



newsletter

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7 May



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Our School Mission Statement



Dear Parents,

Next week and the following week, our Year Three and Year Five students will participate in the National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy. This is an annual event and one which provides some useful data to schools on both individuals and on the group as a whole.

NAPLAN data is one assessment used by schools to track student progress and the effectiveness of school programs. As a school we employ a number of different programs over the whole year level as well as individual assessments to assess student progress through the curriculum and towards individual goals. These assessments are taking place at several stages throughout the year and teachers are assessing students either formally or informally on a daily basis.

Teachers at Emmanuel take the time to get to know each student very well. They take the time to listen to each student and to know their interests and abilities. In doing this, teachers are well informed about where students are at and what is realistic in setting goals for future development, keeping in mind that we have high expectations for our students.

A national assessment program such as NAPLAN will give a snapshot of where your child is at on the day of the test. Sometimes, children are not well on the test days and their test scores can reflect this. Sometimes children will not perform well under test conditions and sometimes they will even accidentally miss questions which can have a detrimental effect on their test scores. Rarely, a child could have a few guesses and their test scores will be a surprise to everyone.

Although NAPLAN scores are used widely by the media and other agencies, they are only one indication of a child's abilities. If you want a more thorough and in-depth analysis of how well your child is going, talk to the teacher. A ten minute chat with the teacher is worth more than any written test.

Wishing you every blessing for the coming week,

Geraldine Rostirolla
Principal

Religious Education

ONE FOR THE MUMS – A BLESSING

*God bless you when it's Mother's Day
and each day all year through,
God grant that faith and hope and love
will always come to you,
God be your friend, your guiding light,
forever on life's way,
God keep you in His loving care
Today and every day.*



MOTHER'S DAY PICNIC

**Friday 7 May
10:30am**

CELEBRATING MOTHER'S DAY

We are having a Mother's Day Picnic and all mums are invited. It will take place in the playground between the library and Year Two/Prep building at 10:30am tomorrow, Friday 7 May. Please bring a chair or rug and morning tea to share with your children. We look forward to sharing this time with as many mothers as possible.

MONTH OF MARY - PRAY THE ROSARY FOR AN END TO THE PANDEMIC

This month, Pope Francis has called for a 'marathon of prayer'. The Rosary will be led from different Marian shrines around the world each day. To join the daily live broadcast or view videos of the recitation of the Holy Rosary and to see a list of the Marian sites and daily intentions go to:

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/church/news/2021-05/shrines-around-the-world-linked-for-recitation-of-the-rosary.html>

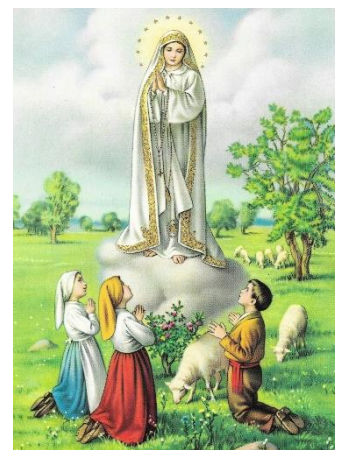
On Thursday 13 May, on the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima and the 104th anniversary of the first apparition, The Rosary will be led from the Shrine of the Blessed Virgin of the Holy Rosary (Portugal).

On 13 May 1917, Our Lady appeared to three shepherd children at Fatima, Portugal. It was an apparition that was repeated on the 13th of every month, for six consecutive months. Our Lady told the children, "Say the Rosary every day to obtain peace for the world and the end of the war."

To find out more about The Rosary and how to pray it, go to:
<http://www.catholic.org/prayers/rosary.php>

For more information about the apparitions go to:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XeMq0SpGKrw>

To hear the Our Lady of Fatima song go to:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KUQ4jgbxNQ>



The Rosary will be led from St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney on Sunday 16 May.

This May all classes will be learning about Mary and praying various Marian prayers, including The Rosary. I encourage you to do the same.

Each Monday, Wednesday and Friday this month, students and staff are invited to gather in the chapel to say The Rosary at lunchtime. We will pray for peace in our families, our school and our world. It was lovely to see a large crowd participating on our first day.

"The Rosary has a peaceful effect on those who pray it, leading them to see the face of Christ in others, to recognise other's grief and to yearn to make the world more beautiful, more just, more closely conformed to God's plan." (Pope John Paul II, 2002)

FIRST COMMUNION

Please pray for the students who will receive the Sacrament of Eucharist for the first time this weekend.

Students preparing for First Communion are encouraged to attend the Sacrament of Penance tomorrow, Friday 7 May, between 3:30pm - 5:30pm.



Celebration of First Communion		
Saturday 8 May	6:00pm	St Joseph's Church
Saturday 8 May	6:00pm	St Brigid's Church
Sunday 9 May	7:30am	St Brendan's Church
Sunday 9 May	9:00am	St Joseph's Church

2021/2022 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

A letter detailing the St Joseph's Sacramental Process and the upcoming Information Session was sent home with all Year Four students earlier this term.

If you have an older child wishing to receive the Sacraments as part of the 2021/2022 Program, please collect a copy of this letter from the school office.

The Parent Information Session will be held on Wednesday 19 May at St Joseph's Church.

VIRTUE OF THE FORTNIGHT

Gratitude is the quality of being thankful and showing appreciation. It is a mindful acknowledgement of all that we have been given. When we focus on the abundance in our lives, we discover a greater capacity for generosity, cheerfulness and contentment.

"If the only prayer you ever say in your entire life is thank you, it will be enough."

(Meister Eckhart)



THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

Acts 10:25-26. 34-35. 44-48

The Holy Spirit descends on Jews and Gentiles alike.

1 John 4:7-10

One without love does not know God.

John 15:9-17

Live on in Christ.

For weekly Gospel readings, reflections and meditations go to <http://www.prayasoucan.com.au/>

Download this week's parish bulletin @ <https://rok.catholic.net.au/parish/mackay-st-josephs/#>

For Parish News, updates and to book for weekend Masses go to the **Catholic Parishes of North Mackay and Farleigh** Facebook page.

Share in Daily Mass from St Joseph's Cathedral @





https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQeYD6B2cSvFb4zqStn_Brg



Noeleen Kliese
Assistant Principal Religious Education

Curriculum Corner

Emmanuel Catholic Primary Strategic Priorities 2020 – 2022

Catholic Identity and Ethos 	Effective Teaching and Learning (NSIT Domains 2,5,6,7,8) 
<p>Strategic Priority 1.1 For all members of the school community to continue to strive and maintain Emmanuel as a dialogue school through the traditions and practices; celebrations; teaching and learning.</p> <p>Goal <i>Implementing Catholic Social teaching and service learning within the Curriculum.</i></p>	<p>Strategic Priority 2.1 That our school has a culture of data informed practice where every student is engaged and learning successfully in their own ways at their own pace.</p> <p>Goal <i>To improve student learning outcomes in Mathematics as we build teacher capacity to collect, analyse and respond to data with a focus on student engagement and surface, deep and transfer learning.</i></p> <p>Strategic Priority 2.2 That our school has a feedback culture of continuous improvement which builds a schoolwide team of professional highly able teachers who use data and evidence-based teaching strategies to support deep student learning.</p> <p>Goal <i>All teachers will collaboratively plan and focus on embedding the Inquiry approach to Spelling across all year levels.</i></p>
Pastoral Support and Wellbeing (NSIT Domain 3) 	Leadership, Partnerships and Resourcing (NSIT Domains 1,4,9) 
<p>Strategic Priority 3.1 To enhance student learning and well-being outcomes through the development of a school well-being framework.</p> <p>Goal <i>For all teachers across Years 4-6 to build their knowledge of the "Be You – Mentally Healthy Communities" survey.</i></p>	<p>Strategic Priority 4.1 That deliberate and strategic school community partnerships are developed to enhance teacher understanding of flexible learning and collaborative teaching environments.</p> <p>Goal <i>During 2021, students will participate in flexible inquiry-based Problem Solving and Reasoning lessons, which have been collaboratively planned and administered by their teachers.</i></p>

NAPLAN ONLINE DATES:

Please see below the dates and times during which Year 3 and Year 5 students will be participating in NAPLAN Online:

NAPLAN Online Week One					
	Monday 10/05/2021	Tuesday 11/05/2021	Wednesday 12/05/2021	Thursday 13/05/2021	Friday 14/05/2021
Morning Session	<i>Preparation Day – No testing to occur as per NAPLAN Guidelines</i>	Year 3 Writing <i>Start time: 9am</i> <i>(Paper Based) (40min)</i>	Year 5 Reading (50min) <i>Start time: 9am</i>	Year 5 Conventions of Language (45min) <i>Start time: 9am</i>	
		Morning Tea			
Middle Session			Year 3 Reading (45min) <i>Start time: 11:15am</i>	Year 3 Conventions of Language (45min) <i>Start time: 11:15am</i>	
		Lunch			
Afternoon Session			<i>Catch up Writing tests</i>	<i>Catch up Writing tests</i>	

NAPLAN Online Week Two					
	Monday 17/05/2021	Tuesday 18/05/2021	Wednesday 19/05/2021	Thursday 20/05/2021	Friday 21/05/2021
Morning Session			Year 5 Numeracy (50min) <i>Start time: 9am</i>		
	Morning Tea				
Middle Session	<i>Catch up Reading Tests</i>	<i>Catch up Language Conventions Tests</i>	Year 3 Numeracy (45min) <i>Start time: 12pm</i>	<i>Catch up Numeracy Tests</i>	

Please Note: Year 3 WRITING remains a paper based test.

NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling, grammar and numeracy. It is important to remember that NAPLAN tests are not pass/fail tests. At the classroom level, it is one of a number of important tools used by teachers to measure student progress.

In preparation for NAPLAN Online, students across all year levels are engaged in technology lessons and are exposed to the knowledge and skills required for successful participation in each of the components of NAPLAN, Writing; Numeracy; Reading and Grammar.

This year a Public Demonstration Site is available and will continue to be updated so as parents can assist their children to prepare for NAPLAN Online at home. The site includes FAQ's; Parent Information and Practice Tests. If you are interested in looking at this site please follow the link provided.

<https://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site>

TODAY'S LESSON:

KEEPING NAPLAN IN PERSPECTIVE

- 1) NAPLAN is about making sure your child is on track in the important areas of literacy and numeracy.

Good literacy and numeracy levels are fundamental to a child's learning and development. If children are not going as well as they should in these areas, then parents and teachers need to be aware of this as soon as possible.

- 2) NAPLAN helps you see your child's growth and achievements

Not only does NAPLAN provide data on your child's achievements in literacy and numeracy, but if they continue with NAPLAN at each opportunity, you can see their growth across a seven-year schooling period.

- 3) NAPLAN isn't high stakes testing and it amounts to less than 16 hours over 7 years of schooling.

Parents and teachers should place NAPLAN into context and reassure children about its purpose – to identify, as early as possible, a child's strengths and areas for development to make sure they are progressing in literacy and numeracy.



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NAPLAN

Janine Refalo
Assistant Principal Curriculum

APA News

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Tuesday 25 & Wednesday 26 May 2021

Students are required to wear blue formal uniform, dress for girls.

Order forms were sent home last week. Please note that orders are to be placed ONLINE ONLY.

Envelopes do not need to be returned to school, they are for your information only.



Emmanuel Catholic Primary School

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS WILL BE TAKEN ON:

Tuesday 25 May 2021 and Wednesday 26 May 2021

**ORDER NOW go to www.advancedlife.com.au and enter the code
R78 KWL A81**

Dear Parents,

School photographs are scheduled to be taken by *advancedlife*. Our school has arranged for all school photography packages to be ordered online via our school portal. This reduces administration and potential security issues related to the return of cash and envelopes on photo day.

Orders for packages and sibling photographs can be placed securely online at www.advancedlife.com.au using our school's unique **9 digit advancedorder code**. Portrait and group package orders are due by photography day.

Should you wish to purchase a sibling photograph online, the order must be placed no later than the day before photography day. Sibling photographs will only be taken if an order has been placed.

Should you have any queries concerning school photographs or online ordering, please contact us at www.advancedlife.com.au/contact

Flu Season Reminder

As you are aware every year Queensland experiences an influenza or flu season. As we enter this season it is timely to remind parents and caregivers not to be complacent about flu. Queensland Health advises that where possible, people need to be vaccinated for the flu every year.

Flu is a virus more serious than the common cold and can be spread through talking, coughing and sneezing. Symptoms include sudden fever, dry cough, muscle aches and pains, fatigue, headache, sore throat and a stuffy or runny nose.

If your child has flu-like symptoms, the following is advised:

- Keep your child home from school;
- Ensure your child washes their hands regularly with soap and water or sanitiser gel;



- Encourage your children when coughing or sneezing, to cover their mouth and nose with disposable tissues which should be disposed of immediately;
- Ensure they drink plenty of fluids and get lots of rest;
- Consult your doctor if you are concerned about their symptoms.

Queensland Health Guidelines advise that individuals displaying flu like symptoms should stay at home until such symptoms have passed (normally 5-7 days).

Families should also reinforce the recommended protective actions listed above.

Increased awareness and ongoing attention to prevention and control measures, such as vaccination and good hygiene, are steps that we can all promote to reduce the impact of influenza.

Amanda McDonald
Assistant Principal Administration

ABSENT FROM SCHOOL HOTLINE

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DIRECT LINE - AVAILABLE 24 HOURS A DAY

WHEN YOU CALL YOU WILL BE ASKED FOR THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:
YOUR NAME, STUDENT'S NAME, CLASS, DATE OF ABSENCE, REASON FOR ABSENCE

Student Council Representatives

Congratulations to our Student Council Representatives elected for Term 2.



Pumped Sport

Pumped Sport's new Ninja Dash event is coming to Emmanuel Catholic Primary School on Tuesday the 25 May starting at 3.15pm and runs for 75 minutes. Cash or credit card payments can be made on the day to Pumped Sport. Children kindy aged and older are \$15 and toddlers are \$10. For more information and to register head to <https://pumpedsport.com.au/events/>

Please note: This is not a school related event. All enquiries are to be directed to Pumped Sport via the communication channels on the flyer.



\$15
PER CHILD
\$10
PER TODDLER

NINJA DASH

75
MINUTE
AFTER
SCHOOL EVENT

OBSTACLE COURSE

THE BIG BALLS

OBSTACLE COURSE

UNDER & OVER

WARPED WALL

SLIDE

WAVE RIDER

WIPEOUT WALL

ALL NEW INFLATABLES!

pumped sport

REGISTER AT
pumpedsport.com.au
1300 367 980

Emmanuel Catholic Primary School Oval
Tuesday 25 May 2021 at 3:15pm

School Fees

Term 2 Parent Statements

All families should have received their parent account statement via email last Friday, 30 April. If you have not received your statement, please contact the Finance Office immediately. Alternatively, these statements can be found on Parent Lounge.

Sport News



Congratulations to 5W student Kaiden Neilsen who has been selected to be a member of the Queensland School Sport 10-12 Years Swimming Merit Team 2021. Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, QSS teams will not be competing at any higher competition in 2021. However, we would like to congratulate Kaiden and acknowledge this fantastic sporting achievement! Well done Kaiden!

WOW WEDNESDAY - WIPE OUT WASTE

By packing lunch in containers that we can

REUSE or

RECYCLE we will

REDUCE waste and help save the planet.



NO DISPOSABLE PACKAGING PLEASE!

Plastics and other disposable packaging will be sent home in lunchboxes.



PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

TERM TWO - WEEK TWO

Classroom	Student	Reason for Award
6TR	Marli W	For the enthusiasm and dedication you demonstrate towards your classroom work. You are a true leader both inside and outside of our classroom. We love the effort you are putting into your school work and it is really paying off. Well done Marli.
6S	Lara P	For consistently working to the best of your ability in class. You always give your best effort and you are a pleasure to teach.
6K	Indi B	For the positive and joyful way you enter our classroom each day. You are always ready to tackle challenges and strive to do your best in all that you do. Thank you for being such a valued member of Grade 6 Indi!
5W	Calvin C	For your dedication towards improving your reading and mastering your skills. Keep up the great effort Calvin.
5W	Maeve T	For your persistence when learning new concepts. You always take your time to ensure you understand and always complete your work to a high standard. Well done Maeve!
5S	Noah B	For the amazing effort you have been putting into your persuasive writing pieces. Well done for composing such an informative, well-written persuasive text on why all families should have a pet.
5C	Josh G	For always enjoying school and demonstrating the correct way to behave in all situations. What a wonderful role model you are! Thank you Josh.
4W	Finn B	Finn is a helpful, reliable student who offers assistance to his peers and his teacher. This is very much appreciated.
4W	Isla C	Isla is generous in helping her peers and teacher. Her thoughtfulness and assistance is always appreciated. Thank you Isla!
4S	Harper S	For displaying such a wonderful effort when using description in her written work. It makes your writing interesting and such a joy to read. Well done Harper!
4S	Reyne G	For displaying such an enthusiastic attitude towards sharing the events of your holidays with the class. He showed such effort and focus to write about his holidays. Keep it up Reyne!
4E	Isabella B	For the enthusiasm you exhibit towards your learning especially your participation during writing lessons. Isabella you eagerly share your ideas and give positive feedback to others. Well done!
3W	Mason R	For the huge improvement in your reading. You have been a reading star in the classroom and at home. Keep up the great work Mason!
3W	Koby B	Congratulations Koby on your beautiful behaviour in the classroom and the way you have contributed to our classroom discussions. We have loved how confident you have become to share your ideas and thoughts with the class. Keep it up Koby!
3HB	Tyler T	For your enthusiastic approach to reading groups this term. Your attitude is contagious and we love listening to your ideas.
3HB	Connor G	For your fantastic start to Term Two and improved behaviour. Congratulations Connor.
3B	Taya O	Congratulations Taya on the effort you are showing to complete all tasks. Keep up the wonderful attitude!

3B	Liliana L	For consistently working to the best of your ability in everything you do. You always apply an amazing effort and you are a wonderful role model to your peers. You are a Grade Three super star!
2R	Talitha D	For working well in class and always trying your best to complete your work. Well done, Talitha!
2C	Sophia W	For being a polite, responsible member of 2C. You are a great role model, Sophia. Keep up your fantastic work!
1T	Nate T	For the enthusiasm and effort you put into each learning task. Nate, you are always eager to learn and try your best in everything you do. Miss Thomas is so proud of the way you tackle challenges and inspire your peers. You are a superstar!
1M	Michael S	For displaying creativity and imagination in the classroom with your illustrations and story writing. Keep up the wonderful effort Michael.
1M	Connor A	For being a helpful and hardworking student, who is a pleasure to have in the classroom. Keep up the great effort in all areas of your work. Well done Connor!
1J	Nate S	Nate, thank you for being such a hard worker and always trying your best. The hard work that you're putting into your writing is starting to show. Keep up the great work.
Prep S	Lucy H	For the wonderful idea sharing you have. We love listening to your ideas and answers to questions. It has been so great to see your confidence grow during our classroom discussions. Keep it up Lucy!
Prep J	Cadence S	For consistently displaying the 5 L's of Listening in the classroom. Congratulations, Cadence!
Prep G	Aisha W	For displaying a positive attitude to all areas of your schoolwork. Keep up the fabulous effort you are putting into learning your sounds and reading. You are a superstar!
Prep G	Paxton D	For the wonderful effort you are putting into all areas of your schoolwork. Keep up the great work Paxton. I am so proud of you.

WHERE THE DIFFERENCE IS YOU

Facilities Officer (25hpw) Term-Time 46 Weeks
St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, North Mackay

As Facilities Officer you will provide a high level of maintenance & development of the school grounds. Applicants interested in less than 25hpw and willing to work as a job share position are also encouraged to apply.

For further information and to apply visit our website today

www.rok.catholic.edu.au

Applications close 10 May 2021

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Tuckshop News

VOLUNTEER ROSTER TERM 2 WEEK 4

Monday 10 May: Talthia Swan
Tuesday 11 May: Tamara Flynn
Wednesday 12 May: Lerryn Tickle
Thursday 13 May: Michelle Buckeridge
Friday 14 May: Asinate Waqa

Meggs Weissman

Help Wanted



WE ARE LOOKING FOR U8 BOYS!!

(Born 2014 & 2015)

Where do they play?: At Mackay Basketball Stadium

When?: Games are played Saturday morning from
8.15 am
(Season starts Saturday 8th of May)

Training times?: Every Thursday afternoon. Time TBA

Never played before?: It doesn't matter!

U8 is awesome fun and great exercise. It is played on full-court and lowered hoops.

It is 4 vs 4 so the kids get heaps of game time!

Any questions?: Give Darren a call on 0437 426 737

Beyond the Pages

14-16 July 2021



Short Story
Competition 2021

Get Writing



Enter Now

If you love creative writing,
this is the competition for you!

See your English Teacher or Librarian for details
and an Entry Form or visit:

<http://www.whitsundayvoices.com.au/>

Entries close 5pm Friday 4th June 2021



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LET'S GET

physical

St Mary's Trivia Night 2021

THE Social Event of the Year!

Friday June 11, 6.30pm for 7pm start.

\$30ea, Tables of 8 or 10 available

Ticket includes snacks and pizza

