Monday 29th October, 2012

Dear Members of the Emmaus College Community

Last Friday the College opened and blessed our new facilities. **The Opening and Blessing was the culmination for our 10 year celebrations.** The two storey 12 classroom Olearia building, the new Dance, Drama and Music rooms, the Senior Years’ Technology building (Flindersia), extensions to the Library (Grevillea), the Student Services Centre (Senna), the 7-12 covered sports area and tuckshop (Pandanus) and the Irbyana ovals were all officially blessed and opened.

All students and staff attended the assembly along with pastors and parents, the Heads of the four Christian traditions associated with the College (Anglican, Catholic, Lutheran and Uniting), members of Parliament and officials from Brisbane Catholic Education. Queensland Senator Mark Furner officially opened the Lomandra Centre and State MP for Beaudesert Jon Krause opened Stages 4, 5 and 6.

This event brings to a close the major construction phase at the College and is the culmination of 10 years’ work from many hundreds of people. Facilities are now ready for the students of the future. At the ceremony the invited guests were extremely impressed with the conduct of the students who participated with dignity and respect. They did themselves and the College proud and I congratulate them all. In addition, the guests and parents toured the facilities and commented on the state of the art facilities our staff and students have the privilege of using.

**Our thanks to Tony Bourke (Assistant Principal – Religious Education) who coordinated the event and the large team of staff, parents and students who assisted in the organisation and running of the day.**

The **Book Fair in the Library** which concludes on Tuesday 30th October at 4:00pm has received great support from the community. It is a wonderful opportunity to purchase reading resources for your children from an extensive display of books.

**Congratulations to Brooke Goodrich** in Year 10 who has been selected in the Australian U17 Soccer Team. Brooke will be travelling to the Philippines this week to compete in an international competition. Congratulations Brooke and the best of luck for the tournament.

**World Teachers’ Day** was celebrated last Friday. **At Emmaus we believe all staff contribute to the education of the young people in our care.** On behalf of the staff I wish to thank the P&F and especially Raelene Lawler and her team for preparing breakfast for the staff on Friday as an acknowledgement of their appreciation for the efforts of the staff.

Next year the Newsletter will be emailed to parents in 2013. A recent survey of parents found that 92% have email access and are more than willing to receive an electronic copy rather than a hard copy. **Please complete the Change of Details Form which is available from the office or the College website if you have not advised your current email address.**

Every blessing for the week ahead.

KEVIN SCHWEDE
Principal
**FROM THE HEAD: P-6**

**OFFICIAL OPENING AND BLESSING OF BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES**
Thank you to all parents and friends who were able to attend our special celebrations last Friday. It was a fabulous celebration of the spirit of Emmaus. So many guests commented on how wonderful the children were throughout the ceremony and on the way they felt truly welcome and honored to be a part of the Emmaus community on this special day. Please congratulate your children and let them know that we are very proud of them.

**TERM 4 STAFFING**
Best wishes to Mrs Maria Gould who begins Long Service Leave on Monday 5 November. This is a well-deserved break after many years of teaching in Brisbane Catholic Education. During this period of time Ms Bernadette Adams will be teaching 6G.

Mr Kyle Rodgers has begun teaching PE to the Year 5 classes. This arrangement will be in place for the remainder of Term 4. Welcome Mr Rodgers.

**PREP ORIENTATION 2013**
Students beginning Prep in 2013 will participate in an Orientation Day on Friday 9 November. We look forward to welcoming our new Preps to Emmaus.

**TERM 4 ASSEMBLIES (P-6)**
Term 4 is full of many special events. As a result, P-6 assemblies for the remainder of the term will take place on Monday 29 October, Monday 5 November, Monday 12 November and Monday 19 November. As always, parents and friends are welcome to attend.

**ARE YOU RETURNING IN 2013?**
Families intending to move at the end of 2012 are asked to notify the office as soon as possible so that an Exiting Form can be completed. This assists us when planning classes for 2013.

Best wishes for a happy week.
Lisa McCormick

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**FROM THE HEAD: 7-12**

**CAMPS**
Best wishes to the Year 11’s who head off to camp this week. Past groups have really enjoyed this camp and gained a lot from it personally and as a group. Best wishes also to the Year 11 Biology students who go to camp the week after for some real world biological exploration and learning. Many thanks to the staff who give up their time to facilitate the camps.

**EXAM BLOCKS**
The Year 12’s will begin their final exam block on Tuesday the 6th of November. As usual students are only required to attend school for their exams. If they are at school at times other than when they have exams they are required to sign in and out at the office. Students are required to wear uniform at all times they are at school during exam block.

**YEAR 10 STRUCTURED WORKPLACE LEARNING**
All Year 10’s are engaging in Structured Workplace Learning this week as part of their Certificate in Work Education. Many thanks to Mrs White, Mr Paten and the Year 10 Work Education teachers for organising and preparing students for this valuable experience. Work placement enables students to gain knowledge and experience in the world of work and can help them determine future directions for employment. I encourage all the Year 10’s to make the most of the week.

**CELEBRATION OF LEARNING**
The Year 7 – 12 Celebration of Learning is on Monday the 5th of November at 9.30am in the Lomandra Centre. This is a wonderful celebration of the semester and year achievements. All students are required to wear formal uniform on this day.

Stephen Adair

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**FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - CURRICULUM & TEACHING: P-6**

**INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES**
This term has seen an increase in the use of Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) in our classrooms as part of teaching and learning. Junior Years classrooms have received a small set of laptops, while Early Years classrooms are using iPads. Students are developing the use of ICT capabilities as they develop skills to effectively and appropriately access, create and communicate information and ideas, solve problems and work collaboratively in all learning areas.

Students are using ICT to investigate inquiry questions and problems. Students access data and information from a range of primary and secondary sources when investigating questions, topics or problems, locate and access data and information through search engines, search functions, general and specialised directories and navigation tools between and within documents. In Year 4, students are involved in completing a web quest to gather information.
about the First Fleet and the reasons they came to Australia.

Students create with ICT by generating products or solutions for challenges and learning area tasks to, develop, refine and present new understandings in a digital form. In Year 2 students are using computers to design new and exciting book covers.

Communication using ICT is an important learning opportunity. This element involves students in using ICT to communicate ideas and information with others and collaboratively construct knowledge. Preps will be using the iPads during their book study and will take photos of illustrations and record their ideas and share their opinions of the illustration and explain why the Author has used this illustration.

This is an exciting opportunity for students as they learn to use ICT with confidence, care and consideration, understanding its possibilities to enhance their learning experience.

**Celebration of Learning**

Our final Celebrations of Learning will be on Tuesday 4th December.

Listed below are the times for each year level:

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Marie Koranias

**From the Assistant Principal - Student Welfare P-12**

**Tagged for Life!**

“The internet is a great place for sharing stuff, but you need to remember that you are responsible for what you share online. And that means there can be a very serious side to all the fun.”

 cyber[smart:] Australian Government Website

This is an excerpt from a newsletter article that I wrote in March this year. Since that time, the news has been full of stories of inappropriate use of social media and technology. Our society is concerned about the poor choices some people, often young people, make when they are using technology, particularly mobile phones and social networking sites like Facebook and twitter. Can of Worms, currently airing on Channel Ten, recently posed the question of whether we ‘share too much’ through social media – the viewer response was a resounding ‘YES’.

As a college, we regularly challenge our students to think through the consequences of their actions, with regards to the way they use social media and talk with them about acceptable use of social media and staying legal when using technology.

**Showing responsibility and respect for others** is a moment-by-moment sequence of choices that we make every time we engage with social media.

At Emmaus College, students are responsible for their behaviour in any circumstances where they are identified as a member of the school – this includes online behaviour.

When inappropriate behaviour is reported, it is investigated and consequences for the infringement of the Code of Expected Student Behaviour, including, formal sanctions (detention, suspension, referral to authorities) are applied.

As a college, we strive to create learning environments which are supportive of all individuals and where all members of the community experience a sense of belonging and feel safe. We encourage students and families to report any behaviour that is harmful to the wellbeing and security of any member of the college community.

The Australian Government has published The Easy Guide to Socialising Online, as part of the recently updated cyber [smart:] website; www.cybersmart.gov.au

The guide located in the Parent section of the website, provides information on how internet users can protect themselves and their information when using mobile phones, social networking sites, search engines and online games.

I highly recommend this website to all families - it has many practical suggestions to assist children, young people and the adults that support them, to develop the skills needed to participate safely in our digital world.

Liesl Profke
**Peace**

Tony Bourke
they cleaned, washed and dried dishes as they went. A large number of these students stayed after the bell to continue providing Hospitality services.

Again, well done students for providing Hospitality services and for giving back to the Emmaus Community.

Jennifer Vaughan

VET UPDATE

CONGRATULATIONS TO...
Jessica H (12DEAA) for successfully completing a Certificate III in Business at JJ Richards.

And congratulations to Christina T for being the recipient of a Sewing Package that includes a Sewing Machine and Software Package that was presented to her and Emmaus College at a presentation held at Marsden State High School. This was earned as part of her Traineeship in Digitised Computer Embroidery.

IMPORTANT - YEAR 10 STRUCTURED WORKPLACE LEARNING
Good Luck to the students who are starting their work placement today.

Please take note of the relevant dates for the following fortnight that are listed below.

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<td>Start of Work Placement, Remember to take your Blue Folders and fill out your Daily Activities Diary and make sure you have the employer sign this.</td>
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<td>Students to return to school and hand in their Daily Activities Diary to their P.C</td>
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DEPARTING GRADE 12 STUDENTS FULL TIME TRAINEESHIPS WITH LOCAL COUNCIL COMMENCING 2013.

There are full time Traineeships at the Local Councils on offer for Grade 12 students to apply for, commencing January 2013.

The Traineeships are in the following areas:
- Certificate III in Business
- Certificate III in Arts Administration
- Certificate III in Companion Animal Services
- Certificate III in Library and Information Services
- Certificate IV in Marketing
- Certificate IV in Information Technology (Support)

If your child is interested in applying this needs to be done as soon as possible. Please see Mrs Whyte or Mr Paten for a flyer. Interviews can be held at the school for 5 or more students.

SAT VACANCIES AVAILABLE

Don’t forget to check the VET Notice Board if you are interested in a Traineeship. We have a number of Business, Business Administration and Hospitality Traineeships available. If you require further information regarding SATS please feel free to call the school to speak to Darren Paten or Michelle Whyte or alternatively make an appointment to meet with us.

Darren Paten & Michelle Whyte

YEAR 3-6 HOMEWORK CLUB

WELCOME BACK
Homework Club is continuing this term from 3.00pm until 4.00pm every Wednesday in the Library. This is a space where students from Years Three to Six can come and complete their homework.

Mrs Schuster and Miss Walvin will be supervising the students who come to the library to work on their homework. It is essential that students coming to the library are prepared to work and follow the standard library rules.

For the safety of the students in the Homework Club we will be asking students to sign in when they arrive and we ask that you (their parent) come to the library to collect your child and sign them out at 4.00pm. Unfortunately we are unable to supervise and look after younger children, however you are welcome to accompany these students to the library to work with them or read with them.

Michelle Walvin

Date

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Students

Students
OUR FINAL P & F MEETING FOR THIS YEAR WILL BE MONDAY 19th NOVEMBER. Please mark this date in your diary – 8.45am in the Lomandra Boardroom. If you have any issues or concerns you want discussed or placed on the agenda, please email them to: pandfsecretaryemmamus@gmail.com If you would like to join the P & F email list and have the minutes of meetings sent directly to you, please send us an email!

COOKIE DOUGH FUNDRAISER
Order forms went out last week – this is a great new fundraiser with fabulous products and prizes. Orders are due back Monday 29th of October. If you require more order forms please pick one up from front reception.

FAMILY PHOTOS
Saturday 10th November. If you would like to take advantage of getting in early for great family Christmas presents please call Meichelle 0421 307 495 or 55 486 550 to secure your family booking time and great package deals.

ADVERTISING IN 2013 SCHOOL CALENDAR
After the great response for our 2012 school calendar business advertising we are happy to offer it again for 2013. If you would like to advertise please fill in the booking form - you can find one at the reception or call Raelene 0402 902 977 and I will send you one.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP
With the end of the school year fast approaching, it’s time to think about your uniform needs for next year. Normal operating hours are Monday 8-9am and Wednesday 2.30-3.30pm. Please bring in your used uniforms for consignment sale! All enquiries: Rhonda 0430 519 876 – between 9am to 4pm or leave a message on the P&F email.

Layby Payment Plan
Uniform shop is introducing a layby system. Terms and conditions apply:

- 20% deposit required at commencement of layby
- Minimum fortnightly payments
- 8 week Layby only
- All laybys must be finalised before end of term 4 .... NO Laybys will be held over the Christmas Break
- If laybys are not collected the goods will be returned to stock and payments will be held as a Credit

PREPARE FOR 2013
As we are now in Term 4, I recommend that all families who need new uniforms for next year start thinking about getting organised to ensure you’re ready for 2013

THE FOLLOWING YEARS REQUIRE A NEW UNIFORM FOR 2013:

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HELPERS
Thank you in advance to all our wonderful helpers. Your ongoing support is appreciated. We are always looking for more helpers at the tuckshop. If you are interested in helping out, even if it’s for next year, please drop by and leave your details either at the tuckshop or at College reception. The children love to see mum, dad or even grandma helping at the school.

GLUTEN FREE POTATO BAKE
We now have Gluten Free Potato Bake available for $3.50. This can be ordered any day for 1st break via the bag system.

MENUS
Menus are available at College Reception, at the tuckshop or online at www.emmausjimboomba.qld.edu.au

OTHER ITEMS…..

Asthma Management
Recently, forms were posted home to some families regarding Asthma Management and their child.

If you received this letter, please complete the enclosed form and return to Student Reception as soon as possible.

It is important we have up to date health information on your child.

The College Newsletter is going electronic in 2013.

If you have not supplied the school with your email address, please complete a ‘Change of Details’ Form which is available from the office or the College Website.
Church Service Times:

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| St James’ Anglican Church     | Sunday - 8.30am | Wednesday - 9am |
| 47 East St, Jimboomba         |               |                 |
| PH: 5546 0644                 |               |                 |
| First Saturday of the Month   | Saturday - 5.30pm |
| Flagstone Service             |               |                 |
| Flagstone State School        |               |                 |
| Poinciana Dr, Flagstone       |               |                 |
| Second Sunday of the Month    | Sunday - 10.30am |
| St John’s - Mundoolun         |               |                 |
| Mundoolun Connection Rd,      |               |                 |
| Beaudesert Uniting Church     | Sunday - 8.30am |
| 2 Tilley St, Beaudesert       |               |                 |
| PH: 5541 1018                 |               |                 |
| St Paul’s Lutheran Church     | First-Fourth Sunday - 9.30am (new time) | Fifth Sunday - 9.30am |
| 46 Tina St, Beaudesert        |               |                 |
| PH: 3800 3648                 |               |                 |

Christmas Service Times:

| St Catherine's Catholic Church | Christmas Eve Carols—6.30pm | Christmas Day Mass—7.00pm |
| 74-76 East St, Jimboomba       |               |                 |
| St Bernardine's Catholic Church | Christmas Eve Carols—6.00pm | Christmas Day Mass—6.30pm |
| 25 Vergulde Rd, Regents Park  | Christmas Day Mass at 7.30am & 9.00am |
| Our Lady of the Assumption    | Christmas Day Mass—8.00am |
| Cnr Mt Lindesay Hwy & Stoney  |               |                 |
| Camp Rd, Park Ridge           |               |                 |
| St James’ Anglican Church     | Christmas Carol 30th November—6.30pm |
| 47 East St, Jimboomba         | Christmas Day 8.30am |
| PH: 5546 0644                 |               |                 |
| St John’s - Mundoolun         | Christmas Eve Candlelight Midnight Mass - midnight (please email to book a seat as numbers are limited to dantalbot@bigpond.com) |
| Mundoolun Connection Rd,      |               |                 |
| Tamborine Village             |               |                 |
| Beaudesert Uniting Church     | Advent Services 2nd December—9.30am |
| 2 Tilley St, Beaudesert       | 9th December—9.30am |
| PH: 5541 1018                 | Also Beaudesert Churches combined |
| St Paul’s Lutheran Church     | Service at the Uniting Church—6pm |
| 46 Tina St, Beaudesert        | 16th December—Advent Dinner, 6pm |
| PH: 3800 3648                 | Christmas at 7.30pm |
|                               | Christmas Day 8.00am |

Outside School Hours Care

The final day for collection of the ‘Pauls Collect a Cap’ promotion is Friday, 16th November. Please drop them off at O.S.H.C or to Student Reception.

Are you looking for a way to give to the school, the church and the wider community?

The St James Op shop (opposite the school) is run to help the people of the community with discounted items and clothing.

Through this ministry many people in our communities have their needs met. The income raised through the shop helps to fund full time ministry in the parish which includes work done in the Emmaus School, the local state schools, the Police Service and the local community.

In order for this work to happen we need volunteers, and there is an opportunity for you to be part of the team. Whether it is one day a week or even once a month (8:30am-1pm) we would like to hear from you. For an application form and a copy of the job description please call Fr Dan on 0409898507. Alternatively if you cannot give of your time, perhaps any unwanted items and clothing you were hoping to give away could be dropped off to the shop at anytime.

Are You Leaving in 2012?

Families intending to move at the end of 2012 are asked to notify the office as soon as possible so that an Exiting Form can be completed. This assists us when planning classes for 2013.
Bus Info from Park Ridge Transit

Collection of 2013 Bus Passes
The beginning of each new year is hectic for everyone. There is always plenty of organising, shopping and paperwork to be sorted. To be prepared for a quick collection of bus passes (if you already had a 2012 bus pass and have not had a change of address or school) phone ahead in the 2nd-3rd week of January and organise your pass to be pre-printed. We will have an ‘Express Bus Pass Collection Only’ window available at the front of the office.

Bus Pass/Travel Policies—save your child embarrassment
Dealing with driver’s can be daunting for some children. Even for many who have the confidence to travel, it is important to educate our children with common policies to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience.

Bus Passes
- Are issued on the basis that information given to us, such as your home address & school are true and current. Any changes, need to be notified as soon as possible.
- Cannot be used for alternate destinations—such as social/outside of school activities, friends houses, dual living arrangements. The bus pass travel is valid from the home address given to us/the school/Department of Transport, to/from the child’s school only.
- If a student does not have a current and valid bus pass, they must travel with the cash fare or a valid Go Card—just like using any other service, there is no free or cheap bus without proof of eligibility.

- There is a $13.65 replacement fare if the pass is lost or stolen.
- The student is required to show the bus pass each time they board a service.

General Travel Information
- Items with moving parts such as bikes and scooters cannot be taken onto a bus unless collapsible (refer to Translink’s website for further information).
- For the safety of the driver and other students travelling on the bus, the driver reserves the right to pull over and not move until it is considered safe again. The driver also has the right to write up a Red book slip (the student receives a white slip) in the case of misconduct including eating on buses or not producing a fare.

If you catch the bus to school, always act sensibly when you are near or on the bus…
ALWAYS stand on the footpath, away from the road while you are waiting for the bus to arrive
ALWAYS wait until the bus has fully stopped before walking toward the bus
ALWAYS sit quietly on the bus, as noise can distract the driver
ALWAYS wait until the bus has left before crossing the road…unless there is a pedestrian crossing
ALWAYS walk away from the bus so you have a clear view of the road and the driver can see you

****These policies run in conjunction with Translink & Department of Transport Code of Conduct***