Year 9/10 Melbourne Experience; crossing the Yarra at South Bank, Courtroom Drama, Melb Aquarium.

THE VALUE OF PRAYER
For the last 3 weeks in Assembly we have been looking at the passage for memory from Matthew 6 where Jesus gave His disciples The Lord’s Prayer. We have talked about the need for us to praise God’s Name and to honour Him, to pray for Him to supply our needs and to ask for forgiveness for our wrongdoings as well as to forgive those who do wrong to us.

An unknown poet wrote; “I got up early one morning, and rushed right into the day. I had so much to accomplish, I didn’t have time to pray. Troubles tumbled about me, and heavier came each task; “Why doesn’t God help me?” I wondered. He answered, “Because you didn’t ask”....

I woke up early this morning, and paused before entering the day. I had so much to accomplish that I had to take time to pray.” Many problems can be resolved, or avoided altogether, when we take time to pray, and include God in every part of our day.

“O what peace we often forfeit; Oh, what needless pain we bear; All because we do not carry Everything to God in prayer.”

(Joseph M Scriven, 1855)

Phil Chapman

PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK for the KEYES LACEY LYNE and MANNING families.

SECONDARY SPORT
The next 3 weeks will be Table tennis at the Camp Reserve pavilion. Students are asked to bring along correct sports uniform and runners please.
UPCOMING EVENTS
Thurs 30 July Australian Maths Competition
Fri 31 July NAPLAN Results available on-line to schools
Mon 3 Aug Drug-Free Lifestyle Education Day for Gr 5/6, Years 7-10
Wed 5 Aug Gr 5/6 AFL 9s
Fri 7 Aug Gr 3/4 AFL 9s
Mon 10 Aug Mrs Donaldson absent (Long Service Leave for 3 weeks to Vanuatu)
Fri 4 Sept Fathers' Day Stall
Mon 14 Sept Honour Roll Day
Tues 15 Sept Parent/Teacher Interviews
Thurs 17 Sept Nutrition Day “Know Your Food” for Gr 5/6 and Yrs 7/8
Fri 4 Sept Last day of Term 3
Mon 5 Oct First day of Term 4

MELBOURNE EXPERIENCE TRIP
The trip last week was a wonderful success with such a great coverage of activities around the Melbourne CBD and a trip to Spotswood to see Scienworks.
Thanks to Mrs Donaldson, Mr Chapman and Mrs Chapman for their work, but especially to Mrs Donaldson who planned such an interesting program incorporating so much in the 3 days!
Thanks also to the families for providing some goodies to eat for morning and afternoon teas.

MISS CARMICHAEL IS HERE AT OLIVET
Miss Jean Carmichael is here for a 4-week Teaching Prac. block. We trust and pray that your time here will be enjoyable and assist you in reaching your goal to complete your Master of Teaching.

PRAYER AND PRAISE
• Thank God for the prospect of warmer weather ahead as we enter the last month of winter!
• Thank God for God’s enabling power in all of our lives.
• Pray against sickness and illness for families, students and staff.
• Pray for students to be diligent with deadlines for work requirements and that they can see successful learning outcomes this term.

WEEKLY PUZZLE
Can you change the word FOOT to BALL one letter at a time keeping sensible words all the way through?
LAST WEEK’S ANSWERS
1. Which ghost town near Kalgoorlie was once the 3rd largest city in Western Australia? Coolgardie
2. What fastener’s name is from the French words velours crochet, meaning velvet hook? Velcro
3. What is the anatomical name for the roof of the mouth? Palate

4. What insect is commonly known as white ant in Australia? Termite
5. Who was the last AFL Player to reach the 1000-goal milestone? Tony Lockett

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN
Olivet is once again taking part in the Woolworths Earn and Learn Program where schools can earn new educational resources by collecting stickers for each $10 spent.
Please bring along your sticker sheets to school to place in our collection box. We have until 8th September to collect as many as possible….. please ask your families, grandparents etc to help us! Happy collecting!

BENEFITS OF PLAYING HANDBELLS AND HANDCHIMES
Studying an instrument is an important part of students’ physical, social emotional, intellectual and spiritual development.
As they learn music, especially an instrument that requires both hands like bells or handchimes, multiple benefits can be seen. Using both hands to ring helps to develop fine and gross motor skills.
Learning to play an instrument has also been proven to open new pathways in the brains, making it work harder and improving spatial-temporal tasks such as putting together puzzles or lego, drawing, painting and problem solving.
Studying music from an early age has proven to be beneficial to almost every aspect of a child’s life. Learning to read and understand music and its underlying theory facilitates learning in other subjects. Music is shown to lead to language development and increase verbal recall.
When children play together in a group, they learn discipline, co-operation, sharing and compromise and it gives them the opportunity to serve others.
Our students here at Olivet are fortunate to have the opportunity to play bells and chimes.

PRIMARY AFL 9’s
Coming up is a big week of football for the upper primary students. On Wednesday the grade 5/6 students are playing in an interschool competition of AFL 9’s. Grade 3/4 students have a participation day on Friday. Both days run from 10.00 am to mid-afternoon at the Wesley Hill sports complex.
Students need to wear their sports uniform and wear clothing appropriate for the weather. Boots can be worn in the games. Drinks, lunch, snacks and medications need to be brought. Parents are welcome to come for the day or drop in just to add your support. CEEDA students will be officiating each of the games.
2015 INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS VICTORIA PARENT SATISFACTION SURVEY
The College is taking part in the 2015 Independent Schools Victoria Parent Satisfaction Survey. Your opinion is valuable to us and we would therefore like to invite you to participate in this survey.

The aim of the survey is to gain general feedback and understand your perceptions regarding the quality of your child’s educational experience with the school. The information obtained will be used by us to evaluate parent opinion, in order to improve the quality of education at the school for students, and will enable benchmarking of the school against other Independent schools. This survey will be online shortly and will continue to 25th August 2015. You will be notified and sent a link when the Survey opens. Thank you in advance for being a part of this.

Student Survey As in previous years students will also be completing this survey from Years 5 – 10. Each student is given the time to complete the Survey at the College.

PIANO LESSONS MONDAY AND THURSDAYS
Classes have begun on a Thursday morning with Mrs Siggs. There are still a couple of vacancies to fill for Thursday and Monday is then also available, at $26 per half-hour. If families are interested, please contact Mrs Siggs on 0427 805 374 or email on bdsiggs@optusnet.com.au

AUSTRALIAN MATHS COMPETITION
Today all secondary students completed this competition in the morning, with 30 questions in all, 25 multiple choice and 5 numerical answer questions.

The school paid the cost for students to enter, because we want to give students a broad base of experience in developing their mathematical skills and problem solving techniques. With a number of different aspects of their Maths learning, students are given every opportunity to develop and improve in their Maths learning.

Students are involved in completing Maths Mate sheets weekly, Maths Inserts for more extended investigations, Maths PACES to develop skills and Times Tables timed challenges to keep their knowledge base up to date. Secondary students are required to spend some time (ranging from 20-30 mins) every week-night to complement their class time on Maths. Thank you to parents for your continued encouragement of your students in their Maths learning.