greenslade or Helen Rance at Emmaus Christian College for tickets.

We need to sell at least 300 tickets so invite your family and friends and support a fantastic cause whilst watching a Disney classic.

SA Dental Service - 'Keep Your Kids Smiling'

Have you received a letter from Medicare about the Child Dental Benefits Schedule? The School Dental Service is a Child Dental Benefits Schedule provider. Dental care is **FREE** for ALL babies, preschool and most children under 18 years at School Dental Service clinics. To make an appointment, please call Marion GP Plus Dental Clinic on 7425 8400.

Girl Guides - Plympton/Kurralta Park Lilac Unit

Girl Guides have lots of fun, make new friends, have a 'girls only' space, try adventurous activities, go camping, are part of a global movement, learn leadership and life skills, get involved in the community, achieve badges and awards, plus lots more!

Vacancies exist at Plympton/Kurralta Park Lilac Girl Guide Unit for girls aged 8-15 years, corner Cross Terrace and Daly Street, Kurralta Park. Lilac Unit invite you to 'Come and Try' on Tuesday 14th March, 7.00pm to 8.30pm.

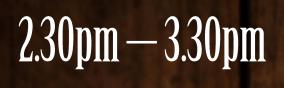
For further information please contact Liz Rogers (Blue Wren) via email bluewren1700@gmail.com or phone 0427 374 739.

MarionLIFE Youth

MarionLIFE have a youth drop-in space for local 12-17 year olds in their Youth Centre building, 887 Marion Road, Mitchell Park from 3.00pm - 5.00pm during Terms 1 & 2. They provide a safe 'hang-out' space with fun activities, life skills workshops and a healthy light meal, all FREE! It also provides the opportunity for young people to access information about other relevant support services depending on needs. The project is funded through the City of Marion your Development Grants Program. For more information about MarionLIFE Community Services please visit www.marionlife.org.au or phone 8277 0304.



Coffee Van
Afternoon



Every Friday (unless stated otherwise)

In the Junior Primary Area





The mysterious world of teens: survival tips for parents





Find out:

• what's going on in your child's brain

what it means to be a teenager in a digital world

 how best to communicate and what to do when things get tough

• what parenting style works best.

Presented by Kirrilie Smout, an Adelaide psychologist working with children, teens and their parents

Register to attend in person or view the live webcast at:

Online: http://parentingsa.eventbrite.com.au

Phone: 8303 1660

Email: health.parentingsa@health.sa.gov.au

This seminar is designed for an adult audience.

Wednesday 22 March

When: 7.00 - 9.00pm

Where: Riverbank Room

Adelaide Convention Centre North Terrace, Adelaide

Presented by Parenting SA.
For more information about raising children and teenagers visit
www.parenting.sa.gov.au or

www.cyh.com

