From the Principal’s Desk...
A Christian Community Must Reflect the Nature of God

“When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put childish ways behind me.”
1st Corinthians 13:11

It takes most of us a long time and we have many obstacles to overcome before we begin to recognize the field where our treasure is hidden, that is, before we learn to find and accept ourselves, where God is.

Judging from my early memories when I was a child, I thought of God as unpredictable but a powerful figure. Especially at the age of seven when I had to learn the Catechism description of God as a Supreme Spirit who alone existed of Himself, set apart from anything else. The danger was that he remained apart. It is amazing, that Christianity, which believes that the Word became Flesh, should so emphasize the divinity of Christ that His humanity is so often neglected. We can only discover His divinity in and through His humanity, as His first disciples did. However, unlike them, we cannot see and touch Him in His humanity, we can only discover Him in our own and other people.

We find God, because He has chosen to reveal Himself to us, in and through our human development.

Now, relating this to the school, Christian teachers, in childhood especially, but also later on in life, must store our memories with the story of God’s people. As the family history is passed on to the child, the story of the Christian family must also be given, so that the child is introduced to the great stories of the Bible and the events of the Gospels. Children will normally accept whatever they are told as being true and are unlikely as infants to ask, “On what do you base your assumptions that there is a God and why should I accept what you tell me as being true?” These problems begin later on in life.

The church in the life of the school, teaching role is not limited to passing on factual information, but must also include moral teaching. The students must be taught not to steal, not to lie and so on.

The Church must pass on to the Church its history in a way that the students can assimilate, but it must also continue this teaching role for the adolescent and the adult too. If I may, I encourage you to ask yourself the question, “What has God meant to me in my life?” As memories occur to you, write them down briefly, memories from childhood, from recent years, in any order.

If the question, “What has God meant to me?” does not elicit, but rather blocks memories, then change the question to, “What have been the important events, and who have been the important people in my life?” After all, we are part of God’s history, we are part of this plan.
What a wonderful day we had when more than 80 Grandparents and Great Grandparents came to visit!

They were our guests for morning tea and the enjoyed a wonderful, “Silver Threads” Band concert. The church was packed with people and filled with music.

We all shared a BBQ lunch, followed by classroom visits. Pre-Primary, Years 1, 5, 6 and 7 presented items of song.

A BIG THANKYOU to the mothers who cooked and baked for us - morning tea was delicious. We thank God for the wisdom and stability Grandparents bring to families.
On Wednesday 29th October, Year Three students went to the Art Gallery and the WA Museum in the city.

The class split into groups with a guide to be educated and see many Aboriginal artworks. One interesting artwork was a bark painting using charcoal and Ochres to represent Wajina - the rain spirit. He didn’t have a mouth so he couldn’t make too much rain to come down. Everyone sketched a painting or sculpture they thought was clever and interesting.

At the Museum, first we went into the Discovery Centre where there were live snakes and frogs. Some people played with real knuckles. There were many drawers we opened to find treasure-stuffed animals, swords, animal teeth, old glasses and bird eggs.

In our groups, using the Indiana Bones book, we took a trip through Diamonds to Dinosaurs exhibition. We touched a meteorite, saw huge dinosaur bones and eggs, human skulls, and an extinct stuffed Tasmania Tiger.

Inside the Katta Djinoong Gallery we saw a cave with handprints and we felt emu feathers and Kangaroo skins that could be used for clothing and saw mias mias built to sleep in.

Jona said, “It was exciting because we got to see things we didn’t know about” Dilan commented, “It was exciting because many people hadn’t been to the Museum before” It was an awesome excursion. It linked with what we have been learning about in the class.

YEAR 3 - Our Colourful, Prehistoric Excursion
On the 29th of September I embarked on a trip of a lifetime to volunteer in Africa. This trip has been something I had been dreaming of since I was in high school and I was thrilled to finally be able to go. The orphanage I was working at, Hope Centre, was home to 14 orphans, aged from 7-13. These children had lost their families due to HIV/AIDS, sickness or poverty. They would be off at school during the day, so at the orphanage they would teach the vulnerable young children from around the community. They had 24 children aged from 3-5 who attended this school. During the day I would help the teacher with her lessons and during play time I would do paintings or play games with the children.

Thanks to the very generous donations from Emmanuel, I was able to buy Hope Centre some much needed supplies. The director of Hope Orphanage was almost in tears after I had given her the gifts she needed.

Emmanuel was able to supply Hope Orphanage with:
13 new pairs of school shoes
6 Dresses for the girls for Christmas
7 shorts/shirts for the boys for Christmas
20 mini chalkboards
10 new school desks for the classroom
Kitchen shelves and cupboards
Classroom Resources; including books, pens, pencils, paper, paint, markers etc.
A picnic lunch, including sandwiches, juice and biscuits. The children would normally only get a cup of porridge made from flour until dinner.

From the bottom of my heart, and Hope Centre, thank you so much again for your help. You made a huge difference in these children’s lives.

Miss Jess Labordus
2013 SCHOOL CONCERT AND AWARDS PRESENTATIONS

The School Concert and Awards Presentation will be held on the 4th December at the Woodvale Baptist Church, 67 Woodvale Drive, Woodvale. The Concert will commence at 6.30pm sharp. Parents are asked to bring their children to the venue at 6pm, so that we will be able to get them organized for the commencement at 6.30pm.

We ask that students and parents, relatives and friends stay until the end of the program. We encourage students to support others and be a part of a community event whether they receive awards or not. We want students at Emmanuel to see that ‘Community’ is not just about their own personal achievement and successes; it’s supporting others too.

Year 7 Graduation will be different this year. The 6/7 class will graduate together at a special ceremony and super on 13th November and graduation will not be part of our concert and awards evening.

STATIONERY ORDERS - 2015

Every student will receive AN ORDER FORM on Monday 17th regarding STATIONERY ITEMS for next year.

Please complete details and return your order to the Class Teacher by Friday 21st.

MISS FIONA would like to thank the many students and families who have prayed for and ask after her, whilst she has been unwell.

Please know that Miss Fiona is NOT unwell with any return of her cancer.

She is making good progress and values your prayers for her recovery!

SOCcer TOURNAMENT : TOMORROW - FRIDAY 7th November

INterSchool ATHLETICS CArnival : FRIDAY 14th November
AFTER SCHOOL PICK UP
Parents are reminded of the importance of informing staff if a person, other than yourself, will collect your child. This includes families who are picked up by after-school centres. Forms are with class teacher. PLEASE BE CAREFUL IN THIS MATTER

CAR PARK SAFETY!
Parents are reminded NOT TO DROP THEIR CHILDREN OFF OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL GROUNDS and allow them to walk across the car park. Reversing cars do not see small children and it is very dangerous.
Thank you for - - RESPECTING THE SAFETY OF OUR CHILDREN

TRAFFIC FLOW FOR PICK UP AT 3:15PM
Please observe the traffic rules and routes at pick up time for 2 reasons :-

*** The safety of our children!
*** To ensure good relationships with our local residents.

Thank you for taking the extra few minutes to enter and exit school grounds safely. We understand this is sometimes inconvenient BUT IT MAKES OUR SCHOOL SAFER and keeps our neighbours happy.
## IMPORTANT DATES / EVENTS FOR TERM FOUR

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### TERM 4 - CLASS ASSEMBLIES - 2014

- WEDNESDAY 12 NOVEMBER - KINDERGARTEN ASSEMBLY

## TERM DATES - 2013 - 2014

The school office will be closed from Friday 19th December 2014 to Friday 16th January 2015.

The office will open on Monday 19th January 2015

### TERM 1 - 2015

TERM 1 will commence on Monday 2nd February 2015

Term 1 will end on Thursday 2nd April 2015

## UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop will NOT BE OPEN on TUESDAY 18th NOVEMBER (3.00pm to 3.30pm).

Unforms can be purchased on FRIDAY 21st NOVEMBER from 10.00am to 11.00am.

## WEEKLY INFORMATION

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