



# EMMAUS NEWSLETTER

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**COME, HOLY SPIRIT, FILL THE  
HEARTS OF YOUR FAITHFUL.  
AND KINDLE IN THEM THE  
FIRE OF YOUR LOVE. SEND  
FORTH YOUR SPIRIT AND  
THEY SHALL BE CREATED.**

## A message to the community

Dear Families,

I hope all our Mothers, grandmothers and special women in our lives had a wonderful Mother's Day last Sunday. The weather was superb and it was a wonderful opportunity to spend time with our families. I hope you all enjoyed the beautiful gifts the children had bought for you at our Mother's Day stall. Watching children shop for their mums is another of my highlights as a Principal. The children put so much thought into the gifts they chose and I'm sure they enjoyed giving them to their mum's on Sunday morning.

A BIG thank you to the amazing parents who gave up their time to make our Mother's Day stall so successful. To the mum's who set up the stall, the parents who sold items and to our raffle ticket mum's - THANK YOU! To our fundraising mum's, your efforts are applauded, you just keep giving of your time and yourselves. THANK YOU.

Congratulations to many winners:

1st prize: Nina - \$200 Peninsula Hot Spring Voucher

2nd prize: Matthew - \$100 Peter Alexander Voucher

3rd prize: Lorenzo - Country Road hamper

4th prize: Dante - 60 minute massage voucher

5th prize: Carla - \$50 Dan Murphys Voucher





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## **MAJOR MOTHERS DAY RAFFLE**

Don't forget to buy your raffle ticket in our Big Mother's Day Raffle - A thermomix. Tickets are \$10 each and this raffle will be drawn on 2nd June.

## **CONFIRMATION**

This Saturday our Year six students will be presenting for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Today the students met with Bishop Martin and Father Maurie in preparation for this special event. I am very grateful to the Year six teachers who have prepared the students to receive their final sacrament of initiation into our church community. We look forward to celebrating with the children at the two masses. ( 11 am and 1.30pm)

## **SENDING PRAYERS**

Our thoughts and prayers are with the families and their loved ones affected by the terrible bus tragedy at Exford this week. I can't begin to imagine how terrible that must be for the parents, bus driver, principal and teachers at Exford Primary school.

## **THANK YOU**

I want to send a big thank you to the teachers and support staff at Emmaus. They have been extraordinary. We have had a lot of illness throughout the school and they have picked up extra duties and have taught and supported extra children. We are very grateful for all they do on a daily basis.

## **RESPECT**

We really have just one rule at Emmaus and that is RESPECT.

We learn about:

RESPECT for ourselves,

RESPECT for each other,

RESPECT for our environment and

RESPECT for our God.

We expect children to follow this rule. Schools are very social places and we have to work hard to practise respect. We don't expect that all children will be best friends but we do expect them to respect everyone. We understand that we all make mistakes and if children make a mistake we will work with them to try not to do it again

This is an expectation of parents in our Emmaus school community as well. We model our actions for our children. We don't expect that all parents will be best friends but we do expect that all parents will respect each other and other people's children.

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## BOOK FAIR

Next week we will be holding our BOOK FAIR. It will be held from Monday 22nd May - Friday 26th May. The teachers will take the children to the library to look at the books. The children will complete a wish list of the books they would like. Parents are welcome to take their children to the library after school to purchase books. Eftpos will be available. The children can also purchase books at lunch time or before school if they would like.

## SCHOOL UNIFORM

It is now time for the full winter uniform to be worn. When parents accept a position at Emmaus for their child, they agree that their children will wear the full school uniform.

We have been listening to 'student voices' at school. Many of the boys have talked to us about their dislike of wearing long pants so we are giving them the choice. They can wear either long blue pants or blue school shorts but they must be in full school uniform.

If children have an Emmaus soft cell jacket with the Emmaus emblem they may also wear this to school. If your child does not like wearing the school jumper they may wear this jacket instead.

Our Year 6 students can wear either their maroon school jumper, their Year 6 jacket or both. They can also wear the new blue soft cell jacket with the Emmaus emblem if they would like.

Children can wear any jacket to and from school and at play times however they will need to take puffer jackets or other jackets off in the classroom.

**Black school shoes or all black runners may be worn.** Other runners cannot be worn unless it is Discovery day.

BOYS WINTER UNIFORM	GIRLS WINTER UNIFORM
Long blue pants or blue school shorts Blue Shirt - short or long sleeves or a blue skivvy Blue socks Maroon Emmaus School Jumper	Long blue pants or the Emmaus tunic Blue Shirt - short or long sleeves or a blue skivvy Blue socks or blue stockings Maroon Emmaus School Jumper
There is also a new soft cell jacket with the Emmaus emblem. If you would like to see an example of this jacket there is one in the office to look at.	There is also a new soft cell jacket that can be worn to and from school.

## STUDENT ABSENCE

If your child is going to be away from school you must call the office and speak to the office staff or leave a message on our answering service before 9am to let us know they will be away. Or you can contact a teacher via SEESAW or email before 8.30. After this teachers may not see your email as they are preparing for the day or on duty.

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If your plans change during the day and you need someone else to pick up your child from school or you need to change where they are picked up you must leave a message at the office. During the day teachers are teaching and do not get an opportunity to check their emails.

Like always if you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Kind regards,

Jackie

## **UPCOMING DATES**

**Book Fair 22nd May - Friday 26th May**

**Book covering - Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th May from 8.45am - 10.30am**

**Parent Teacher Interviews - Tuesday 20th June, Wednesday 21st June and Thursday 22nd June.**

**Term 2 concludes Friday, 23rd June**

**The school year for 2023 will conclude for children on Friday, 15th December**

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