



IMPORTANT DATES

SOUTH PLYMPTON

MAY

Tue 19 Principal's Conversation Video Conference for South Plympton Campus, 11am

Wed 20 Principal's Conversation Video Conference for Middle and Senior School, 11am

BROOKLYN PARK

MAY

Wed 27 Principal's Conversation Video Conference for Brooklyn Park (ELC to Year 6), 11am

From the Head of Junior School

To our wonderful Parents and Caregivers

Please accept our heartfelt thanks for the way you have worked in partnership with us by offering trust and sending your children back to school at the start of this term. Thank you for assisting us to support community distancing through staggered F-2 Drop-offs and Pick-ups – this is greatly appreciated.

Our partnership with parents has enabled teachers to deliver the highest educational programs possible for children. Teachers have been supported to give priority to face to face teaching. To have had such high attendance this term from day 1 is outstanding. Teachers have been greatly encouraged. Further to this, on behalf of the staff, I would like to publicly thank and acknowledge Andrew Linke, for his strong leadership during this time.

The preparation for Remote Learning has presented opportunities for both Junior Schools and in fact the whole College. Upskilling in digital communication and additional digital technologies has been invaluable. If we are asked to engage in another period of Remote Learning sometime in the future, we will be ready to deliver.

During the last two weeks, it has been such a joy to walk around and see children happy to be back at school. They are also clearly happy to see their friends! What brings me greatest joy on a daily basis, is seeing children engaged in their learning. The accompanying photos offer insight into some of the beautiful Junior School moments witnessed at both Brooklyn Park and South Plympton over the last two weeks: ELC making a camp fire, BP Year 1/2 tending to their raised garden beds, SP Year 3/4 consolidating Multiplication, SP Yr 5/6 Student Leaders planning an ECC Lego Masters Challenge and BP Foundation learning new words.



Weekly Coffee Connect
South Plympton
Postponed until further notice
Brooklyn Park
Postponed until further notice

Weekly Prayer Connect
Postponed until further notice

May the Lord bless your family during this unprecedented season.

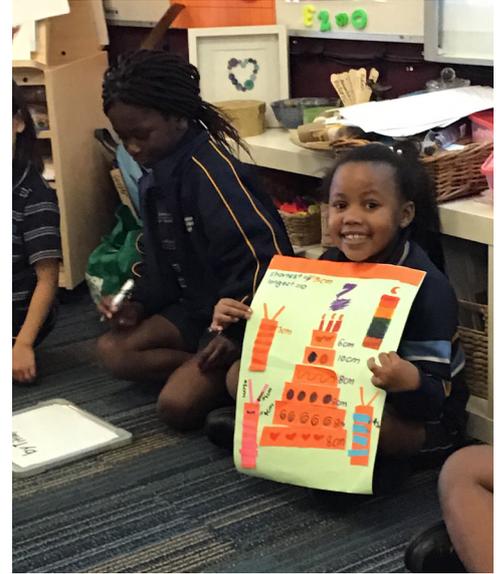
"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to His purpose." Romans 8:28 (NIV)

Helen Vonow
Head of Junior School

Junior School - South Plympton

Inquiry through Mathematics

Children love to learn through active investigations and to inquire about the world around them. The Year Ones and Twos have begun a unit of work on measurement in Mathematics. The children have discussed what measurement means and discussed how this is used in our everyday lives. Within their groups, the students have developed skills of estimation, measurement, comparison and ordering in action through a variety of different tasks. Questions have emerged and conclusions have been reached. This meaningful learning has happened within a context of rich engagement with opportunities to share work with others and to express their understandings.



Pip Cooper
F - 2 Curriculum and Learning Leader

From the Library

Redgum Bookclub

Redgum Bookclub catalogue is now digital.

Paper catalogues are no longer available. Please go online <https://www.redgumbookclub.com.au/browse/currentcatalog> to download their virtual catalogue and to place an order. Orders to be placed by 24 May.

Jan Maschmedt
Library Assistant

Middle School

Returning to school has been both exciting and hard. Exciting because we get to see our friends, connect with teachers and return to 'normal school life' in some way. But it is hard too. Hard because the usual extracurricular activities are not happening, making it hard for us to have those physical and mental outlets outside of school.

At school some of the key activities that have helped keep us unified, safe and connected have been our Rite Journey lessons filled with sharing, laughing and reflecting. We have also been getting physically active, playing sport and creating trick shots to help engage our creative minds and physical bodies.



Class 9S

College Employment Opportunities

Finance Officer (Job Share Part Time Role Thursday/Friday for 46 Weeks Per Year)

Emmaus is seeking an experienced Finance Officer to work in a job share arrangement together with an existing staff member. The position is part time working on Thu/Fri over 46 weeks per year. The primary focus of the role will be responsibility for the Accounts Payable work stream, together with providing back-up for the Payroll, School Fee Management and Finance work streams. Applications are sought from appropriately qualified and experienced individuals with a strong organisation skills and high attention to detail.

Further details are available on the College [website](#) under 'Staff' and 'Positions Vacant'.

PLEASE NOTE: Applications close on Monday 25 May, 2020.

College News

Principal's Conversation Video Conferences

This Term we are hosting Principal's Conversation Video Conferences for prospective families. The dates of these tours are as follows:

South Plympton Campus - Junior School (F - Year 6)

Tuesday 19 May, 11am
 Tuesday 16 June, 11am

South Plympton Campus - Middle and Senior Schools (Years 7 - 12)

Wednesday 20 May, 11am
 Wednesday 17 June, 11am

Brooklyn Park Campus - ELC to Year 6

Wednesday 27 May, 11am
 Wednesday 24 June, 11am

You will need to book in the same way, using the same form for the Principal's Tours on our [website](#). After booking, you will receive an email confirmation a week prior to the event with your Google Meet invitation link.

At this stage we are planning on going ahead with the usual Principal's Tours for Term 3 and 4 at Brooklyn Park and for Term 3 at South Plympton.

Junior School - Brooklyn Park

Early Learning Centre

Our Early Learning Centre continued operating throughout all of Term 1 and during the school holidays.

Our school holiday program focused on science and the arts, which allowed imaginations to flourish and put thinking caps into overdrive. Children were engaged in experiences from volcano making and erupting to becoming cooks and creating our own healthy pizza lunch.

Term 2 commenced and we were blessed to welcome 13 new families to our Emmaus family.

Our attendances have almost doubled and we are overwhelmed with activity and life that is exhibited from the children during the day with us.

Children have been eagerly learning routines, establishing new friendships and exploring their environment. We would also like to send out a special "Hello" to our students learning remotely, we are missing them all and cannot wait for their return but we know they are engaged with the learning packs and experiences that our uploaded each week.

We have all been "Gerbusters" with the ELC and this is a concept that has been integrated into the daily routine. Our students have a great understanding of the importance of not spreading germs and the ways to stop the spread of infection.

What a wonderful first two weeks, we are looking forward to another fabulous term packed full of rich and robust learning for our enthusiastic students.



*They are the children God has graciously given your servant
Genesis 33:5*

Lauren Hughes
ELC Director

Launch News

1-Minute Film Competition

Now in its fifth year, the 1-Minute Film Competition 2020, sponsored by the Australian Government Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA), provides Australian and New Zealand primary and secondary school students with the opportunity to make a 1-minute film or animation and the chance to win fantastic prizes.

Each film is to be based on this year's theme 'The Second World War and Your Community' and can be approached in many ways. Enter into one of the following four categories:

- Lower Primary (Years F-3)
- Upper Primary (Years 4-6)
- Lower Secondary (Years 7-9)
- Upper Secondary (Years 10-12)

Entries close at midday AEST, Friday 24 July. For further information and to enter, click [here](#).

Susanne Milne
Launch Coordinator (F - Year 10)

Uniform Shop

2020 Normal Opening Hours

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

If you need any uniform, please do not hesitate to [email](#) or phone. You can also order and purchase items via phone on 08 8292 3810.

Christine Blom-Cursaro
Uniform Shop Manager