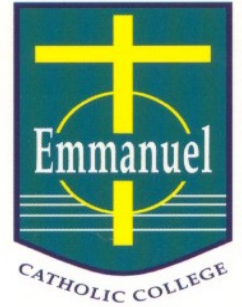


Newsletter



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

Last Monday the College staged its Inter House Swimming Carnival at Challenge stadium. As is usually the case, our students again attended and participated enthusiastically both in the full range of House swimming events and in the Tassie Devil competition.

My thanks to Mr Brett Dayman the event coordinator, all of the staff working in various capacities as officials, event Marshalls or supervisors and the student assistants who all ensured the carnival ran like clockwork. Congratulations to all of the students who did their best to contribute and participate in some way and well done to those who swam so well and achieved recognition as age Champions. Pegasus returned to the winners' podium to collect the Shield for 2009 while Dragon house claimed the Tassie Devil competition.

On Wednesday the College held its Ash Wednesday Liturgy with the whole College body assembled in our main courtyard. This is the symbolic beginning of Lent and renewal of our Christian commitment, particularly in terms of compassion towards others.

This year Emmanuel Catholic College has embarked on the Caritas "Be More" programme and as part of our ongoing Evangelisation plan, Staff will initially be involved in ways of showing that we can Be Just (through our Social Justice Policy) and Be Green (through our College Environment policy). As Mr Cordina pointed out in last weeks Newsletter (and I thank him for filling in for me), later in the year we'll follow with some suggestions about how families and students can become involved.

Last Thursday we were very fortunate to have his Grace, Archbishop Barry Hickey join us and spend time with staff and students at the College. The main purpose for his visit was to celebrate Mass with all of our Year 12 students and to have the opportunity to engage and meet with them in this, their final year. I'm sure the students will look back fondly and remember the Archbishop's visit and his best wishes when they reflect on their year. We thank his Grace for taking the time out of his busy schedule to be present with us and also Sister Maria for her work in organising the visit and our wonderful Mass.

John Bormolini
PRINCIPAL

COMING EVENTS AT ECC

Friday March 20	ACC Swimming Carnival
Wednesday March 25	Emmanuel Day (Feast of the Annunciation)

Study Tip #3 – Effective Study

For each session of study;

Set yourself an achievable amount of work to complete.

Be active and remain focused throughout.

Enjoy the challenge of improving yourself.

Reward yourself after good effort.

There is a limit to how much you can mentally digest in any given period. Never study for more than two hours without a break.



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

Megan Mentz

Christian Service Coordinator

Mass at Emmanuel 8.15am Wednesdays- fortnightly in the Chapel

Dear Year 7-9 Parents,

The Staff at Emmanuel Catholic College have supported the proposal to celebrate Mass in form groups at the College at 8.15 am fortnightly on Wednesdays at the College Chapel. The Mass goes for about 20min. Students will only be expected to attend one Mass a year and it we hope you will be able to have your child at the College at 8.15 am for their form mass. You are most welcome to attend mass as well.

The roster for the year is as follows:-

7.1 4th March	7.2 18th March	7.3 1st of April	
8.1 13th of May	8.2 27th May	8.3 10th June	8.4 24th June
8.5 5th August	8.6 19th August	9.1 2nd September	9.2 16th September
9.3 21st October	9.4 November 4th	9.5 18th November	9.6 December 2nd

Please do not hesitate to give me a call if you need any further clarification.

Joe Cordina
Deputy Principal

YEAR 10 NEWS

PROMOTION FROM YEAR 10 TO YEAR 11

Further to information provided at our recent Year 10 Parent Information Evening, details concerning the process of promotion from Year 10 to Year 11 were posted home to the parents/guardians of the students concerned earlier this week.

Essentially, for Year 10 students to expect to be promoted to Year 11, a **personal Letter of Invitation from the College Principal is required**. This incorporates an extension of the Enrolment Agreement.

In order to anticipate receiving a Letter of Invitation, students are to demonstrate to an acceptable standard a range of desirable work attitudes and habits across all of their subjects.

The College is placing an emphasis on students demonstrating desirable work attitudes and habits because it is felt that these attributes form the basis of a foundation upon which effective learning can take place. Academically, Year 11 is more rigorous than Year 10. Hence, so that students can expect to be successful in their studies, it is important for them to be consistently organised, display appropriate behaviour, give due attention to the completion of homework, and to put in a reasonable effort in applying themselves to set tasks.

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

Mr N. Alweyn
Head of Year 10

1st Week of Lent

Project Compassion , Week 1 brings you the story of Teopista.

Teopista and her family live in rural Uganda where life is a daily struggle. However with your support, Caritas Australia is supporting 900 subsistence farmer families, including Teopista's, to gain skills to grow enough food to eat, earn an income, collect rainwater, build energy saving stoves and learn about nutrition and hygiene. Your Project Compassion donation will continue to assist communities around the world to increase their food security and offer hope for a healthier future.



Photo: Sean Sprague

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

The new opening hours for the uniform shop are;

Monday - closed

Tuesday - 8.00 - 4.15

Wednesday - 8.00 - 11.30

Thursday - closed

Friday - 8.00 - 4.15

Due to the interschool swimming carnival on the 20th March the Uniform Shop will be closed. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

Also just a reminder that next term all students must be in Winter College uniform on day one. Year 11's will need to purchase the senior tie.

All new Year 7 and 8 students need to make sure they have their winter try-on as soon as possible.

Call Terrell or Faye on 9414 4017 for further details.

Year 9 Laptop Survey- Curtin University of Technology

Curtin University of Technology will be conducting a research project that is concerned with childrens' physical safety when using laptop computers. The questionnaire that will be used is newly designed and your child's participation will make an important contribution to preventing muscle soreness and injury in future student laptop computer users. Year 9 students will be receiving an information form and a consent form in the following weeks. If you would like your child to participate in the study please sign the consent form and have your child return the form to their form teacher before the 18th of March.



Kind Regards,
Matthew Jones

27th Feb 2009

Dear Parents/Guardians

Re: Westpac Australian Mathematics Competition for Year 7 - 10

The Westpac Australian Mathematics Competition (AMC) will this year take place on **Thursday, 6th August**. This international competition is one of the largest single events on the Australian Education Calendar, with participants from over 40 countries within the Pacific and South East Asia region. The aims of the competition are to:

1. highlight the importance of mathematics as a curriculum subject
2. give students an opportunity to discover talent in mathematics
3. provide resources for the classroom and general discussion

Other details for this competition are found on the website

www.amt.canberra.edu.au/amcfact.html

Though the AMC is open to all students of all standards, **all** students in Extension classes will participate in this year's competition. We would also like to encourage students who are in either Mainstream or Enrichment classes to participate in this competition if they wish to.

The costs for this competition will be met by the Mathematics department. I am therefore asking for your support in encouraging your son or daughter to get involved in this important annual event. Mainstream and Enrichment students who wish to take part in this competition should indicate their interest to their mathematics teachers by March 9th.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Francis Maloba
Head of Mathematics
Emmanuel Catholic College

ECC SPORTING NEWS

The students involved in this weeks SASJ fixtures were treated to a lovely sunny day, and the parents visiting the College for open day saw some great games on the basketball courts and touch field. The Year 7s played Corpus Christi again this week as not all schools involved have Year 7s, and the Year 8/9s played Seton. All players seem to be having a lot of fun and enjoying themselves which is great to see from the sidelines. The results for round 3 are as follows:

Year 7 Girls Basketball:	ECC	38	def	Corpus	4
Year 8/9 Girls Basketball:	ECC	27	lost	Seton	42
Year 8/9 Girls Touch:	ECC	2	lost	Seton	4
Year 7 Boys Basketball:	ECC	27	lost	Corpus	57
Year 8/9 Boys Basketball:	ECC			Seton	No scores this week
Year 8/9 Boys Touch:	ECC	1	lost	Seton	9

The Emmanuel Cricket First XI inflicted a heavy defeat on the boys from Lakelands SHS on Tuesday evening. After losing the toss, Emmanuel managed to bowl Lakelands all out for 53. Standout bowler for Emmanuel was Zac Overton (5/6 off 4 overs) who ended up with the best ever bowling figures from an Emmanuel cricketer. He was well supported by Louis Di Pietro (2/7) and Mark Matkovich (2/13). Emmanuel then made 3 for 87 with the bat. Troy Feeney top scored with 26. He was well supported by Kieran Murphy (18no) and Michael Cimetta (12).

Ethan Giesige's outstanding track and field summer continues. On Sunday, 1 March 2009, Ethan broke the Cockburn Little Athletics Centre 400m record for under 14's. The record was 57.55; Ethan now holds the record at 56.55. He also won 6 Gold and 2 Silver at the Centre Championships. This week Ethan will compete in Zones for selection for States at Perry Lakes in two weeks. If Ethan wins a medal in any event at states, this will seal a position in Nationals held later this year in Adelaide, South Australia.

On Saturday 28th February 2009 Georgia Peach competed in the 2009 West Australian Wakeboarding State Titles. She competed in the Open Women's Division and is now the WA state champion. Any competitors finishing in the top 3 are selected for the WA State Team.

Well done to all our sporting teams and individuals this week. The SASJ competition will have a two week break with our bye next week and a general bye the following week for ACC swimming carnivals. The next round of fixtures will be played on Wednesday 25th March (week 8) against John Wolloston, the boys will be at home and the girls will be away.

Mr B. Dayman
Sports Coordinator

Dear Parents;

Re: Year 8 Mathematics Placement test:

Refer to the course statement which was given to your Year 8 child at the beginning of this term. The Year 8 placement test will take place in week eight of this term. The aim of this test is to enable us identify the various needs of our students, so that we can place them in either extension, mainstream or the enrichment classes according to their needs.

The test will cover concepts which students will have covered up to week eight of this term. Students therefore need to start preparing themselves early enough so that they can obtain a good mark in this important assessment.

Yours sincerely,
Dr. Francis Maloba



Canteen roster week commencing 9/3/2009

Monday 9/3	Tuesday 10/3	Wed 11/3	Thursday 12/3	Friday 13/3
Kay Small			Cathy Giesige	

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

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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