Aston presenting his Oral Report and Project; Auslan Signing item at Presentation Afternoon Term 1; raking the leaves is a daily job at the moment; Lunchtime table-tennis.

WELCOME BACK TO ALL FOR TERM 2!
It is a lovely time of the year to enjoy the colours and the warmth of the autumn sun. I trust that you were able to enjoy some special family times during the term break, and to have time to reflect on the important things of life.
Psalm 1:1-3 “Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scoffers;
But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on His law does he meditate day and night. He is like a tree planted by streams of water, that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.”
Welcome back to this new school term, full of learning and growing, activities to extend our thinking and an opportunity to grow closer to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
Our prayer is that our children and young people would grow strong and resilient, know God’s power and direction for them in the future, to prepare them for a lifetime of joy and fulfilment as they serve Jesus Christ with their lives and walk with Him daily. Phil Chapman

WELCOME TO Brandan Lamers as he joins us this term at school in the Grade 1-2 class. May Brandan settle well into the new routines as he gets to know friends here at Olivet.

PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK for the SMITH THOMAS THORPE and TOLLEY families.
UPCOMING EVENTS
Wed 20—Fri 22 April Secondary Outdoor Ed Trip Surf Coast Walk from Torquay to Aireys Inlet/Fairhaven
Mon 25 April Anzac Day Holiday
Tues 10 May AGM Reachout Enterprises incorporating Olivet CC
Fri 10 June Term 2 final assessments for reports due from all students
Fri 17 June Reports finalized
Mon 20 June Proof reading and collation of reports (No students required)
Thursday 23 June Honour Roll Trips
Fri 24 June Last day of Term 2

ANZAC DAY SERVICES
There will be a Primary Anzac Day Service held at school on Friday 22 April (secondaries will be on their Outdoor Ed walk.)
On Monday 25 April, (Anzac Day) two of our students, Mary and Zelda Bignoux will represent Olivet by laying a wreath at both services in Castlemaine and Campbells Creek. Thank you Mary and Zelda for representing us.

SECONDARY SPORT TOMORROW will be Bushwalking to Mt Tarrengower in preparation for the Surf Coast Walk next week. In addition to this, students should continue to walk each day to prepare their legs and feet for next week’s Walk.
Students are reminded of the need for the correct sports uniform to be worn. Longer black shorts just above the knee or track suit pants (no leggings), yellow sports shirt and runners.

TERM DATES FOR 2016
Term 3: Mon 11 July - Fri 16 Sept (10 weeks)
Term 4: Mon 3 Oct - Thurs 8 Dec (10 weeks)

SOUTH PAC STUDENT CONVENTION
South Pacific Student Convention for secondary students will run from Sunday 11 - Friday 16 December. A copy of the sheet with all items and events is included in this Newsletter.

Although Convention is in December this year, we still have lots of preparation we can do now. Please see the enclosed list of Convention items that can be entered. Parents, grandparents and other family members may tutor and encourage students at home to complete crafts that don’t fit on our timetable at school. Please check the Guidelines at www.scee.edu.au/conventions for detailed descriptions of what is required in each event.

PLEASE NOTE: All secondary students are asked to bring a camera to school next Tuesday April 19th from which they can take photos and download them onto a computer as part of their assessment.

MOTHERS’ DAY STALL
We will once again have a Mothers’ Day Stall here at school on Friday May 6th as a fundraiser for our students’ programs. Donations of any suitable stock will be gratefully accepted and can be left with Mrs Revell in the office. Thank you.

STUDENT USE OF BUSES
It is good to have the Strath bus back in operation after the damage from the 'roo.
Students are reminded for safety reasons to always enter as well as depart from the bus area from the footpath at the front of the school rather than via the paddock. Thank you for your assistance.

WINTER UNIFORMS
The change-over from summer to winter uniform will be completed by the end of next week (Week 2). If you have any winter uniform requirements and have not seen Mrs Revell as yet, please do so urgently.

EDUCATORS’ CONFERENCE REPORT
It was a valuable time of learning, fellowship and inspiration at Echuca on Monday and Tuesday for the Conference.
Ken Dickens (Principal of NICE, National Institute of Christian Education) spoke as the Keynote Speaker on the importance of Christian Education, and to point students towards Jesus Christ as the central character of the Biblical story, and as the One for whom the whole Bible refers, whether it be the Old Testament, before Christ, or the New Testament, after Christ with the beginnings of the Church in Acts and the coming of the Holy Spirit to fill the heart of every believer.
Other speakers included :-
Larry Gunn, Principal of Mt Carmel Christian School on their curriculum model based on Understanding by Design, and the introduction of IB (International Baccalaureate) at Mt Carmel Christian School in Year 11 this year;
Alan Corby, Chaplain from River City Christian College, speaking on Well-being of Staff,
Joel Robotham, Mt Carmel on the Nature of Faith, and Ken Greenwood, CSA (Christian Schools Australia) Executive Officer for Victoria, speaking on the history of Christian Education and the current opportunities we have in Christian Education, and the need to continue to ‘foster healthy community relations’.