Jacob and John with their models of the sizes of the planets in Science Prac. yesterday.

PROVERBS 3:1-10 is our new Scripture passage for the next 3 weeks. The Psalm describes many character traits that we should seek after:—loyalty faithfulness respect trust discerning wisdom.

On Monday our very own puppets, Lucy and Scruffy gave us a simple and yet profound message of God’s commandments to us—to love God and to love each other. Proverbs encourages us to do these as a heart response—not just with our heads.

Our prayer is that all our students would come to a place in their lives where they honour God as their Creator and want to serve Him with a purpose and a passion wherever He would lead them.

Students will be dismissed from the pool at approx. 3pm so we would ask parents and buses to collect students from the Harcourt pool please.

As the buses will be leaving soon after 3pm, students should be reaching their drop-off points a little earlier than normal.

Parents, Grandparents, other family members and friends are very welcome to come and enjoy the afternoon.

STUDENT WORK LEVELS

No matter how old or how young, it is always a good time to stop and ask if I am putting in the full effort required or could I be more effective?

Am I completing my homework daily?
Am I scoring ACCURATELY?
Am I doing the Check-Ups and Self-Tests as they should be done—Honestly and without looking back for answers?
Am I reviewing my work thoroughly?
Am I passionate in my learning?
Am I doing my best?

If your answer to any of these is NO, then maybe it is time for a close look at where you are heading and give yourself a bit of a wake-up call. Particularly if you are lagging behind in some subjects, not passing tests and homework seems to be getting on top of you.

Ask God to help you manage your time wisely and to see success in your learning.

HOUSE SWIMMING SPORTS

Tomorrow Friday 26th Feb (Harcourt)

The Olivet House Swimming Sports will be held between 12.30 and 3.00pm.

Students will come dressed in their summer uniform for a shorter morning’s work. They will have their lunch from 11.00—11.45 and then we will travel to the Harcourt pool in the school buses and cars.
DEDICATION NIGHT Next Tues 2nd March
A time where all the representative groups of the school community gather together to commit themselves to the work ahead for 2010 and to ask God to guide us and support us in all He asks us to do this year—Executive Board, Staff and Assistants, Parents, House Captains and Students.
We ask all families to please set aside this night so we can come together as a school community.
7pm Service of Dedication
8pm Supper and Chat (We are asking all families to please bring along a plate of supper to share on the night. Thank you.
(We have made the night a Tuesday so that Prep students will be able to join us and then have Wed as their day off the next day)

PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK for the KUHLE LOUREY LOW LYNE and both the LACEY Families.

EASTER CAMPS
Gamma students in Years 4-6:
Have you heard about the 2C’s camps in the Easter school holidays? It is 4 nights of fun - including concert, sport rotations, games, singing, fabulous food, hearing about Jesus and heaps more awesome stuff.
There is a choice of 3 dates:
Camp 1 Sat 27th March - Wed 31st March
Camp 2 Thurs 1st April - Mon 5th April
Camp 3 Tues 6th April - Sat 10th April
Camps are held at the lovely campsite, Camp Currumbene at Corop, north of Bendigo.
Camp forms can be found on the website www.thecampingprogram.org.au on the ‘about us’ page along with lots of other interesting information.
P.S. Olivet students have really enjoyed these camps in the past and the friendships made!

CHARACTER FOCUS—CREATIVE
vs Underachievement
Approaching a need, a task, or an idea from a new perspective.
"Always look for new ways of doing things. Sometimes, when teachers ask students to do work that seems too hard, they are often surprised to find that students can do it. Adult beliefs about what children can learn are changed by watching students do things that the adults didn’t believe the students could do"
I Used to Think... and Now I Think... by Richard Elmore, Harvard Education Letter (Jan 2010)

"Beginning is easy—continuing is hard"
Japanese Proverb

SCHOOL CENSUS DAY TOMORROW
Just an update for parents on numbers in each class for Census tomorrow.
Early Learning Centre 19  Gamma Class 22
Secondary Students 28  TOTAL 69 students

Students are to wear their school uniform (correctly) and bring with them their lunch and some money for a snack if they wish to. I will give the students their train tickets the day before. This excursion is funded by the Country Areas Program.
Would you please complete the permission slip and return it to the College if your child is able to attend this excursion.

Thank you, Mrs Donaldson