

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Children are a heritage from the Lord, offspring a reward from him. Psalm 127:3

One of the things I love about the holidays is more time with my family. It is something I deeply cherish. My older two children shared the first week of our holidays with me which was wonderful. It coincided with the last week of their University break. I am moved by the fact we have a 17-year-old, a 21-year-old and a 23-year-old who like to be with us. They plan their time to be together when holidays overlap.

A website¹ I found recently found started with a great quote by author Elizabeth Stone: "Making the decision to have a child is momentous. It is to decide forever to have your heart go walking around outside your body."

The devotion goes on to say that, "...being a parent is a lifelong deal. The job description may change as time goes on, but the commitment, love and concern remain constant. Sometimes, especially for parents of "terrible" two-year-olds or even more terrible teenagers, this thought is not necessarily a pleasant one. We wonder, "Will this ever get better?" It can be exhausting and daunting.

Being someone's mum or dad never ends. The joy you feel when celebrating your child's successes, the pain you feel when they have failures or losses and the intense heartache when they are ill or worse, when they die: these things are a part of the package. Permanently."

It is a privilege for the staff at Emmanuel Christian School to partner with our parents in the education of their children. Term three will be nine weeks where we can continue to explore a dynamic curriculum with a Christian lens. Jesus Christ is Lord of all we do.

New and Returning Students

We welcome some new and returning students this term. We welcome Millie Fletcher-Hall to Grade 1 and Lindy Sigei and Ellie Shields to Grade 7. Tinashe and Ngoni Washaya come into Grade 5 and 8 respectively.

Staff Professional Development Week

Week three of the school holidays is our staff Professional Development Week. Last week was a busy week for your teachers. It started with a two-day conference in Smithton for a small group of us. The theme was 'Resilience'. This is a very significant topic for us. Wednesday involved learning about using new technology we have started to use in some classrooms and intend to add more. Senior Staff also spent the afternoon doing some training with Adrian from Assurance HR Management. Thursday saw teachers from all our CST school spent the day at Emmanuel learning more about Visible Learning and specifically how to prepare good feedback. Friday was First Aid day.

I remember a student saying to me years ago that the best reason not to hurt themselves at school was because Mr Winkler might have to give CPR. I continue to be qualified - apparently a scary thought.

Have a blessed term.

Scott Winkler

Principal

www1.cbn.com/devotions/parenting-is-permanent



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	<u>Notes</u>
	31/7 Banking	1/8	2/8 Grade 3/4 and Kindergarten Excursions.	3/8	Thursday 2nd August: Grade 3/4 Excursion Waterfront and Botanical Gardens. 10:15am – 2:45pm Kindergarten Excursion Antarctic tour of the waterfront. 9:15am – 12pm
6/8	7/8 Banking	9/8	10/8 Primary Assembly. Pyjama Day.	11/8 Subway	Thursday 10th August: Primary Assembly PAC 9:10am Pyjama Day Canberra Fundraiser
13/8	14/8 Banking	15/8 Parenting Seminar	16/8	17/8	Wednesday 15th August: Parenting Seminar PAC 4pm – 9pm Thursday 23rd August: Whole School Book Week Assembly Pac 9:10am
20/8	21/8 Banking	22/8	23/8 Whole School Book Week Assembly.	24/8 Subway	2018 Term Dates Term Three: 30th Jul - 28th Sep Term Four: 15th Oct - 19th Dec



Families in our school:
Keane, Keates, Kelly/Pecl
And McCauley

Other Prayer/Praise Points:
Give praise for the wonderful weather we had over the holidays.
Pray for all families who going through a difficult journey at this present time. Ask for someone to recognise their troubles and to help them get through them.

School Attendance :

- 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.

Operation Christmas Child:
At Emmanuel Christian School we are participating in Operation Christmas Child. Each month we are collecting items around a different theme. These themes are:

- July - Personal Hygiene item
- August – Something to Play with
- September – Something to wear
- October – School Item



We will be putting a Collection box In the Primary foyer & Infant foyer.

Lachlan Wavell-Bird
Molly Galbraith
OCC Ambassadors
For packing suggestions see link.

<https://www.samaritanspurse.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/2017-Shoebox-101-Flyer-1.pdf>

Primary News:

Dear parents,

Welcome back to Term 3 at Emmanuel. This term we have the pleasure of welcoming back Christian (Gr 5) and Jesse (Prep) Roberts, and of welcoming Millie Fletcher-Hall (Gr 1), and Tinashe Washaya (Gr 5), to our Primary school.

Please remember to visit our penguins at the Antarctic Festival this coming weekend. As per usual, our Primary assemblies will be on even weeks, Thursday at 9:10am in the PAC. Week 4 will be our whole school Book Week assembly. We also have gymnastics in PE, TasWater poster competition, a Terrapin Puppet performance and Footy Colours Day this term. A busy, educational and fun-filled term ahead.

Grade 6 created some beautiful night sky artwork at the end of last term which is on display in our classroom and featured below and seemed apt with the amazing moon we have been experiencing in the last week.

Blessings

Annie Joy



Secondary News:

Over the holidays, 6 dedicated students chose to attend school for a day to further develop and refine the programming of their robots.

The Southern Regional Finals for RoboCup Rescue was held at Rose Bay High School on Saturday 29th July. Emmanuel had two teams competing in the Primary division and one team in the Secondary division.

After the 5 preliminary rounds Eli Eduljee was in the top three and qualified for the finals of the Secondary division. The finals saw competitors having to navigate 3 different tracks with the points accumulating toward the overall score. Eli and his robot, 'lonely bull' successfully navigated and completed 2 out of the 3 tracks and secured first place. Well done Eli, awesome effort.

Only 4 weeks to refine and improve robots for the State finals!!

