Our Scripture Passage that we have been learning over the past week is Matthew 5:1-10.

Three mornings a week, a staff member explains the verse for the day to the students and this brings the Scripture passage to the student in simple language that gives them more understanding.

The staff have spoken to the children about what it means to be a disciple of Jesus and the impact that this commitment has upon their lives.

In verse 3, “Blessed (happy and content) are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.” You will be happy and content if you know that you need God and that you can’t do everything on your own.

In Verse 4, “Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.” When you know you have done wrong. When you know you need a Saviour. God will forgive you for your wrong doings, remove the guilt you feel, comfort you, and give you courage to face the future.

To be continued...

PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK for the EVANS, EVERS, GIBSON and GLEESON families.

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ANZAC DAY HOLIDAY
Wednesday 25th April, 2012
Thank you to Georgia Dahl, Mem Woods, Aysha and Olivia McCoy for representing the school at the Anzac Day Services in Castlemaine and Campbell’s Creek. A wreath was laid at each cenotaph.

NAPLAN DATES YEAR 3, 5, 7, & 9
Tuesday 15 May  Language and Writing
Wednesday 16 May  Reading
Thursday 17th May  Numeracy

SECONDARY SPORT
Secondary students are reminded to bring their sports clothes tomorrow for sport.

PRIMARY SPORT
Please remember, Primary sport is on Mondays.

SCHOOL UNIFORM
Our winter uniform is to be worn from Monday onwards. The girls’ skirt/pinafore material has arrived and has been delivered to the dressmaker. If you have need of any other uniform items, please see Mrs Revell.
ORENTEERING PROGRAM
The Interschool orienteering is coming up next week. Gamma students will be attending on Wednesday 2nd May and Delta students on the following day. Both groups will start at 9.15am and run until 11.00am. We will depart on school buses from the College at 8.50am and return at 11.20am. Children will need to wear sports uniform and bring along a drink and a snack. Necessary medications and appropriate clothing for the day suitable for the weather. The cost of $4.00 will be levied to each parent’s account.

Please complete the permission slip and return it to the School as soon as possible.

I give permission for my child …………………..to attend the Orienteering at the Castlemaine Gardens on May 2nd/May 3rd.

………………………………...….Parent’s signature

COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS
Thank you parents and students for collecting the Sports for Schools tickets. We have had the following items delivered to the school.
- Hockey Nets
- Netballs
- Cones
- Volleyball
- Hockey balls
- Glove and softball
- Measuring tape
This was a great effort by the students and parents. These will be a great asset for sports days.

EARN AND LEARN (WOOLWORTHS)
The School will be participating again in the Earn and Learn competition. The collection will begin on the 9th May. Thank you, in advance, for your contribution.

DID YOU NOTICE THIS WEEK’S POLY TIMES IN THE CASTLEMAINE MAIL?
Joshua and Lachlan Ellison featured on the cover page. It was a photo taken at the 2011 Anzac Day Service in Castlemaine.

Rordan’s poem on *Hope* and Justyn’s poem on *Hopefulness* were both printed in the Poly Times. Well done!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HOT LUNCHES ON FRIDAY
We would like to provide Hot lunches again on Fridays this year. Do any parents have a spare few