



Emmanuel Christian School

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Jesus answered, I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. John 14:6

Until yesterday, I was blissfully unaware of the word post-truth. I looked on the ABC News website and found an old article that says in 2016, “‘Post-truth’ has been proclaimed international word of the year by Oxford Dictionaries after beating off ‘alt-right’ and ‘Brexit’, a choice the publisher said reflected a year defined by emotive political discourse.”¹

After finding that, I looked into the definition further and found the online Oxford English Dictionary.² It turns out that ‘post-truth’ is an adjective that relates to or denotes, “...circumstances in which objective facts are less influential in shaping public opinion than appeals to emotion and personal belief.” Two examples are provided online. The first being, “in this era of post-truth politics, it's easy to cherry-pick data and come to whatever conclusion you desire” and the second, “some commentators have observed that we are living in a post-truth age”.

Jesus Christ proclaimed that truth exists. In fact, he went further and declared the famous words, “I am the way and the truth and the life.” Truth is fundamental to Christianity and the whole of our lives. It is a horrible thought to think that we could be living in a post-truth age. The prefix ‘post’ means ‘after’ or ‘later than’. To suggest the truth used to be important but is not so important now creates a massive issue for society. Honesty and integrity, which hinge directly on truth, for some it seems maybe something that used to be important.

The truth is vital for us at Emmanuel Christian School. Honesty and integrity bedrocks on which we stand. Jesus Christ is as much the truth as He has ever been. Praise God for His constant reminder in His Word that Jesus Christ is, ‘the way and the truth and the life...’

Parenting Evening

I am looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible tonight here at school at 7:00pm. David Kobler has a very important message for all parents. As the poster you hopefully have seen says, “At a time where parents can feel overwhelmed and powerless at address issues such as social media, apps, sexting, and pornography there is a huge amount parents can do.” See you there.

Scott Winkler

Principal

¹<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2016-11-17/post-truth-chosen-as-word-of-the-year/8032020>

²<https://en.oxforddictionaries.com/definition/post-truth>

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Notes
	14/8 Banking Parenting Seminar	15/8 Kinder Excursion	16/8	17/8	Tuesday 14th August: Parenting Seminar PAC 7pm Start Wednesday 15th August: Kinder Excursion Bellerive Beach and Animal Hospital 9:30am– 12pm Monday 20th August: Kinder Excursion Bonorong Park 9:15am– 1:15pm Thursday 23rd August: Whole School Book Week Assembly
20/8 Kinder excursion	21/8 Banking	22/8	23/8 Whole School Book Week Assembly.	24/8 Prep Excursion Subway	Pac. Whole School to dress up 9:10am Friday 24th August: Prep excursion Mount Wellington 11am– 2:30pm
27/8	28/8 Banking	29/8	30/8	31/8	
3/9	4/9 Banking	5/9	6/9 Primary Assembly	7/9 Subway	2018 Term Dates Term Three: 30th Jul - 28th Sep Term Four: 15th Oct -19th Dec

 <p>Families in our school: Knibbe, Koning, Lancaster and Langlois</p> <p>Other Prayer/Praise Points: Give praise for little miracles that happen everyday. Pray for all those suffering the loss of loved ones all over the world.</p>	<p>School Attendance :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For absentees please use Skoolbag app or contact the office before 9:30am. An SMS will be sent to parents for unexplained absences. Please ensure late students are signed in at the office. If students are leaving early they are required to sign out at the office. Please note, a doctors certificate is required for more than 2 days absences.
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<p>Operation Christmas Child:</p> <p>At Emmanuel Christian School we are participating in Operation Christmas Child. Each month we are collecting items around a different theme. These themes are;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> August – Something to Play with September – Something to wear October – School Item <p>We will be putting a Collection box In the Primary foyer & Infant foyer.</p> <p>Lachlan Wavell-Bird Molly Galbraith OCC Ambassadors For packing suggestions see link.</p> <p>https://www.samaritanspurse.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/2017-Shoebox-101-Flyer-1.pdf</p>	
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Primary News:

Small brains have BIG ideas!

In Prep we have launched into Term Three looking at the special creatures in our world who have become endangered and the reasons contributing to this change in survival. We have together as a class learnt about Tasmania's beautiful Orange-Bellied Parrot, and the changes in habitat that are contributing to its population decline. Last week each of the Preps chose a creature to research individually which they will then share with others. We have quite a list, from Australia's Regent Honeyeater, to the White Rhino, the Red Panda, the Great White Shark, Orangutans and the African Elephant, just to name a few. More importantly we are learning about the human impact on habitat and changes in climate and food sources that can have such a devastating impact on creature survival.

We have learnt that we can all be part of taking care of our beautiful world. Just by changing small habits at home we can also make a difference!

Anne Knibbe

Prep Teacher



2019 Kindergarten enrolments are filling quickly!

Please enquire at the school office if you require an enrolment form.

We also have spaces available for Grade 7, 2019



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Secondary News

Last Friday Years 5-10 celebrated the start of National Science Week with a STEM in schools assembly. Mr Winkler began by sharing about the skills and gifts which were required by the Israelites to build the tabernacle (tent of meeting) when they were travelling to the land God had promised them. Senator Carol Brown and Federal Member for Franklin, Julie Collins shared with us their own experiences with Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths. They both emphasised the need for students to develop their skills in these areas in order to be well equipped for future job opportunities. Our guest Scientist, Mr Simon Allen from the CSIRO, used a bag of shopping items to illustrate many aspects of Science. This included an onion, where the thickness of an outer layer represented the Earth's atmosphere and the next layer down represented the depth to which humans have probed underground.

We recently received the results of the Big Science Competition, held earlier this year. Congratulations to all students who participated. A special mention to the following:

Tait Dwyer – Credit

Jack Faulkner – Credit

Tynan Green – Credit

Remember that this weekend the Festival of Bright Ideas is open to the public at Prince's Wharf. Why not get along and celebrate Science Week!

Luke Roberts

Secondary Coordinator



On **Thursday 23rd August** the whole school (**Primary and Secondary**) will be celebrating book with an assembly in the PAC starting at **9:10am**.

All Students are encouraged to come dressed as their favourite book character. Secondary students have been given the theme of pirates/treasure.

We have David Gillman (Christian Schools Tasmania's CEO) coming along to not only see all the great costumes but also read us a story.

All parents/families are welcome to come and join our assembly. Each class will have a chance to parade their costumes.

