

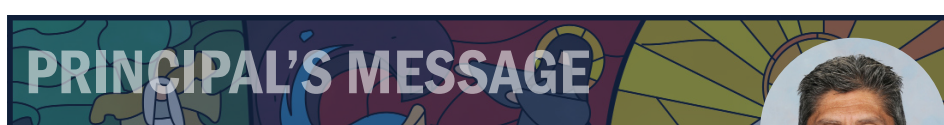
THE ROAD

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May		26	Harmony Cup	26	Queen’s Birthday
10	Naplan Week	31	Tell them from me Week	15	Year 7 Spirituality Day
16	Year 11/ 12 Parent Teacher Interviews	June		July	
23	Wellbeing Week	10	Athletics Carnival	1st	End of Term 2

College Leadership Teams	
Executive	
Principal	Mr Nastasi
Principal's Personal Assistant	Mrs Schembri
Assistant Principal	Mr Roberts
Director of Learning and Mission	Ms Waring
Director of Academic Growth	Mr O'Connor
Director of Curriculum Administration	Mrs Else
Innovation and Pedagogy Coordinator	Ms McQueen
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Year 8	Miss Gaudiosi
Year 9	Mr Petrocco
Year 10	Mr Hamond
Year 11	Mrs Luke
Year 12	Mr Pearman Sultana
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English	Mr O'Connor
Mathematics	Dr Goundar
PDHPE	Mr Brunt
HSIE	Mrs Curran
TAS	Mr Chhabra
Science	Mrs Hamama
Creative Arts	Miss Ashton Mr Connolly
Sport Coordinators	Mr Saba Mr Safi
Digital Media Coordinator	Mr Edwards
Language	Mrs Scarfone
Library	Mrs Ellery
VET Coordinator	Mrs Grills
Careers Advisor	Mrs Scarfone
College Counsellor	Ms Wen Ms Read
Business Manager	Mr Anchique



Robert Nastasi
Principal

Welcome Back to Term Two and some key dates

I am delighted with the way in which our eight hundred strong student population has returned for term two, with outstanding grooming, uniform and a renewed energy for learning. The students are our best advertisement, and they certainly continue to demonstrate this. There are however still a few students needing to get their full winter uniform in order and I remind families that the onsite uniform shop is open on Monday's and Thursday's, or alternatively uniforms can be purchased online or at the super store in Liverpool. Also see Mr Robert's notes on the following pages about the uniforms.

Some upcoming dates this term for your diary

Year 11/12 Parent teacher interviews will take place via zoom in week 4- Monday 16 th May from 4.00pm to 7.30pm. At least one parent/carer and the student are expected to be part of this zoom interview and I would ask that a quiet place in found in the home to undertake them. Details about making bookings and teacher invite links have already been sent and are further included in this

newsletter. These are vital feedback sessions for Stage 6 success and as such all families need to make appointments with all subject teachers including coaches.

NAPLAN diagnostic testing online for ALL Year 7 & 9 will take place in weeks 3 & 4.

Once again, this year throughout **week 6 of this term** the school as directed by CEDP will conduct a survey of students, staff, and parents (TTFF- 'Tell them from me'). This is an opportunity for the school to gather valid and reliable data which can be readily used for school improvement and planning, whilst providing insight to the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta around Engagement, Wellbeing and Effective Teaching/Learning. Surveys will be offered to staff, students and parents. Ms McQueen will oversee this, with more details to come.

LEST WE FORGET

I am extremely grateful to Ms Micallef and the four College leaders that attended the recent dawn service at St Mary's RSL.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Steve Roberts
Assistant Principal



Resource for those that need to

1 in 4 young Australians are experiencing mental health difficulty. But there's an even bigger problem: 70% of those who need help don't get it. ReachOut is Australia's leading online mental health organisation for young people and their parents. It contains practical support, tools and tips to help young people get through anything from everyday issues to tough times –and it also contains information for parents to help assist their teenagers as well.



After friends and family, the internet is the first place young people turn to for information and support. That's where ReachOut.com comes in.

It is a free online mental health service designed with experts, young people or their parents. 132,000 people in Australia access it every month. That equates to 1.58 million each year. The majority of mental health difficulties start before the age of 24, and we know that parents are one of the first places that young people turn to for support and information.

ReachOut also offers two free apps to help address the physical symptoms of stress and anxiety. ReachOut WorryTime and ReachOut Breathe are two free apps that deliver evidence-based psychological therapies on mobile devices, enabling young people to use their smartphones to independently manage anxiety and stress. They're part of a growing suite of online tools and information that has been developed to improve young people's mental health.

Term 2 & 3 Winter Uniform

As mentioned, now that we are into Term 2 students are required to wear their winter uniforms including blazers. Blazers are required to be worn to and from school and can be removed once the students go into period 1 if they wish, however, they are to be placed back on at the end of the day to travel home. A picture and run down of the uniform can be seen on the right:



Juniors	
Boys	Girls
Shirt: Long sleeve white shirt. Note: Shirt to be tucked in when worn with a tie Trousers: Navy trousers (from College uniform shop) NO SHORTS Socks: Navy or black fold over socks only (no ankle socks) Shoes: Black hard leather lace-up polished shoes with heels (no black runners) Belt: Plain black with plain buckle Jumper: Navy jumper with embroidered College Crest Tie: Junior boys tie (from College uniform shop) Blazer: Compulsory - Regulation grey with College Crest No Beanies	Blouse: White with navy piping and College Crest Skirt: Navy blue pleated skirt to be worn at calf length - (halfway between the knee and the ankle) Stockings: Navy blue only - No socks to be worn with stockings Shoes: Black hard leather polished shoes with laces and heels (no black runners, platform soles or suede uppers) Jumper: Navy blue embroidered College Crest Blazer: Compulsory - Regulation grey with College Crest No Beanies
Seniors	
Shirt: Blue long sleeve shirt. Note: Shirt to be tucked in when worn with a tie Trousers: Navy trousers (from College uniform shop) NO SHORTS Socks: Navy or black fold over socks only (no ankle socks) Shoes: Black hard leather lace-up polished shoes with heels (no black runners) Belt: Plain black with plain buckle Jumper: Navy jumper with embroidered College Crest Tie: Senior boys tie (from College uniform shop) Blazer: Compulsory - Regulation grey with College Crest No Beanies	Blouse: Regulation White and Navy Stripe Skirt: Navy blue pleated skirt to be worn at calf length - (halfway between the knee and the ankle) Stockings: Navy blue only - No socks to be worn with stockings Tie: Navy senior bow tie Shoes: Black hard leather polished shoes with laces and heels (no black runners, platform soles or suede uppers) Jumper: Navy blue embroidered College Crest Blazer: Compulsory - Regulation grey with College Crest No Beanies

Pillar of Hospitality: Cloths on our Sacred Spaces

Pia Waring
Director of Mission and Learning



Image by: Madison 10.4

Throughout Term 1, students from Years 7-12 were working on creating a Hospitality Cloth as a Coaching Conversation Class. Hospitality is one of our Emmaus Pillars and last year's Formation and Mission Goal.

These cloths are now being displayed on the sacred space in each classroom. They act as a way of welcome for all students and teachers as each year group is able to move around the school again and use all the learning spaces.

Throughout this process, students and teachers have been able to deepen their understanding of our Pillar of Hospitality, God's revelation about it and ways that this informs their own understanding. In addition to this, they have been able to enliven it within our Emmaus learning community.

Madison Virtudazo of Year 10 explains her experience...

Students and staff at Emmaus appreciate and embrace the significance of the five pillars. Each class designed a cloth based on the Hospitality Pillar for the sacred spaces in their classrooms. The designs were their interpretation of Emmaus' pillar of hospitality and reflected their spirituality. The cloths are symbolic pieces. At Emmaus, hospitality means welcoming our peers into our lives, treating strangers and our friends as we would want to be treated. It is a sacred duty and a virtue for every Christian and individual in this world to be hospitable.

It was an endearing experience to design the cloth for 10.4. I had the opportunity to visually represent hospitality in an abstract and expressive manner. It allowed me to embrace my religion and have a more vivid understanding of what hospitality means as a Christian. In my cloth design, I utilised glowing white ribbons to encapsulate the connection adherents make when welcoming others. The motif of white light is frequently used in depictions of Christ, which enables students to feel invited into the classroom and to be able to reflect. It allows the students and teachers of the classroom to appreciate and embrace the act of hospitality.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Other Cloths from Year 8 and 10 Classes



HSIE NEWS

Rebecca Curran
Leader of Learning - HSIE



ANZAC Day Dawn Service

Student Leaders at the Dawn Service

The 25th of April, 1915, was the day the Anzacs died for and served for this country. It is a day to reflect, and remember with pride, the Anzacs and the Anzac spirit that was first forged at Gallipoli 107 years ago. We pay tribute to all those who have served, and in particular those who have made the supreme sacrifice in all wars, up to and including Afghanistan. "Lest we forget", a quote in commemoration to always remember the service and sacrifice of people who have served in wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations. As we all bowed our heads as a sign of respect, It was an enlightening experience to witness such a wholesome community coming together. Let us reflect on how lucky we truly are. We shall remember them.

This year some of our leaders attended the Dawn Service at St Mary's RSL and laid a wreath on behalf of our college community. As a college we also had an Anzac Service over the PA. This was presented by the Year 11 Modern History students.

SPORTS REPORT

Jeremy Safi
Sports Coordinator



Julian Saba
Sports Coordinator



PDSSSC Cross Country Carnival

Congratulations to all our students who made the Cross Country squad. Students will be representing Emmaus at the PDSSSC Cross Country Carnival on the 13th of May at the Sydney Equestrian Centre, Horsley Park. The first 6 competitors from each event at the PDSSSC Cross Country carnival will be invited to participate in NSWCCC Cross Country Championships. Goodluck to all our students!

Thursday Representative Sport

This season, Emmaus will be entering a team in Boys and Girls Soccer, Girls Netball and Inter Boys Rugby League. Students who are wishing to trial for a representative sport this term must register their interest no later than Thursday the 5th of May. Trials will be concluded this Thursday and teams will be announced. At times, buses returning from Representative Sport may arrive back at the College after our normal afternoon buses and for that reason, students need to ensure they have alternative transport home on Thursday afternoons in case of this. All information regarding representative sport draws and venues for each sport can be found on the Parramatta Diocese Secondary Schools Sport website.

<http://www.secondarysportparra.catholic.edu.au/>

RECENT SPORTING SUCCESS STORIES



Isabella Brglevski

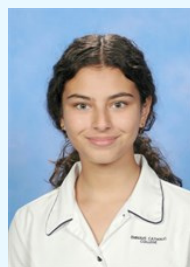
Congratulations to Isabella Brglevski who was successful in being selected in the PDSSSC Netball team.

Goodluck on Thursday!



Vasili Kastoumis

Vasili Kastoumis has been selected in the PDSSSC Open Boys Football team. Outstanding work and goodluck at the next level!



Anna Dubier

Congratulations to Anna Dubier, who has shown success at National level in cycling. She has received a bronze for the Madison and another Bronze for the omnium. The omnium is a 4 race event where you accumulate points over 4 races based on your finishing position. It has been amazing to see Anna's success in racing and fantastic for Anna to ride against others at this level.

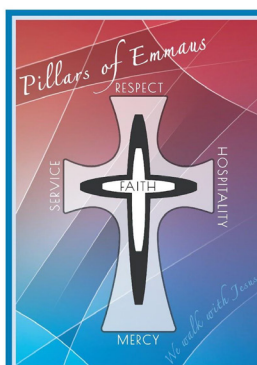
Parramatta Secondary Schools Sports Council, NSW Catholic Schools Sport

Individual Selection Trial Registrations are now open for many sports at either the Diocesan level or NSW state level. Information about these and the respective sports and their closing dates can be found here:

<https://www.secondarysportparra.catholic.edu.au/nswccc-representative-sport>

Students wishing to trial for an external PDSSSC team or individual sport can register via the link. These teams are composed of students performing at a highly skilled level from all schools across our Diocese.

THE EMMAUS GRADUATE



Has strong Catholic values

Is resilient and adaptable

Has respect for self, others, the community and learning opportunities

Has a good work ethic and seeks success

Is prepared for an ever-changing world

Students Taking Leave During the School Term

If parents are wishing their son/daughter to take leave during the school term, a Leave Form must be completed.

Forms are available from the Front Office or if parents would like a form emailed to them, please contact the College Office. Leave forms are for any length of time.

There are two types of Leave Form: (i) for Travel only and (ii) all other types of leave. Students receive an Exemption Approval letter from the Principal

Uniform Shop

Trading Hours
During School Terms
Monday 12pm - 4pm
Thursday 8am - 12pm

Our Parishes

Holy Spirit

Todd Row, St Clair
Ph: 9670 8222

Our Lady of the Rosary

Saddington Street, St Marys
Ph: 9623 1962

Our K - 6 Schools

Trinity Primary

61-83 Bakers Lane,
Kemps Creek
Ph: 9834 3212

Holy Spirit Primary

7-17 Todd Row, St Clair
Ph: 9670 5379

Our Lady of the Rosary

Saddington Street
St Marys
Ph: 9623 2500



Donations of Uniforms

The College is happy to take donated uniforms however due to Work, Health and Safety, we request that all uniforms are washed and dry-cleaned

Second Hand Uniforms

Please call the College to make an appointment to see the Business Manager around whether you qualify for second hand uniforms.

Compass Parent Portal

If you are still unable to log onto the Compass Parent Portal after you have downloaded the Compass School App, please contact the College Office

Withdrawing from the College

If you are withdrawing a student from the College please be advised that 10 Weeks notice is required in writing







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