FAITH LEARNING COMMUNITY

Calendar of Events

AUGUST

Thu 30 "Cakes for Change" Stall 1/2G Father's Day Stall

Fri 31 Pupil Free Day—OSHC is available

SEPTEMBER

Mon 3	P&F Meeting 9am
Tue 4	Morphett Vale Sacrament
	Program 5.30pm to 7pm
Thu 6	"Cakes for Change" Stall
	RecS
Fri 7	Assembly 3AR
Mon 10	Catholic Schools' Music
	Festival,
	Ent Centre 7.30pm
Tue 11	Touch Football Carnival
Thu 13	"Cakes for Change" Stall
	1/2MT
	Concert Dress Rehearsal
Tue 18	Morphett Vale Sacrament
	Program 5.30pm to 7pm
Thu 20	"Cakes for Change" Stall
	4/5H
Fri 21	Concert Technical
	Rehearsal
	Concert 7pm
Sat 22	Concert 1pm
Mon 24	Year 3 Excursion
Tue 25	Cybersafe Families
	Parent Info Session
	6.30pm
Wed 26	Catholic Charities
	Carnival Day
Thu 27	"Cakes for Change" Stall
	RDA
Fri 28	Assembly 6/7MS &
	6/7MR
	Last day of Term —
	normal finish 3.05pm
OCTOBER	
	Welcome back morning
	-
	tea

NOVEMBER

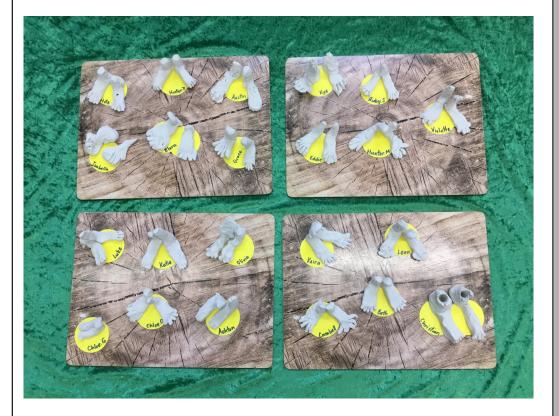
Sat 3 Car Boot Sale

Emmaus Catholic School

Edition 40

23rd August, 2018

1/2 Groeschel have made clay feet as part of our Religion learning.



Our clay feet are a special symbol to remind us that we are celebrating diversity.

We are also learning about the meaning of "Walking in the Shoes of Others" and following in the footsteps of Jesus.

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Happy Book Week! We always celebrate books and reading here at Emmaus, but book week highlights the value of both. Here at Emmaus, we limit the dressing up as book characters, to every other year – to off-set the stress parents might have sourcing costumes for the concert in the other year. Wendy Moulder has created a host of activities that students have been enjoying in the Library this week. Thank you to Wendy for this extra effort.

Staffing

Some of you may be aware that our Finance Officer, Vickie Richardson has had to take the remainder of the term off with Sick Leave. In Vickie's absence, we have Julie Klaffer doing four days a week, taking responsibility for the fees and finances and Monica Ellis has taken on enrolments and OSHC invoicing. I thank both of these ladies for their willingness to take on these responsibilities and welcome Julie to our school for the next six weeks.

2019

As we make plans for 2019, we will be sending home notices of intention to all families to help us finalise class structures and staffing for the new year. Families will be asked to notify us if they are planning on moving their child at the end of this year. Class placements will commence early Term 4 and as we seek to ensure every student is placed according to his/her needs, with some friends, whilst maintaining a balance across classes, it is imperative that we know which students we are catering for. Please return these notices promptly.

Concert

As you would all be aware, concert plans and rehearsals are well underway. We still need a truck and/ or a driver (if we have to hire a truck).

Please get in touch if you can help here.





Thank you

Thanks to our P&F who worked so hard on our Quiz Night – especially Peta Patterson and Lizzouly Mensforth. We raised \$3,200. Job well done.

Thanks also to Melissa, Tathiana, Kylie, Nando, Teresa, Kerry, Cinammin, Anna and Kirsten who all jumped in at the last minute with the special lunch on Monday. We were only able to ahead with this due to the willingness of these helpers.

Our attention now shifts to the Community Fair in 2019... think about whether you could run a stall. I hope you all enjoy the sunshine this weekend.

God bless,

Catherine



From the Deputy Principal

"Many ideas grow better when transplanted into another mind than the one where they sprang up." (Oliver Wendell Holmes)



I sent my first tweet on March 16th 2012. In the tradition of so many who are using a technology new to them for the first time the words were not deep and meaningful. Think Alexander Graham Bell on the telephone for the first time: "Mr Watson, come here. I want to see you". My first tweet made that look incredibly deep, I started with "it has begun."

On April 8th I told the world how good Haigh's dark chocolate is (if anyone from Haigh's is reading this I am not averse to endorsing the product in return for some of the product!) My niece replied that it was a great comment and she asked me how the Twitter journey was going. It wasn't! I added a few tweets that had more educational merit, although I still feel that telling those in the dark about the quality of Haigh's chocolate has enormous educational merit, and felt that I had probably come close to achieving my maximum number of tweets for the semester.



I was a bit closed off in my ideas on what value there was in Twitter. That changed when I participated in an educational conference focused around technology and making connections with other educators. Thanks to the varied input and viewpoints of those around me and through sharing experiences, understandings and ideas I was able to better understand the possibilities beyond my initial scepticism. I am now sending and receiving tweets that are helping me discover what the latest thoughts on education are and what innovative practices are happening around the world. It is a precious thing to be able to explore the minds of people from all over the globe. I am positive that many others went away feeling the same about the many different experiences on offer at the conference, not just Twitter.

It often takes the input of views different to our own to clarify an issue or to make a solution suddenly clear. As adults we usually collaborate, discuss, hypothesize and plan. Our children so often do the same thing and come to a greater understanding of concepts by seeing them through the eyes of others as well as their own. I was marvelling at just how good children are at teaching each other in this way as I watched the Reception children helping each other get logged into Reading Eggs and the Year 6/7 children working in teams to develop a product and business plan as they prepare for Carnival Day. They are all putting the different talents of their team members to great use to pull together a creative finished product.



We need to continue to encourage the collaboration skills of our children, whilst also developing in them the ability to be independent thinkers who can develop their own ideas; then confidently put them out to the world, modifying and adapting as they interact and discuss with others.



I guess that my experiences at the conference, and after, have reminded me that there are a great number of people around that we can talk to, share with, celebrate or commiserate with; and draw enthusiasm from. Many of those people are physically with us, but many more add valuable insights from all over the globe. We all need to reach out and interact, it is a basic human need. I love the fact that I can do this on a world wide basis as well as with those close to home.

Isn't it amazing how people world wide are supporting each other to imagine, believe and succeed.

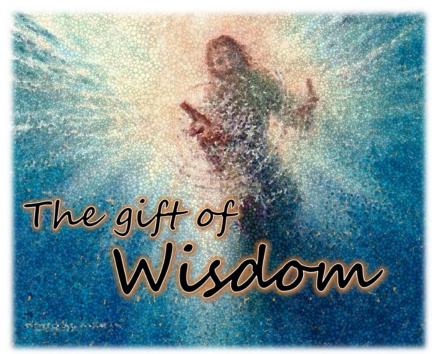
"<u>Know that although in the eternal scheme of things you are small, you are also unique and irreplaceable, as</u> <u>are all your fellow humans everywhere in the world.</u>"

Margaret Laurence (1926-1987)

From the APRIM

THE SPIRITUAL JOURNEY ... THE GIFT OF WISDOM

Next week, the staff of Emmaus will retreat from the day to day routine of school life to reflect on their faith and where they are on their spiritual journey. This annual retreat is an important aspect of maintaining the formation of our staff in their work as Catholic educators. The program will be facilitated by myself and Lillian Van Brussel (APRIM at Antonio Catholic School) and will be held at Sophia Spiritual Centre, Cumberland Park. Our theme for the retreat is: 'The Gift of Wisdom.' This rich theme will give staff an opportunity to explore their relationship with Jesus and examine their blessed life's journey through the 'Eyes of God.'



CELEBRATING SACRAMENTS- FIRST EUCHARIST

Congratulations to Jasmine Ellis (Year 6/7 RM), who celebrated her First Eucharist on Sunday 12th August in the Noarlunga/ Seaford Parish. It was a beautiful celebration! And it was very special for Jasmine to join communion that week at our whole school Feast of the Assumption Mass.



May the Eucharist be for her a constant source of strength and nourishment on her journey.

From the APRIM cont.

2018 MORPHETT VALE PARISH SACRAMENT PROGRAM

The Sacrament Program began in early February.

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

Term 3: Sept 4th Sept 18th **Term 4:** Oct 16th Oct 30th Nov 13th

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

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: <u>http://www.morphettvalecatholic.com/</u>. 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: <u>http://www.morphettvalecatholic.com/</u>. I may also be able to answer any of your questions.

God Bless,

Paul Mensforth APRIM (Assistant Principal –Religious Identity and Mission) (<u>pmensforth@emmaus.catholic.edu.au</u>)

School Stream have advised that they are looking forward to the new School Stream update being released on the Apple and Google Play Store.

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Please check that you update the app when it's released. You can even set your phone's app updates to automatic. Here are the instructions for the Apple App Store (<u>https://goo.gl/mvC9as</u>) and the Google Play Store (<u>https://goo.gl/XCgkL1</u>).

To get the most out of the app features, we do recommend creating an account so you can easily manage the content the school sends through.

To create an account, go to the side menu via the top-left corner and click on "Log-in". This is a quick and easy process that will require your first and last name, and a mobile number, email, or Facebook account authorisation.

Once you have created your account, you will be able to access all of the new app features which will be highlighted in the welcome video.

MUSIC NEWS



The Emmaus Music Room has been a busy place with each class learning their words and moves for the opening and closing numbers of our upcoming school concert, "A Million Dreams". The Ukulele Band is also preparing for a big performance at Cardijn College next week.

The Emmaus Festival Choir recently travelled to Mercedes College for a combined rehearsal for the Catholic Schools' Music Festival. We will be performing at the Entertainment Centre on Monday 10th September on what promises to be another huge night. Congratulations to **Alexandra Meneses** who has been selected to perform a solo in the song, "In Flanders Fields". She gave us a demonstration of her singing skills at the Mercedes rehearsal and was warmly received. Congratulations, also, to **Ella Ramsey** who has been selected to sing "Advance Australia Fair" with representatives of the other schools at the beginning of the performance.

Well done, team!

Check out the happenings in the Music Room at "http://emmausmusic.edublogs.org".

Nicole Moxham Music Teacher

For those who have died...

As a community, we stand together with one of our families as they grieve for the loss of a loved one.

Our thoughts go to Ellena Michael and her family, including Noah 1/2MT and Ariyah 1/2MR, as they grieve the loss of Ellena's Grandmother, and Great Grandmother, Helen Michael.

We send this family our prayers, our thoughts and our love, especially during this time.

Dear God, you created everything and you are the source of all things. We understand the cycle of things and the timely changing of seasons. We thank you for the gift of life with which you have blessed us. We thank you for our families who love and care for us. We thank you for the special memories that we have to remember each other. We know that you are always with us. Help us in times of sadness and give us strength. Amen.





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2 Todd Street, Woodcroft SA 5162

FREE ENTRY

SATURDAY, 3 NOVEMBER 2018 — 10am-1pm

CAR SPOTS \$15 Set up from 8:30am

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CALL OR TEXT

0438 822 717

to book or for more information.

Payment required by 19th October to hold your site

Raising funds for the 2019 Yr 6 Canberra Trip





Emmaus Community Fair 2019

Date to be advised.

We are looking for a Stall Convenor for the Trash & Treasure Stall for 2019

If you are interested, would you please contact the front office for further details.

Thank you

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