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## A MESSAGE FROM FATHER MATTHEW



### EMMAUS DAY 2017

Our Gospel, the Emmaus Story, your school name, is an extraordinary story of which I am not sure we all fully comprehend at times. It mirrors what goes on in our modern world in so many ways, but is much more.

We have two blokes walking along a road, Cleopas and his friend; essentially they were getting away from the disaster and failure of their friend, to solve their problems. It was in utter failure and loss that they decided to walk away. They were depressed, a friend had been killed and all their hopes and dreams were shattered and they didn't know what to do. Even when someone started walking with them, they were so overwhelmed with their own problems that they didn't recognise him. Failure, loss, hopes crushed, death of a friend, depression, running out of town - these perhaps were feelings that they had and it overwhelmed them. The beginning of the

Emmaus Story is a story of failure and it's pretty confronting when we look at it like this.

It could be a story of ours today. It is a fact of life that we will all experience failure and loss, of something or someone, at some point in our lives. If it's failure of a test, a relationship, work, or personal goal, we will all fail at some point. We will experience loss and failure.

I hope everyone here in this place realises this point - that you will all fail at something or experience failure at some time. You will all walk the road of Emmaus, heads downcast, experiencing loss of some sort, not knowing what to do, not recognising those who walk with you are the face of Christ. Being overwhelmed with all that is happening in your life.

The beginning story of Emmaus is what our society and many people are going through and experiencing in so many ways today. It could be a story and journey of mental health. They could not deal with such loss and tragedy in their lives; they were overwhelmed with it and did not know how to deal with it all. Now for some that is the end of the story. And for some they cannot get out of or deal with the consequences of the loss, failure of what they are experiencing.

Two days ago, I buried a young man of 30: at the prime of his life. I am not sure what was happening for him, but he was overwhelmed with life and all that he was experiencing. He committed suicide. He could not see a way forward. Days like that are the saddest and hardest days I ever experience.

Mental health is a sickness that is perhaps what those two who walked the road to Emmaus two thousand years ago experienced, similarly to the road that we walk today. Experiencing loss, being overwhelmed, failure perhaps, not seeing those around us, they are all symptoms in some way of our mental health and well being. They point to how we are coping with life. The young man I buried could not cope and died a tragic death. He could not see the whole picture as his heart and mind was broken.

There are two parts to this Emmaus story and to all our stories. But I have only told the first half of the story and for some that is

all that they can see and experience. This Emmaus journey is so filled with hope and life and sacredness that it is a resurrection story as well. It is a resurrection story for us all amidst whatever we are experiencing or might experience in the future.

As they walked along not being able to see, something within them called them on and forward, their hearts were burning within them. A deep call to relationship and the sacredness of who they were was within them and is within us all.

They did not recognise at first, the person who was walking with them, that it was Christ, because it took time. These experiences all take time. But as they spent time with him, as they shared the journey and listened to him, as he broke bread with them, something changed within them to see beyond the fog and mist of them not being able to see. In our Gospel their hearts burnt with that call forward and they recognised Jesus in the breaking of the bread.

We too, in our times of need, our hearts burn within us and with time we can slowly recognise and see a way forward. With others around us or with that someone we can call on, or that we do not think can solve the problem, but who sits at our table of life and shares the cup of coffee, moment of time, a meal, or simply listens for a while, can change our lives forever. You might be that person who simply sits with another; you may be the person who is the face of Christ for another. We all are, in some way, in either chair, with our hearts burning waiting and wanting, or listening and sharing.

For many people they can only see the first half of the Emmaus journey and it is very real. I am going to say two things to you now and it might seem a little unkind or challenging. First, I hope everyone here experiences loss or failure. And secondly, I hope you can see the other half of YOUR Emmaus story and that you may be a face of Christ for someone struggling, or be a face of hope as you break bread and spend time together. Always know that. Always believe that there is the resurrection and face of Christ who we can be for each other.

Amidst whatever your Emmaus story may look like, know that there is always a second part of the journey; A part that says our burning hearts can be held and made whole again; A part that says that whatever we experience, with time, slowly our hearts will burn once more with the face of Christ within us and around us calling us forward into a new day.

May you continue to recognise the faces of Christ in and amongst you and may it be a day of celebration for you all. Amen.

*Fr Matthew*

*If you or someone you know is experiencing a personal crisis and needs advice and support, please contact Lifeline on 131144, Beyond Blue on 1300 224636 or the Emmaus Counselling team. counsellors@emmaus.qld.edu.au*

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Hello to all in the Emmaus College community,

### EMMAUS DAY

Since our last newsletter, we celebrated Emmaus Day. We were fortunate with wonderful weather for our Cross Country, Walk and Games, which were followed by a wonderful celebration of the Mass led by Fr Matthew, our college pastor. The day concluded with the traditional Emmaus concert and later that night with the Senior School Dance. A big thank you to all involved in these celebrations of our Emmaus story. Our hearts certainly “burned within” us on this day as we played, reflected and celebrated together.

### SURVEYS FOR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT

Thank you to all students, parents and staff who have completed the satisfaction surveys. There is still one more day to go. Friday 26 May is the last day for survey submissions.

### FITNESS CENTRE

In coming weeks, our fitness centre will be fitted out with equipment. The college has been very appreciative of the work of the builders Murchies for the professional and cooperative way in which they have completed works around the college this year. We are hoping to have the fitness centre fully operational for Term 3.

### YEAR 8 CAMPS

A big thank you to Ms Terina Wyeth and her team who are running our Year 8 camps at Fairbairn Dam this week and next. The camps are a great opportunity for our young people to learn to work together as they accomplish various challenges. There is also the opportunity for stargazing and ritual on this camp.

### PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

A reminder to all parents that the Parents and Friends Association meets the third Tuesday of every month at 5:30 pm in the Yaamba Road library. These meetings are opportunities for parents to have a say in where the funds from Parents and Friends levies are directed to support our students and also for parents to hear directly from the college leadership team what is happening in the college. New parents are always welcome to these meetings. The next meeting is 20 June.

### EXAMS AND ASSIGNMENTS

This is now the end of week 6 in a ten-week term. Exams and assignments are coming due. Parents are asked to assist students in their planning of their routines to make sure students give themselves the time they need to complete assignments and study for their exams.

### QCAA AND NEW SENIOR SYLLABUS

Plans are well underway for the implementation of the new syllabus that will affect our current Year 9 students when they move into Year 11 in 2019. The QCAA is rolling out professional development for teachers over the next two years. Emmaus

staff are very involved in this process. Our students have also been involved in a number of the trials for external exams. Ms Sharon Lapere ran short seminars about the new Senior Curriculum to interested parents last week. Watch out for more of these seminars which will be run this year and next. A brief summary video is available for viewing at the QCAA website <https://www.qcaa.qld.edu.au/senior/new-snr-assessment-te/resources/senior-schooling-changing>

## COLLECTION OF DATA ON SCHOOL STUDENTS WITH A DISABILITY

If you have a student with a disability and have any questions about the collection of data on your student, please read the attached flyer and if you need more information, contact [Angela\\_Maclaine@emmaus.qld.edu.au](mailto:Angela_Maclaine@emmaus.qld.edu.au).

God bless,

**Eamon Hannan  
Principal**

## DATES FOR THE NEXT FORTNIGHT

Wednesday 24 May	Year 10 ACTS Camp
Thursday 25 May	Term 2 Instrumental Music Concert
Friday 26 May	National Sorry Day
Mon 29 – Wed 31 May	Year 8 – Camp 3
Wed 31 May – Fri 2 June	Year 8 - Camp 4
Wednesday 31 May	State of Origin #1
Thursday 1 June	Board Meeting
Thursday 8 June	Assessment Block Commences Next Newsletter Published

## FROM THE YAAMBA ROAD CAMPUS

### ORAL HEALTH SERVICE

We are expecting the dental van soon. The Oral Health Service provides free dental service to students in Years 7-10. The parent letter and consent forms have been distributed and are due back as soon as possible. Included in this newsletter are the parent letter and consent forms.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms Maher.

**Julie Maher  
Deputy Principal, Yaamba Road Campus  
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## FROM THE DIRECTOR OF CAMPUS



### AN HOUR A DAY ON A SCREEN CAN RESULT IN A DROP OF TWO GRADES!

Welcome to Week Six. We now advance to the business end of the school term, Emmaus students. Your children will now be beginning to submit drafts, completing assignments and sitting examinations. Only last week, the Year 8's completed their mathematics examination, and the Year 9 SOSE students were completing fieldwork on Coastal Processes, and are expected to submit a draft at the end of this week.

This increasing pressure on available time should result in a revision plan or work schedule. This issue I believe is an ideal time to look at current practices and see where we can make time for effective study. Demands on time could include:

- Travel time to and from school
- Homework
- Sport
- Cultural Activities
- Sleeping Habits
- Screen Time

All of the above have a legitimate call on our children's time, but is there any of them that we over indulge in? Is there any time when we all could work smarter? Alternatively, are any of these activities causing other issues which can cause damage? Areas of concern would be the social, emotional and behavioural aspects of your child's development as well as their academic progress.

Let's look at screen time. Parents and teachers fight an endless battle regarding screens of all shapes and sizes. The fears that this will impact on academic performance are borne out here "Research from Cambridge University suggests that 14-year-olds who spend an hour a day on screens during their leisure time score nine fewer points at GCSE when the sum of their grades is calculated – the equivalent of dropping two grades from a B to a D. Two extra hours results in 18 fewer points at GCSE." ( Sally Weale , Guardian Education Correspondent <https://www.theguardian.com/education/2015/sep/04/teenagers-who-watch-screens-in-free-time-do-worse-in-gcses>).

So if you really want your child to excel in the examination room, relieve them of the phone. Try and strike a balance between study and downtime. Provide opportunities for face-to-face socializing. Emmaus, through its sport and cultural activities, can do this. Let's look to improve our children's social, emotional and academic well-being by ditching those screens.

### SPEED MATHS CHALLENGE

The highlight of Term 2 2017 so far has been the Speed Maths Competition. This innovative event was organised along the same lines as the 2016 Spelling Bee. Pupils had to fight their way out of their tute Class to progress to the Year Group Final. The top four from each year group subsequently went on to the Grand Final last Thursday, 18 June.

The format is as follows:

Ninety Mental mathematics questions in twelve minutes in Round One and Round Two. The Final consisted of a 25 question Cahoot performed in front of the Yaamba Road Campus Student Body.

The top scorer in Round One was Geordie Langford with 84 correct out of ninety, this was matched by Aishwariya Manikandan. It was these two pupils in particular who enthralled the audience exchanging the lead on at least six occasions before Geordie eventually emerged as winner.

Speaking after the event, Geordie stated that “it was an intense competition and the atmosphere in the final was electric. I am delighted to have won”.

Special Thanks to the following who made this possible

- Daine Horstman and the Year Seven SRC
- Emma Isbel, Lleyton Muggeridge, Petria Hohn, Ally Weaver, Isaiah Dale, William Lauga, Joseph Ramirez, Jordan Bianchi and Aaliyah Brown
- Ben Hutton (Maths Guru)
- Meegan Fox (Cheer Squad Choreographer)
- Anh Nguyen, Felicity Bird and Shea Taylor (Hosts and Continuity).



The finalists were

Tho Dang, Ciaran Toman, Dylan Bertucci, David Blair, Brodie Lucht, Jordan Bright, Geordie Langford, Aishwariya Manikandan, Jarrod Durre, Traevyn Mills, Mackenzie Rolfe and Tyrese Gibbins.

Next term we will have a similar competition. The subjects under scrutiny will be science, geography and history.

## YEAR 8 CAMP

Year 8 parents, if you are looking for any information about the upcoming Camp at Fairbairn Dam, please check out the Emmaus College website that has all the information that you and your child require. Please call 49235700 if you have any special requirements you need to discuss.

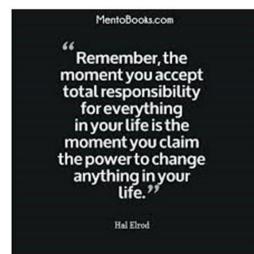
<https://sites.google.com/emmaus.qld.edu.au/year8camp/home>

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## FROM THE MAIN STREET CAMPUS



## QUOTE FOR THIS WEEK



## LUNCH TIME OPENING OF L7

We are going to trial opening L7 for lunch time activities from 10.40am to 11.00am Week A and from 10.40am to 11.10am Week B on a Wednesday.

## LIBRARY EXTENDED OPENING HOURS

We are going to be opening the Main Street library from 8.00am to 7.00pm Monday to Thursday in Week 8 and 9 to support students in their assessment and exam preparations.

## CARPARK ISSUES – YEAR 12

Students and staff have been increasingly vocal about the bad behaviours in the carpark – both driving and non-driving behaviours. This is a very serious cause of concern for the health and safety of everyone on the campus. The following list are clear instructions for the use of this area. It will not be deemed acceptable that you are unaware of these instructions!

- *No student is allowed to park in the school grounds without the Car Park permission form completed and signed by parents and student.*
- *The speed limit is 10km per hour in our carpark.*
- *At the end of the day, students are to go to their car and immediately drive off.*
- *No students are to stand around and talk in the student car parking area.*
- *If you are off campus for any reason, for e.g. at TAFE, you are not permitted on the school campus grounds as you are not in uniform.*
- *If you waiting on a sibling or anyone else, you must drive out of the carpark and park in the roadside drop off and pick up parking areas. You are NOT to wait in the carpark.*

## SENIOR ROTARY QUIZ

Last week, Year 12 students Erin Fenton and Rani Stephensen and Year 11 student Mikaly Smith represented Emmaus College in the annual Rotary Quiz night. The teams were

challenged to answer 15 individual or team questions and then compete against another team in order to progress through to the finals. The questions covered a range of topics including sport, geography, local knowledge, music and politics. The girls competed well, finishing fifth out of ten teams and are to be congratulated for their efforts.



## YEAR 10 SCIENCE

Mrs Parkin and Ms Canavan's Year 10 Science classes will be visiting the Koorana Crocodile Farm on Friday 16 June to talk Genetics and to see the hatching of a nest of crocodiles. Please complete and return the permission form by Friday 9 June. See attached flyer for more information. If you need more information, please contact Nichole\_Parkin@emmaus.qld.edu.au or Ashling\_Canavan@emmaus.qld.edu.au.

**Aine Toman**  
**Director of Campus (Senior Campus)**  
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## FROM THE COMMUNITY RELATIONS OFFICER



### UMBRELLAS

Have you noticed the sleek and incredibly sophisticated navy Emmaus College branded umbrellas getting around? At this stage we have provided them to staff, however I am seeking feedback as to whether or not families would like to purchase one? If you would like to rock the Emmaus brand at sporting events, to stay sun smart or simply to be toasty and warm in cold drizzly weather, please email your Expression of Interest to [community@emmaus.qld.edu.au](mailto:community@emmaus.qld.edu.au).

## POSITIONS VACANT

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Applications can be forwarded to [employment@emmaus.qld.edu.au](mailto:employment@emmaus.qld.edu.au) with Covering Letter, Resume and three contactable referees.

Applications for this position will close at 4pm on Wednesday 31 May 2017.

## BUILDING RENOVATIONS



As part of the ongoing developments here at the College, we have recently had new lights installed at the dome on Yaamba Road. Thanks to Mr Toman for snapping this great image!

Until next time, please keep up to date via Facebook, Twitter, or our Mobile App or at our Website.

**Ashlee Hansen**  
**Community Relations Officer**  
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## FINANCE DEPARTMENT

### TERM 2 FEES

Would all parents please note that accounts for Term 2 fees have been issued and are due on Wednesday 31 May. School fee statements are available on Parent Lounge. BPAY details are located on the top right-hand side of your statement.

Please contact the Finance Department if you would like to start paying your school fees by direct debit, increase your existing direct debit or have any queries concerning term fees and charges.

**Helen Tucker**  
**Finance Manager**  
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## FROM OUR FACULTIES - ACADEMIC

### CURRICULUM UPDATE



### EXAMINATIONS - THURSDAY 8 JUNE – FRIDAY 16 JUNE: WEEKS 8B AND 9A

The coming weeks will see many students completing assignments and exams. It is essential that students consult the assessment schedules (available on the website and student notices), exam timetable (available on student notices from Week 7) and check with their teachers to ensure that they are fully prepared for upcoming opportunities to provide evidence of the knowledge and skills they have been developing.

### PLEASE NOTE:

To reduce any potential stress during this period, students need to ensure that they are aware of start times and the room allocation for their exams. Students need to be at the allocated room prior to the commencement time with all necessary equipment.

No bags, phones, watches or other electronic equipment is permitted inside an examination venue (unless identified as required by their teacher). This year we have seen a significant increase in the number of students with Smart Watches and Fitness Trackers. While these devices provide increased access to technology they also mean that students can receive emails within the examination venue. As you would imagine this compromises the integrity and security of the examination process and as a result we will be asking students to lock their phones, watches and any other items in their lockers which are provided on campus. Students may not leave the examination room unless instructed by their supervisor.

We ask that the office is contacted (Ph. 4923 5700) if a student is unable to sit for a scheduled examination. In the case of illness, medical documentation (Years 11 – 12) or a note explaining the absence (Years 7 – 10) needs to be provided to the office, teacher &/or tutor.

Given strict requirements pertaining to the conditions of examinations, the consequences of any variation to assessment will need to be determined by the Head of Faculty implementing the QCAA guidelines.

If a student is absent for three days or more an Extended Leave Form must be submitted to the Director of Campus or Deputy Principal at least two (2) weeks in advance. These forms are available from the office or on-line.

## HOME STUDY INFORMATION FOR YEAR 11 AND 12 STUDENTS

During the examination period (Assessment Block), students in Years 11 and 12 are able to study at home if all outstanding assessments have been submitted.

**Home Study:** Year 11 and 12 students only.

Thursday June 8 (Week 8B) – Friday June 16 (Week 9A)

Full, formal school uniform is to be worn when on campus for exams, assessment, scheduled tutorials and/or study.

Emmaus College offers supervised study during the exam block. Students in Years 11 and 12 who choose to come onto the campus during the exam block for study purposes, and who are not attending a scheduled exam or tutorial are required to report to and sign in at the allocated, supervised silent study room provided (L7) – scheduled lunch breaks apply.

Students choosing to come onto the campus prior to or remaining on campus after a scheduled exam are also asked to report and sign in at the allocated, supervised silent study room (L7). Normal school hours, breaks and conditions apply. For Years 7 – 10 normal, scheduled classes continue on both campuses.

A number of tutes and / or sessions for students to complete practical components of a unit will be available. Students will be notified of these times.

## Correction

The Year 11 Assessment Schedule lists two Maths B exams in Week 9 of this term and no listing of the Maths C exam. The correct schedule is below:

Week 09	Maths B	Examination
Week 09	Maths C	Examination

Students are advised to check with their teacher to confirm their assessment schedule. We apologise for any confusion.

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**Assistant to the Principal, Curriculum**  
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## ENGLISH MATTERS



English tutes have commenced for Term 3.

Wednesday 3:10 – 4:00pm in the Yaamba Road library

Students are encouraged to come to the tute with homework and/or to revise concepts learnt in class and perhaps get help with the parts of English they are struggling with. There will be an English teacher available at these tutes to answer any questions and provide extra support when needed in the form of worksheets and instruction on the basics of English.

**Jesse Warren**  
**Head of English**  
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## MATHS MATTERS



## MATHS TEAMS CHALLENGE

Well done to the Year 11 and 12 students who participated in the Interschool Maths Teams Challenge on Emmaus Day. By all reports, the students did very well and had a challenging, fun day overall. Teams for the Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 Maths Challenge will be organised soon as their day will be held

early in Term 3.

## ASSESSMENT DATE CHANGES

Due to a number of different interruptions the following changes will occur later in the term:

**Year 8 Maths Test will be during week 10**  
**7 Maths Test will be early in Term 3**

## EQUIPMENT

A reminder that all students in Years 7 - 12 should have their own scientific calculator that needs to be brought to all Maths lessons. Failure to do so is impacting heavily on students' ability to complete set class tasks. Scientific calculators can be purchased from the Library for \$17.50 each.

The standard equipment that needs to be taken to each Maths lesson is shown below.



## MATHS TUTES

A reminder that Maths tutes have commenced each Tuesday from 3:15 – 4:15pm.

Juniors (Years 7, 8 and 9) in the Yaamba Rd Library  
Seniors (Years 10, 11 and 12) in R5 on Main St.

**Peter O'Shaughnessy**  
**Head of Mathematics**  
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## TEXTILE AND FOOD TECHNOLOGIES NEWS



### COOKING FOR COHESION

If you are interested in attending or assisting with this multi-cultural event, further details will be available as soon as the date is confirmed. Keep an eye out for posters around the Hospitality Classroom or you can contact Ms Bygrave for more information on

emma\_bygrave@emmaus.qld.edu.au.

### MASTERCHEF COMPETITION

If you are interested, here is link to an article in CQUniversity news about the Masterchef competition the students participated in last week.

<https://www.cqu.edu.au/cquninews/stories/general-category/2017/high-schoolers-learn-from-one-of-tvs-masterchefs-during-annual-cquni-cooking-competition>

### YEAR 10 DISCOVERING FOOD – ORGANIC FARM EXCURSION

On Wednesday 17 May, 15 students from Year 10 Discovering Food visited the High Valley Dawn Organic Farm and Beaches Restaurant in Yeppoon. It was a great opportunity for students to spend time with a local land owner, Ross O'Reilly and his farmer Shae. In Term 1 the students completed a unit on Sustainability and the trip to the Farm put this unit into perspective. Students were able to speak to the farmer about Organic Farming, Permaculture, Companion planting and water conservation. It was a real eye opening experience for some students, as the farm was totally reliant on solar power. The students also experienced fine dining at the Beaches Restaurant for lunch. Students were able to enjoy locally caught mackerel while enjoying the beach view.



**Wendy Smith**  
**Head of Textile and Food Technologies**  
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## HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

### CHANGES TO ADVERTISED HPE ASSESSMENT

#### 9HPE – Body Image

Assessment is now a short response exam in Week 7 and an extended response task due in Week 8.

#### 10 PE

Assessment is now an electronic draft in Week 8 and due in Week 9.

**Darlene Hamilton**  
**Head of Faculty - Health and Physical Education**  
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## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & BUSINESS

### THE WEALTH ACADEMY RESOURCES – TEENFINCA

#### Financial capability

The Australian Government Department of Social Services has a focus on financial capability. Financial capability services help people to build longer-term capability to budget and manage their money and to make informed choices about their money in the future.

Financial capability workers deliver financial literacy education, information and coaching and maintain a strong focus on supporting consumers to change their behaviour and 'learn by doing'. This includes basic financial literacy education and support either individually or group settings.

<https://www.dss.gov.au/communities-and-vulnerable-people/programmes-services/financial-wellbeing-and-capability-overview-of-changes/financial-capability>

*This financial life skills message is provided by our school partners Soundbridge Financial Services and Foxlaw.*

Specific resources for parents are available after logging in on The Wealth Academy website.

### YEAR 11 LEGAL STUDIES TRIP

The second payment of \$200 is due on Friday, 9 June for the Year 11 Legal Studies Trip.

**Karyl Young**  
**Head of Information Technology & Business**  
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## FROM OUR FACULTIES - CO-CURRICULAR

### INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC NEWS

#### COME ONE, COME ALL!



Tonight, Thursday 25 May, we are having our Term 2 Instrumental Music concert. It promises to be a night of entertaining music, with special guests the St Anthony's Primary School Concert Band! The evening will commence at 6pm and finish before

7pm. So make our concert a MUST DO in your calendars this week! Come along and enjoy the talent of the students we have here at Emmaus College.

## ENSEMBLE REHEARSAL TIMES

Over the last week, we have had a great improvement in attendance across all our ensembles. We still have a way to go before we achieve 100% but we are well on our way. Again, please have your child contact me if they are unable to attend rehearsal.

**Orchestra:** Tuesday 3:00 – 4:30pm

**Concert Band:** Wednesday 3:15 – 4:30pm

**Jazz Band:** Thursday 3:15 – 4:30pm

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Term 2 Concert at Emmaus College on Thursday 5 May
- Rockhampton Instrumental Eisteddfod runs from the 27-31 May
- Rockhampton Show Performance at 12:30pm on Friday 16 June
- Rockhampton Diocese Music Camp Tuesday 20 – Thursday 22 June

If you have questions about any of our upcoming events, rehearsals, if you're interested in enrolling in the instrumental program, or any other general inquiries please feel free to contact me anytime.

### **Sarah Kateifides**

**Acting Director of Instrumental Music**

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## SPORT NEWS



### CONGRATULATIONS – LACHLAN HUBNER

Congratulations to Lachlan as he has been selected in the Queensland Secondary School Chairman's Squad. He also received Man of the Match for the finals.

## TERM 2 SPORTS

A reminder to parents and students that the following interschool sports are now underway:

**Boys Football (soccer)**

**Netball**

**Boys Basketball**

Information on training will be provided by your team coach. If you are unable to attend a game or training session, please notify your coach as soon as possible. Game times will be emailed out weekly but can also be found below: The draw is also available on the Emmaus App.

<http://emmaus.qld.edu.au/co-curriculum/sport/draws/>

## FACEBOOK

We now have an Emmaus College Sport page! Stay up to date with news, team selections, schedules, etc. with our sport page. Here is the [LINK](#), please give us a like!

**Justen Parle**

**Sport Development Officer**

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## FROM OUR FACULTIES - SPIRITUAL AND CULTURAL

### MAKING JESUS REAL



**"God is to me that creative force, behind and in the universe, who manifests Himself as energy, as life, as order, as beauty, as thought, as conscience, as love. " Henry Sloane Coffin**

This has been a most uplifting week on the Middle School Campus. The Speed Math Challenge final took place after assembly on Thursday. The crowd were engrossed and the supportive spirit was fantastic. What a final! With all the pomp and excitement of a world title fight, the competition was tight and tense and who would have thought it would come down to the last answer. Congratulations to all involved and to the champion, Geordie Langford.

The year 8 camps are underway with all the excitement it entails; this is such an amazing and transforming experience. Each year the cohort grows closer and stronger through the time spent away together being challenged. Thank you to all involved in the preparation and running of the camps, I look forward to going myself in Week 7.

Can You Go The Distance – this was the challenge posed for the Paper Plane throwing competition. Students were challenged to build and then throw for distance a paper plane. There was an incredible variation in both design and flying success. Some planes failed to leave the tarmac; others floated brilliantly, stayed in the air a long time, but failed to go too far forward, many were boomerangs, taking off with all the signs of success before turning back and returning to the starting line. Seven students made the final but one soared above all others. Cyron Tull from Year 9 was the master of flight, showing early signs of brilliance at the practice session he went on to dominate the competition and the grand final with his flying prowess. Though official measurements were taken the plane soared for almost the entire length of the basketball court in the hall, meters beyond all other competitors. Liam Dowdle (Year 9) finished a credible second and Hien Menh (Year 7) came in third. Congratulations to the Cultural group for their work in organising and helping to run the activity.



**"Many people are good at talking about what they are doing, but in fact do little. Others do a lot but don't talk about it; they are the ones who make a community live."**

*Jean Vanier*

How blessed we are at Emmaus for having so many willing to work so hard to create and run so many activities that bring so much more to the education of children.

Take care,

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#### INDIGENOUS EDUCATION LIAISON OFFICER



During the past 2 weeks, our Year 11 and 12 Indigenous students attended a 3 day leadership camp hosted in Yeppoon at the PCYC facility. The camp is preparing our students for after school and leadership qualities to bring back to their schools.

Many schools throughout the Diocese attended including; Emmaus College, The Cathedral College, St Brendan's College, St Ursula's College, Holy Spirit (Mackay), St Patrick's College (Mackay) and Shalom (Bundaberg).



We encourage our seniors to attend these camps each year as this is a resourceful experience. We find a lot of students walk away with lifelong friends, confidence and more leadership qualities. Thank you to the students who participated in the 2017 Indigenous Leadership camps.

Reconciliation Week is next week – 29 May to 2 June. Our schools indigenous dance troop has been invited to perform at the Narnia Kindergarten again this year.

#### **Sarah Kane**

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#### SPIRITUALITY AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

#### INTERACT CLUB

"On Friday 19 May the Interact club hosted a Girls' Night In for senior students to fundraise for women's cancer research. It was a great night of food, games and entertainment with the club raising over \$270. A special thanks to Miss Bygrave, Miss Canavan and Miss Huth for their support by supervising on the night and to all the girls involved for their wonderful participation in this event. "



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# LIBRARY NEWS



Happy Library and Information Week!

The opening times for both libraries are 8am – 4pm Monday to Friday during the school Term

## NEWS

There will be extended hours in the Main Street Library during assessment for Year 11 and 12 students, the times will be sent out next week.

Library and Information Week 2017 - 'Celebrate' the role of libraries and the 80th birthday of the Australian Library and Information Association.



Both libraries will be highlighting LIW this week. Main Street Library is holding an afternoon tea, and games at breaks for the students.

Yaamba Road Library has just held a successful book fair during week 5. Thank you to everyone who supported this. The Library was able to donate resources to the Clarke Creek State School to help with their recovery after the cyclone.



## READERS CUP COMPETITION

Some of our Year 8 students are currently preparing for the regional Readers Cup competition. This is a reading comprehension competition and requires the students to read a number of set novels and then answer questions about each book in a quiz format. The competition will be held at Blackwater SHS on 8 June. We wish the students all the best in this competition. Winner of the regional competition will then go on to the State final to be held in Brisbane in September.

## NEW BOOKS

The library receives new Fiction and Non-Fiction books weekly. Keep an eye on the display shelves to see what's new. The library also takes requests to purchase books depending on their suitability for students.

Year 7 - 9 students can gain permission to borrow from the senior library via a form which is filled in by their parents or guardians. Please see the library staff for more information.

## R2R@EMMAUS

The focus for library lessons during 2017 will again be **Research to Referencing (R2R)**. The objective of this program is to concentrate on the journey that students need to take to

complete an assessment piece. Starting with skills needed to navigate and assess relevant information from all the sources available, using this information to assemble the assignment and finishing with an accurate reference/bibliography list. All Year 7 and 11 students complete a library orientation lesson and R2R lessons throughout the year. Other year levels are offered the options to implement the R2R lesson as part of a unit of work in the classroom.

## STUDENT ID CARDS

All students have been issued with a new student ID card, this card is required to access the printers in each library. If the student does not have their card to print they are given 2 chances, then the library will automatically print a new card at a cost of \$5.00 which will be charged to school fees. Please ensure that students have their cards at school to avoid this charge.

## ACCESSING LIBRARY RESOURCES

The library page can be accessed by clicking on the library tab at the top of the intranet page.

<http://oliver.emmaus.qld.edu.au/oliver/libraryHome.do>

Emmaus College subscribes to a range of online databases so that students have reliable and up to date information for assignment research. These databases are available from the Library intranet page. Students are encouraged to make this their first port of call when beginning research for assessment as this is much more time efficient than using search engines such as Google and Wikipedia.

The Oliver Library page and search tool is available at home from the College external web page:

<http://emmaus.qld.edu.au/>

- Select Login to Intranet
- Select the Library tab at the top of the page

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## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRODUCTION: JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT



From the early creativity of Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice, Emmaus College is delighted to present the Biblical saga of Joseph and his coat of many colours. Watch as the students bring the story to vibrant life in this delightful musical parable.

Joseph, his father's favourite son, is a boy blessed with prophetic dreams. When he is sold into slavery by his jealous brothers and taken to Egypt, Joseph endures a series of adventures in which his spirit and humanity are continually challenged. When news of Joseph's gift to interpret dreams reaches the Pharaoh (wryly and riotously depicted as Elvis), Joseph is well on his way to becoming second in command. Eventually his brothers, unknowingly find themselves grovelling at the feet of the brother they betrayed. After testing their integrity, Joseph reveals himself leading to a heartfelt reconciliation of the sons of Israel.

Set to an engaging cornucopia of musical styles, from country-western and calypso to bubble-gum pop and rock 'n' roll, this Old Testament tale emerges both timely and timeless. Bring the whole family along to enjoy the 33rd annual musical production presented by Emmaus College.

Our show is on sale at the Pilbeam Theatre now, so get in and book your tickets early to get the best seats possible. or dial 'n' charge 49274111

<http://www.seeitlive.com.au>

We have 75 students from Year 8 to Year 12 performing on stage, with another 10 students helping backstage or playing in our orchestra! The students are starting to progress very well at rehearsal. We have three weeks until our compulsory production camp - Saturday 17 June (9.00am to 9.00pm) and Sunday 18 June (9.00am to 5.00pm). Students should ensure that they have arranged to have that weekend free from work or

other commitments. It is extremely difficult to rehearse without a full cast in attendance at each practise and production camp is a particularly intensive rehearsal period.

The first two production payments of \$60 each are now overdue, please arrange to pay this fee via Parent Lounge as soon as possible. Production T-shirts and water bottles cannot be issued unless these payments have been made.

**Sonya Acutt  
Producer**



### CQ COMMUNITY SUICIDE PREVENTION NETWORK

Raffle tickets into the didgeridoo and painting raffle are selling for \$1.00 at our administration offices and all donations will be going towards the CQCSPN to help promote suicide prevention in the CQ region.

The didgeridoo and painting is located on Main Street campus in the staff room, and can be viewed by asking the staff.



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### 2017 BUY SMART CAMPAIGN

As schools in my electorate enter Term 2 of the school year, I would like to take the opportunity to remind schools that the Buy Smart competition is open for entries. Young people are a big part of the marketplace. However, they can face serious risks as consumers - both right now and as they become adults. The aim of the Buy Smart Competition is to get young people thinking about important consumer law issues. Topics that students can research include entering into contracts, like a phone contract, a gym membership, or purchasing car insurance. Other popular topics include shopping online and detecting scams on social media. Students are asked to get creative and make a video, poster, game or anything that can teach others about consumer issues, in a fun and creative way. There are over \$15,000 in cash prizes, including prizes of up to \$500 for the student and \$2,000 for their school or organisation. Students can enter as individuals or as groups. Entries will close on Friday 15 September 2017.

This is a fantastic opportunity for students, and I would encourage your school to get involved in this year's competition. The Office of Fair Trading can come to your school to talk to your students about the Buy Smart competition and about consumer and financial literacy issues. For more information about the Buy Smart competition and classroom resources please contact my office or visit below:

<http://www.qld.gov.au/buysmartcomp>



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## STUDENTS WITH A DISABILITY

Know a secondary student living with disability? Unsure about what life after school and the NDIS might look like for them? Join other passionate and motivated supporters of students with a disability to imagine the possibilities for full, rich and meaningful lives after school. If you're after strategies, ideas, resources and inspiration about what's possible then the **My Future My Life – THINK PREPARE PLAN Conferences** on the **Gold Coast** and in **Cairns** in **July 2017** are a must attend. Click **HERE** to visit the conference website and Like and Share our conference with family and friends on Facebook

## BLUEBIRDS NETBALL CLUB

Bluebirds Netball club is currently looking for two 15 or 16-year-old players for circle defence for their Jnr B 1 team. Team plays on a Wednesday night and trains late Friday afternoon. If you are interested, please email [bluebirdsnetballclub@gmail.com](mailto:bluebirdsnetballclub@gmail.com) or contact Julie on 0437 479 222.