



LIFE TO THE FULL

**Emmanuel  
College**

# EC News

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*Pursuing personal best* ★

**VCE High Achievers  
Celebration of Excellence  
Year 12 Graduation**

# PRINCIPAL'S Reflection

Emmanuel College provides so many opportunities for students to pursue their personal best. It is very heartening when we observe students achieving success across so many different pursuits. We see success and the culmination of effort, in exam results, sporting finals and overall winners of various competitions.

We weave our way through the seasons, with the various school holiday breaks occurring, and the holidays marking end points and new beginnings. We are provided with many opportunities to celebrate success, but we also have many times to set ourselves new goals, as this is what enables us to attain a better result the next time we set out on a particular journey; or the next time we are trying to be the best we can be.

We are all called upon to use the gifts we have been given as these gifts can drive our success, and even enable us to help others. Pope Francis has tweeted 'Dear young people, do not bury your talents, the gifts that God has given you! Do not be afraid to dream of great things!'

What is it that enables an individual to try even harder the next time, when they have not done as well on something as they thought they should have done? This is when we are called upon to draw on our resilience. The ability to cope with challenges when we are faced with them is a crucial life skill. We support students at Emmanuel with these skills through engagement with the Resilience Project. Offering support in these skills does enable students to share their gifts and talents with others, which is vitally important.

**Dr Janine Biggin**  
Principal

# Brophy Scholarship



Congratulations to Jade Chitty, our inaugural female College Dux and Brophy Scholar, on her outstanding ATAR ranking of 98.85. Jade also attained a perfect study score in Health and Human Development and Food Technology. As College Brophy Scholar for 2022, Jade receives \$1000 per year for the three years of her undergraduate course in Occupational Therapy at Deakin University. Well done Jade on also receiving a Deakin University scholarship.

# VCE High Achievers

Well done to the Class of 2022 for their inspiring efforts through the challenges of this year and their impressive results. It was great to see that the College once again significantly out-performed the state average in ATAR results.

Congratulations to our High achievers ranked in the top 10% of the state on their inspiring efforts and exciting University offers.

**Jade Chitty** - Bachelor of Occupational Therapy, Deakin University

**Sicao Li** - Bachelor of Biomedicine, University of Melbourne

**Tuong Nguyen** - Bachelor of Science/Doctor of Dentistry, University of Melbourne

**Hayden Fava** - Bachelor of GeoEngineering, University of Melbourne

**Holly Wedding** - Bachelor of Biomedicine, University of Melbourne

**Matthew Nevins** - Bachelor of Science, University of Melbourne

**Darcy Chambers** - Bachelor of Science, University of Melbourne

**Mia Mattar** - Bachelor of Speech Pathology, Australian Catholic University

**Alexander Kuzmenko** - Bachelor of Commerce/Masters of Engineering, University of Melbourne





# Year 12 Celebrations



This year we welcomed the return of uninterrupted learning and saw the promise of face-to-face events come to fruition. For the class of 2022, this proved invaluable as they completed their final year of school. Commencing with the Year 12 and VCAL Retreat, students embraced a wealth of academic and co-curricular opportunities, all which contributed to their pursuit of personal best.



Students celebrated the completion of Year 12 with a Graduation Mass and Ceremony, held at St Patricks Cathedral and the Sofitel Hotel respectively. It was wonderful to host an evening with jubilant families, friends and staff to commemorate a remarkable achievement.



## Remembrance Day

On November 11 we paused to honour the fortitude and valour demonstrated by the men and women who served in World War 1. It is tradition to observe a minutes silence in recognition of the ANZACs who championed the freedom and wealth of our nation.

To ensure the significance of WW1 is acknowledged by the young women and men of the College, Year 9 Humanities students prepared commemorative services which they performed for staff and their peers. Well done to all students for using a range of mediums and symbolic props to deliver moving presentations.



# 2023 Student Leadership

Congratulations to Lily McColl and Dusan Stolic who have been selected as the 2023 College Captains and to the following students on their appointments to leadership positions. We look forward to their leadership in 2023.



**LILY MCCOLL**  
COLLEGE CAPTAIN



**DUSAN STOLIC**  
COLLEGE CAPTAIN



**MATILDA BROWN**  
SPORTS CAPTAIN



**BROOKE LOTE**  
SPORTS CAPTAIN



**GINA PHIRI**  
ACADEMIC CAPTAIN  
STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBER



**FRANCIS LILLIS**  
ACADEMIC CAPTAIN



**ANA ORIETA**  
ARTS CAPTAIN



**BEN SCHAPER**  
ARTS CAPTAIN



**ELLA RULE**  
MISSION FAITH  
CAPTAIN



**MARCO LAPITAN**  
MISSION FAITH CAPTAIN



**RUBY TOMARAS**  
MISSION JUSTICE  
CAPTAIN



**NATHAN SAGONA**  
VCAL CAPTAIN

## Celebration of Excellence

On November 24, the College held its annual Celebration of Excellence evening; an event that recognises the academic and personal best achievements of students. It was wonderful to return to Flemington Racecourse and celebrate the breadth of excellence across all year levels.

Congratulations to Mia Mattar (Year 12, NDC) and Jake Cutajar (Year 12, SPC) who were the recipients of the Student Marianist Award, and to Mr Gavin Deller and Mr Carmelo Puglisi on receiving the Staff Marianist Award, a testament to their display of values characterised by our Marianist education. Congratulations also to Isabella Fernandes and Nicholas Weghaus on receiving the Emmanuel College Scholarship.



**STAFF MARIANIST**  
Carmelo Puglisi





**STUDENT MARIANIST**  
Mia Mattar



**EMMANUEL COLLEGE  
SCHOLARSHIP**  
Isabella Fernandes



**AMPOL BEST ALL ROUNDER**  
Owen Cooke



**TERRY MARTIN SOCIAL  
JUSTICE AWARD WINNER**  
Gwendolyn Sathiaseelan



**JOHN CONIDI YOUNG  
ENTREPRENEUR'S AWARD**  
Sajid Bhatti



**JESSICA WAGNER  
MEMORIAL MATHEMATICS  
AWARD**  
Fei Fei Li



**B. GENE STIGER MEMORIAL  
AWARD**  
Emily Kelly



**KWONG LEE DOW YOUNG  
SCHOLARSHIP**  
Holly Bridges



**JUNIOR SPORTSMAN  
OF THE YEAR**  
Lachlan McDonald



**JUNIOR SPORTSWOMAN  
OF THE YEAR**  
Lucy Cleveland



**SENIOR SPORTSMAN  
OF THE YEAR**  
Ehtan Stankic



**SENIOR SPORTSWOMAN  
OF THE YEAR**  
Eve Tiktikakis



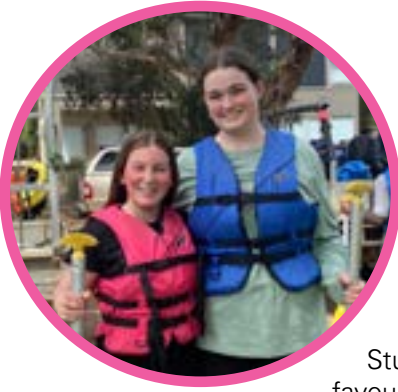
**JUNIOR PUBLIC SPEAKING**  
Maja Szyk



**JUNIOR MUSIC**  
Zoe Jefferies



**SENIOR MUSIC**  
Amelia Birtchnell



# Year 9 Camps



During Term 4, Year 9 students visited Kyneton and Aireys Inlet for their Pastoral and Outdoor Ed camps respectively. Both experiences aim to facilitate team building, problem-solving and interpersonal skills.

Students who attended the Pastoral Camp participated in a range of activities that favoured team-focused solutions. These included rock climbing, canoeing, high ropes and orienteering. The duration of the camp provided some much-needed reprieve from the fast-paced, often stressful demands of everyday life, and allowed students to immerse themselves in nature, friendship and fun.

The Year 9 cohort who studied Outdoor Ed this year travelled to Aireys Inlet where they completed a 15km hike! Along the way, students had to cook their own food using minimal appliances and supplies carried in back packs. They also had to carry their own tents and sleeping equipment, allowing them to navigate the fundamental practices of providing for yourself. Students also participated in a range of activities including mountain biking and kayaking, which were thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Well done to all Year 9 students for your willingness to try new things and meet different people. It has been fantastic to see so many engage in all aspects of college life.



# SACCSS Awards



**Tameika Cathery**



**Kayden Whear**

Congratulations to Year 12, 2022 students Tameika Cathery and Kayden Whear who have been awarded the SACCSS Sportsmanship – Fair Play Award. The SACCSS Sportsmanship/Fair Play Award recognises individual acts of sportsmanship and/or fair play by participants of students at school sporting events. Congratulations to both for such a wonderful achievement.



# Year 7 Orientation Day



In November we welcomed our incoming Year 7s on campus for Orientation Day. Boasting exuberant smiles under blue skies, students gathered in the Quiroga Hall for a brief assembly where they met their House Leader and peers. Following this, students moved off to complete a variety of activities, sport games and a tour of the school.

Orientation Day is one of many transition programs offered at the College to facilitate a seamless integration to secondary school. Ensuring our new students feel confident and prepared prior to their first day is paramount.



## NEXUS

### Mentoring Program

At the College we aim to provide an abundance of opportunities that allow senior students to navigate their potential career endeavours. The Nexus Mentoring Program underpins this practice by providing students the opportunity to work alongside a past Collegian in their chosen profession. This year, we saw the program yield significant results, with 31 Year 11 and 12 students actively involved. Students met with mentors at their own discretion, providing flexibility for both parties.

Well done to all involved and a massive thank you to our mentors for your ongoing support, engagement and guidance.



# MEET THE PRINCIPAL

## NOTRE DAME CAMPUS

Thursday 9 March

Commencing at 9:30am

Come along and hear from College Principal, Dr Janine Biggin at our Meet the Principal event, commencing at 9:30am.

This event provides a wonderful opportunity for prospective students and families to hear about life at the College and enjoy a tour of the school's facilities.

If you are unable to attend this morning, you may wish to join our tours of the College at either campus.

### **Enrolment Applications**

Year 7, 2025 - Close Friday 19 August 2023

To RSVP your attendance, please register at <https://www.ecmelb.catholic.edu.au/enrolment-information/tours>

For more information please contact Donna Grech, College Registrar on 8325 5100 or email [enrolments@ecmelb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:enrolments@ecmelb.catholic.edu.au)