

NEWSLETTER 28

TERM 3 | Week 8

16 September 2019



**Emmaus
Christian
School**

Diary Dates

Welcome to Week 8

From the Principal

Parent Meeting

Thank you to all parents who attended our Parent Evening this week.

It was a good night and we have emailed families a the evening's presentations. Please read it and provide feedback as appropriate.

Parent Teacher Interviews

We look forward the Parent-Teacher Nights coming up next Tuesday and Wednesday.

Thanks to those parents who have already booked their interviews and are making an intentional effort to engage with their children's teachers around their progress at our school.

To avoid a lot of 'traveling' around the campus and to ensure we stick to designated time slots, we have decided to trial holding our Parent Teacher Nights interviews in the gymnasium.

The arrangements for the evening are as follow:

- Parents to wait on the bleachers;
- A timer will be displayed on the big screen to ensure parents don't overrun the allotted time;
- Unless you are having your child with you in the interview, kindly arrange supervision for your children at home. This way interviews can be conducted with as little distraction and unnecessary noise as possible.

Thanks for your forward planning and cooperation with this arrangement.

Other

As usual there is lots to pray about, celebrate and be thankful for as we approach the end of term. Another Parent Memorandum will be sent in the coming weeks.

Item on Parenting

Recently Tim Challies (<https://www.challies.com/>) wrote this excellent reflection on parenting and I thought it worth forwarding to you. Enjoy!

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to have a father who is evil, who is notorious for his terrible deeds? You, as the child, would feel the humiliation of it. There would be a residual shame where you, as that man's child, would be embarrassed to be related to him. You'd be tainted by his legacy. You might even consider changing your name so people would stop asking, "You're not related to that guy, are you?"



Term 3 - Week 8

Tuesday 17 September

- Sec ACT Track & Field Championship
- ICAS English Test
- Y1-10 Parent Teacher Interviews
- Woolworths Excursion (Preschool – Lyndell's class)

Wednesday 18 September

- Y1-10 Parent Teacher Interviews
- School Banking

Thursday 19 September

- Year 10 Cultural Trip – Fiji
- ICAS Mathematics
- Primary Soccer Clinic
- Senior Band Floriade performance
- Hot Dogs

Friday 20 September

- Year 10 Cultural Trip – Fiji
- Woolworths Excursion (Preschool – Debbie's class)
- 2nd Hand Uniform sale 8.30-9.80am

Saturday 21 September

- Year 10 Cultural Trip – Fiji

Sunday 22 September

- Year 10 Cultural Trip – Fiji

Term 3 - Week 9

Monday 23 September

- Year 10 Cultural Trip – Fiji

Tuesday 24 September

- Year 10 Cultural Trip – Fiji
- Mini Market Day run by Middle School

Wednesday 25 September

- Year 10 Cultural Trip – Fiji
- School Banking

Thursday 26 September

- Year 10 Cultural Trip – Fiji
- Primary Soccer Clinic

Friday 27 September

- Year 10 Cultural Trip – Fiji
- P-10 Assembly
- End Term 3



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From the Principal

Item on Parenting continued...

On the other hand, have you ever wondered what it would be like to have a father who is great, who is known for doing very good things? As his child, you would wear his name with pride. As a family member, you'd feel the thrill of being related to him. There would be a residual glory that would extend for many generations. You'd feel good when someone asked, "Oh, are you related to that guy?"

Both the shame and the pride are very natural and understandable. Wise old Solomon, who had quite the father himself, tells us that "the glory of children is their fathers" (Proverbs 17:6). As we read those words, we should picture children looking at their parents with pride because of their accomplishments. (Though it specifically mentions fathers, it's certainly not stretching the proverb beyond its meaning to extend it to mothers as well.) Children are basking in the residual glory of their parents' greatness. They are proud to be sons and daughters of these people.

It's important to acknowledge that because these words come from the book of Proverbs, we can have confidence that we know what these parents have done and what they have achieved. We can also have confidence that we know what their children value. Here wise and godly children are looking at their wise and godly parents with joy, pride, and gratitude because of their wisdom, because of their godliness. They are honouring their parents for the wisdom they've shared and the righteous example they've displayed. They are saying, "Thank God for my wise and godly mom and dad!"

But the primary call here isn't for children to honour their parents, though that's certainly in view. It's first a challenge for parents to be worthy of honour, for parents to be the glory of their children. It's a challenge to parents to live a life that is worthy of that kind of praise and recognition from their children.

*Of course, we are **soli deo gloria** Christians. We live ultimately for the glory of God alone. But that does not mean it's wrong to desire the affirmation or the commendation of other human beings, and especially those who know us best, who see us as we really are. It only becomes sinful if we want their praise for things that are sinful or meaningless, or if we want their praise so much that we will do anything to get it. It only becomes evil when it becomes an idol that controls us. Otherwise, it's perfectly good and motivating when we want it for the best of reasons. While our ultimate desire is to hear God say, "Well done, good and faithful servant," we all also want to hear our children say, "Well done, good and faithful dad" or "Well done, good and faithful mom."*

This little proverb puts the call on us to live the kind of lives that make our godly children proud to be associated with us. It puts the call on us to live such lives of wisdom and righteousness that our children are proud to be related to us, proud to wear our names. Our accomplishments in godly living will make them proud, and they'll give thanks and praise to God.

Whether you're a teen or you're far older, take it from me that it means a lot when you praise your parents. It blesses them when you commend them for what they've done well and when you forgive them for what they've done poorly. No matter your age, your Christian parents want to hear how they've exemplified distinctly Christian character and helped you live a godly life. That's the kind of thing you'll probably tell everyone else at your parents' funeral, but maybe it would be nice to tell them now while they can still hear it!

And if you are a parent, commit to living with godly character so you make it easy for them. Live out the wisdom of Proverbs. Live out the calling and character of a Christian. Live a life that reflects the Bible and is worthy of imitation. In that way you'll be the glory of your children, they'll be able to speak your name with joy and pride and gratitude. Ultimately, they'll praise God for your godly life and legacy.

May you have a blessed week and relax in God's grace.

Erik Hofsink

Principal



Notices

K-10 Parent Teacher Interviews - Tue 17th & Wed 18th September 2019

Time: 3.30pm to 6pm

Interval: 10 minutes per teacher

Location: Primary & Secondary in the Gym

This is your last chance to book, please note only limited spots are left.

Booking Close: Friday 13th September at 4pm.

BOOKING LINK: <https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code?z=4ZyuwZ>

Event code is: **eafqr**

Spring Holidays Vacation Care – open for Bookings

Vacation Care is available during the coming holidays for Emmaus Students up to 12 years of age. Vacation Care runs from 8.30am to 6pm.

To make your bookings please use the online booking program [“My Family Lounge”](#).

Don't hesitate to contact Lyndell McNevin, our Preschool & After School Care Program Coordinator on afters@emmaus.act.edu.au for more information.

Families new to Vacation Care should also subscribe to the 'Afters & Vacation Care' group on Skoolbag to receive excursion notifications. The Daily Program will be published in the coming weeks.



Reminder about Notice Requirements for Students Moving

At Emmaus all students from Preschool onwards are considered enrolled until the normal exit from school at the end of Year 10.

If a student is moving to another school before then, **you need to give 1 Term (10 school weeks') notice in writing to the Principal** (see the fee policy, otherwise one terms fees are due).

Please email Abbi on enrolments@emmaus.act.edu.au if you have any questions.

Diary Dates

Term 4, 2019

Start: **Monday 14 October**
End: **Wednesday 18 December**



Term Dates - 2020

Term 1

Start: **Wednesday 29 January**
End: **Friday 9 April**

Term 2

Start: **Monday 27 April**
End: **Friday 3 July**

Term 3 (note new start date)

Start: **Monday 27 July**
End: **Friday 25 September**

Term 4

Start: **Monday 12 October**
End: **Wednesday 16 December**



Remember to Enter your PIP Hours

If you attended the Parent's Meeting, you can claim 1.5 hours PIP via your eform.

This year's PIP closes on Friday 22nd November 2019.



Notices

Mini Market Day - Hosted by Years 6 & 7

Tuesday 24 September 2019,

Time: 11:30am – Lunch

Kindergarten to Year 10 students are invited!

Year 6 and 7 students will be creating, setting up and running this special event with all funds raised being donated to charity.

Students will be preparing a stall in groups (like a mini fete), the day merges the Year 6 & 7 economic and business portion of the curriculum with a hands-on activity providing a great learning experience. Here's a sneak preview of some stalls and activities on offer:

- Sausage sizzle,
- Popcorn,
- Milk shakes,
- Ice creams,
- Spider drinks,
- Lolly bags,
- Chocolates,
- Fun-fair games,
- An obstacle course,
- Face painting and competitions.



If you wish, please send your child to school on Thursday with a maximum of \$10 (please bring coins rather than notes!)

Year 10 Cultural Immersion to Fiji

On Thursday fifteen Year 10 students and two teachers (Mrs Sloan and Mr Willsmore) head to Fiji on a cultural immersion trip. Please keep them in your prayers for a safe trip and special experiences.

Collections for the Fete have Started

Tubs have been placed in the office to accept donations towards the fete. We are collecting:

- Drinks, (soft drinks, water,
- small juice poppers)
- Chocolates ,
- Large bags of Lollies,
- Secondhand Books

Thank you for supporting the fete. Please see your P&F Fete Newsletter for full details, your class teacher will be in contact soon.



Secondary: Futsal Competition on FRIDAY 13th SEPTEMBER 2019

Inter Christian School Comp

Trinity Christian School Canberra is hosting a friendly Futsal Inter Christian School Competition on FRIDAY 13th SEPTEMBER 2019(Term 3, Week 7)

Interested secondary students should see Mrs Thompson for a permission note or email sarat@emmaus.act.edu.au



Preschool Father's & Special Friends Celebrations

Preschool have had a lovely celebration of Father's and Special Friends recently.

We had 130 children and their special visitors across the week join us for a lovely breakfast and time together connecting.



Second-Hand Uniform Store open Friday 20th September

The P&F will be opening the second-hand uniform store from 8.30 – 9.30 am on Friday the 20th September.

Donations of current uniforms in good condition are always welcome.

Hot Dogs \$2 in Week 8, but NOT Week 9

Thursday Lunchtimes - SRC Fundraiser Term 3

Week 8 is the last week for the year that Hot Dogs will be for sale. In Term 4 SRC will sell icy poles.

To place your child's order please proceed to SkoolBag. All orders need to be placed by noon on Tuesdays of each week. Cash payment is required at the time of pick up on the day.

Thank you for supporting the SRC.



Senior Band & Choir Performances

Our Senior Band and Choir has two performances coming up.

- Floriade on Thursday 19 September
- Saint John's Fair on Saturday 19 October

Details and permission notes are available on Skoolbag under the 'Band & Choir' group.

Save the Date - Term 4

2019 Graduation and Awards Assembly & Celebrations for Year 5 & 10 Students

Monday, 16th December 2019 - 9.15am to 10.50am

Emmaus Parents,

We would like to invite you to our **Graduation and Awards Assembly on Monday 16th December**.

This special event will be held at the start of the day, from 9:15am till 10:50am.

This celebration will honour our graduating Year 10's, and Year 5's, and students who have been exemplary within their school subjects.

Academic Awards will be presented to students in Years 3-10 to acknowledge both ability and effort. There will also be some stand out awards for School Dux, Citizenship, and some broader community acknowledgment awards.

Morning Tea by Invitation:

A light morning tea for parents and graduating students will be served afterwards.

2019 Year 10 Formal

Monday 16th December 6pm

Year 10 Formal: Graduating Year 10 students will celebrate further with their Year 10 Formal at Trevino's Gold Creek later that night:

The theme will be Starry Starry Night.

Invitations will be sent in Term 4

Special Day for Year 5

Big Splash Day Tuesday 17 December – Y5 Joins Secondary for the day

Graduating Primary students will celebrate further by joining the Secondary School students with a day out to Big Splash on the Tuesday 17 December 2019.



Emmaus Twilight Fete 2019

Friday, 8th November 2019

The P&F Twilight Fete Committee have been working hard behind the scenes on this year's Twilight Fete.

You will have received the Emmaus Twilight Fete Newsletter via email and via SkoolBag App this past week. This is packed full of information on how you can get involved.

Thank you in advance for your help with the Twilight Fete.

Remember: 2 Hours of PIP per family, must now be done at the Twilight Fete to ensure enough helpers.



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PIP Opportunities

TWILIGHT FETE CLASS STALL ALLOCATION LIST

Please help your class by signing up to the Volunteer using the Sign Up link. All contributing hours to the Twilight Fete can be registered towards your PIP!

STALL	CLASS / STALL COORDINATOR	VOLUNTEER SIGN UP LINK
Face Painting & Hair Spray	Preschool & Prekinder -	https://volunteersignup.org/RTMKM
Lucky Dip	Kindy - Mrs Smith	https://volunteersignup.org/AHQE4
2 nd Hand Books	Kindy – Mrs Wilkinson	https://volunteersignup.org/AFPHP
Nerf Wars	Yr 1 / 2 – Harper	https://volunteersignup.org/AL83K
Cupcake Decorating	Yr 1 / 2 – Mrs Kerma	https://volunteersignup.org/PCWXX
Spiders, Lollies & Fairy Floss	Yr 1 / 2 - Mrs McLennan & Mrs Cohen	https://volunteersignup.org/DRLW9
Sausage Sizzle & Steak Sandwiches	Yr 3 / 4 – Mrs Miller	https://volunteersignup.org/PRK4B
Gelato	Yr 3 / 4 - Ms de Vries	https://volunteersignup.org/YFQ9J
Jumping Castle, Bubble Soccer	Yr 3/4 - Ms Larsen	https://volunteersignup.org/BDKTB
Lob A Choc	Yr 5 - Mrs McArthur	https://volunteersignup.org/DHDM7
Guessing Games & Glow Sticks	Yr 6 - Mr Behrendorff	https://volunteersignup.org/R9PDQ
Curries	Yr 7 - Mrs Thompson Mr Mark Body	https://volunteersignup.org/JEDFJ
Bake Sale	Yr 8 - Mrs Barry	https://volunteersignup.org/JM7P7
Boerewors Rolls	Yr 9 - Mr Roodt	https://volunteersignup.org/M4CBD
Baked Potatoes & Nachos	Yr 10 - Mrs Cole & Mr Willis	https://volunteersignup.org/KMEB3



Emmaus Fundraising

Entertainment Membership 2019/2020

Available Now!



Entertainment Memberships for 2019 / 2020 are now available to purchase!

Follow the link below to order your Membership online today. <https://www.entbook.com.au/239r29>

Cost: \$60 each. Memberships are available in Digital or Book format.

20% of each Membership sale will assist the school in their fundraising efforts.

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Thank you for supporting Emmaus Christian School's fundraiser.

Preschool Fundraising

Dear Parents.

Our Preschool and Emmaus After School Care will have a consistent fundraiser running using the 'Stuck On You' labels company.

Here is the website to visit:

<https://www.stuckonyou.com.au>

If your purchasing labels we encourage you to use this company so that the school can benefit from the funds raised. 20% of each sale goes to the school. Fundraising will go towards resources and educational equipment.

The code to the fundraiser is:

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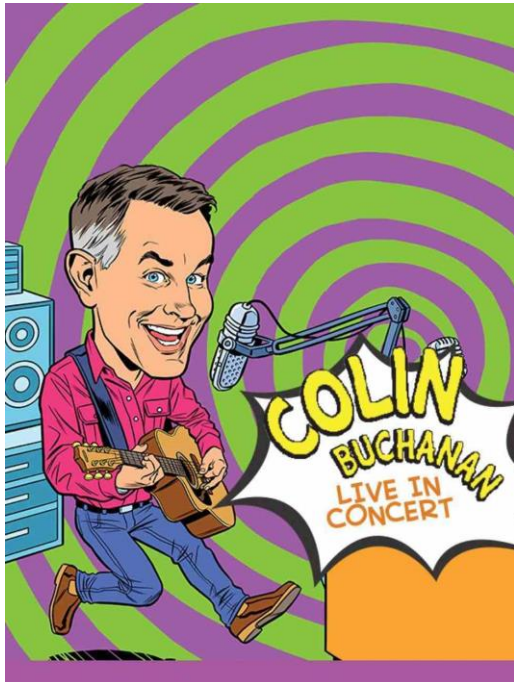
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Community Notices



- **COLIN BUCHANAN TOUR CANBERRA**
- **THU 12TH SEPT 2019 4:30PM**
- **GENERAL ADMISSION \$13.50**

Book online https://www.koorong.com/product/t-colin-buchanan-tour-canberra-thu-12th-sept_0000824887#product-tabs

For over 15 years Colin Buchanan's Koorong Concerts have been an annual must-see for thousands of fans across Australia - and this year, Colin invites you and your family and friends to be part of the chaos, energy and fun of this year's Colin Concert.

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Have fun at Corroboree Little Athletics!

Come and Try + Information Day:

Sunday 15th September

10am—12pm

Dickson Playing Fields

Hawdon Pl and Antill St, Dickson

Season starts Saturday 19 October

Corroboree welcomes children from all backgrounds and children with physical or mental disabilities.

Register online at:

www.corroboreela.com

Ph: 0450 928 448 (Garry—President)



Community Notices

**Come and join us to celebrate
headspace day and Mental Health Week
with a walk around Lake Burley Griffin,
FREE BBQ, Petting Zoo and much more...**

When
9 October 2019
10am - 2pm

Where
Starting at Rond Terrace Parkes ACT 2600, Lake Burley
Griffin

for Further details contact
Tracy and Sophie 51099700 or go to headspace
Canberra Facebook page

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 **MENTAL HEALTH MONTH ACT**

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