# OLIVET CHRISTIAN COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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# From the Principal's Desk

In John chapter one, we are introduced to Jesus, and we are told who He is - the Creator God - and why He came - to provide us a way to become the children of God. John's explanation on why Jesus came into the world was that He was light driving out darkness. John barely begins his gospel story before he confidently assures us who will ultimately come out on top.



"And the light (Jesus) shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended (or overcomes) it not.."

Even in the middle of this dark world, the light of Jesus Christ shines bright. He who experienced the darkness, even death itself, and was not overcome. As followers of Jesus, we still live in a world where darkness is ever-present. This is no surprise to us. We need to consider how the light of Christ may shine through us into the darkness around us.

#### HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION FORM

We are just waiting on the final few of these forms to be returned. If you could please make sure this form is returned as soon as possible so that we can be sure that our school records are up to date. Thank you.

#### FAMILIES TO PRAY FOR THIS WEEK

Roberts ~ Rogers ~ Thomas ~ Tuck

## ENCOURAGING...EQUIPPING...EMPOWERING





MELBOURNE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA -THE MAKING OF THE ORCHESTRA The first settlement

mission to Mars is about to leave and there's one spot left - for a young person to teach the Astronauts, Doctors and Scientists music, and start the First Intergalactic Orchestra. Over the journey each crew member must keep their brain in shape, learning an instrument and their place in the Orchestra.

The information & permission form has been sent home with students this week.

Please note that Primary Students will need to be at school <u>no later than</u> <u>7.30am</u>, so that we can leave on time and not be late for the performance. Buses will run at normal time and so alternate arrangements will need to be made to drop students off at school, at the earlier time. The permission form must be returned by next *Tuesday 15 August* please.

15 Sept

TBC

#### **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

Over the next couple of weeks, students will be participating in some Buddy Activities to pack their Operation Christmas Child boxes! Each child will pack a box where they are able to choose what they would like to include. A big thank you to all those who have already donated items. You still have time to send something in!

The next items we would love to see donated for the boxes are 'Wow' items or toys. For example, dolls, toy cars or trucks, soft toys, a small musical instrument or a ball. Again, all items must be new and still in their packaging.

#### ABSENCES

A reminder that if your child/ren is absent from school, you must notify the office of the absence. If you child/ren travel on the bus, please notify the bus drivers also so that they are not waiting for you to arrive. Thank you!

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| TERM THREE PLANNER |                                   |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Wednes             | day 12 July - Friday 15           |
|                    | September                         |
| 18 Aug             | Melbourne Symphony                |
|                    | Orchestra - Primary               |
|                    | Students                          |
| 25 Aug             | CBCA Book Week Parade             |
| 5                  | - Primary Students                |
| 30 Aug             | Parent Teacher                    |
| Interviews         |                                   |
| 4-8 Sept           | Canberra Trip                     |
| 14 Sept            | Mt Alexander Chess                |
| ·                  | Challenge - Secondary<br>Students |

Last Day of Term 3

End of Term Excursions





#### CBCA BOOK WEEK PRIMARY BOOK PARADE

The 2023 Children's Book Council of Australia Book Week is being held in late August. Teachers will have activities planned throughout the week, culminating with the Book Parade on Friday 25 August! So get your thinking caps on about who/what you're going to dress up as!!!

#### SECONDARY MORNING TEA

Secondary students will be enjoying a morning tea on Friday 25 August also. Students are invited to bring along a prop and food to share that is related to one of their favourite characters! Sounds like some yummy fun!

### Andrew House - Mitchell

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It's a great opportunity being a House Leader because you can develop leadership skills. I encourage students to do their best - even when it might be tempting to join in or do things that I want to do - for the good of the College. Leadership is about being responsible and ready for a challenge - the other leaders are great to work with too!

### **David House - Michael**

Captains

Being a House leader is about having the opportunity to represent the College and influence the direction of the College. A highlight has been representing Olivet at ANZAC Day ceremonies in Castlemaine, and each day I and try to encourage other students to have a good attitude. It's good to wear a badge, but some people try to take it off you so they can wear it!

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