



## IMPORTANT DATES

### SOUTH PLYMPTON

#### JULY

- Wed 29 SACSA Open Boys and Girls Basketball
- Thu 30 SACSA Years 9/10 Boys and Girls Basketball
- Fri 31 SACSA Years 7/8 Boys and Girls Basketball

#### AUGUST

- Tue 4 Years 9-11 Career Expo & Subject Information Evening 5.30pm - 8.30pm @ Adelaide West Uniting Church
- Wed 5 Extra Curricular Photo Day
- Mon 10 - Fri 14 Science Week

### BROOKLYN PARK

## From the Principal

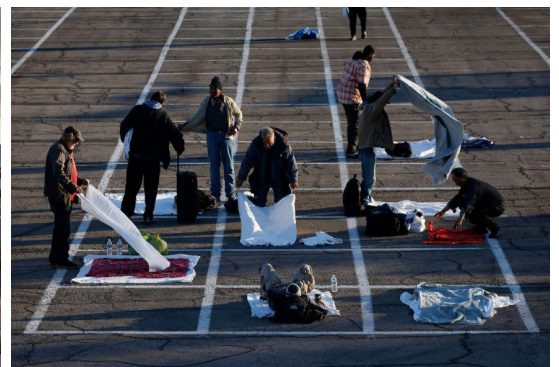
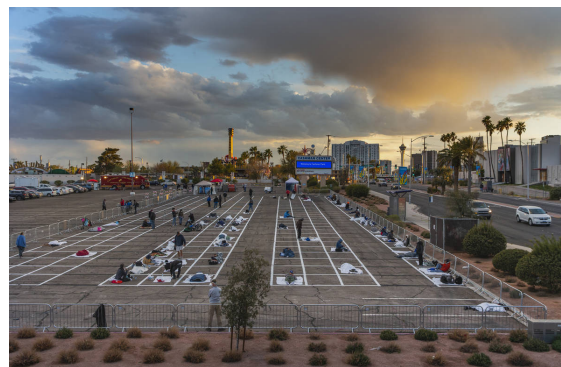
### Dear Families and Friends

Commencing Term 3 under the increased freedoms of the new Emmaus "COVID-19 Step 3 Restriction Easing" measures has been such a blessing! Seeing parents entering the school grounds in the morning and afternoons restores one of the personal highlights of my days. 'Modified-social-greetings' (not shaking hands) however still seems rude for me when I encounter parents so please accept this as my 'blanket' apology!

Under step 3 easing measures we will also now see an increase in Emmaus sports, excursions, camps, and other parent gatherings/events. As 'social-distancing' measures still remain in terms of people per square metre for indoor gatherings and distance between people in general, we are not yet permitting parents to enter classrooms or assemblies. This will also restrict participant numbers for other College performance events in the second part of the year. Unfortunately this will necessitate restricting/rationing attendance at such events. I ask that you please be understanding and respectful when/if such measures impact you or your family. I can assure you the College is committed to doing our best in this respect, however anticipate there will still be times of disappointment. It is my hope however that these restrictions will soon be up for further review and we can resume parent involvement in these important areas too with less restriction.

As I reflect on a Term 2 like no other in my almost 30 years in education there are many lessons I have learnt. In time these will no doubt provide endless devotion/sermon themes and illustrations for future use and I would like to share one of these with you today.

In the height of the pandemic a few months ago I saw the below photos from Las Vegas, America which really rattled me! By way of explanation, this is the Las Vegas City Council's 'honourable' efforts to take care of their homeless community – helping them keep safe from the COVID-19 virus by assisting them exercising social distancing practices. I am sure their intentions were well-meaning and honourable. I am also sure they genuinely believed they were making a real positive difference in the lives of the cities most marginalised. They likely also acted with a genuine heart of compassion for people, and looked back over their work with a sense of deep fulfilment and satisfaction.



Somehow it seems to me they have completely missed the actual point, even bordering on being demeaning and humiliating towards those where dignity is likely already an issue! Even if solving the many and varied elements behind homelessness was overwhelming and unrealistic at that time, the fact that there were hundreds of thousands of empty hotel rooms across Las Vegas due to National and International travel bans should have crossed someones mind - surely! I am sure the many decision makers behind this plan are very well educated, highly experienced, and probably well paid (and most likely some even have strong and active faith's too), yet somehow this 'plan' was still actioned! I do not reflect on this account with a self-righteous heart and certainly acknowledge the many 'logs' in my own eye, this however served as a time of personal re-calibration for me.

As I reflect on this situation I am challenged to ensure at Emmaus we do not just build skills, abilities, and knowledge in our children; or develop in them an 'inert' type of Christianity (where they acquire a lot of head knowledge about God and His 'story' only). Our challenge as Christian parents and teachers at Emmaus must be to develop well-balanced socially aware graduates who put their faith in action into all they do. A faith based 'moral-compass' should not be a tool which can be used but a 'world-view' through which all we do and think resonates from.

Blessings

**Andrew Linke**  
Principal

Weekly Coffee Connect  
South Plympton  
**Commences Tuesday 28 July**  
**8.45am - 9.45am**  
Brooklyn Park  
**Commences Friday 31 July**  
**9.30am - 10.30am**

Weekly Prayer Connect  
**Commences Thursday 30 July**  
**8.45am - 9.15am**

## Principal Tours

Tour dates for Term 3 are:

### South Plympton Campus

Wednesday 2 September, 9am - Junior School (F - Year 6)

Thursday 3 September, 9am - Middle and Senior Schools (Years 7 - 12) **BOOKED OUT**

Thursday 17 September, 9am - Middle and Senior Schools (Years 7 - 12)

### Brooklyn Park Campus (ELC - Year 6)

Wednesday 9 September, 9am

Please pass this onto your family and friends who are interested in visiting Emmaus Christian College.

Registrations are essential. For more information and to register visit the website.

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## Junior School - Brooklyn Park

### We love Books

As part of our Literacy program the Foundation students across both campuses studied well-known children's author Pamela Allen. In Foundation Giles the students made potato characters, using mixed media, inspired by the book "Potato People". Each student then composed a narrative featuring their magnificent potato person.



**Gillie Giles**  
Foundation Teacher

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## Launch News

### OzClo - The Australian Computational and Linguistics Olympiad

One of our Year 11 teams qualified for the national final round of the OzClo, 2-hour competition. The team was competing against 28 schools across Australia.

We are very proud to announce that Emmaus received a 'Silver' placement.

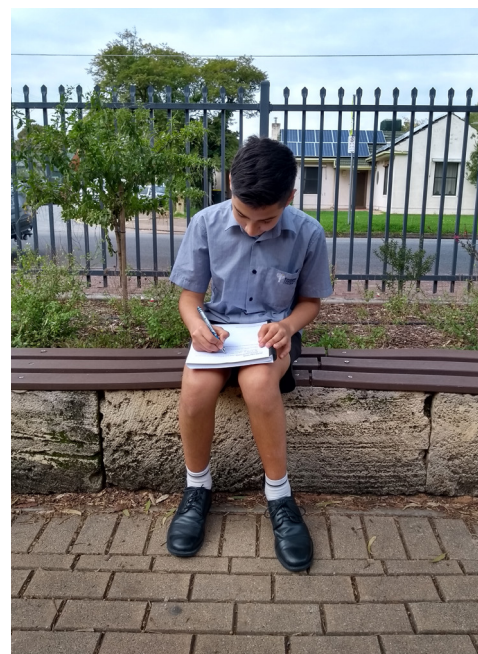
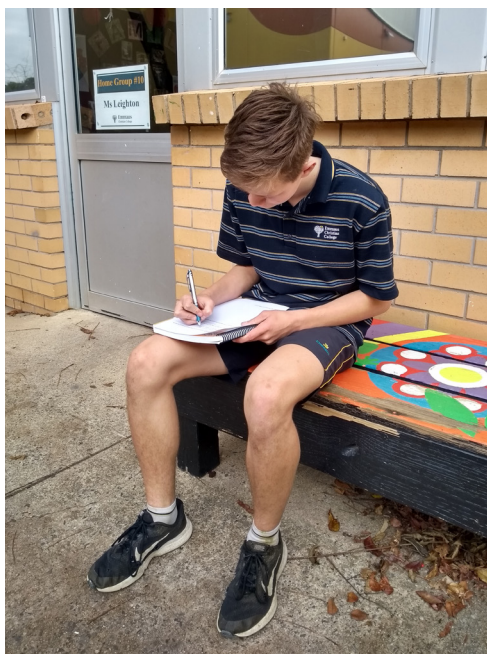
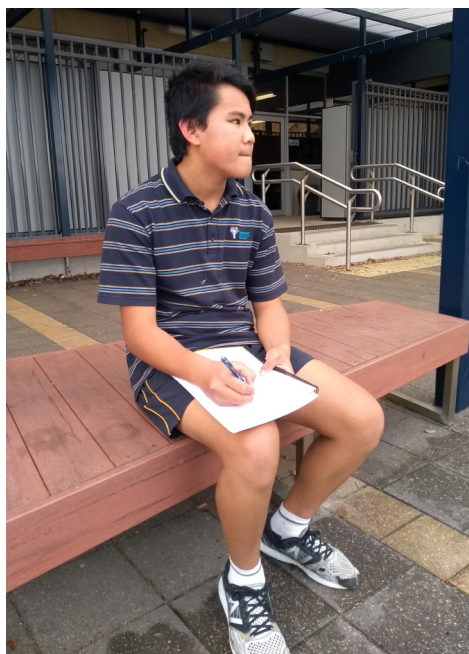
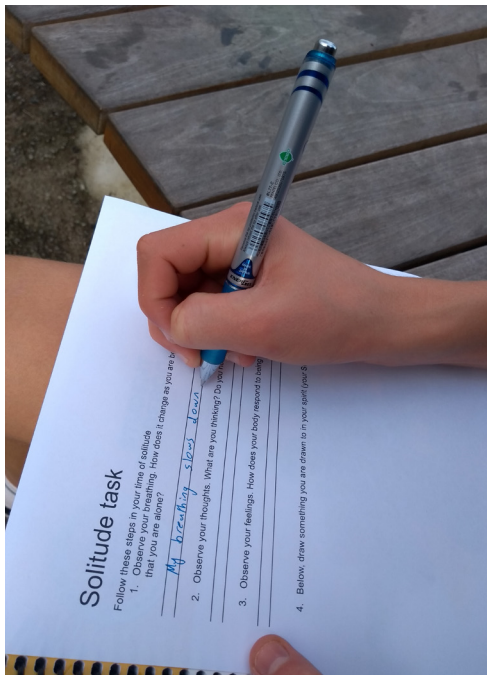
Congratulations to Erica, Matthew and Ryan on an outstanding achievement.

Thank you to Ms Sarah Burrow for organizing and supervising this competition.

**Susanne Milne**  
Launch Coordinator F-10

## Middle School

The Year 9 boys in my Rite Journey class recently participated in a 'Solitude and Silence' activity, as part of their Christian Curriculum. I placed them in various locations around the school and left them, alone, for 20 minutes. They were given a piece of paper with some questions to help prompt contemplative thoughts.



**Paul Mills**  
Middle School Teacher/Pastoral Coordinator

## Uniform Shop

### 2020 Normal Opening Hours

Monday 8.30am - 10.00am  
3.00pm - 5.00pm

Thursday 8.30am - 10.00am  
1.00pm - 1.30pm  
3.00pm - 5.00pm

If you need any uniform, please do not hesitate to [email](#) or phone. You can also order and purchase items via phone on 08 8292 3810.

**Christine Blom-Cursaro**  
Uniform Shop Manager

## From the Library

### PRC

The Premier's Reading Challenge 2020 is approaching its final days with 4 September as the absolute last day to submit the completed Reading Record to the Library. This date will be upon us before we know it, and we are asking that all students complete and print their Reading Record for submission to the Library as soon as possible. The F-2 students will have completed this challenge by having books read to them by their teachers or library staff. Most students (Years 3 - 12) have been allocated a Digital copy of the Premier's Reading Challenge Record sheet via Google Classroom. The Covid influence on borrowing (other than from our school library) has allowed a relaxation of the rules about reading from the PRC Reading Challenge official lists. This means that any book of a suitable reading standard can be added to the reading list in 2020.

We would love to see all students receive their acknowledgement of participation with certificates and medals later in the year.

### Overdues

Many books borrowed before the holidays are now overdue. Please check at home to see if there are any books still 'holidaying' on your shelves or in more obscure locations and return them as soon as possible.

### Bookweek

CBCA Bookweek in 2020 will now be in Term 4, 19 to 23 October, because publishers and judges alike have been impacted by 2020's Covid complications. Wait for more updates on what this will look like at Emmaus.

The theme for 2020 is "Curious Creatures, Wild Minds". A rather unusual viral creature, named Covid-19, has played havoc with minds and preparations for a celebration of all the good things that Children's literature brings to our world.

### Reading

Winter is a wonderful time to enjoy the delights of escaping into the pages of a book. Make every effort to read with your children and keep promoting literature for every stage of life. The well-read child will have the advantage of having seen the world through different lenses and will learn empathy. Exploring difficult issues and examining our own responses in times of uncertainty can all be nurtured in positive ways through the selection of a 'just right' book. Vocabulary extension is a wonderful by-product of regular reading and the skills of reading will prepare the reader for life in our text-rich world. Do not forget that reading can be sheer entertainment!

So as the Library books come home again in Term 3... ask questions, read alongside, encourage new choices, and be seen to be reading yourself to promote this life skill amongst our community. And for those people who love film texts... do not forget that many films were books before the producers and directors got involved.

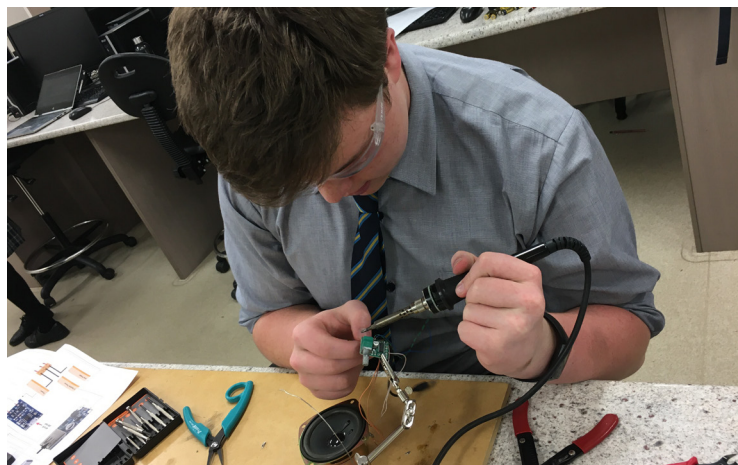
**Carolyn Hull**  
Teacher Librarian

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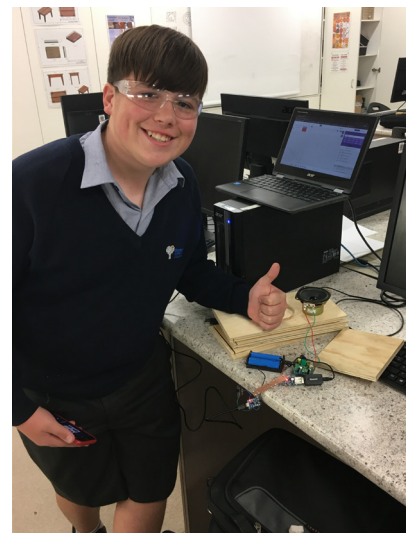
## College News

### Makerspace

Term 1 Makerspace – Audio Projects have now concluded with many speakers of all shapes and sizes made. Students from Years 8-12 had a great time re-purposing and building their personalised speakers or amplifiers. We have had laughs, made mistakes, learned a great deal about electronics, acoustics, hand tools and had a lot of fun along the way. These photos showcase the work in progress, end products and the proud students displaying their work. Stay tuned for further Makerspace activities in Term 3 and Term 4!



**David Chu**  
Middle/Senior School Teacher



### South Australian Young Writer's Award

Six of our Senior School students have been short listed for the South Australian Young Writer's Award. In each age category, ten students in the state are short listed and, from that shortlist, winners will be chosen, with the winners announced in August. Of the list of 10 short listed students in the Year 9/10 category, 5 are from one English class at Emmaus!

The Emmaus students who have been short listed are Sophie (Year 12) and Ben, Vanessa, Sophie, Yedam and Soyal (Year 10).

Well done and good luck.

## Canteen Roster

#### Week 1 T3

Thu 23 No help needed  
 Fri 24 **HELP NEEDED**

#### Week 3 T3

Mon 3 August No help needed  
 Tue 4 No help needed  
 Wed 5 Blake Watson  
 Thu 6 Natalie Almond  
 Fri 7 Sam Allison

#### Week 2 T3

Mon 27 No help needed  
 Tue 28 No help needed  
 Wed 29 **HELP NEEDED**  
 Thu 30 No help needed  
 Fri 31 Nancy Pantelis

#### Week 4 T3

Mon 10 No help needed  
 Tue 11 No help needed  
 Wed 12 **HELP NEEDED**  
 Thu 13 No help needed  
 Fri 14 Katherine Papazoglou

Thank you for the time you volunteer in the canteen, it is very much appreciated. The hours are from 9.30am to approximately 1.30pm. Due to Occupational Health and Safety, please wear enclosed shoes and ensure long hair is tied back. Please also remember to sign in at the Front Office and collect a visitors badge before you commence in the canteen. This is a legal requirement in case of fire evacuation/lock down. Thank you for your assistance with this important matter.

**Sharon Hughes**  
**Canteen Manager**



**Emmaus**  
Christian College

# Careers and Subject Expo

*Explore Your Pathway*

*What subjects can I choose next year?*

*What career pathway is best for me?*

*Where are the jobs of the future?*



*Specialist sessions on*

*What is SACE?*

*What VET Courses Can Do For You?*

*How do University Entry and ATAR work?*

*Speak with teachers about their specific subject areas and network with university, industry specialists and training organisations who will share their knowledge to help you make informed subject choices and pathway decisions*

Adelaide West Uniting Church from 5:30pm to 8:30pm on Tuesday, 4 August 2020  
312 Sir Donald Bradman Drive, Brooklyn Park, 5032  
Year 9, 10 and 11 Students and a Parent