Presentation Afternoon
Handbells; Wood Tech
Class; Prep—Yr 2 class item.

PSALM 121—GOD’S PROMISES TO US

Our passage to begin Term 3 reminds us of some of God’s eternal promises to us:-
“I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my help. My help comes from the Lord who made heaven and earth.
He will not suffer thy foot to be moved; he that keepeth thee will not slumber.”

As we begin this new term, with the cold icy winds that blast through our winter woolies, we are comforted by the fact that God is our Everlasting Father who knows all about us, and loves us and cares for us 24/7. Phil Chapman

WELCOME BACK TO TERM 3!

It has been a bitterly cold start to the term weather-wise. However, students and staff have settled well into their first units of work. We trust that all families have been able to enjoy some quality times together sharing special activities and outings which are not always possible during term.

We are pleased to welcome Mrs Annette Kuhle and Ms Elle Pederson as drivers for the Strathfieldsaye and Maryborough Bus Runs respectively.

We thank Graeme Revell for his wonderful work in keeping the school grounds safe for students with the lopping of some trees during the holidays.

Reports hopefully have been digested by BOTH parents and student. I would strongly recommend now that the new term has commenced that they be read again thoroughly so that comments made for suggestions for improvement may be acted on straight away allowing progress to be continuous. If there are any parents who wish to speak to class teachers regarding their student’s report please make contact with them either via the student diary, email or phone call to the school. Staff emails may be reached eg snicholas@olivet.vic.edu.au Staff wish to work in partnership with parents in providing the most effective Christian Education for all students.

FROM THE BOARD EXECUTIVE

Applications for the position of Principal for Olivet close next Monday and so the Board Executive are looking to make this appointment as soon as possible following the interview process. We ask for heartfelt prayer for the right person to be appointed, who will answer the God-given call to serve as Principal and to lead the College into the future.
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 Pacific Student Convention for secondary students will run from Saturday 10 - Friday 16 December. More information shortly.

UPCOMING EVENTS

WEEK 2:
Tues 19 July Board Executive Meeting 4.15pm
Thurs 21 July Bendigo Try-A-Trade Day for Year 7—10 students
Fri 22 July period 3 Focus on the Family Presentation to Yr 7—10 students on Mental Health Awareness as part of the secondary Health courses.

WEEK 6:
Tues 16— Fri 19 Aug Search and Rescue Camp at Cave Hill near Ballarat for Yr 7—10 students. More information will be sent home in a letter shortly.

WEEK 8:
Mon 29 Aug—Fri 2 Sept Work Experience Placements for Year 10 students for one week
Fri 2 Sept Fathers' Day Stall

WEEK 9:
Tues 6 Sept Year 5/6 LandCare Day

WEEK 10:
Mon 12 Sept HR Day/End of Term Trips
Mon 12—Tues 13 Sept Year 3 & 4 class overnight trip. More information in due course.
Wed 14 Sept Mukti Mission Day (India) with visiting speaker and International Lunch.
Thurs 15 Sept All day Parent/Teacher Interviews (secondary students to attend with parents please)
Fri 16 Sept Last Day of Term 3

PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK for the BROWN BURT CHANDLER and COX families.

STEP-UP STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

The 2016 Christian Student Leadership Conference is being held on Thursday 28 and Friday 29 July. The Conference is an excellent opportunity for students in Years 10, 11 and 12 to engage with God, each other and to explore their leadership gifts in a nurturing and challenging environment. The cost of the 2-day conference is $220. Further details can be obtained from Pam Lavery at pam.lavery@cen.edu.au or from the Christian Education National website www.cen.edu.au.

Registrations close on the 20th July.

The 2-day Conference will begin on Thurs morning at New Hope Baptist Church Blackburn and then students will travel to Oasis Camp Mt Evelyn.

SIR JOHN JONES AND HIS 8 PILLARS OF LEADING EFFECTIVE TEACHING AND LEARNING

Knighted in 2003 for his services to education, Sir John worked most of his professional life in challenging schools across North-West England. His passion is to provide real opportunities for students to have access to a high quality and engaging education. His eight pillars of effective T & L are:-

COURAGE—be courageous as educators
CARING—for every individual
CREATIVITY—for all students, not just for the gifted students in the arts
COACHING—helping to learn rather than teach—"help me to be what I can"
COLLABORATIVE—to work as a team
CURIOUS—the art of asking brilliant questions
COMMUNICATION—the importance of talking to everyone
CONTENTED—there is no perfect plan, just get started, one thing at a time

CONVENTION PHOTOGRAPHY

All Secondary students who are wanting to enter photos in South Pacific Convention or the Castlemaine Show are to have them mounted and submitted to Mrs Chapman no later than Friday July 15th (End of Week 1 of Term 3).

**** Remember that photos to be submitted must be taken after October 2015.

THIS WEEK’S PUZZLE

1. Which novel by Charles Dickens features the Havisham family?
2. Which chemical element has the symbol Co?
3. What do the initials YMCA stand for?
4. In which direction does the sun rise on Venus?
5. What disease does the drug quinine principally treat?

SECONDARY SPORT

Tomorrow will be the start of a 4-week block of Table Tennis at the Camp Reserve Pavilion. Could students please ensure they have their correct sports uniform packed tonight ready for tomorrow, as we do expect all students to change into their sports clothes for sport. Thank you.