Vickie and Michael Janson at Assembly

HUMILITY AND BOLDNESS
It was wonderful to have Vickie and Michael Janson at Olivet on Monday morning. Vickie is the Victorian Senate Candidate for the Australian Christians party at the next Federal election (formerly known as the Christian Democratic Party).

Vickie spoke to the whole school assembly then for a further time with the secondaries looking at some deeper issues currently being debated in society. These included the importance of keeping the definition of Marriage as between a Man and Woman, the need to abolish the current Abortion Laws which currently allow many unborn innocent babies to be killed across Australia.

Vickie spoke of the need for Christian men and women to be leaders in society, and in the political arena. It is a time for strong leadership to be given in many sensitive issues, but to lead in a humble and yet bold way. Inner strength coming across in a considerate manner in all we think, say and do.

We continue to pray not only for Vickie and Michael but also for leaders in politics generally, that they would know God’s wisdom in all situations, and would carry themselves with integrity and honour, and serve this nation of Australia humbly and with great character and boldness.

Maybe God is calling certain students to the political stage, to lead and guide the nation’s future with boldness and clear vision based on God’s purposes.

HONOUR ROLL TRIPS FOR TERM 3
Monday 17 September

ELC HONOUR ROLL DAY
The ELC Honour Roll trip for Term 3 will be local as we take in the sights and sounds of the Castlemaine/Campbells Creek towns and region. Weather permitting, this will mean a little bit of walking and exploring before coming back to school and finishing off with special games and activities.

GAMMA/DELTA
Gamma and Delta students who have completed all their Honour Roll requirements will travel to the Misty Downs nursery near Creswick on Monday the 17th of September.
A variety of activities are available for students to participate in here including ‘The Tangled Maze’. We are looking forward to a great day and students are encouraged to work hard to achieve Honour Roll. Parents will be charged $5 per student for this activity. Further information will be furnished in the coming weeks regarding this trip.

SECONDARY (Years 7 - 10)
Students who have completed their Honour Roll requirements by Friday 14 September will be travelling to Echuca on Monday 17 Sept for lunch and a visit to the historic wharf and Paddlesteamer trip on the “PS Canberra”:

We encourage all students to really make a big effort to complete their work required for Honour Roll and to enjoy a day together.
PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK for the LOUREY, LOW, LYNE and MALTBY Families.

AUSTRALIAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITION
Results are just in on the recent Maths Competition, with some good performances by students. Standouts include:-

Year 7: CREDIT Mem Wood
Kris Evers
Kyle Bennett
Year 8: DISTINCTION Aysha McCoy
CREDIT Justyn Walker
Year 9: CREDIT Cooper Davis
Ryan White
Year 10: CREDIT Robert Mitchell
Janie Donnison

FATHERS’ DAY STALL ON FRI 31st AUGUST
Tomorrow (Friday 31st August), we will be holding a Fathers’ Day Stall where students may purchase cards and small gifts from $1 up to $7 for the Dads, Grandfathers, Uncles and other special men in their lives.
All funds raised will help to fund the staff and secondary students attending SouthPac Convention in Fiji in December.

QUIZ QUESTIONS
1. Smog is a combination of which two words? Smoke and Fog
2. What happens when a magnet is heated above its Curie point? It will no longer be magnetic, but paramagnetic, only weakly attracted to very strong magnets
3. Captain Cook explored the East Coast of Australia after observing which rare astronomical event? The Transit of Venus
4. Which Australian native animal is thought to carry the deadly Hendra virus? Flying Fox

NEW ROSA BUS FOR OLIVET
We are delighted to have upgraded our fleet. With God’s provision we have been able to obtain a second Rosa bus (ex govt.) with less than 20,000 kilometres use. It is an absolute blessing to us and enables us to continue to improve our services. The inside of the bus and seating is in immaculate condition and so we are very thankful for God’s marvellous provision for the College.
We want to thank Mrs Revell also for her diligence in searching for a new bus on the Internet and for her expertise as Business Manager for Olivet. Her skills are always appreciated and we do thank God for her work here and for her willingness to tackle the harder tasks with the passion she brings to her work.

YEAR 9/10 EXCURSION TO RSPCA
Students in Years 9 and 10 visited the RSPCA Animal Shelter this afternoon. They learned about what they do at the shelter and why they look after the animals there.

SOCK IT TO YOU FUNDRAISER
Attached to the Newsletter today is a sock catalogue. This is an individual fundraiser for the Fiji trip for one of our students. Have a look at the choices and get orders from any friends or family who may be interested and please return all orders to the College no later than Friday 14th September. Thank you.

SCHOOL BUSES
Kangaroo Flat bus – This bus holds 33 students. We praise God that it is full to capacity and is able to be such an asset to us. The downside of a full bus is there are no spaces for transfers on this bus. If any families are considering moving to Bendigo they need to be aware there is room from the Strathfieldsaye end but not from Kangaroo Flat.
Please notify Mary-Anne well in advance of any changes so that you can be short-listed for any future changes. Children wanting to travel with classmates for special events would also need to check on the day of travel as there is no space unless there are student absences.

REGIONAL SITTING-LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
Next Thursday, 6th September the Secondary students will be attending the Bendigo Regional Sitting of the Legislative Assembly.
We will arrive at the Bendigo Town Hall and be escorted to a marquee where a briefing will be given about what the students will see. They will then proceed to the Town Hall and see the Legislative Council in action. Following the Parliament meeting, students will be taken to another marquee where they will have the opportunity to ask questions.
Students will come to school as usual and we will travel to Bendigo at the end of Period 1 (9.55am). The meeting in Bendigo will commence at 10.55am and be completed by 11.55am when the students will return to school for lunch. The usual timetable will run in the afternoon.
Would you please complete the permission slip and return it to the school if you would like your child to attend this event.

PERMISSION SLIP LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
I give permission for ............................................... to attend the Bendigo Regional Sitting of the Legislative Council on Thurs 6 September, 2012.
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