

Newsletter



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

First term is rapidly coming to an end. The year is accelerating by and with it the many important events that make up the first half of the year.

Last week saw all our Year 11 and Year 12 students away on their annual retreats. Again this year as one of the teachers of a Year 12 RE class I had the pleasure of being directly involved at New Norcia over the three days. It was wonderful to be a part of the Retreat programme on the Search for Meaning and enjoy working and sharing time with the whole year group in such ideal surroundings. The Monastic location and atmosphere was a revelation for many of our students who have never experienced the history and character of New Norcia.

My thanks to all of the staff involved especially Sister Maria, Mr Cordina and Mrs Cosgrove for the hard work and coordination and to Mrs Brophy and Mr Papineau for their efforts with the equally successful Year 11 Retreat held at Serpentine. Thank you also to Mr McCarthy for covering the Newsletter for me in my absence.

As we observe Holy week and head towards Easter, this morning all of our staff and students took part in our Easter Liturgy. It was delightful to see so many of our youngest students taking an active part in the Liturgy and its prayers and readings. Again I thank those involved with the preparation and in assisting with bringing the message of Easter closer to all of our students.

The end of term will see us farewell Sister Maria Mori as she heads back to Rome for further study and as yet undetermined further work in her vocation. A placement in the Phillipines is one possibility. On behalf of all of our community we thank her heartily for her dedicated efforts in coordinating our Catechesis programme and in all of the work she has done in her few years at Emmanuel.

We also say thank you and farewell to Miss Kate Phillips who leaves our Admin team in Student Services to travel to America. We appreciate all of the hours behind the desk attending to so many demanding students every day, Kate. Mrs Michelle Borserio has been appointed to take up the post and we welcome her to our hard working Admin group next term.

Ms Ann Outler will also commence part time next term assisting and sharing the counselling role. We look forward to her added support and presence while Ms Flynn continues on her maternity leave.

This will be the final Newsletter I shall pen for some time as well, as I take Long Service Leave during term two. It will be the first time since 1991 that I've taken a term's Leave and I'm very much looking forward to the break. Mr Rex McCarthy will take over as Acting Principal for the term and Mrs Ronnie Cooper, our Head of Science will step up into his role. I'm very pleased and secure in the knowledge that the College will be in the very capable hands of Mr McCarthy and such an excellent Executive Leadership Team.

Best wishes to everyone for a restful break and Happy Easter.

John Bormolini
PRINCIPAL

COMING EVENTS AT ECC

Thursday April 9	College Cross Country Carnival
	Last day of Term 1
Wednesday April 29	First day of Term 2

Study Tip #5 – The Routine

Set aside a specific time to study. Many students find it easiest to come home, have something to eat, and then study right away. You'll need to find out what works best for you and your circumstances. Be firm, let friends and family know that certain times are off-limits for idle conversation or socializing.



P&F NEWS

With your reports, you should receive a flyer containing information about a social event that we are holding to celebrate Emmanuel Catholic College's ten year anniversary. This is an over 18 event only and tickets are limited, so to ensure you get a seat, please organize your table (although you don't need a full table to attend) and get your tickets early in term two. This is going to be a fantastic evening with a live band and dancing to great music! You can also see the flyer on the college website. Don't forget, tickets are limited.

The Caravan Park deli

Students are reminded that they are not to visit the deli on the way to school, nor are they allowed to leave school to visit the deli before returning. A number of students are leaving school and visiting the deli before catching buses or attending after school events – this is not permitted.

Standard of Dress

Students need to ensure that they adhere to College uniform rules whilst travelling to and from school. Students represent the College whilst in public whether it be walking home from school, catching the bus or in public places with parents and as such need to ensure they are appropriately attired. Removing parts of the uniform and replacing them with casual clothes such as skate shoes, board shorts, etc is not acceptable. Please ensure that we are the best advertisement for our College that we can be.

From the Library

Please ask your children to log into www.kidstop50.com.au where your child will be able to vote for their favourite books. They have the opportunity to win great prizes for themselves and also helps the school out.

OFFICE SCHOOL HOLIDAY HOURS

Please note that during school holidays the office will be open
Wed 15th April—Friday 17th April 8.30am-3.00pm
Monday 20th April —Friday 24th April 8.30am—3.00pm

EVERY LITTLE BIT COUNTS!

Last week Mrs Brophy and Ms Magee's Year 8 and 9 Catechesis classes combined forces to raise money for Project Compassion. The classes collected 5c pieces and then competed to see who could create the longest '5c snake' by lining up all the coins. The generosity of all classes is to be congratulated; however, Team Brophy was a force too strong to be reckoned with and easily took line honours in both classes. Over \$200 was raised for Caritas, a fantastic effort. It just goes to show that 5c really can go a long way to help those in need! Mrs Brophy and Ms Magee.



NAPLAN - National Assessment Program Literacy And Numeracy

Until 2008, Year 7 and 9 students have been involved in the WALNA and MSE Literacy and Numeracy tests. In 2008, these tests were replaced by a National testing program in the form of NAPLAN. The 2009 National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be conducted during the week of 13 – 15 May and will be administered to Year 7 and 9 students.

The results of the NAPLAN assessments will provide an indication of how students are performing against nationally established standards including the national benchmarks.

NAPLAN Information for Parents pamphlets will be posted to all Year 7 and 9 families with the Term One Reports, outlining some general information for parents. Spare copies are kept at Student Services.

Parents are advised that all students need to sit these assessments and families should not plan for students to be absent during this week. Tests can not be completed prior to the nationally allocated test dates or at times after the week of testing.

Students will receive further information regarding the tests next term through their English and Mathematics classes, but in the interim feel free to contact me at the College.

Mr S. Harvey

Deputy Principal (Years 7-9)

STUDENTS DEPARTING FROM SCHOOL EARLY

Parents/guardians are reminded of the normal procedure regarding students having to depart from the College before the end of the school day. This procedure is outlined in both the **Student Diary** and the **College Handbook**.

Some of the essential steps of the process are given below:

- Students must bring a note signed by a parent/guardian, clearly detailing the time and reason for the early departure. The student should be aware of these details. The note must be shown to the Form Teacher in the morning; the note will be signed by the Form Teacher.
- The note must be presented to the Class Teacher at the beginning of the lesson during which the student is going to leave; the note will be signed by the Class Teacher.
- The student must then take the note to Student Reception and present it to an Office staff member.

Students must wait in Student Reception until a parent/guardian has signed them out.
Students are not permitted to go straight to their parent's car.

Please note that the situation of where a parent comes to school to collect their child without the child being aware of the need to leave early should be avoided. Since we operate on a tight staffing level, it is not convenient for Office staff to leave their work station to go and collect a particular child from their classroom in this circumstance. Also, since unplanned public address announcements can be very disruptive to the teaching/learning process, we will refrain from using the PA system to call a child to Student Reception. We look to the support of all parents/guardians in them following the normal procedure in relation to this matter.

Mr R. McCarthy

Deputy Principal (Years 10-12)

COLLEGE PHOTOGRAPHS

Parents/guardians and students are advised that College photographs will be taken in **week 2 of next term** by Academy Photography.

Students are asked to ensure that they look well-groomed and that their College winter uniform looks immaculate.

On Friday, 8 May, photographs of **students and specialist groups** will be taken. Students are required to be in their **complete winter uniform - blazers and ties** must be worn (no jumpers); girls are to wear the winter skirt with College regulation stockings (NO SOCKS). Girls may need to purchase stockings in preparation for this day.

PLEASE NOTE: This year, payment will need to be made to the photographer **on the day** that the photographs are taken (Friday 8 May). Payment envelopes will be distributed to students a few days before.

Photographs of **sporting teams** will be taken in Term Three.

Many of the photographs taken will appear in this year's College Annual.

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

SCHOOL FEES

Please note that fees are now overdue. Could you please contact Sonja Matthes or Annette Doust to make arrangements for payment.

UNIFORMS

A reminder to all parents and students regarding winter uniform. With term 2 rapidly approaching now is the right time for families to check all winter uniform requirements and ensure correct fitting so that all students are correctly attired from day 1 of next term. Please note the uniform shop opening times below.

UNIFORM SHOP - NEW 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

Please note the Uniform Shop will be open on Tuesday 28th April from 8am—4.15pm (before school starts on Wednesday 29th April.)

SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

YEARS 10, 11 & 12 SEMESTER ONE EXAMINATIONS

Year 10:

Semester One Examinations for Year 10 students will be held in the period
Monday 25 May – Friday 29 May.

As with students in Years 11 & 12, our Year 10s have been advised that they need to see the forthcoming Semester One Examinations as being most **important**, that they **do count** and that **solid revision and preparation are required** leading up to sitting for them. Students can expect that the examinations will cover work over an extended period of time, such as from Terms One and Two. Teachers will provide more specific details.

Year 10 students should understand that many of the Year 11 courses to be offered for 2010 will have minimum entry requirements with regard to results to be obtained in Year 10, including on the Semester One Report. For a number of the 2010 Year 11 courses, a minimum performance on the Year 10 examinations will be set as a co-requirement to be met.

Years 11 & 12:

Semester One Examinations for Years 11 & 12 students will be held in the period
Tuesday 2 June - Friday 12 June.

Year 11 students should understand that many of the Year 12 courses to be offered for 2010 will have minimum entry requirements with regard to results to be obtained in Year 11, including on the Semester One Report.

Year 12 students should also be aiming to achieve at their best in order to not only secure their position with regard to meeting the requirements for Secondary Graduation, but also in relation to maximising their chances of gaining entry into university, TAFE or other training programmes.

Mr R. McCarthy

Deputy Principal (Years 10-12)



Congratulations to Lauren Pyper in Year 9 who participated in the Premier's Summer Reading Challenge.

Lauren received a certificate from the Premier, acknowledging her commitment to reading over the summer holidays.

Well Done Lauren.

ECC 2009 Anzac Day Service

The College annual Anzac Day service will occur in the first week of Term 2 on **Thursday 30th April 2009** during morning assembly (8:50am-9-20am).

Parents and friends of the College are invited to attend, particularly any that may be veterans or currently working in the military forces. Please advise the College if you wish to attend. Many thanks.

Mr D Flanagan

Head of Society and Environment



YEAR 10 NEWS

PREPARING FOR SELECTION OF COURSES FOR 2010 YEAR 11

Our Year 10 students will be required to select their courses for Year 11 early in Term Three. In the lead-up to that stage, much information will be provided to students and parents to assist in the process of making the important decisions required. This information will be communicated in a variety of ways, including:

Outline of Minimum Entrance Requirements: distributed to Year 10 students last week; spare copies available from Student Reception

Course Information Morning Wednesday 6 May: compulsory for all Year 10 students; information letter included with Term One Report

2010 Year 11 Curriculum Handbook: to be distributed to all Year 10 students early in Term Two

Career Education Classes: to be held during Term Two

Student/Parent Information Evening Wednesday 20 May

Students have been strongly encouraged to apply themselves fully to their studies and endeavour to achieve at their best so that as wide a range as possible of Year 11 options becomes available. This in turn, can open up a wider range of courses that can be chosen in Year 12 and hence future career pathways.

Mr R. McCarthy

Deputy Principal (Years 10-12)

Emmanuel Catholic College SMS messaging and Attendance

From 28th April 2009, parents will be informed by mobile phone Short Message Service (SMS) should their child be absent from school without prior explanation being provided to the school.

At Emmanuel Catholic College, student attendance and safety is a high priority.

To improve the efficiency of our attendance procedures, we will be informing parents/caregivers about any unexplained absences for their child.

The school expects parents/caregiver to contact the school in advance if they know their child is to be absent.

From 28th April 2009, an SMS text message will be automatically sent to the mobile phones of parents explaining that our records show that your child is absent from school.

The message will arrive on the phone displaying the number, 0428 937 348 . Parents should store this number in their mobile phone under Emmanuel Catholic College so that when the message arrives, the parent is aware the message has come from the school.

Parents are asked to reply by pressing the reply option on your mobile phone when you receive a message from the school and add your son or daughter s name, year, date of absence and the reason they are absent or late.

e.g. Steven Smith, Year 11 was sick yesterday (Tuesday 15th November)

Text version = Smith S yr11 sick Tues 15 Nov

OR by phoning the school office or sending a note explaining the absence.

Updating Parent Mobile Phone Numbers

As part of the process of implementing this exciting new system, the school is seeking your assistance. We already have an extensive list of parent s mobile numbers; however we would like to make sure our records are fully up-to-date. A letter and reply slip were posted to all families this week requesting essential details.

Thank you for your assistance and co-operation. We look forward to making this exciting transition, and to improving our communication with you.

The P&F are now selling the Entertainment Values Books. They are \$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. Please print off order form, fill out and drop with payment to P & F Box at school office. Books will be distributed mid May.

The NEW 2009/2010 Entertainment™ Books are coming soon...



Due to the over whelming demand of the 2008/2009 season, make sure you secure your copy today!

Hurry! Stocks are limited!

To order your copy of the NEW 2009/2010 Perth Entertainment™ Book.

Contact: Terri Kowald on 0414 877 591

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Emmanuel Catholic College

Contact: Terri Kowald on 0414 877 591

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ State: - ____ Post Code: _____

I would like to order: _____ copy/copies @ \$65 each

Payment Method : Cash Cheque

(Please make cheques payable to: *Emmanuel College P & F*)

Or please charge my: Visa MasterCard

Credit Card Number _____ / _____ / _____ / _____ Exp Date ____ / ____

Books will be made available from **mid May**

Student's name: _____ **Form:** _____



Canteen roster week commencing 1/5/2009

Monday 27/4	Tuesday 28/4	Wed 29/4	Thursday 30/4	Friday 1/5
Public Holiday	No Students			

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER....

A weekend for married couples. Take time out of your busy schedule, to invest in your most precious asset . . . Your Marriage! This is a unique opportunity to recharge your relationship batteries, refocus on each other and fall in love all over again! . Weekend dates at Safety Bay 1-3 May 2009, 16-18 October 2009. For bookings/more details call Joe & Margaret on 9417 8750 or email: WABookings@wwme.org.au Website www.wwme.org.au

MATER CHRISTI PARISH NEWS

Parish Clergy:Fr Bryan Rosling & Fr Jim Corcoran
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**ST.JEROMES' PARISH COMMUNITY
WELCOMES EVERYONE FOR THE
EASTER CELEBRATIONS**

TIME TABLE FOR EASTER TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY 9TH APRIL 2009

MASS AT 7.00PM
FOLLOWED BY ADORATION TILL
MIDNIGHT

GOOD FRIDAY 10TH APRIL 2009

10.00am STATIONS OF THE CROSS
3.00pm CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION

HOLY SATURDAY 11TH APRIL 2009

EASTER VIGIL 7.00pm

EASTER SUNDAY 12TH APRIL 2009

MASS: 8.00am, 10.00am & 6.00pm

This Week's Liturgy

MONDAY 7.45am : MASS
TUESDAY 7.45am : MASS
TUESDAY 7.30pm : CHRISM MASS
WEDNESDAY 5.00pm : HOLY HOUR
6.00pm : MASS
7.00pm : UNITY
HOLY THURSDAY
7.00pm MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
GOOD FRIDAY
10.00am STATIONS OF THE CROSS
RECONCILIATION at 11.00am and 2.00pm
3.00pm SOLEMN LITURGY OF THE PASSION
HOLY SATURDAY
RECONCILIATION from 5.00-6.00pm
7.00pm SOLEMN EASTER VIGIL
EASTER SUNDAY
6.00am DAWN EASTER MASS commences in
the pre-dawn dark and concludes in the light of
the rising sun.
**FAMILY EASTER MASSES at 8.00am, 10.00am
and 5.00pm**

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