A PRAYER
Lord, You asked for my hands that you might use them for Your purpose.
I gave them for a moment then withdrew them for the work was hard.
You asked for my mouth to speak out against injustice.
I gave You a whisper that I might not be accused.
You asked for my eyes to see the pain of poverty.
I closed them for I did not want to see.
You asked for my life that You might work through me.
I gave a small part that I might not get too involved.
Lord, forgive my calculated efforts to serve You, only when it is convenient for me to do so.
Only in those places where it is safe to do so, and only with those who make it easy to do so.
Father, forgive me, renew me,
Send me out as a usable instrument
That I might take seriously the meaning of Your cross.
"Create in me a clean heart O God,
And renew a right Spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy Presence,
and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation and uphold me with Thy free Spirit. Psalm 51:10-12"

ORIENTATION MORNING
Our second Orientation Morning is next Tuesday (3rd Aug) from 8.45am—12.45pm.
It was exciting last Monday to see the new Preps for next year, students moving to their next class and several new students at different levels. It was a good day. We look forward to another exciting day on Tuesday.
Our two key entry points for enrolment are Prep and Year 7 levels, but while vacancies remaining for most levels for 2011, families are encouraged to enrol quickly so their place is booked, or at least placed on a waiting list.
The College offers a safe and secure "family" environment for children and young people to be nurtured and taught effectively within a Christian atmosphere, and we would encourage you to contact us for a closer look. You may contact us on 5472 3817 to arrange a time to come and visit us. We would love to have the opportunity to talk with you and discuss the successful Christian Education of your children.

WELCOME BACK TO THE EVERS FAMILY fresh from their trip to the USA. It is so good to see them all together again in one place after all the huge events of the past 3 months, and SAFE! Maybe they have seen enough of planes for just a little while. . . .
THANK YOU TO MRS KUHLE for all your assistance in ELC “and going the second mile” during Mrs Evers’ absence overseas. Annette, you have been a real blessing to us all at Olivet and we do appreciate your time and expertise.

INTERSCHOOL SPORTS DAYS
Week 5, August 11-13, is planned to be a fabulous sports time for Gamma and ELC. Gamma 5/6 will have a round robin soccer competition on the Wednesday followed by Gamma 3/4 on Thursday.
On the Friday ELC students will combine with other children for a tabloid games morning.
If you would like to, and are able, come and join us and support the students.
All activities will be held at Wesley Hill in the morning sessions. Stay tuned for more information.

ELC CLASS HAPPENINGS
The children have settled in quickly to term 3 work and holiday memories have all but vanished.
Prep and Grade 1 students have 2 books a night for reading and frequency word lists for reading have been put in to the reader covers. Grade 2 students need to read their stories and answer questions that deal with characters, sequencing events, finding details and predicting what may happen next. Retelling a story is a great way to check a child’s understanding of their reading.

REFLECTION
It is 28 years since Keith Green, famous Christian singer/songwriter, was killed in a plane crash, 28 years old. Keith Green wrote many challenging songs with hard-hitting lyrics and was a blessing to many lives.

SECONDARY CAREERS EXPO VISIT
Tomorrow the Alpha and Beta students will be attending the Herald-Sun Melbourne Careers Expo at the Melbourne Convention Centre. There will be no charge for this excursion as we have been able to gain free tickets.
We will travel to Melbourne in two of the school buses. Please bring lunch, snacks and water bottle, pen and paper to take important notes. Students are encouraged to check out as much as they can about their possible career path as this is a valuable opportunity for them to do so.

WORK EXPERIENCE FOR ALPHA STUDENTS
Could Alpha students please remember to think about their Work Experience placements and hand the names into Mrs. Donaldson on their sheets. Work Experience week will be Week 9 this term.

CAREERS AND PATHWAYS TO WORK
DUE DATES FOR COMPLETION.
Alpha Completion of Managed Individual Pathways Plan Books
Week 8 Friday 3rd September, 2010
Beta Assessment Tasks:
Week 9 Tuesday 7th September, 2010

SECONDARY ENGLISH LITERATURE
YEAR 7 LITERATURE
“God’s Adventurer – Hudson Taylor”
Due Dates:
Week 4 This Monday 9am 2 August, 2010
Hand in reading Journal
Week 6 Monday 9am 16 August, 2010
Hand in China Essay

YEAR 8 LITERATURE
“Twice Freed”
Due dates:
Week 7 9am 23 August, 2010
Hand in Twice Freed Question and answer sheet
Week 8 9am 30 August, 2010
Hand in short essay

MELBOURNE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
Tomorrow, Gamma students will be attending the "Introduction to the Orchestra Concert" at the Capital Theatre in Bendigo at 11.30am.
Students will be accompanied by Mr Nicholas, Mrs Box and Mr Price, travelling by bus and car, The cost of the trip will be $5 which will be added to your term’s account.
Students will need to bring their own morning tea and lunch from home and a water bottle.
Westside Circus is a vibrant and growing community arts organisation creating circus, performance, physical theatre, music and leadership opportunities for young people.

Their aim is to make a difference for young people between the ages of 3 and 25 from diverse social, and cultural backgrounds to access exciting and challenging programs which build confidence, promote personal wellbeing and create positive relationships both with peers and the community.

Each of the classes have been booked in for a two hour session in Melbourne. This project has been funded through the Association of Independent Schools Resiliency Fund.

ELC       Week 6    17th August
GAMMA     Week 6    18th August
SECONDARY Week 7    25th August

Further details will follow at a later date.

PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK for the ELLIOT ELLISON EVANS and EVERS Families.

NEXT ORIENTATION DAY (for 2011)
Tues 3rd August    8.45am—12.45pm.
If you know of any families in addition to those we know of who plan to come on the day, as Prep students or for other levels, we need to know so that we can plan the morning sessions. Please let Kylie in the Office know.