Dear Emmaus College,

Sometimes when I talk to people and tell them what I do for a living they look at me funny and say how terrible it would be to work with teenagers. I smile and tell them that teenagers and all children are wonderful and that I have the best job in the world. The wonderful vibrancy, enthusiasm and joy that young people bring to the world has been very evident at Emmaus over the last couple of weeks.

- The great efforts of the SECA Cross Country Team brought home the percentage trophy.
- The skills of the Equestrian team shows the reward for hard work.
- The Christian Unity Liturgy displayed their deep spirituality.
- Try a Trade, Dream It Up, Youth Parliament, Yr 6 Government and Senior Art excursions showed their ability to engage and represent with pride.
- Musical rehearsals continue to show amazing talent and teamwork.
- The P-2 Athletics showed their sense of fun and joy and the wonderful support of Parent.
- The car show demonstrated their sense of community spirit.
- The Early Years author visit showed their curiosity and love of learning.

And it continues in the next couple of weeks with students having the opportunity to show what they know and can do in tests and assessments coming up as well as the continuing events. They don’t always enjoy this time but it is an exciting time as we see how far they have come and hopefully our young people get excited by how much there is still to learn.

A love of learning is really quite essential to being a success at school. If our young people are not excited by the idea of knowing more, being able to do more and learning more they will find school hard. As their guides on this Emmaus Road it is our responsibility as parents and teachers to help them maintain the enthusiasm for their learning. We often talk about needing to maintain focus or discipline and sometimes we forget to mention enthusiasm. If we maintain the desire and the vision then the focus and discipline will take care of itself.

When I talk with young people who are struggling with school I often find it comes back to vision. They don’t really know why they are doing it and what they are going to get out of it. As adults we understand the idea that our efforts now can have benefits far in the future. Young people don’t always understand this and we need to help them connect their efforts at school with the overall vision they have for their life. I had a simple example in my house the other day when one of my children said it was too cold, they were too tired and they wanted to stay in bed and not go to school. I simply said that was fine but it wouldn’t help them get their dream job. Connecting back to vision was sufficient to help them brave the cold and tiredness and set forth again on their Emmaus journey.

Have a great fortnight and remember to keep your eyes on the vision. What is all this toil for if not to achieve something more?

God Bless
Stephen Adair
Acting Principal.
**IMPORTANT DATES & EVENTS:**

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FROM THE HEAD: P-6

UNDER B’S WEEK

Last week we celebrated Under B’s. The theme ‘Language - actively connecting children to their world’ is linked to the National Year of Reading. Students and teachers in P-2 celebrated in a number of ways. On Thursday a visiting author, Kerry Brown, conducted workshops for the students linked to motivating a love of reading and writing. Thanks to Mrs Hayes for organising this special visitor.

Thanks to all families who attended and cheered on the students at the Early Years Athletics Carnival last Friday. Students were involved in sprints and a range of fun activities that promote a love of physical activity. Points were awarded for participation and achievement. Special thanks to Mr Oberle and all teachers who were involved in organising this carnival.

CELEBRATIONS OF LEARNING

Term 2 Celebrations of Learning will be held on Thursday 21 June. These are very important opportunities for parents and students to celebrate the learning achievements of the term and identify areas for further growth. All families are encouraged to attend and be a part of this important Emmaus College celebration. Specific times for each year level are listed later in this newsletter.

Lisa McCormick

FROM THE ACTING HEAD: 7-12

It’s not that I’m so smart, it’s just that I stay with problems longer.”  Albert Einstein

Albert Einstein (1879 – 1955) was a theoretical physicist, philosopher and author who is widely regarded as one of the most influential and best known scientists and intellectuals of all time. Albert Einstein also exemplifies persistence; that determination to stick with something until it’s completed. To maintain action, regardless of your feelings.

At this time of the year, when students are faced with finishing assignments, organising multimodal presentations, performing to the best of their ability and preparing for exams, motivation will wax and wane like waves hitting the shore. Sometimes you’ll feel motivated; sometimes you won’t. But it’s not your motivation that will produce results — it’s your action. Persistence allows you to keep taking action even when you don’t feel motivated to do so, and if you persist, you will keep accumulating results.

CELEBRATION OF LEARNING

Parents are most welcome to attend the Years 7-12 Celebration of Learning which will be held on Friday 22 June 2012 from 9:30am in the Lomandra Centre.

This is an important occasion on the Emmaus College calendar as we recognise and celebrate the academic, cultural and sporting achievements of our students during Semester 1 of the school year.

Students are required to wear formal school uniform to this event.

EXAM BLOCK – YEAR 11 AND 12

Senior students received their Block Examination timetable last week. A letter to students and parents/carers was included with the timetable. Please take the time to read the letter and ensure that students are familiar with Block Exam procedures. Planning for the examination period and knowing what is expected is one way to help reduce anxiety that can be associated with exams. Please note the following exam block procedures:

- Students are required to wear school uniform and bring their school diary to all exam sessions.
- Normal classes do not run during Exam Block. Students do have the option of coming to school and utilising the supervised study areas.
- Students need to sign in/sign out at Student Reception.
- Students should arrive for exams at least 10 minutes before the scheduled starting time.
- Where students have exams in both the morning session and the afternoon session, they are not permitted to leave the college grounds between exams.
- If absent for an exam scheduled during the block, please phone the College before 8.30am so that teachers can be informed. Students will need to obtain a medical certificate and complete a Request for Special Provisions available from Mrs Lloyd upon their return to school. Where possible a substitute exam time will be provided upon return to the College.

Best wishes for the coming fortnight. Enjoy celebrating Queensland Day, the Queen’s Diamond Jubilee and the Queensland Maroons making it ‘2 from 2’ (finger’s crossed) and 7 in a row!

Liesl Profke

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

As mentioned in previous newsletters, students have been working to develop their numeracy skills, this is done as students develop their knowledge and skills to use mathematics confidently at school and in their lives more broadly. Students have been working during class on challenging and authentic learning situations, that should help to develop a students’ understanding and fluency. Another key aspect of learning Mathematics is reasoning.

Students are reasoning mathematically when they:

⇒ explain their choices, thinking and ideas
⇒ justify strategies used and conclusions reached
⇒ adapt the known to the unknown
⇒ transfer learning from one context to another
⇒ prove that something is true or false

During Maths homework you can help students to develop their reasoning skills by asking students to explain their choices, and explain why they chose particular strategies to solve the problem. You could even have some discussions about what other situations where the Maths strategies may be use.

CELEBRATIONS OF LEARNING

Listed below are the times for Celebrations of Learning, this is a great opportunity for parents and carers to be informed about what students are learning.
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For more information visit Hearts and Minds website

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We look forward to seeing you at our celebrations.

Marie Koranias

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - CURRICULUM & TEACHING: 7-12

REPORTS
At this very moment teachers are busy finalising assessment and gathering the evidence of learning that is the culmination of a semester’s work. The results will be collated and issued in the Semester 1 report cards. Each student’s achievement is recorded for each of their subjects on a five-point A-E scale, while a student’s effort is also recorded using the descriptors consistently, generally, sometimes, and rarely. Please use the information in these reports to discuss your child’s progress and to help formulate goals for the coming semester. You are encouraged to communicate with class teachers via the College diary and our Guidance Counsellors are available for assistance with study skills and goal-setting.

ASSESSMENT
When assessment tasks are due this can be a stressful time if students have not planned effectively or sought assistance early and/or regularly. We have a disappointing number of students who do not take advantage of the extensive opportunities available at the College for tutoring, drafting, and individual feedback. Those students who do engage with these processes are giving themselves the greatest chance to produce quality work, to develop independent study habits, and to improve their learning outcomes. Due dates for assessment and the policies regarding non-submission are published on the College website.

EVENTS
Minds and Hearts is an organisation aiming to improve and enhance the lives of people with Asperger’s Syndrome. Situated in Boundary Street West End they provide a broad range of services to assist all individuals from infancy through to adulthood. Upcoming events include information evenings on the following topics:

- Understanding my Partner with Asperger’s Syndrome
- Teens with a Parent on the Autism Spectrum
- Challenging Behaviour in Autism
- Emotion Management for Adults with Asperger’s
- After the Diagnosis: Autism Spectrum Conditions from 0-6 years

For more information visit Hearts and Minds website http://www.mindsandhearts.net/

Dionne Lloyd

FROM THE ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL - STUDENT WELFARE

HOW TO SURVIVE ASSESSMENT
As the Semester draws to an end levels of anxiety for many students begin to rise. Combined with the flu season this can be a difficult period for both students and parents. Juggling the demands of everyday life whilst ensuring your child has completed all their projects, assignments and studied for their big test can be demanding for even the most organised parents. However there are some very simple tips that can be used to ensure that all students are happy, healthy and achieving individual success during the assessment season. The following tips provide suggestions for parents on how to approach assessment taking with their students.

- Make sure that your child does all their homework and reading assignments, this will help make sure your child is prepared for the assessment.
- Encourage your child to space out their studying and homework assignments so that they won’t be forced to cram on the night before the assessment.
- If you are anxious about your child’s assessment, however you should try to remain calm around your child, you don’t want them to get anxious about their assessments too.
- Encourage your child to do well but don’t pressure him/her. You may stress him/her out. It is important for your child to stay relaxed for the assessment.
- Keep a positive attitude about assessments.
- Provide a quiet, well lit area with little distractions to help your child study efficiently.
- Mark down assessment days on your calendar so you and your child are both aware of assessment dates.
- Make sure that your child gets enough sleep on the night before the assessment.
- Ensure that your child eats a healthy breakfast and avoid heavy foods that may make him/her groggy, and avoid high sugar foods that may make him/her hyper.
- Let your child relax for a few hours before bedtime, it can be stressful for a child to study all night.
- Talking about the assessment with your child can relieve stress about assessment taking.
- If your child is struggling on their assessments, talk to them about it and meet with their teacher to find out the best way to help your child.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information on this topic.

Russell Davey

FROM THE APRE

SORRY DAY
Last Saturday Australians stopped to recall the message of sorrow presented by Mr Kevin Rudd towards the Indigenous people. As we work towards reconciliation, consideration may be given to the actions in the past and our hope for the future.

Joining people all over Australia, we remember the hurt inflicted onto our Indigenous brothers and sisters and commit ourselves to reconciliation.

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners/Custodians who have cared for this land for thousands of years. We also acknowledge their descendants who maintain spiritual connections and traditions. Let us reflect together on the millions of footprints that have travelled the Dreaming pathways and our own loved ones who have gone before us.

Russell Davey
Let us pray,
God of Justice,
We come to seek your guidance, wisdom and compassion
As we pray for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who have been wronged in the past.
May our hearts be open to receive your healing grace,
So that we in turn bring healing to each other.
We ask this prayer through Christ, our Lord,
All: AMEN

Peace
Tony Bourke

FROM THE GUIDANCE COUNSELLORS

SELF ESTEEM
There’s a lot of talk about how important self-esteem is for our children. But what is it, exactly? And even more importantly, what can parents do to nurture self-esteem in their children? The Raising Children Network has some great tips, which are shared below. For more reading, go to http://raisingchildren.net.au/

Self-esteem is feeling good about yourself, feeling that you are a worthwhile person. Self-esteem helps children try new things without too much fear of failing. It helps them reach out and make friends, and manage any problems they come across. Good self-esteem builds a solid foundation for life.

WHAT PARENTS CAN DO
Most parents will worry about their child’s self-esteem at some time. Here are some things you can do to help nurture your child’s self-esteem:

- Tell your child often that you love her. Let her see that you are glad she is who she is.
- Show your child that you love him by spending time with him, listening to his point of view, and being willing to help him achieve his goals. For example, drive him to sport and watch when he plays.
- Support her schoolwork. Take an interest without taking over. Support school working bees or volunteer at the tuck shop if you can.
- Encourage friendships. Make his friends welcome and get to know them.
- Provide help with schoolwork if she needs extra support. But don’t always focus on what she is not good at. Children need to practise what they are good at to feel successful.
- Help your child to explore any hobbies that he is interested in.
- Help your child feel that she is needed in your family. Keeping in mind your child’s age, ask and expect some help with the family chores, such as feeding pets, setting the table (tasks that contribute to the family, not just cleaning up her own mess).
- Let your child assist you with something. For example, teenagers might be better than you at making the video or DVD work.
- When you play games with your primary school-age child, make sure that he has opportunities to win. Children who occasionally win find it easier to be good losers. Just as important however are opportunities to lose, and cope with that disappointment.
- Involve children in the wider family. Help them to know about their relatives, your family and its history.
- Keep special mementoes of their successes and important milestones.
- Keep little family rituals. For example, a story at bedtime, a special goodbye kiss or other ways of doing things that are special to your family, or unique to each child.
- Celebrate achievements and successes.
- Don’t solve all problems for your child. Help her learn problem-solving skills and learn to feel that she can manage many things for herself. Show her that you have faith in her.
- If children have had a lot of changes, such as coming from another country, parents separating, or even moving house a lot, try and keep them in touch with their roots as much as you can. Keep a diary with pictures of where they have been. Try to keep them in touch with both sides of the family if possible. Let them know what you can about their family history. Adopted children can have two sets of roots.

TEENS AND ALCOHOL (From the Generation Next Team: http://www.generationnext.com.au)

The wrestling that occurs in the mind of a teenager when they feel the pressure of peers to drink is enormous. However, when an adult serves up alcohol at a teenage party, this communicates to teens that the adult is both condoning and encouraging them to drink underage. They would not just ‘lose face’ in front of friends by saying no, but there is the added fear of refusing someone that should represent maturity and safety.

What can parents do? 10 tips for parents from the Generation Next team:

A study has found that teens with parents who take an active interest in their child’s life, have clear expectations and respond appropriately when those expectations are not met, are far less likely to engage in risky behaviours. The parenting style which includes a high level of warmth alongside forms of consistent discipline as proven to be the most effective parenting style in the education of young people about drugs and alcohol.

1. Maintain boundaries.
2. Teach problem solving and critical thinking skills.
3. Know where your children are.
4. Check that there is active adult supervision.
5. Allow other healthy risk taking activities.
6. Agree to a pick up your teen and their friends.
7. Decide on a code word that your teen can use if things are getting out of hand.
8. Allow for consequences.
9. Develop a wide social network.
10. Actively seek an older mentor for your teen.

Please seek professional help if behaviour is interfering with day-to-day functioning. I.e. schoolwork, or relationships having deteriorated significantly and normal support structures are no longer enough.

Rachel Martin and Janelle Jones

FROM THE RESOURCE CENTRE

NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORY TIME
Last Wednesday approximately 580 students from Emmaus College joined approximately 170 000 other students in a national event where students all listened to/read the story ‘The Very Cranky Bear’ by Nick Bland. Our students really enjoyed this event and were able to create their own bear mask in the library during lunchtime after the reading.

PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE
All students Years P-7 have been issued with a reading log for the Premier’s Reading Challenge 2012. Last year, more than 680 schools and over 110,000 students participated in the challenge

The Premier is challenging every child from Prep to Year 2 to read or experience 20 books, Years 3 and 4 to read 20 books and Years 5 to 7 to read 15 books between 22 May and 7 September 2012.

The Premier’s Reading Challenge recognises the range of student
abilities in Queensland classrooms. All students are encouraged to participate because the challenge is not a competition, but a way to provide greater involvement and develop a love of reading for life.

Children who take up the challenge and read the required number of books will receive a signed certificate from the Premier. Schools with 100 per cent participation will go into the running for numerous lucky draw prizes.

Emmua students need to hand their completed forms into the library. There will then get their name published in our newsletter and a completion badge. Home Readers are an excellent way of collecting books that are an appropriate level for the children.

**LIBRARY WORKS**

It is a bit noisy in the library this week as the builders break through from the old section into the new. This is very exciting as it shows that our new space is now getting close to completion. Please be patient as not all spaces are available to students at this time.

**MS Readathon**

2012 is set to be an exciting year for the MS Readathon. Here are a few to put in your diary NOW!

- June 4th - MS Readathon registrations OPEN
- August 1 – 31st - MS Readathon reading period
- August 24th - Launch of the inaugural MS Readathon “60 Minutes for MS”

2012 is the 33rd year of the MS Readathon. It will see 1,000's of students across Australia picking up their books and reading to make a difference in lives of the 21,000 Australians living with multiple sclerosis.

Remember to lock these dates into your diary NOW! Our new website will be LIVE in May. Set yourself a reminder to check out our ‘hot off the press’ information at www.msreadathon.org.au.

**BOOK COVERING REQUIRED**

We have recently bought some new books for the library. If you are able to cover some for us please visit the library front desk. House points awarded.

**PARENT HELPERS NEEDED**

We also have a need for some parents for about three days: Monday or Wednesdays to do photocopying and assembling of spelling cards for the Secondary English program. If you could help with this task it would be greatly appreciated.

Susan Schuster & Corinne Muller

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**MATHEMATICS TEAM CHALLENGE 2012**

Thank you to all students who have indicated their interest in attending Emmaus College’s first ever Maths Team Challenge in 2012. We will be taking eight teams of students with the following: three teams in the year 7 division, three teams in the year 8 division, one team in the combined year 9 and 10 division and finally one team in the combined year 11 & 12 division. The white permission forms for those wishing to attend should be returned by Friday, 1st June with the $10 payment. Some people have already paid their money with the Invitation Form and all payments will be given a receipt for students to take home.

Students will be competing against other schools and shields will be awarded to each of the schools with the highest combined score in each of the divisions. Medallions will also be individually presented to students in the top three teams in each division.

A reminder that a sausage sizzle and soft drink lunch is available for $4:00 on the day or students may bring their own lunch if they prefer to do so.

If there are any adult family members (parents, grandparents etc) who would like to be involved as a Team Supervisor in the Mathematics Team Challenge (no Mathematics knowledge required as the Supervisors are not allowed to assist the teams), then please contact me via email cwart@bne.catholic.edu.au or indicate your interest on the permission form. All teams require a Supervisor otherwise they will not be able to compete. Lunch is provided for the Supervisors. If you would like to supervise you son or daughter’s team, then please include that information as well and I will endeavour to accommodate this in the team roster.

Clarence Hart

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**YEAR 9 & 10 EXCURSION - DREAM IT UP**

On Friday the 25th May, a group of 16 students from grades 9 and 10 hopped onto a bus and went to a leadership seminar at the Logan entertainment centre, called “Dream it up”. www.localsmile.com.au/Logan/Listing/DreamItUp

This day is an initiative of the Logan chamber of commerce, and we were very unsure about what to expect. Many other schools from Logan attended, such as Chisholm College, St Francis College, Springwood High, Kingston College and Marsden High.

Upon arrival we received some breakfast and were greeted by a number of stalls with information on many subjects, particularly about university and traineeship options. Once inside the entertainment centre, Pam Parker - the Mayor of Logan - greeted us and gave a very uplifting and inspirational speech about Logan and the individuals and groups that would be featuring throughout the day.

Perhaps the most memorable was Stephen Dale, who told us all of the remarkable way in which a near tragedy allowed him to finally turn his life around. He explained to all that it should not take a near death experience for us to finally realise what it is we want to do with our lives, and what we have to do in order to achieve it. We were then introduced to MC Kitch, who besides from telling us the hardships of his youth and how he managed to overcome it, allowed us to listen to some of his music (he is an ARIA award winner and works in the USA). This pumped up all the students (and teachers), and we got a little more excited about the day.

Besides the awesome music all students took away with them a sense of gratitude towards all guest speakers, including Natasha Zuvela (TV presenter), Career Keys, istreetlab & DJ Dree, and students from Springwood High. They shared with us their stories, and were not only inspirational but, motivated us all to think about our own lives, what we truly wanted to do with it and what we would do in order to reach our goals. Thank you to Mr Campbell for organising the excursion for us.

Jessica L - Year 10
**VOCATIONAL EDUCATION & TRAINING NEWS**

**“Try a Trade” - Excursion This Week**

On the 25th May, we took 18 students from Year 10 to the “Try a Trade” Open Day at Skills Tech Acacia Ridge. We arrived at the training facilities in Bradman Street at 11am and had fun, getting hands on with many of the trades of our choice and speaking to the staff at the training centre. Many students made Paintings then went and made a Frame to put the paintings in. Some tried Roof Tiling as well as Floor Tiling we got to see a CNC Machine cutting moulds for the Foundry to make different things with metals, we also got to start the engine of an engine on a Dynamometer. We saw current students hard at work in their classrooms or taking part in the displays. We got to talk not only with the TAFE Teachers but the students, it was very informative and according to the students really worthwhile going. Here a few quotes from a few of the students that went to Skills Tech.

I thought it was fun, hands on and practical and I would go back again!!! I liked using the screw gun!! Tara H

It was a good learning experience. I learnt about some trades that I didn’t know were offered. It was good that we got to make stuff when we went to a trade. Clayon R

I enjoyed the interactive activities and all the freebies. Some of these activities were Brick Laying, Roof Tile Cutting, Frame Making and Painting. We also got to see some of the things you get to do if you go there. Dylan S

The best part was that in the Electrical, I was zapped and it was fun. We also got to cut some roof and floor tiles. Tye L

It was a good learning experience, it was fun to try out the different activities they had on offer and to learn about traineeships. It really opened my mind to different options I could do later on in life. It was oodles of fun! Ricky H

There was a lot of activities to keep occupied, it was fun and interesting. I learnt a lot of new things about carpentry, painting, refrigerating and lots more. Anyone could do this. Jess C

**TAFE**

Please remember if a student is sick or unable to attend their TAFE day, please remember to contact BOTH the TAFE and the College regarding the absence

**School Based Traineeships Available**

Once again we have a huge amount of School Based Traineeships on offer. We have so many that the Notice Board in Flindersia is overcrowded! These positions are advertised in Student Daily Notices as well as the VET Notice Board in Flindersia.

Below are a few that we have advertised:

- Certificate III in Retail - Beenleigh
- Certificate II in Pharmacy Assistant - Beenleigh
- Certificate III in Fitness – Multiple Positions over Multiple Companies and Locations across Brisbane, Logan and Gold Coast
- Certificate II in Outdoor Recreation – Parkinson

If any of these are of interest to you or you want more information please contact Michelle Whyte or Darren Paten for further information.

If you have a student that is serious about doing a SAT and has a family member or someone you know willing to take them on, please see the VET Coordinator Mr Paten or the Pathways Officer Mrs Whyte.

**FROM THE BUSINESS MANAGER**

**FEES**

Accounts for Term 2 fees were posted to nominated billing addresses and are now overdue.

**The due date for settlement was 25 May 2012.**

Part of the enrolment process at Emmaus College includes the parent/s or guardian/s signing they agree to meet commitments and pay the required school fees as they become due.

The funds collected go directly towards provisions for the students, whether it is photocopying, excursions for Prep to Yr 9, bus hire for SECA sport, musical instruments, IT network, classroom resources, Library resources and other consumables used by students. Other costs that include supporting students indirectly are - electricity, telephone, water, rates, rubbish collection, sanitary service, cleaning contractors, grounds staff, furniture and fittings and buildings/maintenance.

Your assistance in paying school fees by the due date enables the College to provide and maintain services and support to your children.

**OVERDUE ACCOUNTS**

Overdue notices were mailed last week to all account holders with an outstanding balance as at 28 May 2012. Your attention to settlement of your overdue account is appreciated. If you have paid your account after the 28 May 2012, please disregard this notice. (Please allow 3 days for processing of BPAY payments).

**PAYMENT OPTIONS**

BPAY facility is available. Each family has been issued a BPAY Reference number and this is in the top right hand side of all statements. We encourage all account holders to use this method of payment. If you choose to make periodic payments via BPAY, please call and advise the office. We ask all families who have previously directly deposited into our account to please discontinue this method, and begin utilising BPAY as your preferred method of payment.

Direct debit payment plans are also available in preparation for Term 3 and Term 4 fees. Please enquire at college reception.

If you prefer to make payments at college reception, please remember to bring your statement with you. As with other organisations, customer and reference numbers which appear on your statement are needed to accurately process your fees.

**EQUESTRIAN NEWS**

Emmaus College Equestrian Team has continued its success at Interschool competitions recently at the Aquinas College Showhorse event held on May 19 at the Oxenford Pony Club grounds. The day (the first competition run by Aquinas) was extremely well run by the small team of parents from Aquinas College and their Team Co-ordinator. In addition to beautiful
sashes and trophies there were also prizes in the form of vouchers from generous sponsors. All of the riders from Emmaus College placed in their classes. Our major placings were:

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These major placings meant that Jordie-Lee went on to ride for the Supreme Open Hack of the Show and Rebekah and Tayla went on to ride for the Supreme Show Hunter of the Show. This is a huge achievement in itself and the girls should all be proud of their workouts even though they missed out on the titles.

In the team placings Emmaus College once again came first in the secondary team competition and along with the Blue Sash the team also received a voucher valued at $450 which entitles the team to 150 personalised water bottles. When the order is complete these water bottles will be sold to raise funds for the team in the future. Once again congratulations to all the riders who competed that day.

Maria Gould - Equestrian Coordinator

**SPORTS NEWS**

**PRIMARY DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY**

Emmaus College sent their Primary (ages 9-12) team over to Hills College on Tuesday 22nd of May to compete for selection at the Beaudesert Primary Districts. We sent a strong team and had several top ten finishers. Congratulations to the following students for receiving selection in the Beaudesert Primary District team:

- Laura K – 3rd in 11 years girls
- Kobe A – 3rd in 10 years boys
- Noah P – 1st in 10 years boys
- Joshua C – 1st in 11 years boys
- Brooke E – 3rd in 12 years girls
- Heather L – 7th in 12 years girls
- Tameka J – 10th in 12 year girls

**PACIFIC DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL**

Emmaus College also sent a select group of individuals to the Pacific District Cross Country trials on Friday 18th of May. The following students gained selection in the Pacific Districts Cross Country Team:

- Chiara O – 8th in 13 years girls
- James B – 8th in 15 years boys
- Jade A – 10th in 15 years girls
- Tynelee A – 6th in 17+ years girls

**SECA CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL**

Emmaus College sent a team of 50 runners out to Limestone Park at Ipswich for the SECA South Eastern Conference Association Cross Country carnival on Wednesday 23rd of May. We had several top ten place getters and were well represented in years 7-9 and also in the senior years. For the fourth consecutive year Emmaus College won the Percentage trophy for the smallest team with the best results overall. Thanks again to Mrs Faulks, Mr Watts and Mrs Pickard for their fantastic efforts on the day supporting myself and the team.

**SOUTH COAST CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL**

All members of the Emmaus Community that gained selection in both the Beaudesert Primary District team and Pacific District team will be competing for selection in the South Coast team on Tuesday 5th of June at Runaway Bay. Good luck and may all the training and hard work that you have put in come to fruition.

**SECA**

We are into Week 4 of SECA this Thursday weather permitting. Teams will go out to their venues to continue the competition. This competition will continue next term for another two weeks before entering into the finals rounds. Upon completion of the final rounds one team from the whole of the SECA competition (Northern and Southern Conferences) will be crowned Champion for that sport. At this stage of the competition there are several Emmaus teams in contention to bring home some silverware! To follow your son/daughter's teams performance you can go to http://www.seca.sportingpulse.net. Good luck to all teams.

**ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**

The Junior (P-2) Athletics Carnival was held on Friday A big thank-you to Mr Oberle and members of staff for assisting in this important event for our Junior members. The 3-12 students will have the opportunity to showcase their talents at their Athletics Carnival at Jimboomba Little Athletics, Henderson Rd, Jimboomba on the 14th of August.

Please contact the college if you have any queries regarding sporting events, venues and general information.

John Huston

**P&F NEWS**

**NEXT MEETING**

Our next P & F meeting is a night meeting - Monday 18th June at 7.00pm in the Lomandra Centre. Everyone is welcome – please feel free to email any issues or concerns you want discussed or placed on the agenda to: pandlssecretaryemmaus@gmail.com If you would like to join the P & F email list, send us an email!

**HOMESTYLE PIES**

Pie Drive orders and payments are due back this Friday 8th June. These are great value quality products and a perfect last-minute meal, especially over the winter school holidays. Delivery will be Wednesday 20th June – if anyone is able to help with sorting orders on that day, please let Raelene know on 0402 902 977.

**BIGGEST MORNING TEA**

A reminder that a group of Mums is hosting “High Tea at Emmaus” at 9.30am on Wednesday 13th June in honour of Trina Sterle, to raise funds for the Cancer Council. If you want details, contact Candice English on 5543 2242 or email: cengles@bigpond.com.

**ALL WELCOME - 2013 EMMAUS FETE MEETING**

Our next Fete meeting will be Tuesday 12th June from 1.45pm until pick up in the Lomandra boardroom. If you have any ideas about what you would like to see at the Fair or if you would like to be involved, please email Sarah Hirschy on :- pandlsunsetfair2013@gmail.com

**RELAY FOR LIFE**

The P & F is looking to support a team of walkers in the local annual Relay for Life in October. Teams of between 10 and 15 people walk in relay for 18 hours to raise funds for the Cancer Council. If you’d like to participate, send us an email or leave a message at the front office marked to the attention of the P & F.

Selma Schuller – P & F Secretary

**STUDENT BANKING:**


Wallet rewards are unavailable – we have just one left in stock and after that there is no more. Book light rewards are available now and are very popular. Only 3weeks till the hamper draw - happy banking

Danielle Powell – Student Banking Co-ordinator
FROM THE UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop is stocked with all winter uniforms.

For Prep & Primary Students (Yrs 1-6)
- Microfibre Jacket & Microfibre pants
- Fleecy Jumper
- Fleecy Cardigan
- Fleecy Trackpants

For the Middle Year Students (Yrs 7-9)
- Emmaus Navy Pullover - can be worn with the formal & sports uniform
- Microfibre Jacket & Trackpants - ONLY to be worn with the sport uniform
- Optional - Long formal trousers

For Senior Students (Yrs 10-12)
- Blazer must be worn with the formal uniform
- Optional - Long formal trousers
- Microfibre Jacket & Microfibre Trackpants, Senior Jacket ONLY worn with the sport uniform

If you are unable to attend the shop in person, you can place orders by calling the Uniform Shop on 5547 9990 or emailing wspanner@bne.catholic.edu.au

TUCKSHOP NEWS

MUFFINS
Smaller muffins are now available. The smaller muffins (regular muffin size) are $1.20 each, and available in choc chip flavour. The larger muffins (Texas muffin size) will continue to be available and are $2.00 each. If you wish to order either muffin, please indicate small or large size.

Menus are available online, at the office or at the tuckshop. Please follow the procedures on the back of the menu, as it makes things easier for the tuckshop staff and volunteers.

SIGNING IN
A reminder to all our volunteers that you MUST sign in at the office prior to starting your shift in the tuckshop. All volunteers must also complete a Volunteer Student Protection Information Sign off Pack which is available from the office. Volunteers who are not a parent of a student at Emmaus, must also apply for a Volunteer Blue Card. This applies to Grandparents and other relatives. Forms are also available from the office.

Leanne Fullerton & Simone Partridge

OTHER ITEMS.....

Church Service Times

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|St Catherine’s Catholic Church| Tuesday - 8am  
74-76 East St, Jimboomba  
Sunday - 5.30pm |
|St James’ Anglican Church  | Sunday - 8.30am  
Lot 7 East St, Jimboomba  
PH: 5546 0644 |
|Beaudesert Uniting Church  | Sunday - 8.30am  
2 Tilley St, Beaudesert  
PH: 5541 1018 |
|St Paul’s Lutheran Church  | First-Fourth Sunday - 10.30am  
46 Tina St, Beaudesert  
PH: 3800 3648  
Fifth Sunday - 8.30am |

2013 - Years 7 to 12 Enrolment

Applications are now being taken for students eligible for Year 7 through to Year 12 in 2013.

All applications must include:-
- Birth Certificate
- Baptism Certificate (if applicable)
- Latest school reports

Applications can be downloaded from the school website or collected from the College Reception. For further information, please call 5547 9990.

An Invitation to

High Tea
at Emmaus

Wednesday, 13th June - 9.30am  
Lomandra Centre, Emmaus College

$10 per person (includes High Tea)  
Tickets are to be pre-purchased from the College Reception.

For more information, contact Candice on 5543 2242 or email ceenglish@bigpond.com

Incident in the Church Grounds

Last week, the St James Anglican Church sign was damaged, possibly caused by someone running into it. If anyone has any information regarding this, could you please contact Fr Dan on 0409 898 507.

STAS is a scheme to provide assistance to eligible students travelling to primary & secondary schools.

Primary & Secondary students may be eligible for assistance for Bus Transport, Conveyance Allowance, Rail Travel, Isolated Students, ESL Students, Students with Disabilities.

For further information go to www.transport.qld.gov.au/qt/PubTrans.nsf/index/assisthome or contact your local Queensland Transport Office

Out of Stock
Sport Shirt size 12  
Prep Shirt size 4

Raising funds for the Cancer Council in memory of Trina Steele
With all our building and renovating, we have some ‘stuff’ for sale by tender. Items can be viewed and tendered for in the Green Shed during school hours.

- 2 Roller doors – 2015mm wide with a 1500mm drop
- 2 Electric roller doors, excellent condition and barely used. 4000mm wide with a 2400mm drop.
- Kitchen bench with double bowl stainless steel sink and tapware.
- Variety of benching lengths and widths
- Overhead cupboards
- Numerous office chairs

Tenders will close on the 22nd of June at 3.00pm