

Calendar of Events

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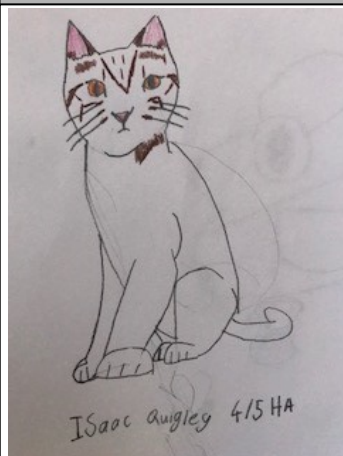
- Fri 16 Assembly 1/2G
Sat 17 Bunnings BBQ
Noarlunga 7am to 5pm
 Mon 19 Rec—Yr 2 T-Ball
 Tue 20 Morphett Vale Sacrament
 Program 5.30pm to 7pm
**Centacare—Managing
 Strong Feelings
 Workshop @ Emmaus
 6-7.30pm**
 Wed 21 Special Lunch-Hotdogs
Thu 22 Yrs 3-7 Lacrosse
 Mon 26 Rec—Yr 2 T-Ball
Wed 28 Board Meeting 6.30pm

MAR

- Thu 1 to Fri 2 Year 3 Camp**
 Fri 2 Assembly RecS
School's Clean Up Day
 Mon 5 Rec—Yr 2 T-Ball
 Tue 6 Morphett Vale Sacrament
 Program 5.30pm to 7pm
Thu 8 Yrs 3-7 Lacrosse
 Fri 9 Bread and Rice Day
Mon 12 Adelaide Cup - no school
 Wed 14 Swimming Carnival Day
Thu 15 Yrs 3-7 Lacrosse
 Fri 16 Assembly 3AR
**GRIP Leadership House
 & Vice Captains**
 Mon 19 to Thu 22 Canberra Trip
 Tue 20 Morphett Vale Sacrament
 Program 5.30pm to 7pm
**Wed 21 Harmony Day—Shared
 Multicultural Lunch**
 Sun 25 Palm Sunday
**Tue 27 Holy Week Presentation
 9.15am**
 Wed 28 Holy Week Presentation
 9.15am
Board Meeting 6.30pm
 Thu 29 Holy Week Presentation
 9.15am
 Fri 30 Good Friday

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15th February, 2018



Darcie, 6/7 RM



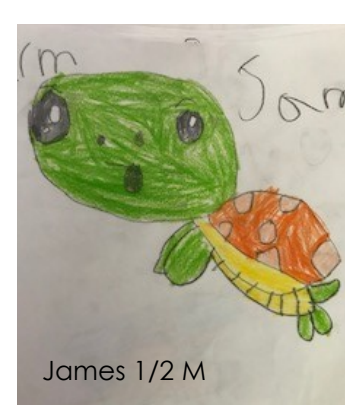
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James 1/2 M

Grow Your Brain Day

As part *Grow Your Brain Day* at Emmaus, children were encouraged to stretch their brains through a range of challenging activities. One activity involved watching a guided art video, listening and following detailed instructions in order to build skills as an artist. Here are some artworks produced by our amazing Emmaus Artists.



From the Principal

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We are all really back into the swing of things.

Parental Involvement

On Monday night we held our Annual General Meeting and Parent Information Night. This evening provided an excellent opportunity for me to share with parents the value of parents engaging in their child's education. Parent involvement is the great equaliser. Thirty years of research has shown that socio-economic status, parents' education, ethnic background don't matter as much to the success of students. When parents are involved, students achieve more.

Students will achieve higher grades, complete home learning more consistently, demonstrate more positive attitudes and behaviour if their parents are involved. There are lots of ways to be involved in your child's education and in the life of the school. Ask your child questions about their day, make a quiet space available at home for their learning, listen to your child read and ask them about texts when they have read them. In all of these ways you are setting your child up for success.

Seesaw

I am also very pleased to announce that this year all of our classes and our new OSHC service will be picking up the seesaw application. This application provided parents with real time news about their own child's learning. Parents are asked to download the app to their phones and then use their child's unique code so that individual learning can be shared instantly and regularly with relative ease. Teachers spoke to families about seesaw at the information sessions on Monday night. If you require information, please see/email your child's class teacher.

Political Agenda

With only four weeks to go until the State Election, there is increasing pressure on politicians to secure as many votes as possible. You may be aware that towards the end of last year, the State Labor Government announced an increase in recurrent funding for Catholic schools and the provision of \$5.5M in capital funding for Catholic schools in our state. While we welcome this additional funding, it seems a drop in the ocean when around the same time, the State Government gifted public schools with \$690M for upgrades.

Then 2 weeks ago, the Labor Government announced every year 10 public school student across South Australia would receive a Government funded laptop under a State Government investment to prepare students for their future careers. And on the same day, it was announced that Public schools would receive \$57 million to support students with special needs.

We might argue that students with special needs in Catholic schools are equally deserving of additional funds and that year 10 students in Catholic colleges also deserve to be prepared for their future careers. Why would you give laptops to all students, many whose families could afford to purchase their own? Why would this offer not be means tested and offered to students in all schooling sectors whose parents are unable to purchase a laptop for their child?

These are questions you might like to ask your local candidates as we work to secure the best possible outcomes for students in Catholic schools across our state. To this end, you will find a template letter emailed to all families which I strongly encourage you to complete and send, along with your family, parishioners and friends.

There will be more information coming to parents and caregivers in the next 4 weeks, giving you information about what each of the major parties is offering Catholic school students. In this way you can make an informed decision at the polling booth on election day. For more information about funding for Catholic schools, visit:

<http://www.cesa.catholic.edu.au/news/fair-funding-campaign>

New Board Members

At our AGM on Monday night, those present voted for the new parent representatives on the Emmaus Catholic School Board. I thank all candidates for their nomination and commitment to our school. I am pleased to announce the following parents were elected:

Ashley Fry

Kylie Vogt

Scott Wilson

Have a good weekend and God bless,
Catherine

From the APRIM

LENT BEGINS...

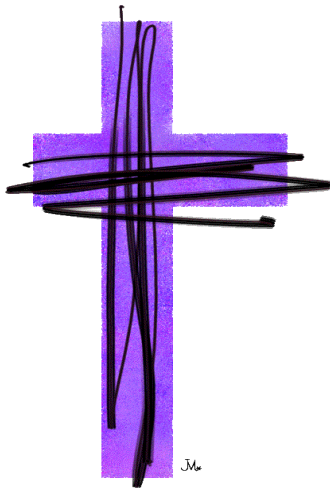
So the season of Lent has begun. This is the season of preparation before Easter. During this special time on the Catholic Liturgical Calendar, we are invited to reflect on ways to become the best version of ourselves and strengthen our relationship with our God who loves us unconditionally.

This sounds easy, but if it was, everyone would be doing it! The truth is walking with Jesus is challenging. Walking with Jesus calls us to examine the things we say and do. Walking with Jesus calls us to love those who make us angry. Walking with Jesus calls us to place others before ourselves.

As challenging as this road may be, it is the only way to discover the deep, eternal and peace-filled happiness on offer. And ironically, life becomes easier walking with Jesus...

Below is the special prayer we are reading as part of our Flag Assemblies this Lent.

Walking with Jesus during this Lenten season...



God, Father and Creator,
We thank you for all the gifts you have given us,
especially the gift of your Son,
During this holy season of Lent, help us to change and grow
and become the kind of people you created us to be.
Fill our hearts with love for you,
and love for other people created in your image.
Show us how to use the gifts you have given us
to help others in your name.
As we journey together toward the light of Easter,
we know you are with us in all that we do.
May we love always as people of your kingdom,
praising your name now and forever.
Amen



PROJECT COMPASSION
FOR A JUST FUTURE

SUPPORTING PROJECT COMPASSION IN 2018

A Project Compassion Box, our Lenten Family Pages and a copy of our Lenten Challenges will be sent home this week. There are many different ideas to help children understand the season of Lent. May you and your family be open to God's presence through this season of Lent; and may every moment, especially moments of sacrifice and challenge be filled with the deep and true happiness that comes from God.

EMMAUS LENTEN CHALLENGES

ARE YOU READY TO TAKE UP A LENTEN CHALLENGE?

Lent is all about self-reflection on how we can be the best version of ourselves and be more like Jesus. It is about making a difference in the world. Prayer is central to this transformation. Without times of reflection and prayer, our efforts can often be motivated by our own ego and its needs.

So here are 2 Lenten Challenges that you and your family can take on:

CHALLENGE 1: LENTEN PRAYER CHALLENGE

CHALLENGE 2: LENTEN MASS CHALLENGE

Both will support you in fostering a prayerful life this Lent. **You will find more information about each challenge as an attachment to this week's newsletter.**

The important thing is making the commitment and having something that makes you accountable. Taking on these challenges **WILL** change the way you see the world and open you and your family to an even happier life!

It would be great to find out if your family is taking on one of these challenges!

2018 MORPHETT VALE PARISH SACRAMENT PROGRAM

The Sacrament Program will be commencing in Week 2 of this term, February 6th 2018.

This program is especially for children 7 years of age and older who would like to continue their spiritual journey in the Catholic Church and receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion. The Sacrament Program will be held fortnightly on Tuesday evenings at 5:30pm - 7:00pm in the Morphett Vale Parish Hall, during school terms only.

These dates include:

Term 1: Feb 20th March 6th March 20th

Term 2: May 1st May 15th May 29th June 12th June 26th

Term 3: July 24th Aug 7th Aug 21st Sept 4th Sept 18th

Term 4: Oct 16th Oct 30th Nov 13th

Contact the parish office for more information or to register your child by phone: 8326 1555, via email (mvp parish@internode.net.au) or by visiting their website (<http://www.morphettvalecatholic.com/>)

BAPTISM

God calls each of us to a closer relationship with God where we can gain clarity, fulfillment and true happiness. It can be hard to hear this call and there is certainly enough noise to distract us. But when the time is right, something opens us to a deeper understanding and we are transformed. May we each take time to listen more closely to God's call. What awesome things has God got planned for you?

There have been a number of parents and families asking about Baptism in the parish and seeking baptism for their children. The parish is certainly here to support families on this very important stage on their faith journey. If there are any other families interested in baptism, please contact the parish office on 8326 1555 or visit the website: <http://www.morphettvalecatholic.com/>. I may also be able to answer any of your questions.

RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS)

Adults who are interested in Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion prepare and celebrate through the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA.) In the Morphett Vale Catholic Community, the program begins in the second half of the year and the sacrament is celebrated on Easter Saturday the following year. If anyone is interested or just wants to find out more about the program, please contact the parish office on 8326 1555 or visit the website: <http://www.morphettvalecatholic.com/> . I may also be able to answer any of your questions.

God Bless,

Paul Mensforth

APRIM (Assistant Principal –Religious Identity and Mission)

pmensforth@emmaus.catholic.edu.au

Emmaus Out of School Hours Care

OSHC Fees

Our full fee for **Before School Care** is:

- ◆ Permanent bookings: \$14.00 per session
- ◆ Casual bookings: \$17.00 per session

Before School Care Half session fees:

Permanent: 7.45am to 8.30am \$7.00
Casual: 7.45am to 8.30am \$8.50

Our full fee for **After School Care** is:

- ◆ Permanent booking: \$22.00
- ◆ Casual booking: \$25.00

Our full fee for **Pupil Free Days** and **Vacation Care** days is: \$65.00

Fees quoted are before CCB or CCR has been applied.

Please note that accounts will be sent home fortnightly by email and are strictly 14 days. *Accounts must be paid in full before future session bookings for your child will be accepted.*

A reminder for **enrolments forms** to be handed to OSHC or the front office. Please ensure all sections for parents, children and contacts have been completed and if you are registered with Centrelink that your CRN numbers are correct; otherwise this may affect your claim for invoicing.

Cancellations: All cancellations must be communicated (phone 0438 444 714 or email oshc@emmaus.catholic.edu.au) before 12pm otherwise full fees will apply (CCB will also be applied to absences).

If your account is not showing your CCB or you feel that your CCB rebate is incorrect, due to the privacy act you will need to contact Centrelink yourself.

Service opening times:

Before School:

Monday – Friday: 6:45 – 8:30am

After School:

Monday - Friday: 3:05 - 6:30pm

Vacation Care:

Monday – Friday: 6:45am – 6:30pm

Contact details:

Enrolments and bookings: Program Manager (Vanessa Kew) – 0438 444 714 or oshc@emmaus.catholic.edu.au.
On the day if you wish to book your child into OSHC please contact the front office on 8322 7211. Thank you

Jottings from Joy

Emmaus Meals Roster

I am updating the list of families who are willing to be called on to prepare a meal for another family who is experiencing a crisis. This is a special way that we can be "family" to each other, by supporting another family in a very practical way. Hopefully you would be given a day or two's notice to deliver a meal (preferably in a disposable container) to the school office. To maintain confidentiality the transfer of meals from one family to another is done through the front office.



Please email me (jsaba@emmaus.catholic.edu.au) or complete the tear of slip if you would like to make a meal
Alternatively, if your family would like to avail themselves of a home-cooked meal when life have thrown a curve-ball, please contact me via the front office to arrange.

FREE PARENT WORKSHOP to help your children Manage Strong Feelings



TUES 20/2/18 6-7.30PM (light refreshments from 5.30pm)
Emmaus Catholic Primary School
2 Todd Street Woodcroft
CRECHE AVAILABLE

Bookings essential, please contact Centacare on 8215 6700 or email your details to: registrations@centacare.org.au

Emmaus school contact: Joy Saba
jsaba@emmaus.catholic.edu.au

NEXT WORKSHOP @ EMMAUS: "What to do when children push your buttons" 20/5/18

This project is jointly funded by Centacare Catholic Family Services and Department of Social Services

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Emmaus Meals Roster



Yes, I am willing to make a meal for a family in need

Name: Oldest child's class

Best contact method: Phone..... Email

Days I WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO DO

Please return to Joy Saba (Emmaus Chaplain). Thanks for your generosity.

School Hours

Morning Supervision: 8.30 – 8.45 a.m.

(Students arriving before 8.30 a.m. must be signed in to OSHC by a parent/carer)

School Commences: 8.45 a.m.

(All students must be in class at this time)

Recess: 11.00 – 11.30 a.m.

Lunch: 1.00 – 1.40 p.m.

School Dismissal: 3.05 p.m.



A reminder for Student Absences from School

Parents and Guardians are reminded to phone the office, send a text message or email through to advise that your child is away from school or is going to be late. Alternatively you can use the Emmaus School Stream app.

SMS: 0408 306 681

School Stream App - go to Forms and complete the Absentee Form.

Phone: 08 8322 7211 (leave a message on answering machine prior to 8.30am)

Email: information@emmaus.catholic.edu.au



If you are going to be away on **Holidays** would you please drop in a letter to the front office, use the school app or email info@emmaus.catholic.edu.au advising of this.

Late and Early Departures

Remember to sign your child in/out via the iPad in the office if they are late to school or leaving early.

Children who are late to school need to be signed in by an adult and when children leave early from school they need to be signed out by their parent/guardian.

Thank you



Music Programme

Emmaus offers an instrumental Music programme, with lessons in piano, guitar, violin, flute, saxophone, clarinet and voice.

Lessons are available to students from Years 1 – 7, on an individual basis with an instrumental teacher. Fees for instrumental lessons range from \$12.50 - \$22 per lesson, depending on the instrument, and are payable a term in advance.

Students will be required to buy their music books, as well as buy or hire their instrument. I can provide information about buying or hiring for each instrument, should you require further information.

There are limited vacancies for all instruments, so if your child is interested, please send me an email at nmoxham@emmaus.catholic.edu.au telling me your child's name and class, and which instrument they would like to learn. I can then send you specific information about the lesson fees for that instrument as well as a buying/hiring fact sheet if you have requested one.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to see me before school on a Tuesday or Wednesday, or send an email.

Nicole Moxham
MUSIC TEACHER



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Welcome to the new school year! Have you heard about *School Community Rewards*, and how it can help you AND our school?



Find out more about Credit Union SA's *School Community Rewards*

Credit Union SA recently caught up with parents and teachers to find out just what it is that *School Community Rewards* can do for themselves, their families and their school community:

Watch the video



Meet Eliza Pryce – our school's *School Community Rewards* representative

You will be seeing Eliza around our school, supporting events.

Eliza is happy to assist you with any questions you have about *School Community Rewards* and how you can easily help raise funds for your school. Plus she can assist you with your banking so you can do more with your money.

Phone 0499 772 966

Email epryce@creditunionsa.com.au



Ready to join the *School Community Rewards* program?

If you're not yet a member of Credit Union SA, signing up and becoming part of the *School Community Rewards* program is easy.

You'll soon be on your way to helping raise funds for our school.

Join School Community Rewards

Find out more

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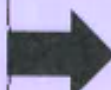


Calvary Youth Group!

TERM 1 2018

9th February 7pm-9pm

Calvary is hosting a welcome back BBQ and aquatic adventure night
Bring your water play toys and towels!



23rd February 6:30pm-8:30pm

Beach night!
Meet underneath the Port Noarlunga jetty at **6:30pm** for a fun night of swimming and beach cricket



23rd March 7pm-9pm

The Calvary youth crew take on Megazone!
\$20 per person for 2 hours of laser tag, bumper cars and arcade game fun!
Pay \$20 to Pastor Mike on the night, not to the counter



9th March 7pm-9pm

Outdoor Games
We are having some fun and games in the school yards



6th April 7pm-9pm

Disco Night
Come and have a boogie at the church to all of your favourites songs- song requests will be addressed!

DON'T LET ANYONE
LOOK DOWN ON YOU BECAUSE
YOU ARE YOUNG,
BUT BE AN EXAMPLE
FOR THE BELIEVERS
IN SPEECH | IN CONDUCT | IN LOVE
>> IN FAITH AND IN PURITY <<
1 TIMOTHY 4:12

Parents are to sign children in and out of youth group on arrival and pick up- No black soled shoes please

Contact Pastor Mike (0416 738 631) for any further information or if you need financial assistance for any activity.

Gold coin donation appreciated! (except away events)