

Emerald Secondary College



The Bush Telegraph

Emerald Secondary College is a Learning Community

Principal - Jodie Doble

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Term 4 - 2017:

17th November 2017

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Important Dates:

Every Thursday: Homework Club
3.20pm - 4.30pm in A7

NOVEMBER:

Thu 23rd - Tues 28th: Yr 11 Exams

Fri 24th - Tues 28th: Yr 10 Exams

Tue 28th: Valedictory Dinner

Wed 29th - Tues 12th Dec: Whole
School Kickstart Program

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- Cockatoo Community Christmas Carols
- Gembrook Community Christmas Carols
- Emerald Scouts Christmas Trees Sale

From the Principal:

Learning and Teaching

This week our teaching staff have continued to work collaboratively and develop the new High Impact Teaching Strategies (HITS) into their everyday practice to engage our students in their learning.

Our two after school professional development sessions this week were led by our FISO (Framework for Improving Student Outcomes) team and saw our staff unpacking their curriculum planning to explicitly look at the strategies to continue to improve student learning.

I attended the Outer East Principals network, and working with my Principal colleagues we looked at how the new Annual Implementation Plan can support our students learning and student's engagement in our classrooms.

Next week the College Leadership team will be working offsite to review all our 2017 data, our achievements and our areas for further improvement to develop goals and targets for 2018.

Year 10 Productions

Taking on one of Sophocles plays is never a light challenge, and I would like to congratulate Mr Carnie and our Year 10 Theatre studies group for their effort and skills in performing 'Antigone' this week.

This classic play is one usually performed by VCE students, and it shows how talented our students and staff are in the performance arts.

I would like to extend my sincere thank you to all our students, their families and to all our staff who assisted the students, especially Mr Edwards.

2018 Debutante Ball

Applications are now open and can be collected from the College front office.

Our wonderful Emerald Rotary have again partnered with the

College and organised our annual Debutante Ball. The cost for participants includes the choreography, dance tuition, dance rehearsals, suit hire for the boys, flowers,



photography package and the student meals at the venue.

The 2018 Debutante Ball will be on Saturday 16th June at The Grand on Cathies Lane in Wantirna.

This is a fabulous opportunity for our students to be proud of themselves in a formal setting.



Bushfire Readiness

As we move into Bushfire season, I would like to remind all our families to make sure they have their Bushfire plans updated and ready. While we hope we will never have to act on our Bushfire Plans it is important that we all have them. The College is no exception to this.

This week I have been formally advised that the College will close on CODE RED DAYS, and will potentially close on EXTREME days. The CFA, SES and DET Regional offices will advise us 24hours prior to an Extreme day taking into account wind directions, temperatures and conditions.

We will only close if there is a potential threat to lives. If we are closing all our families will be notified through Compass and SMS. Our Website will display days we are closed, and the entrance and exits to the College will be blocked. Buses will not run on days we are closed and families are encouraged to put their own plans in place on school closure days.



Jodie Doble - Principal

Year 9 Connect - Trivia Night Fundraiser

The Year 9 Connect Community Trivia night is taking place Thursday 25th November. This is an important event on our school calendar because it celebrates and raises funds for the work of the committed members of our local SES Unit. Being a volunteer organisation the SES is always seeking funding and support for the essential services that they provide in our community, and we here at ESC have enjoyed a long association with this vital community organisation. As stated on their website; 'The Victoria State Emergency Service provides emergency assistance to the community 24 hours a day, seven days a week. It is a control agency during emergency response to flood, storm and earthquake in Victoria and is the largest provider of road crash rescue on the state.'

This Year we hope to raise \$1,000 for the Emerald SES. You are all encouraged to gather some friends and come along. A group of committed Year 9 students, who will be visiting the SES next week, have organised trivia questions, lots of prizes, silent auctions, snacks to purchase, music and more. We would love to see you there.

Location: Emerald Secondary College; Inclusion Centre (next to EPAC)

Time: 7pm-9pm Thursday 23rd November

\$10 Adults, \$5 – Children.



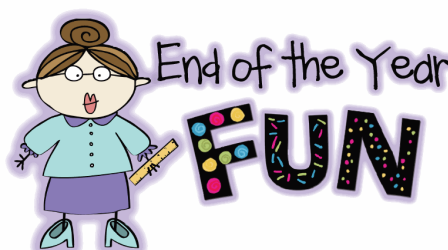
End of Year Activities

End of Year Activities will be running from Wednesday 13th December - Monday 18th December. There are a variety of activities (free or incurring a cost) and students are encouraged to participate.

The cut-off date for consent and payment is Friday 1st December. There will be no flexibility with the closing date due to processing, confirmation and payments to the various organisations.

All information can be found on Compass Newsfeed.

Sarah Trounson - End of Year Activities Coordinator



INVITATION TO YEAR 9 PARENTS AND OTHER COMMUNITY MEMBERS



Connect Community Project Expo for 2017

We would like you to come along to celebrate the success of six community projects launched by our Connect students and staff in Term Four-2017

1. Care package- Asylum seekers
2. Trivia Night
3. Japanese initiative for Primary school
4. Back pack for kids
5. Habitat for wild life
6. Looking out for Man's best friend

"Be the change you want to see"

Venue: EPAC

Date: 28th November

Time: 10:00am - 10:40am

PLEASE RSVP – arora.ritu.r@edumail.vic.gov.au



Emerald Secondary College

TRIVIA NIGHT



THURSDAY 23RD NOVEMBER in S-Block

BLIND AUCTION
FUN
TRIVIA
LIVE MUSIC
Prizes

7:00pm – 9:00pm

Adults: \$10

Students: \$5

FOOD
DRINK
RAFFLES &
GAMES
Prizes

All proceeds go to Emerald SES

Kickstart 2018 - 29th November – 12th December

This year Emerald Secondary College will have a Whole School Kickstart program for two weeks from the 29th November to 12th December. Kickstart gives students extra class time for the best possible start for their 2018 course, gives students an opportunity to make early subject changes, and allows for a smooth start to the 2018 year.

2017 subjects will finish on Tuesday November 28th and students will then move up to their next year level for 2018. The 2018 timetable will begin on 29th November, and students will be taking their 2018 subjects with their 2018 teachers (where possible).

Kickstart Attendance

In Kickstart the 2018 academic year begins, and attendance is mandatory. College expectations for attendance and academic performance are the same as for the usual school year. Senior School students should note that Kickstart attendance is mandatory and counts towards Unit 1&3 attendance. Classwork tasks must be completed as part of satisfactory completion coursework for a satisfactory Unit pass. Subject changes will be completed after Kickstart.

Kickstart textbooks and stationery

English novels will be available for use during Kickstart with early purchase through the College book seller, Lamonts. Students are expected to have their new 2018 exercise books with them during Kickstart. Teachers will provide copies of textbook information for students during the Kickstart period.

If you have any questions regarding Kickstart please contact:

Junior School – Minna Kanoa, Senior School – Jason Nicholas,

Assistant Principal – Estelle Alder

Kick Start!



Homework Club

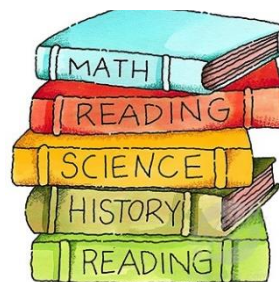
If you need a quiet place to get your homework done or require extra help from your teachers, the place to be is Homework Club.

Details

When: Every Thursday from 3.20-4.30pm

Where: Room A7 with teacher assistance

Who: All students from Years 7 - 12



Any questions, please contact Ms. Sarah Tounson – D Block staffroom

Second Hand Uniform News

Will be open every Friday from 2.30pm - 3.15pm.

For out of hours secondhand uniform enquiries please phone Sue Cambridge on 5968 4515

Sue Cambridge - ESC Uniform Shop

Monbulk Cricket Club in conjunction with MADCOW presents

MONBULK FUN RUN 10 YEARS ANNIVERSARY

2017 COLOUR RUN

"Run to the G"
4km & 8km Run / Walk

Date: Sunday 26th November, 2017

Place: Start / Finish - 'MCG' Monbulk Cricket Ground

Time: 8 - 8.30am registration for a 9am start (sharp)

Entry Fee: \$10 School Kids / \$20 Adult / \$40 Family

Face Painting

Double Shot Coffee Van

Rotary BBQ

Monbulk Produce Market

Belgrave Big Dreams Market

For more information email Kelly at kellyymbellish@hotmail.com or @Monbulk Fun Run 2017

or register Online at www.eventbrite.com.au

Proceeds from Fun Run go to Monbulk Relief Fund and MADCOW Community Projects

Proudly Sponsored By Monbulk & District Community Bank & Monbulk Produce Market



FOOTY FOR EVERYONE!

South Belgrave Junior Football Club



All Ages welcome

FAMILY DAY BBQ AND MEET
THE COACHES

Sun 19th Nov 3pm -5.30pm

Contact us on 0428 866 681

sbjfc.teamapp.com

FREE PLAYER PACK FOR NEW
REGISTERED PLAYERS

Narre Warren East Reserve on Berwick
Road (near Cnr Wellington Rd)



**COCKATOO
COMMUNITY
Christmas
CAROLS**



Saturday
9th
December

Bring your
friends
and family!

Alma Treloar Reserve
Pakenham Rd, Cockatoo
(Wet Weather venue St Luke's, McBride St, Cockatoo)


5-6:30pm
FREE FAMILY ACTIVITIES
Jumping Castle, Popcorn,
Face Painting, Fairy Floss!
(Sausage Sizzle at a small cost)
Alcohol free event

6:30pm
Community Carol
Singing





**GEMBROOK
COMMUNITY
Christmas
CAROLS**





Sunday
10th
December

Bring your
friends
and family!

Gembrook Primary School
50 Main St, Gembrook

5-6:30pm
FREE FAMILY ACTIVITIES
Jumping Castle, Popcorn,
Face Painting, Fairy Floss!
(Sausage Sizzle at a small cost)
Alcohol free event

6:30pm
Community Carol
Singing


Emerald Scouts Christmas Tree Sale



**Saturday & Sunday
2nd, 3rd
9th, 10th
16th
December
9am-2pm**

**Emerald Scout Centre
21 Kilvington Drive**