FOR YOUR DIARY

Week 8
Monday, 23 March
- 08:30 Uniform Store Open
- 09:00 Sec Zone Swimming
Tuesday, 24 March
- 09:00 Y7/8 Excursion - Art/History
- 11:00 Y5 Excursion - Nat Museum
- 17:00 WH&S Meeting
Wednesday, 25 March
- 11:00 OPEN DAY (Yr7 PIP )
- All School Fun Day (Yr10 students hosting)
- 14:30 Uniform Store Open
- 18:00 Open Night Sessions
Thursday, 26 March
- 09:00 Parents Prayer Meeting
- 09:30 Pre Kinder Excursion
Friday, 27 March
- 09:30 K,Y1,Y2 Excursion
- 14:20 All School Assembly (Y9 Host)
- Secondary Parent Teacher bookings Close @ noon

Saturday, 28 March
- 14:00 Food & Chocolate Festival (PIP opportunity)

Week 9
Monday, 30 March
- 06:00 Year 9/10 Agriculture excursion Sydney
- 08:30 Uniform Store Open
- 15:30 Secondary P/T Interviews
Tuesday, 31 March
- 15:30 Secondary P/T Interviews
Wednesday, 1 April
- 14:30 Uniform Store Open
Thursday, 2 April
- 09:00 Parents Prayer Meeting
- 14:20 Easter Service (SRC host)
Friday, 3 April
- Good Friday
Saturday, 5 April
- Daylight Saving Time ends

Important Things in Life
What does it profit a man (or woman) if he gains the whole world and loses his soul? While we at Emmaus want to give our students an excellent education, and we want them to graduate and be successful in their future studies and careers, there are many educational institutions that offer this service already.

What else do we offer?
There is more to life than a successful, well-paid career, or high university marks. In fact these things alone cannot guarantee a life that amounts to anything. What people actually need is

1. A life full of meaning and purpose, and

2. A life of successful relationships.

A life of meaning and purpose is deeply enhanced by a personal connection to our Creator, because we can see that our life can be invested in work of eternal value. Without a sense of working for a cause that is more important than just my comfort, people can lose their grounding and their sense of what is right. Just look at most celebrities. Through our Community Service program this year, for example, we want students to gain a strong sense that they will find meaning – even fulfillment – in serving others.

A life of successful relationships comes from following the advice God gives us about how to treat others and give them time, attention, encouragement and support, how to order our private world to make people more a priority than others, how to forgive, how to think correctly about others, and how to be honest and trustworthy.

Neither a sense of purpose nor strong relationships come about by accident and both of them are easily derailed by poor example and incorrect worldviews.

In fact the Truth is such a quiet thing that it can be swamped and crowded out by far louder voices and activities. It can be shelved by what is popular, and it can fade next to the glamour of wealth and image.

I am so excited to see our secondary students growing into a hardworking yet caring, encouraging and fun bunch. At this rate, they will have no trouble discerning the important things of life.

ALL SCHOOL NEWS

OPEN DAY/FUN DAY
Wednesday 25 March
This would be a great opportunity for any interested friends and family who want to find out more about Emmaus Christian School.

10:30 - 11am
Day Tours throughout the morning for Preschool, Primary and Secondary School. We will also hear from the Coordinators of each part of the School.

1.30 - 3pm
Fun Day Activities
The Secondary School has organized heaps of fun for the Primary School to join in with after the lunchtime sausage sizzle (see next page). PLEASE NOTE this is NOT A MUFTI DAY.

6:00pm - 7:30pm
Evening Sessions for those parents unavailable to attend during the day, we have an evening information session.

Food & Chocolate Festival
Saturday 28 March 2-5pm
This year’s Festival promises to be the best ever!

How can you help? (PIP applies)
- Join a roster see Food & Chocolate Festival page
- Donate items eg used books & toys, raffle & tombola items, chocolates …(leave at the office)
- Bake a cake (no cream or custard please)

Cake Stall Contributions Required
Contributions for the Food & Chocolate Festival’s Cake Stall are required. If you can bake we would love your help. Cakes can be dropped off at the school on Friday afternoon or prior to the Festival on Saturday. All cakes will need an attached a list of ingredients. Please note cakes with cream or custard cannot be accepted under the food and safety guidelines.

Any other festival enquiries? Email Leonie Penton on events@emmaus.act.edu.au or phone Wendy Walker on 0422 017 077.
CANTENE SPECIAL

Week 8

Ham Salad Wrap

$3.50

Orders and money to the Office by 9am Thursday.

Sorry no late orders can be accepted. Specials will be served at second break.

Emmaus Facebook Page

Emmaus has a new Facebook page! This will be a useful tool to keep you informed about upcoming events and general happenings around the school. If you have Facebook, like us on https://www.facebook.com/emmauschristianschoolcanberra.

Click here to Access PERMISSION NOTES in DOWNLOADS

New Events Coordinator

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Mrs Leonie Penton to this position. Please make Leonie feel welcome. It is fitting that this week we meet Leonie Penton in our ‘Meet our Staff’ segment.

Meet Our Staff

Let’s get to know Leonie...

I have two boys that attend Emmaus, Dylan (Year 9) and Ethan (Year 1). I love to be creative and enjoy organizing events. One of my favourite things to do is plan parties and design and make cakes. My background is mostly administrative and events, working in the past for a Church, Accounting firms, Property Development & Real Estate company and Recruiting agencies. Last year you may have seen me in the School Office at Emmaus doing a little relief work at Reception. I had such a good time working with the amazing staff that I decided this year to join them.

Some interesting facts:

Nickname: “Pony” given to me by grandfather when I was a little girl. He would call me Leonie Pony. Now I just get called Pony.

Favourite singer/group: Chris Tomlin

Favourite bible verse: Jeremiah 29:11-13(NIV)

11 For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. 12 Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. 12 You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.

Best weekend activities: Cake Decorating, leading Children’s Church and spending time with my family.


Best subjects at school: Photography, Art & Food Tech.

Reminder: We are ‘Nut Aware’

A reminder to all parents that Emmaus is a nut aware school. Students should not share food and should never knowingly bring nuts or nut products to school that may find their way into contact with other students. Please stay aware!

PIP Request: Supper for Parent Teacher Interviews

On Monday 30 & Tuesday 31 March we are looking for families to provide supper for teachers during their break. Items such as sandwiches, dips and fruit would be appreciated. Please contact the School Office if you can help.

Wed 25 March

SAUSAGE SIZZLE LUNCH

As part of our Open Day next week, we are organising a sausage sizzle for Primary & Secondary students in order to raise funds to support families who have been devastated recently by Cyclone Pam in Vanuatu.

Notes were sent home or copies are available on our website. You might like to include an extra donation with your order, which Emmaus will donate via the Christian Community School Vanuatu. Alternatively, you may choose to go on-line directly to donate. Please help us support this worthy cause by completing your order by Monday 23 March.

NO PARKING Davenport St Nature Strip

Parking on the nature strip by the Pedestrian Crossing blocks the view of drivers and endangers our students. DO NOT PARK HERE!

Easter Service 2 April

Join us on Thursday 2 April at 2.20pm in the Gym for our Easter Service Assembly hosted by the SRC.

Register for UniNSW Competitions

Please see the Downloads page of the School website for more information and the registration form.

PRIMARY NEWS

Library Lunchtimes

It has been wonderful to see so many Primary students using the Library at lunchtimes. Drawing, board games and of course reading are very popular. We usually have between 65 and 75 student using the facilities. Special thanks to Lily B (Year 9) for helping with the Drawing Club. The Library is open every Tuesday, Thursday and Friday during lunch.

SECONDARY NEWS

Secondary Parent/Teacher Interviews

Monday 30 & Tuesday 31 March 2015

Emmaus uses a very easy online booking system for Parent/Teacher interviews. Your family code and login details have been emailed home.

The online booking system will be available from 10am Friday 20 March and closes at noon on Friday 27 March. To book please go to the ‘Book Online Now’ button on the Emmaus website front page. If you do not have access to the internet at home, access will be set up in the School Office for you to make your bookings on.

Contact the School Office for additional bookings or if you have not received your log on details.

Uniform Store Hours

MONDAY 8.30 – 10am & WEDNESDAY 2.30 - 4pm