

Dear Parents and Friends

The Year 12 students completed their final celebration with a day at the Werribee Zoo on Tuesday 17 October. This day enabled the students from St Paul's and Notre Dame to gather as a full Year 12 cohort and visit the zoo to take part in the safari and then gather at the Werribee mansion for a picnic lunch. This event marked the final day for Year 12 students, and they entered their study period at this time.

After the festivities - and with the conclusion of classes and then the formal graduation having been held - it has been wonderful to see these students begin their examinations this week. Students were calm and ready when they entered the English Exam on Tuesday. We wish the Year 12 students well as they continue these examinations over coming weeks.

This week has also seen our Year 9 students take part in either the outdoor education or pastoral camps. The students returned from the camps having had the opportunity to engage with their peers and undertake a variety of activities. Both students and staff have reported a very enjoyable camp experience. The College values greatly the opportunity to offer these type of learning experiences to students, and camps and retreats form a very important part of the extra-curricular offerings at the College.

The College marked anti-poverty day on 17 October. The theme this year called for universal access to decent work and social protection as a way to uphold human dignity for all people. It is important for us reflect on the needs of those who live in poverty throughout the world, and seek to support measures to close the gap that exists for so many.

A reminder to all families that Friday 3 November is a student free day at the College for Years 7-11 students. This is to enable all staff to undertake Day 1 of professional learning for the Berry Street Education Model. This is the important first step as the College will begin the process of implementing this new model over the next 18 months.

Today we have celebrated World Teacher's Day. I take this opportunity to thank each of our staff for their commitment and all they do at the College.



Dr Janine Biggin
Principal



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School Fees

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2023 School Fees are overdue now. Late fees of \$50.00 per student have been applied to all outstanding accounts. Families that are not on a school approved payment arrangement should check their statements on SEQTA Engage and arrange immediate payment of any outstanding fees. If families have any queries regarding payment of their account we ask that they call the Finance Officer on 8325 5100 or email familyaccounts@ecmelb.catholic.ed.au

2024 Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF)

Please note that 2023 CSEF applications need to be completed for all new students if the family has a healthcare card or if the family with existing students has recently received a healthcare card. (If the family received CSEF this year, you **DO NOT** have to reapply in 2024.) The family will receive \$225.00 from Centrelink and \$1000.00 additional funding from Emmanuel College. The eligibility dates for 2024 CSEF are the first day of Term 1 and Term 2. The CSEF programme for 2024 closes on 28/06/2024. You can find the CSEF flyer in different languages on the CSEF website. You are also welcome to call into our reception at either campus to get a copy.

Mario Puopolo
Business Manager

Campus Leaders

Congratulations and good luck to our Year 12 students, many of whom completed their first exams this week, following on from Swot Vac last week. Earlier in the term, we were delighted to celebrate with our Year 12s and their families at our Mass and Graduation, held at St Patrick's Cathedral, before a lovely dinner at the Sofitel. Year 12 students also celebrated their final day with a safari at the Werribee Zoo followed by a sausage sizzle and pancakes for lunch. A memorable morning was had by both the students and staff. We wish all our Year 12 students the very best for all their future endeavours.

Uniform

We know that it is nearing the end of the school year and many parents may be reluctant to purchase new uniform items at this time of the year, however, it is an expectation that students are appropriately attired and wearing the College uniform correctly. At assemblies in the coming weeks, students needing to make adjustments to the way they are presenting will be spoken to about changes they may need to make about their presentation. Appropriate consequences will be applied if students choose not to observe uniform requirements. These may range from a detention to being asked to return home to remedy the matter. If you have any legitimate concerns, please speak to your child's House Leader so that we can address the issue appropriately. Students are reminded that they must be clean shaven at all times. ALL students are reminded that incorrect sports uniform may not be worn to school at any time, and no uniform pass will be issued for incorrect sports uniform. A reminder also that the College school bag is a formal part of the College uniform and must be used.

School Leavers Week (Schoolies)

- For many Victorian school leavers, 'Schoolies' is a time to celebrate a milestone in their lives, but this shouldn't mean attending events that may impact health and safety or cause problems for the communities they decide to visit.
- Talking to young people about the risks associated with alcohol is an important step for parents in reducing the risk of alcohol-related harm.
- For advice to help prevent or reduce adolescent alcohol use, parents are referred to the National Health Medical Research Council (NHMRC) guidelines *Parenting Strategies: Preventing Adolescent Alcohol Misuse*, available at <https://www.parentingstrategies.net/>.
- Any school leavers likely to attend schoolies events are encouraged to be prepared, and especially consider their health and safety, by checking out websites such as: <https://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/health/healthyliving/partying-safely-schoolies-week>
- It is against the law to serve alcohol to a person under 18 in a private home in Victoria without parent or guardian permission. See <https://www.legalaid.vic.gov.au/underage-drinking>

The Michael Grose article attached this week is entitled *Disarming Anxiety Before It Becomes a Disorder*. In urban Australia it takes approximately eight years between onset of symptoms and a diagnosis of an anxiety disorder, and over twice that time in rural settings.

David Barr, Chris O'Malley & Kelley Revelman
Campus Leaders

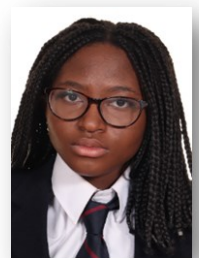
Leader of Mission Integration

Mission Faith Captains

It is with pleasure and excitement that I announce the Emmanuel College Mission Faith Captains for 2024. Our St Paul's Faith Captain is Seth Richards (left) and Notre Dame Campus is Ella Rule & Chidinma Nwaegerue (right). Part of the roles of our Faith



Captains will be to lead our various faith student groups, help maintain our sacred spaces at each campus, play a collaborative role in designing our college masses, liturgies, and prayer space activities. They will provide support in all areas of faith and mission within the college. Seth, Ella, and Chidinma articulated a vision where the staff and students have regular opportunities to encounter the sacred in both traditional and contemporary rituals, in order to grow their own faith, as well as to help nurture the faith of their peers. I wish them every success in their new leadership roles. We thank the outgoing Mission Faith Captains, Aidan



Azzopardi and Marco Lapitan for their excellent contributions this year.

Mission Justice Captains



The Mission Justice Captains play a crucial role in facilitating the living out of our CME – Service, Justice, Peace and the Integrity of Creation. It is with great pleasure that I announce to the community the Mission Justice Captains for 2023. At Notre Dame, our Social Justice Captain is Niharika Wadhwa (right), while at St Paul's our Mission Justice Captain is Dean Penna (left). Both Niharika and Dean spoke passionately about raising much needed funds for crucial causes impacting the most vulnerable in our world and equally raising awareness for causes with the goal to foster a change in heart to nurture a more compassionate community. I wish them every success in their new leadership roles.



Year 12 Graduation Mass

On the first Friday of term we celebrated our Year 12 graduation mass and ceremony at St Patrick's Cathedral. We thank Fr Michael Kalka who served as our main celebrant, along with Fr John, Fr Greg and Fr Michael who were concelebrants. Fr Michael's homily drew upon our Mission theme for this year as he encouraged our graduands to develop their talents and let their faith move mountains. God delights in us, particularly when we utilise of the gifts and qualities gifted to us.

Feast Day of Our Lady of the Pillar.

The first Marian apparition in history appeared to Saint James the Apostle, the brother of Saint John the Evangelist, on the bank of the river Ebro in Zaragoza, Spain. Unlike every other recorded apparition, this one took place during the earthly life of the Mother of God. According to tradition, she had promised Saint James that when he needed it most in his difficult mission to the pagans in today's Spain, she would appear to him to encourage him. The feast of Our Lady of the Pillar is the 12th of October.

By the time Fr Chaminade reached Zaragoza as a refugee, the site of the apparition had become a basilica. Fr Chaminade also encountered Mary there and received insight and inspiration. It was Mary who conceived the plan for the Marianist Order and Fr Chaminade who carried it out.

Leader of Mission Integration

Opening of The Resing Building

On Thursday 12th October, Bro. Robert Resing joined us for the official opening of our new arts and learning building named in his honour. Bro. Bob taught at St Paul's between 1970 and 87 and served as Learning Leader of Art in that time. He worked with architects to design our Winters Arts building at SPC, and designed the stained glass windows which can be found in our sacred space. He was one of the pioneer Marianist Brothers who embraced a spirit of mission, to come to Australia to establish our college. May the Resing building be a place of creativity, learning and faith, for all those who learn and teach in this space. We also thank Fr John Healy for blessing the Resing Building.



Peace and blessings to your family this spring,



Mark Sciberras
DP – Mission Integration

"Faith Can Move Mountains"

Chaminade House Reports

The final term of each year is always a bittersweet one. As we look ahead to the new year, we also farewell our current Year 12s. We had our final House Assembly with the Year 12s last week where they got to share their most memorable experience at St Paul's, discuss their favourite subjects, greatest achievements and provide some words of wisdom to our younger students. It was wonderful to wish our Year 12s the best of luck on the next step in their journey. From all of us in Chaminade House, we wish our Year 12s of 2023 the best of luck for their exams and beyond.

In addition, I would also like to congratulate our Chaminade Year 12 Leaders for their work and commitment this year. You have done an outstanding job. Thank you to the following students:

Assad Elkantar



Aidan Azzopardi



Lachlan Heriot



With our homeroom competition having come to an end, a big congratulations to Paul Homeroom, led by Ms Solano for their win this year with 470 points! A narrow win over Ms Barac and Namatjira homeroom. Finally, congratulations and well done to all our students and staff on their efforts in supporting Chaminade House over the past year.



Thomas Meegan
Chaminade House Leader SPC

Cassidy Homeroom Reports

Term 4

This term has been a busy one for the students in Cassidy C at NDC. We have farewelled our Year 12 students in our House Assembly, and we wish them all good luck for their exams. Our Year 9 students will have attended the Outdoor Education Camp or Pastoral Camp this week. We are sure they will come back in Week 5 with many fun stories of their time.

In Cassidy C, we do many fun activities with most people participating. We play a variety of games on the vivi such as goguessr, wordle, worple, heardle and who are ya? (football guessing game). Mr Caplan checks in on us often to see how we are doing in school as well as pulse check ins as a way of seeing how we are going. He also has conversations about random and interesting topics.

Rianna Quijote and Jeriel Gregorio
Year 8 Students CASC (NDC)



Careers News

The Emmanuel College careers website provides current up to date information to support students and parents/guardians make informed decisions. This website is located at: www.ecmelbcareers.com

Upcoming Career Events

This week's Career News can be found [here](#) and includes the following:

YEAR 9 STUDENTS <ul style="list-style-type: none">Indigenous Australian Engineering School 2024Santos Science Experience – Agriculture program YEAR 10 STUDENTS <ul style="list-style-type: none">United World Colleges – applications now openIndigenous Australian Engineering School 2024Santos Science Experience – Agriculture programMonash University Peninsular Campus Experience Day	YEAR 11 STUDENTS <ul style="list-style-type: none">University of Melbourne – VCE Summer SchoolIndigenous Australian Engineering School 2024Monash University Peninsular Campus Experience DayMedicine and Dentistry UCAT webinar
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Reminder: VTAC 2024 Upcoming Key Dates

VTAC Personal Statement	Friday 1 December 2023
ATARs Released	Monday 11 December 2023
Change of Preference (CoP) closes	Wednesday 13 December 2023
December Round Offers	Thursday 21 December 2023
January Round International Offers	Friday 5 January 2024
January Round Domestic Offers	Friday 12 January 2024
February Offer Rounds	Tuesday 6 February 2024 onwards

Year 12 VTAC late applications – 28 September to 3 November

New Aptitude Test as Alternative to the Casper

If you want to study an initial teacher education program at La Trobe, our AFTA is a free and on-demand alternative to the CASPer test.

La Trobe University has developed the [Aptitude for Teaching Assessment \(AFTA\)](#). Approved by the Victorian Institute of Teaching, it is a non-cognitive scenario-based aptitude test that students can use as an alternative to the CASPer test.

Please note: It can only be used for entry into initial teaching education programs at La Trobe.

Careers News



New Bachelor of Occupational Therapy

ACU is delighted to announce that the [Bachelor of Occupational Therapy](#) will be offered at the Ballarat Campus from 2024.

Occupational therapists play an important role in the lives of individuals and communities enabling participation in occupations of self-care, productivity and leisure. To do this, occupational therapists need to know how humans function, and need the skills to practice competently and safely. Students will learn how to analyse and assess occupational performance; apply and evaluate interventions to enable occupational performance; and collaborate and communicate effectively with clients and their families and colleagues.

Students will undertake 1,000 hours of professional practice education, starting in the first year, working with people across the lifespan to help them overcome physical, cognitive or societal barriers to participation. The ACU Bachelor of Occupational Therapy has been developed to ensure new graduates will meet the competency standards of the [World Federation of Occupational Therapists \(WFOT\)](#) and [Occupational Therapy Council \(OTC\)](#).



Casper Test Reimbursement

Do you have a student intending to study Teaching at Deakin in 2024? If they have sat the Casper test and receive an offer to Deakin, they will be eligible for a reimbursement of the cost of this test.

Payment Amount

\$80 - to be made after student commences at Deakin in Trimester 1 2024.

Eligibility

The payment is open to Deakin education students who have accepted their offer into an initial teacher education degree and enrolled to start studies in 2024 in a course that requires the Casper test as an entry requirement. Deakin will identify and communicate directly with students at the point of admission.

Find out more at [The Casper test | Deakin](#).

What do I need to remember to be successful in my first year of Uni?

- I should attend orientation and transition activities – ***that way I can find out about support and advisory services available to me!***
- I need to seek assistance to learn expectations of my lecturers – ***I will have to learn about tertiary essay writing, using sources, avoiding plagiarism, and managing my time, etc.***
- I must remember to ask for help – ***no-one will necessarily be offering any!***
- I will need to be an independent learner – ***my lecturers and tutors will not be reminding me about deadlines!***
- I will need to take charge of my own learning – ***no-one will be checking up on me to see if I am keeping up with work or assignments!***
- I will need to organise my time effectively – ***there are no bells to remind me where to be!***
- I must remember that my classes may be much larger than what I have been used to at school – ***I will receive less individual attention!***
- I must make friends – ***building new friendship groups will help me cope and help me stay motivated!***
- I will be learning new skills that will be critical for my success – ***I will have to learn important research and referencing skills!***

Work experience 2024 – Current Year 9 students

Work experience is an important component of the year 10 program because it supports a young person's exploration and fits with post-secondary school pathways. There will be an information evening for all Year 9 students and parents via teams on the 16 of November at 7.00 pm, to outline the Year 10 work experience program for 2024. More information will be emailed to you shortly with details for logging onto the presentation.

In Class at Emmanuel College - Then and Now

1972



1988



2004



2020



Penny Cook
Emmanuel College Archives

Calendar Term 4 Weeks 5A & 6B

30 October	ACC Year7/8 Debating and Public Speaking Competition
31 October	ACC Year 10 Cricket EMM v PARR; Volleyball & Tennis
1 November	All Saints Day Year 7 RE Retreat Day Year 10 Level Assembly
2 November	All Souls Day Year 10 & 11 Classes Cease Casual Dress Day - Corizon ACC Year 8 Cricket - SBE v EMM; Volleyball - EMM v MAZ; Tennis - SBE v EMM Year 7 RE Retreat Day Instrumental Music Concert SACCSS Year 8 Premier League Rd. 6 Salesian
3 November	Pastoral Staff Day - Student Free Year 7 Swim Carnival
6 November	Mid Term Break - No Classes
7 November	Cup Day
8 November	Year 10/11 Exams Commence ACC Year 10 Cricket, Volleyball & Tennis Semis Twilight Talk & Tour
9 November	Year 10/11 Exams ACC year 8 Cricket, Volleyball & Tennis Semis Year 8 Premier League Rd. 7 vs Mackillop College Tour
10 November	Year 10/11 Exams Remembrance Day Ceremony Primary School - Super Soccer Day ACC Sports Meeting & Dinner SACCSS Junior Hockey

We acknowledge that we are gathered on the traditional land of the Kulin Nation. We recognise the First People's relationship to this land, water and culture and offer our respect to their elders, past, present, emerging. Emmanuel College commits itself to reconciliation.

CLASS REUNION



ST PAUL'S / EMMANUEL COLLEGE



CELEBRATING THE CLASSES OF
1973 - 1983 - 1993 - 2003 - 2013

FRI DEC. 1, 2023 | 6PM - 8:30PM
McCOY HALL, ST PAUL'S CAMPUS

Catch up with your classmates, take a tour of the College and view photos from the College archives while enjoying drinks and treats from the food truck. If you're still in touch with your classmates, please share the invitation with them. This is a free event for all past students of these classes.

RSVP TO MICHAEL PICHNER BY FRIDAY 24 NOVEMBER

<https://ecreunion2023.eventbrite.com.au> | 8325 5197 |

alumni@ecmelb.catholic.edu.au



2 Day Autism Workshop for Parents and Carers

Hoppers Crossing VIC

Scan to register



This workshop is for parents, full time carers and grandparents.



Interpreters available upon request



**Wednesday 1st & Thursday 2nd
November 2023**

Day 1 - 9.00am - 2.30pm

Day 2 - 9.30am - 2.30pm



**Encore Events Centre
80 Derrimut Road
Hoppers Crossing
VIC 3029**

Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided

During the workshop you will learn about:

- The diversity of autism
- Sensory processing
- Understanding behaviour
- Working together with your child's school.

Learn more about autism and ways to strengthen the partnership between home and school.

For more information or to register visit:

 <https://www.positivepartnerships.com.au/PC>

 jfeary@positivepartnerships.com.au



For help, call:
1300 881 971

LUMEN CHRISTI COMMUNITY IS
INVITING YOU TO JOIN US IN
FAREWELLING OUR INAUGURAL
PRINCIPAL

Mrs Trish Armstrong

In recognition of 25 years of dedication and service to
our school community, and 50 years in Catholic
Education, please join us at **6pm** for Mass and a light
supper on

THURSDAY **7** _____

2023

Lumen Christi Catholic Primary School
260 - 278 Point Cook Road, Point Cook

RSVP

To confirm your attendance and for catering purposes,
please **USE THIS LINK**

Or phone the School Office on **9395 2555**

KEEPSAKE BOOK OF MESSAGES

To contribute a message to a keepsake book for Trish,
USE THIS LINK

<https://app.grouptgether.com/LumenChristiCommunityFarewell>

**A GIFT OF THANKS AND
APPRECIATION**

For those wanting to contribute to a gift for Trish,
we ask that you place money in an envelope or a
card with your name on it in the Gift Box on the
evening or hand in to the School Office to
contribute to the purchase of travel vouchers for
Trish to use for a special trip.