OLIVET CHRISTIAN COLLEGE NEWSLETTER



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From the Principal's Desk

Our current character focus is Wisdom. Wisdom is not the same as knowledge. We can know a lot of stuff and still be foolish. We live in an information overloaded world where we can discover much about everything by entering it in our favourite search engine. Just getting information will not make us wise. Wisdom is about discerning what to do with what we know. In biblical



terms, it is to do with putting biblical principles into practice. God will give us this wisdom if we are willing to put it into practice. Getting knowledge is good but being wise is a greater blessing!

Wisdom ".....It cannot be gotten for gold, neither shall silver be weighed for the price thereof." Job 28:15



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

A big thank you to all those who donated items for students to place in their Operation Christmas Child boxes. Funds raised from hot lunches and ice cream stalls held earlier in the year have gone towards postage of these boxes also. Students have been able to complete 36 boxes, which have now been sent on ready to being the process of reaching their final destination! Again, thank you!

FAMILIES TO PRAY FOR THIS WEEK

Westcott ~ Williams ~ Williams-Weston ~ Young

ENCOURAGING...EQUIPPING...EMPOWERING

SUMMER UNIFORM

At the end of this week, we will have finished the 2 week crossover period where students can wear either full winter or summer uniform. From next Monday 16 October, students will need to be in summer uniform

HATS AT SCHOOL

As we are Sunsmart School, in Terms 1 and 4, students are required to wear school hats when they are outside. Students are given hats when the commence at Olivet and again when they move to Secondary School and they generally remain at school. Some students have not been wearing their hats as they are unable to find them. If they cannot be found, students will be given a new hat and charged accordingly.

TERM FOUR PLANNER Monday 2 October - Thursday 7 December

24 Oct	Orientation Day
24 Oct	Secondary First Aid
	Session
6 Nov	NO SCHOOL
7 Nov	Melbourne Cup Public
	Holiday - NO SCHOOL
9 Nov	Orientation Day

22 Nov Report Writing Day - NO STUDENTS
23 Nov Grade 6 Graduation

Dinner
23 Nov Secondary Dinner
7 Dec Last Day of Term 4 Presentation Night
commencing at
6.30pm



PRESENTATION NIGHT PRIMARY MINI MUSICAL

As the weeks start to move on, you will find your Primary children coming home with songs to practice singing (all Primary) and parts to learn (Grade 3-6) for the Primary Mini Musical, that is put on as part of our Presentation Night at the end of the year. Parents will be let know of any costume requirements throughout the term. We're looking forward to seeing and hearing how it all comes together!



Bushfire Information for Parents

Schools and education facilities take pre-emptive action to protect against the risk of bushfire. Olivet Christian College has a Category 3 Fire Danger Rating and must close on days forecasted as Catastrophic FDR in their fire district. The school will be advised of the potential for a Catastrophic FDR as information becomes available, however the pre-emptive closure will be confirmed to Olivet by the Department by 1pm the day prior to Catastrophic FDR day, after which parents/guardians would be notified.

Olivet reviews the Emergency Management Plan each November to review and maintain a plan that will enable us to respond to the event of a bushfire in our locality.

- Children should be safe at school if a major fire threatens. It is considered that
 the school building and grounds provide a safe refuge and students should be
 kept inside until the danger has passed.
- During a crisis parents will be advised NOT to try to collect children from school
 as the school is a safe refuge and all students will be well cared for during such
 a crisis. Nevertheless should parents wish to collect their children then students
 will normally only be released to a PARENT or LEGAL GUARDIAN
- 3. The school bus may not be travelling if there is any known danger along the bus route. Parents should expect delays if there are local fires and they may obtain information in this regard by ringing the College and speaking to the office staff. Please contact the school if you know of possible dangers along the bus route.
- 4. Bus drivers have instructions to stop and seek information if they see evidence of fire. They will not drive through smoke and will seek a safe refuge if there is any possible danger. Children will not be left at bus stops when there seems to be potential danger from fire unless there is someone to collect them.
- 5. If the bus is delayed school will attempt to contact the concerned parents. Please remember however it is not always possible to make these telephone contacts.
- 6. Parents are reminded that the most dangerous place to be in the event of a wildfire is on the roads or caught in the open. Parents should not place themselves or others at additional risk by driving to school in conditions on the road are hazardous.

SCHOOL BUSES AND HIGH FIRE DAYS

A school bus route will be closed if it has to pass through an area affected by fire even if the associated school is not affected by fire and remains open.

If a bus route is threatened by unexpected fire, the school will enact its local emergency management plan. Information on changes to bus routes or cancellation of services will be provided by your school via SMS, email and telephone calls. If you have any changes to your email or mobile phone numbers please let the office know asap.



A singing group for ages 7 to 15

Do you love to sing? A shower diva? A bedroom hairbrush rock star?

A great mix of music led by a professional vocal teacher

Tuesdays 4pm Saturdays 10:30am

West End Hall View St, Castlemaine \$15 per week

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DATES

Malmsbury Camp: Monday 8th - Friday 12th January City Camp - Monday 15th - Friday 19th January

MALMSBURY Located in an idyllic bush setting in

High Ropes Activities

Canoeing & Swimming

Archery & Orienteering

CITY

Located in the heart of the Melbourne

Big Bash & Aus Open

Pool & Beach

Melbourne Zoo & Museum







Malmsbury: Doxa facilitated bus transport provided from Melbourne & Bendigo City: Doxa facilitated bus transport provided from Traralgon / Pakenham & Bendigo

Our holiday camps are FREE.

Holiday camps are funded by our amazing donors and philanthropic ventures.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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