



Dear Families,

We have had a wonderful start to the term. I can't help but think back to this time last year when we were all grappling with teaching and learning at home!! What a time it was. I am so grateful one year later we are able to be back on site at school teaching and learning together. Let's pray this continues.

Our prayers are also with the people of India as they battle their second wave of COVID 19. We understand some of our families at Emmaus are concerned about their families and friends back in India. We want you to know we are thinking of you and holding you all in our prayers.

Mother's Day Stall

A BIG thank you to the mums who helped organise and set up our Mother's Day Stall. They had to organise it in a very short period of time and they did a magnificent job. We are very grateful. Thank you to all the mums who came along and helped with selling the gifts to the children. It was lovely to have their presence in our school again.

Congratulations to the winner of the Mother's Day Raffle, Monica from 5 Chisholm.

School Arrival

This is just a reminder that the carpark does not open until 8.25. Please do not enter the school grounds before then. Our front gate opens just before 8.30am. Children can not be left at the front of the school on their own waiting for the school to open. Children left before this time are unsupervised. If you need your children to be at school before this time they will need to go to Before School Care.

Parking in the Carpark at Dismissal

When you are arriving to pick up your child from school please anticipate that the car park will be busy. If you would like to park your car you need to arrive early. Parents can only park in a designated carpark. If there are none left you need to exit the car park and go around the roundabout and come back. Teachers will stay with the children until you can pick them up. Please do not park where you are blocking traffic. Rainy days are always particularly busy as no one wants to get wet. Brimbank parking officers have also been taking photos and sending fines to people who are choosing to park in the wrong areas.

School Photos

We are really excited to let you know the school photos have arrived at school. We will sort them through today and send them home with the children tomorrow. I have had a sneak peek and they are gorgeous! Please do not come and ask for them before then as they will be unavailable.

Italian Day

We are celebrating an Italian Day on May 20th. It will be a day when the children can dress up as an Italian or something Italian or wear the colours red, green and white - the colours of the Italian Flag. The children will also be able to purchase pizza for lunch on that day. More details will follow next week. We will be participating in many different activities throughout that week. We thank Signora Todarello for all she is doing to organise everything for us.

NAPLAN

Our Years 3 and 5 children will be participating in the National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) next Tuesday 11th, Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th May. Please make sure the children are on time for school so they are not anxious and can do their very best.

Happy Mother's Day to all the Emmaus Mothers and special women in our lives! We hope you have a wonderful day on Sunday with your families.

Jackie