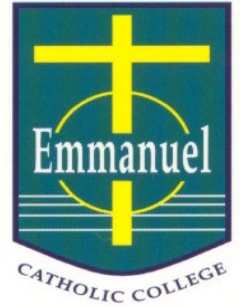


# Newsletter



Dear Parents, Students and Members of the Emmanuel Catholic College Community,

I am Joe Cordina, Deputy Principal , Ministry and Staffing. Mr Bormolini has asked me to write the lead page of the bulletin as we enter the sacred season of lent. Below is some information about project compassion from Caritas.:-

This week the season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, which also marks the beginning of the annual Caritas Australia Project Compassion Appeal. This is a special time to think about our relationship with God, others and our environment, and find ways to put our compassion into action. Donations to Project Compassion allow Caritas Australia to work with local communities around the world to alleviate poverty, hunger, oppression and injustice.

Students and families can support Caritas by giving donations during form or RE or Catechesis lessons during lent. Students are also organising fundraising activities at school like car washes etc. You can always donate online at [www.caritas.org.au](http://www.caritas.org.au)

Please put your compassion into action by supporting the Project Compassion Appeal.

Each week we will include an article of the many projects around the world Caritas supports in helping the disadvantaged and empowering them to live more fully human lives and Jesus wants us to do.

Also this year the staff are involved in the Caritas BE MORE program as part of the College's evangelisation plan. This is on the College's web page. Below is what we are hoping to do in 2009

2009 Implementing the BE MORE program initiated by Caritas to be taken on by all staff initially then students and families will be encouraged to be involved. This program assists Teachers to live out the values of Jesus (Expectation of the Evangelization policy) as well as assisting Teachers to BE Just (Expectation of the CEO Social Justice Policy) and Be Green (expectation of the College Environment policy). After the program is launched in 2009, staff will be interviewed by the Deputy Principal (Ministry and Staffing) in Term 1 about their plan to Be More in 2009. In Term 4 staff members will have a further interview with the Deputy Principal (Ministry and Staffing) to evaluate the staff members plan and action in 2009. Refer to [www.bemore.org.au](http://www.bemore.org.au).

I will produce a summary of the BE MORE programme planned at the college this year and suggestions how students and families can get involved as the year progresses.

Yours as a servant of Christ  
Joe Cordina

#### COMING EVENTS AT ECC

|                    |                                          |
|--------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Tuesday, March 3   | Year 7 Parent Information Night          |
| Friday March 20    | ACC Swimming Carnival                    |
| Wednesday March 25 | Emmanuel Day (Feast of the Annunciation) |

## **Study Tip #2 – A Good Study Place!**

*It is important to ensure that your study place is well set up for concentration.*

- *good lighting and good ventilation*
- *you have a comfortable chair*
- *your desk has enough room*
- *you are away from noises and distractions*
- *you are away from the internet/email, the television and your mobile phone*



*Sometimes the bedroom should be avoided as it can be a place of distraction with your computer, your radio or phone all there.*

## **ENROLMENT AT EMMANUEL CATHOLIC COLLEGE**

### **YEARS 7 & 8 – 2010**

Enrolment interviews for students commencing in 2010 are in the closing stages. Please contact the office urgently if you require an application form.

### **YEAR 7 – 2011**

Enrolment interviews for students commencing in 2011 will begin soon. Please ensure applications are lodged as soon as possible to ensure an early interview. Parents are advised that demand for placements in 2010 and beyond is very high.

Enrolment enquiries should be directed to Lee-Ann Bok.

**Mr J Bormolini**

Principal

## **After School Homework Program**

The after school homework group is a year-long program designed to help students (all year groups) who are experiencing difficulty with meeting homework demands and organising their homework roster. The students meet in the College library after school every Wednesday and are supervised by College teaching staff. The aim is to provide “one-on-one” help for the students.

This year the program will run on a **Wednesday from 3:35 pm to 4:30pm** and begin in **week four** this term (Wednesday 25 February).

Students who participate in the program are expected to report to the library each Wednesday and are to be punctual. Participation in this program is not compulsory. It is important that those students participating in the program do so because they appreciate the benefit they can derive from being part of such a program. It is a privilege to be accepted into the program. Therefore, maintaining a place in the program will be determined by the student’s attitude and work habits.

Participation letters and forms are available from Student Services or from Mr Harvey for any student who wishes to take part in this program.

## **CHRISTIAN SERVICE OPPORTUNITY FOR YEAR 10 AND 11:**

Bike Hike for Asthma Freeway Ride - Volunteers needed on Sunday 22nd March 2009

Route marshalls, students at aid stations and venue control needed.

Room for a group for 15 students to help at Kwinana station at start of ride doing venue control.

Lots of jobs for pairs of students too - SEE MS MENTZ at school for those interested in group activity,

OR contact Michael Caddy on (08) 9289 3656 or email: [bikehikevolunteers@asthmawa.org.au](mailto:bikehikevolunteers@asthmawa.org.au)

**Megan Mentz**

Christian Service Coordinator

## Year 7 News

### YEAR 7 PARENTS' INFORMATION EVENING

**Venue : Emmanuel Catholic College Library**

A letter has been distributed to Year 7 students, inviting parents/guardians to attend the forthcoming Year 7 Parents' Information Evening, to be held on **Tuesday 3 March, commencing at 7:00pm.**

The Information Evening will cover a number of topics that fall within the following areas;

- College expectations and standards
- Communication with the College
- Classroom practices and expectations
- The Sacrament of Confirmation
- The Year 7 Camp

Some of your child's teachers will be present at the Information Evening and you will have a chance to meet them, as well as have the opportunity to make contact with other parents and to develop supporting networks with the parents of your child's friends. Your child does not need to attend the Information Evening.

To assist with the preparation of the evening please ensure that your son/daughter has returned the reply slip from the letter that has been distributed through their Form class. Spare copies of the circular letter can be obtained from Mrs Price.

**Mr S. Harvey**  
Deputy Principal (Year 7-9)

**Mrs V. Price**  
Head of Year 7

## YEARS 11 & 12 NEWS

### YEARS 11 & 12 SUBJECT/COURSE CHANGE DEADLINES

If a student is feeling uncertain about continuing with a subject/course in Year 11 or Year 12, then the student needs to consult his/her Class Teacher as soon as possible. If after talking to the Class Teacher, the student wishes to change a subject/course, then he/she should meet with Mr King and/or Mr McCarthy.

At Emmanuel Catholic College, the **subject/course change deadlines** are given below:

Years 11 & 12 Courses:      Friday 6 March, 2009 (for Semester One units)

Year 12 Subjects:              Friday 6 March, 2009

In special cases, a change may occur after the relevant date, but conditions apply.

At the time of selecting a subject/course, students should be aware of what is expected of them because of late entry to the subject/course. Students should be aware of the assessment programme, the relative importance of the various components, and the risk they take in starting a subject/course late.

**Mr R. McCarthy**  
Deputy Principal (Years 10-12)

## Do You Want To Learn A Musical Instrument?

Here at Emmanuel Catholic College we have a wide range of musical instruments that students can learn! Lessons are held during the school day in C4 or the uniform shop depending on what instrument you choose. The instruments we teach at the College are:

| <u>Instrument</u> | <u>Teacher</u>     |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| Flute             | Miss April Ashton  |
| Saxophone         |                    |
| Clarinet          |                    |
| Violin            | Mr Richard Price   |
| Drums/Percussion  | Mr Reggie D'Souza  |
| Piano             | Mrs Susan Powis    |
| Classical Guitar  | Mr Nick Kostourkov |
| Electric Guitar   | TBA                |

We would love to expand our instrumental program so if you are interested or would like some information about lessons please phone Miss Samantha de Feudis on 9414 4000 Ext 239 or see her in the Arts Office in between C1 and C2 on Mondays and Thursdays!

**Miss Samantha de Feudis**  
Music Coordinator  
Emmanuel Catholic College

### **Ash Wednesday 25th February**

This week the season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, which also marks the beginning of the annual Caritas Australia Project Compassion Appeal. This is a special time to think about our relationship with God, others and our environment, and find ways to put our compassion into action. Donations to Project Compassion allow Caritas Australia to work with local communities around the world to alleviate poverty, hunger, oppression and injustice. Each family will receive a Project Compassion box and/or a set of envelopes for their donations.



Please put your compassion into action by supporting the Project Compassion Appeal.



### **P&F NEWS**

- Thanks to those who attended this weeks P&F meeting. Don't forget, you are all welcome at these meetings. It is a great way of finding out what is going on around the school and meeting other parents.
- The Parents and Friends Federation urge you to visit their website- [www.pff.wa.edu.au](http://www.pff.wa.edu.au) you will find some interesting reading there.
- The P&F will be selling the Entertainment Values Books again this year for \$65. This is a great fundraiser for the college, so if you like the idea of being able to get discounts on a large number of businesses, buy your books from us. They make great presents.
- If you would like something discussed at a P&F meeting, please email Mandy at [leode@bigpond.com.au](mailto:leode@bigpond.com.au) for inclusion on the agenda.

***The School Fees Raffle was won by Mr & Mrs Passamani. The prize was \$500 off the cost of school fees. Well done!***

**The next P&F meeting is on March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7.00pm in the Board Room. ALL WELCOME**

**P & F Committee.**

**National Representative:** Congratulations to **Jack Alfirevich** (9.1) who has been selected to represent Australia in the *Australasia Junior Speedway Championships* and *Australia versus New Zealand Team Challenge 2009*. Jack will travel to New Zealand in March to represent Australia and is one of only six drivers selected to represent Australia. Congratulations Jack, we wish you the best of luck!

**Ms Magee,**  
Head of Year Nine.

**THE LENTEN JOURNEY**  
**PASTORAL LETTER FOR LENT 2009**  
**ARCHBISHOP HICKEY**

My Dear People

Lent is a privileged time of spiritual renewal and is part of our journey towards Easter. When we accompany Jesus from his long fast in the wilderness, through his confrontation with the religious leaders who opposed him, to his death on Calvary, we are ready to celebrate his resurrection at Easter.

The Holy Father calls this time of Lent 'an itinerary of more intense spiritual training.'

This spiritual growth is made possible through self discipline and prayer and attracts Christians to enter more fully into the Lenten spirit.

Let us then resolve to make significant adjustments to our daily life to allow the Holy Spirit to work within us and draw us closer to Christ our Redeemer in this time of Lent.

**Spiritual Benefits**

The spiritual benefits of Lent are many:

- a deeper spirit of prayer
- a deeper relationship with the Saviour
- greater love for neighbour, especially the poor
- a better knowledge of Holy Scripture.
- victory over sinful habits
- a mind set on the things of God not our worldly comfort
- greater self discipline

**Three Penitential Practices**

Following the biblical tradition the Church calls us to pray, to fast and to give alms.

**1. Prayer**

Let us during this Lent take time to pray. This will mean finding the time and making real adjustments to our daily routine. A family may well decide to come together regularly to read a passage from Holy Scripture, perhaps the reading of the Sundays of Lent. After a brief discussion spontaneous prayers could conclude the prayer time. Individuals could do something similar, and join with others in the Lenten discussions or the penitential rites at Parish level to show solidarity with others.

**2. Fasting.**

- fasting from food is profoundly biblical.
- Moses fasted before he received the Tablets of Stone from God.
- Fasting was central to the celebration of many of the Jewish Feasts, even in the desert.
- John the Baptist spent years of fasting and penance before announcing that the Messiah had come.
- Jesus fasted forty days and forty nights in the wilderness before his saving mission began.
- St Paul after his conversion fasted for three days before his baptism by Ananias in Damascus.

Fasting from food finds an echo in Genesis when Adam was forbidden to eat the fruit of the tree of knowledge. While there are many ascetic practices, and while life gives us personal crosses heavy enough to be truly penitential, avoidance of food has a certain traditional and biblical relevance. Fasting and self denial attach selfishness and exaggerated attachment to things. They also free us to grow in love of God and neighbour.

**3. Almsgiving.**

There can be no spiritual growth without a growth in love. Generosity to others especially to the poor, the homeless and those burdened with grief, illness and anxiety helps us grow not only in the spirit of the Good Samaritan but in the spirit of Jesus himself who said '*come to me all you who labour and are heavily burdened and I will give you rest; (Mt. 11:28)*

Let us remember the admonition Jesus gave to the Pharisees who fasted to obey the law but who hearts were far from God.

True fasting, said Jesus, is to do the Will of the Heavenly Father. Unless our fasting is based on a desire to follow Jesus faithfully it is an empty gesture.

In the early Church Lent was a time of intense preparation for catechumens. This has now been fully restored in the Church. Please pray for all those who are preparing for Baptism or full communion with the Church during Lent and welcome them with love at the Easter Vigil.

Our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI had asked us to call on the Blessed Virgin Mary to help free our hearts from attachment to sin and listen to her Son, Jesus.

May we all, Bishops, Clergy, Religious and God's Holy People journey together through Lent with faith and hope to a glorious Easter.

**In Christ our Life,**

**+ B.J. Hickey — Archbishop of Perth**

**2009 INTERHOUSE SWIMMING CARNIVAL  
RECORDS TUMBLE AS PEGASUS MAKES IT A HAT-TRICK**

On February 23<sup>rd</sup> the College migrated to Challenge Stadium for the annual Inter House swimming carnival. A fantastic day was had by all, with students competing in traditional swimming events in the main pool and the Tassie Devil novelty events looked like a lot of fun in the dive pool.

Results for the third year in a row went Pegasus's way as they took out the HOUSE shield, with a very dominate display in the freestyle, breaststroke, backstroke, butterfly and relay events. Congratulations to Ms Larsen, her SLT's and the Pegasus students!!!

**HOUSE SHIELD**

|       |         |        |         |         |
|-------|---------|--------|---------|---------|
| HOUSE | PEGASUS | DRAGON | GRYPHON | PHOENIX |
| SCORE | 3339    | 3274   | 2632    | 2581    |
| PLACE | 1ST     | 2ND    | 3RD     | 4TH     |

This year saw a first in the history of Tassie Devil with a tie. The winner was decided on a count back with the HOUSE with the most wins declared the winner. Tassie didn't need to get changed this year, as Tassie was still dressed in Blue after the 2008 Athletics carnival. Dragon won all three Tassie Devil awards last year and have continued in their winning ways in 2009. Well done to Mr Scally, his SLT's and the Dragon students, this high rate of participation is something to be proud of!!!

**TASSIE DEVIL**

|       |        |         |         |         |
|-------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| HOUSE | DRAGON | PEGASUS | GRYPHON | PHOENIX |
| SCORE | 190    | 190     | 146     | 144     |
| PLACE | 1ST    | 2ND     | 3RD     | 4TH     |

There were some fantastic performances in the traditional events by our more gifted swimmers. Over the course of the day a number of records were not only broken, but some smashed. These records were set across all age groups which is very exciting and promising for the ACC Carnival. It is also pleasing to see the improvement a lot of our students have made since last years carnival. The winners of individual trophies are displayed below. Congratulations to all those students.

**INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONS**

| YEAR / GENDER | CHAMPION                           | RUNNER UP                          | THIRD PLACE               |
|---------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 7 GIRLS       | JAIMI TARBOTTON                    | CORINA DE ROSA                     | JESSICA McCARTHY          |
| 7 BOYS        | FILIP STOJANOVIC                   | BAILEY ULLRICH                     | KARL RILEY<br>RYAN FISHER |
| 8 GIRLS       | EMILY HIRD                         | GIADA CARRELLO                     | SYONA FERNANDEZ           |
| 8 BOYS        | ANDREW KIERATH                     | JADD VAN NELLESTYN                 | DYLAN CHAPMAN             |
| 9 GIRLS       | KRISTEN SOKOL                      | ALYCE TOOMEY<br>AMY PETERSON       | -                         |
| 9 BOYS        | THOMAS CLEARY                      | DAVID FIAMENGO<br>CAMERON McCARTHY | -                         |
| 10 GIRLS      | REBECCA KIERATH                    | HOLLY TUBBY                        | KRISTEN BUNCE             |
| 10 BOYS       | SUNEETH FERNANDEZ                  | REID MACFARLANE                    | WILLIAM POWERS            |
| 11 GIRLS      | TIJANA SOKOL<br>KATHERINE JOHANSON | -                                  | MARTINA CARRELLO          |
| 11 BOYS       | CHRISTIAN ROBERTS                  | CALLUM JAKOVICH                    | SAMUEL O'NEILL            |
| 12 GIRLS      | SHANNON MARTIN                     | GEORGIA PEACH                      | JAIMEE CHARLES            |
| 12 BOYS       | SAMUEL STACY                       | KIERAN MURPHY                      | JORDAN BUSHE-JONES        |

It is still disappointing to see the number of absent students who did not provide a medical certificate, and the amount of students that were not organised and did not fill out, or hand in the note sent out in the newsletter for swimming carnival Non- Participants. The number is getting smaller each year, but is still very disappointing to see such a large number of students not involved as these carnivals are compulsory College events.

The system of attaching a medical certificate and filling in the form that went out in the newsletter in February is an important one. This is the only process parents are to use in communicating with the College of their Son or Daughters Non- Participation. Too many students came on the day with notes in hand, and this is not good enough. It causes too many problems for the staff running and organising events. In the future we need more parental support in this matter.

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Please note; all students that did not follow the system put in place will be spoken to, and have their names recorded for future reference. Mr Bormolini and I will not accept Non- Participation in Compulsory College events, without reason.

To run and organise a carnival of this size is by no means an easy task. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the different groups of people that played such an important role in this event. To the Student Leadership Team House Captains, your help in the morning was outstanding, you made that aspect of the day as quick and smooth as it's ever been.

To the Physical Education Staff, your help in setting up in the morning, working tirelessly all day and then helping pack up at the end was fantastic.

To Mr McGowan and the scoring team, yet again a professional and efficient job was done, thank you very much.

To the HOUSE Coordinators, Ms Larsen, Mr Scally, Mr Dalton and Mrs Monks, you all worked so hard and your organisation skills are second to none.

To all the staff and participating students, your motivation, enthusiasm and HOUSE spirit was at an all time high and very evident. It made up for those absent or unwilling to participate. To all of you, thank you very much.

To all the parents that came out and supported this event, it was great to see you, I just hope next year more and more parents can make it to these sporting events, it makes the day so much better seeing you all there.

**Mr B. Dayman**

Sports Coordinator

#### **ECC SPORTING NEWS**

The weather was not in our favour for this weeks SAS competition, with strong blustery winds and rain all day. This however did not dampen the spirits of our year 7, 8 and 9 students involved for matches against Ursula Frayne Catholic College (year 7s) and St Norberts College (year 8/9s). The results for round 2 are as follows:

|                            |     |    |      |               |    |
|----------------------------|-----|----|------|---------------|----|
| Year 7 Girls Basketball:   | ECC | 60 | def  | Ursula Frayne | 10 |
| Year 8/9 Girls Basketball: | ECC | 24 | lost | St Norberts   | 44 |
| Year 8/9 Girls Touch:      | ECC | 9  | def  | St Norberts   | 0  |
| Year 7 Boys Basketball:    | ECC | 8  | def  | Ursula Frayne | 6  |
| Year 8/9 Boys Basketball:  | ECC | 11 | lost | St Norberts   | 70 |
| Year 8/9 Boys Touch:       | ECC | 8  | def  | St Norberts   | 3  |

Well done to all our sporting teams for round 2 and best of luck for round 3 against Corpus (year 7s) and Seton (year 8/9s).

**Mr B. Dayman**

Sports Coordinator

#### **The Education Tax Refund—Get 50% Back**

Under the new Education Tax Refund, parents and others who are eligible can now claim 50% of their eligible education expenses up to \$750 for primary students and \$1500 for secondary students.

This means you could receive a refund each year of up to \$375 for each primary and \$750 for each secondary school student in your care.

#### **Are you eligible?**

To be eligible you must have received Family Tax Benefit Part A for each child whose education expenses you wish to claim. You can also claim the Education Tax Refund if you were stopped from receiving Family Tax Benefit Part A because your child received any of the following:

- Youth Allowance (student) aged 18
- Disability Support Pension
- ABSTUDY
- The Veterans' Children Education Scheme
- The Student Financial Supplement Scheme
- A scheme under s258 of the Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004
- An Australian Postgraduate Award.

Independent students are also eligible to claim.



Canteen roster week commencing 3/3/2009

| Monday     | Tuesday        | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|------------|----------------|-----------|----------|--------|
| Labour Day | Maria Carrello |           |          |        |

**UNIFORM SHOP**  
**OPENING HOURS**

As from the 3rd March the new opening hours are as follows:

|           |                |
|-----------|----------------|
| Tuesday   | 8.00am—4.15 pm |
| Wednesday | 8.00am—11.30am |
| Friday    | 8.00am—4.15pm  |

There is also a large range of second hand items available.

Contact Terrell and Faye on  
9414 4017

***St Jerome's Victorian Bushfire Appeal Fundraiser***

**FIREPROOF**

An action-packed and inspirational movie about relationships and dangers in a fire-fighter's life. It's a fantastic movie and one that will have you laughing, crying and sitting on the edge of your seat!! Bring your friends, neighbours and family along!

WHERE: Fr Barry Whitely Hall, Rockingham Rd, Munster

WHEN: 7.30pm Friday 6th March 09 \*(After Stations of the Cross)

COST: \$12 - Tickets available through the Parish Office or buy your tickets at the door.

**MATER CHRISTI PARISH NEWS**

Parish Clergy: Fr Bryan Rosling & Fr Jim Corcoran  
340 Yangebup Road, Yangebup, WA 6164 Ph: 9417 4763  
Fax: 9417 7946 email: [materchristi@iprimus.com.au](mailto:materchristi@iprimus.com.au)

***This Week's Liturgy***

|      |         |                       |
|------|---------|-----------------------|
| Mon  | 9.00am  | (PUBLIC HOLIDAY)      |
| Tue  | 7.45am  |                       |
| Wed  | 8.15am  | EMMANUEL COLLEGE      |
|      | 5.00pm  | HOLY HOUR             |
|      | 6.00pm  |                       |
| Thur | 7.45am  |                       |
|      | 11.00am | SUCCESS               |
| Fri  | 8.30am  |                       |
|      | 7.00pm  | STATIONS OF THE CROSS |
| Sat  | 5.00pm  | RECONCILIATION        |
|      | 6.00pm  |                       |
| Sun  | 8.00am  | 10.00am 5.00pm        |

*Today we will use the preface of the First Sunday of Lent and the second Eucharistic Prayer*

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Every Friday of Lent, we walk the Way of the Cross in the church at 7.00pm. This brief but poignant devotion is simple and therapeutic, suitable for all the family. Our burdens become lighter as we embrace the sufferings of Christ and our faith and hope increases as we reflect upon the ultimate Victory born of the ultimate desolation!

**UNITY** – is an opportunity for all parishioners to come together and share their faith through music, prayer, talks, open discussion and life experience.



**Wednesday nights in the Mater Christi Chapel from 7.00-8.30pm.**

All are welcome! Come along – and bring a friend!

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