



LIFE TO THE FULL

**Emmanuel  
College**

# **EC News**

**TERM 2 - 2023**



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*Pursuing personal best* ★

# PRINCIPAL'S Reflection

During Term Two, there have been many events that have showcased the welcoming and hospitable nature of Emmanuel College. These events really capture just how our community lives out the characteristics of Marianist Education. This term we have celebrated Marianist Day, which saw our communities celebrate Mass and then take part in school community celebrations and activities. It was a wonderful experience for me to be immersed in this day for the first time and to see both the staff and students enjoying themselves so much. What was most prominent was the positive relationships between the students of different year levels and the staff. Students were also engaged with service opportunities too.

The College Musical was also a chance for us to celebrate the talents of our students with the performance of *The Addams Family* being a great highlight of the term. The singing, dancing, and acting were of exceptionally high quality, and the students and staff are to be congratulated for their commitment and effort. Feedback from the primary school students and staff that visited the College for the matinee performances was that it was fantastic!

Term Two also saw Emmanuel College launch its partnership with the Liverpool Football Club. This academy allows us to link with a truly iconic brand, one that is renowned for excellence in football. Liverpool is well known as a club built on strong family values, and these values resonate with us here at Emmanuel College. This partnership will provide a great deal for our students, who will have the opportunity to engage in what continues to be the number one played recreational team sport in Australia. For those who want to excel in the coaching realm, this partnership provides that chance too. Staff will have the opportunity to develop their coaching skills alongside the Liverpool staff, which will be some fantastic professional development.

This partnership also provides the chance for those in our wider community to engage with Emmanuel College as well. We have wonderful facilities that are going to provide great opportunities for participants to build on healthy competition while being immersed in all the Liverpool partnership has to offer. This venture has just begun, but there is a great deal for us to look forward to as events get underway during Term 3.

**Dr Janine Biggin**  
Principal

# ANZAC DAY Assembly

On Wednesday 26 April the College gathered for our annual ANZAC Day assembly. We were fortunate enough to be joined by Craig Duncan, Warrant Officer Class Two ADF Liaison Officer / Ceremonial who delivered an incredibly moving speech about the women and men who have fought for our country. Asserting the importance of ANZAC Day, Mr Duncan paid tribute to those who have served and shaped Australia into what it is today. We commemorated the fallen during the assembly with prayer, the Last Post and a minute's silence.



# Wynspeak Competition



Recently our students participated in the Wynspeak youth public speaking competition. Students were required to prepare a five-minute speech of their own choice and present it to an audience and several judges. Students were then given only four minutes to create a two-minute presentation on an unseen topic. Sarah Zalzy (Year 10), Kiara Thomas (Year 7), Isabella Fernandes (Year 8) and Gina Phiri (Year 12) took on this public speaking challenge on Thursday 27th April. All students spoke exceptionally well, with Sarah taking the win for the Senior short notice speech and Kiara taking the win for Junior division short notice speech.



# Mother's Day

## *Mass and Breakfast*

On Friday 5 May, the College celebrated Mother's Day with our annual Mass and Breakfast. The celebration provided a wonderful opportunity for students to honour and thank the remarkable women in their lives. Father John Healy guided a eucharistic liturgy, which was followed by a delicious breakfast. The Mother's Day Mass and Breakfast serves as an invaluable opportunity for families to engage with others inside the College community. Thank you to all who came and shared this wonderful morning.



# Mathematics

## *Fun*

The Year 7 students recently enjoyed a Maths incursion run by 'Fun with Maths'. Working within their teams, the Year 7s used their mathematical knowledge to solve multiple problem-solving challenges to escape from Dinosaur Island.





# Marianist Day

On Friday 19 May, students and staff celebrated Marianist Day with a College Mass conducted by Fr Huy Nguyen. Marianist Day celebrates the culmination of history, values and traditions that support the fundamental ethos of the College. The integration of Marianist characteristics supports and engages students in all aspects of their education and wellbeing. At the conclusion of the liturgy, students were able to participate in a variety of activities, rides and games. It was excellent to see so many celebrating the rich history of the College.



# Year 7 Music Concert

The Year 7 students who learned a musical instrument during semester one had their culminating concert on Tuesday June 6 at the Notre Dame Campus. Eight Year 7 classes along with the Emmanuel College Concert Band and combined Junior Strings Group entertained approximately 600 audience members during the two-concert event. It was exciting to see what the students had learnt over the semester, some of whom participated in their first public music performance.





# The Addams *family*

Our students had a fantastic time presenting the musical comedy, *The Addams Family*. This year we had 37 students from Year 7 – 12 participating in this amazing production. Congratulations to our musicians, singers, dancers, actors, backstage crew, and the sound and lighting crew on their outstanding performance.

*The Addams Family* was performed over two days. This included two matinees for our feeder primary schools and an evening performance for friends, family and the community. Congratulations to all students and staff involved in the production. It was excellent to witness the culmination of hard work, dedication and talent.



# Sporting Achievements



It was a busy Term 2, with many of our students participating in various sporting events. Jasmine Orelli took out the 17-20 year old Girls cross-country championships. She covered the 3km course in a time of 11:19.5. Lucy Cleveland took out the 15-16 year old Intermediate Girls title, and in doing so smashed a 15 year old association record. Her time over the 3km course of 10:19.2 beat the old record of 10:41.78 that was set in 2006.

Year 10 students Elias Hendra, Colin Lodge and Lachlan McDonald competed under the SACCSS banner at the Victorian School Association Swimming Championships. It was a great event with the boys breaking the 16 year old 4x50m Freestyle record at the SACCSS Championships.



24 students recently participated in the SACCSS Badminton Tournament at Eagle Stadium. We had two teams take home medals - Fideline Lawira and Jasmine Dang won the Junior Girls A Division, while Lucy Cleveland and Dew Wong won the Intermediate Girls A Division.

Lilah Jeromson has been picked to represent Victoria in the Australian School Sport Championships in Tasmania. She has been previously selected for 2023 Grassports Junior State Championships for the Western Metro Wildcats u12s Hockey 5s, and has also been selected for the Hockey Victoria u13s Girls Academy Squad from which they select our National Hockey team from this squad. It is a fantastic achievement for someone who is still only 12.



Congratulations to Jordan Bos (Class of 2020), has been signed to Belgian Pro League football club KVC Westerlo, netting the highest transfer fee for a player from an Australian club. Jordan has been a defender at Melbourne City FC since 2021, and made his debut for the Socceroos in March in a friendly match against Ecuador. We wish Jordan all the best for the A-League finals, and his football career in Europe.



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# Social Justice At Emmanuel



Term Two has seen students at both campuses continue supporting West Welcome Wagon in Sunshine. Our students stood up in solidarity for asylum seekers by volunteering their time to create food packages. The social justice teams launched the Winter Warmup for St Vincent de Paul. Members of the Emmanuel community were asked to remember those who end up on the street. To make a difference, students were asked to bring in new and/or clean clothing and non-perishable food items to be placed into homeroom baskets. The College ran its annual Winter Sleepout at the St Paul's Campus to allow students to immerse themselves in what it's like to sleep homeless. For the Sleepout students raised just over \$2,500.

# Foundation Years *Reunion*

On Friday 16 June, over 60 people attended the Foundation Years Reunion of the class of 2013 at our Notre Dame campus. It was wonderful to see them enjoying drinks and nibbles whilst reminiscing about the fond memories made over the years.

Reunions serve an integral purpose in maintaining the relationships between our Alumni and the College. The classes of 1973, 1983, 1993, 2003 and 2013 will be celebrating their reunion later this year. More details will follow in the next edition of EC News.



# Liverpool *Launch*

On Wednesday 14 June the College launched its partnership with the Liverpool Football Club International Academy. We are truly excited about our alignment with this iconic global brand, but, we are equally as excited about what this partnership will provide for young people connected to the College. This program will be offered to students at both campuses. We are grateful that Liverpool chose Emmanuel as the school to partner with in Melbourne's west.



# INFORMATION MORNING

## Saturday 5 August



### Notre Dame Campus

9.00am – 10.30am

### St Paul's Campus

10.30am – 12.00pm



On Saturday 5 August, Emmanuel College will be holding an Information Morning for parents of prospective students of the College, commencing at 9.00am at the Notre Dame Campus and 10.30am at our St Paul's Campus.

This is a fantastic opportunity to see the College first hand and to meet senior staff members, students and current parents.

If you are unable to attend this morning, you may wish to join one of our monthly tours of the College.

**Enrolment applications for Year 7, 2025 close 18 August 2023.**

Please register your attendance. You can use the QR code or visit <https://www.ecmelb.catholic.edu.au/enrolment-information/tours>



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