

# EMMAUS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Emmaus Catholic Primary School has a commitment to the care, safety and wellbeing of children.





#### Thursday 30th July, 2020 TERM 3, WEEK 2

The school Newsletter will be published fortnightly on the school website. Notifications are sent to the Emmaus App when published.

Dear Parents and Carers,

As I write this newsletter the number of people testing positive in Brimbank continues to rise. Schools in close proximity are having to deal with the pandemic, first hand. They are supporting students and teachers with this insidious virus, they are tracking the movement of staff and students through their schools and contacting families. They are organising and supervising deep cleaning and all the while communicating with the whole school community. Our thoughts and prayers are with them all as they battle through these trying times.

We know all families are working hard to keep their children involved in flexible and remote learning. I know that this is easier for some than it is for others. Some parents are working from home and juggling both, some have had to reduce their work hours, others have taken leave or unpaid leave. We understand these are very trying times and the teachers are working extremely hard to provide the best learning possible to suit our different family situations.

Next week children will be required to sign a daily attendance through Hapara. If children are not consistently signing in over the week we will contact families as a check in.

Our school will be closed from Monday, 3rd August until Friday, 7th August. All staff members will be working from home, even Michael will be painting new timber for our seats. Our teachers will continue to teach from our flexible remote platform and will be able to be contacted by email. Even though the school is closed I will still be working and can be contacted at principal@emsydenham.catholic.edu.au or you can contact the office at secretary@emsydenham.catholic.edu.au

If your child has been at school over the last few weeks and they or any of your family members test positive to COVID 19 please share this information with me. It will be treated with confidentiality. We must know so we can begin tracking student and teacher movement throughout the school and organise isolation for those affected as soon as possible.

Please take on board the advice from the government and health officials so we can all see each other and our families soon. Stay at home if you can, keep your physical distance from each other and wear a mask when you are venturing out. Please be kind to one another and stay safe.

At this time of great need, may the Lord bless us and keep us, may the Lord shed His light upon us and give us His peace.

Warmest regards,

Jackie

# THE YEAR 4 TEACHERS HAVE A REQUEST

Who lives in a *multi-storey treehouse*, has a *bum that went psycho* and is *Just Crazy*? Andy Griffiths of course! Andy Griffiths is an Aussie author who has captured the hearts and minds of kids everywhere with his whacky and hilarious stories! He also happens to be one of the Year 4's favourite Author Studies. He's partnered with Coles and created 24 **Coles Little Treehouse** books featuring stories inspired by the original series. The books are offered to Coles customers for every \$30 they spend in one transaction. If anyone has any of these books that they don't want to keep, we would love to have them in our school collection! The Year 4 students, and many others, will enjoy them for years to come! Please drop them into the office or send them in when the children return to school.

## <u>C.R.C. CAROLINE SPRINGS</u>

For all current Year 5 students who are zoned to Catholic Regional College Caroline Springs will now have until 9 October 2020 to submit their applications for enrolment for Year 7 in 2022. This is the final date of acceptance for applications.

Parents who have children attending the College and have siblings in Year 5 will still need to complete an enrolment form.

### PARISH MASS

Mass is available through STREAMING AND TV in our Parish. We live stream Sunday Mass each weekend from our Parish starting on Saturdays at 5.00 pm. Use SHEPARISH on YouTube and Facebook. Feast of the Sacred Heart.

### SECONDARY SCHOOL

If you are sending your child to Copperfield Secondary School and are interested in a scholarship opportunity, please visit their school website or ring the school to find out more information.



If your child is not returning to Emmaus next year, please inform the school of their new school for 2021. Email: secretary@emsydenham.catholic.edu.au

NAME & GRADE NAME AND LOCATION OF NEW SCHOOL



