# OLIVET CHRISTIAN COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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# From the Principal's Desk

Our new character focus is courage. We often may think of it as the stuff of heroes who live extraordinary lives. But living in this world of uncertainty and living life as a Christian, takes courage! We need courage to grow through what we go through in life. It takes courage to trust that God is present in our circumstances as



he says He is when things in our lives don't work out as we would wish. It takes courage to find our identity and purpose in what God says, instead of what others say. Perhaps most difficult, it takes courage to be who we should be when we are not where we want to be. Thankfully God wants to work in us and wants to supply us with strength and courage.

'Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the LORD thy God, He it is that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.' Deuteronomy 31:6

### **REPORT WRITING DAY**

Please note that Report Writing Day will be held on Friday 9 June so there will be no students at school on this day.

## FAMILIES TO PRAY FOR THIS WEEK

Tuck ~ Watson ~ Westcott ~ Williams



### UNIFORM

During Terms 2-3, please be aware that students may choose to wear their white long sleeve shirt or their white short sleeve shirt with their winter uniform. Ties must still be worn regardless of whether long sleeve or short sleeve shirts are worn. Please note that if students are wearing their long sleeve shirt, that the sleeves must be kept rolled down.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD Please see included with today's newsletter a suggestion list for things that can go into the boxes.

This week, we are still

TERM TWO PLANNER	
<u>Wednesday 26 April - Friday 23</u>	
June	
9 June	Report Writing Day - NO
	STUDENTS
12 June	Kings Birthday Public
	Holiday - NO SCHOOL
ТВС	End of Term Excursions
21 June	Royal Flying Doctors
	Incursion
23 June	Last Day of Term 2 -
	Presentation Afternoon
	commencing 1.15pm
	followed by afternoon
	tea

asking for toiletries to go in the boxes. Examples include toothbrushes, combs/small hairbrush, hair ties, soap or facewashers. All items must be new and still in their packaging and please no toothpaste, liquids or lotions, as this are not able to be included.

Keep an eye out for what will be coming up next!



**ANZAC DAY BAKING** PREP - GRADE 6 STUDENTS MADE ANZAC BISCUITS!

# ENCOURAGING...EQUIPPING...EMPOWERING



# The Amazing Journey of a Shoebox Gift begins with You!



#### PACKING, COLLECTING & SHIPPING

People pack shoebox gifts each year to bless children in need around the world. Churches and groups collect these boxes during **National Collection.** Then, thousands of volunteers inspect and prepare the shoeboxes for international shipping.

#### WORLDWIDE DISTRIBUTION

Long before shoeboxes arrive in more than 100 countries, volunteer National Leadership Teams train pastors and community leaders who want to share the message of the Gospel and bless children. The leaders learn how to host childfriendly outreach events, and how to implement **The Greatest Journey** follow-up discipleship program.



#### **DISCIPLESHIP & MULTIPLICATION**

After receiving shoebox gifts, many children are invited back to participate in The Greatest Journey. As a result of what they learn, boys and girls grow in Christ and share Him with others. Families are reached, churches grow, new churches are started, and **communities are transformed.** 

#### OUTREACH EVENTS Pastors around the world host shoebox

Pastors around the world host shoebox distributions in places where people may not know Christ and invite them to follow Him. In many areas, they also offer **The Greatest Gift**, a Gospel story booklet Samaritan's Purse developed for shoebox recipients.



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