

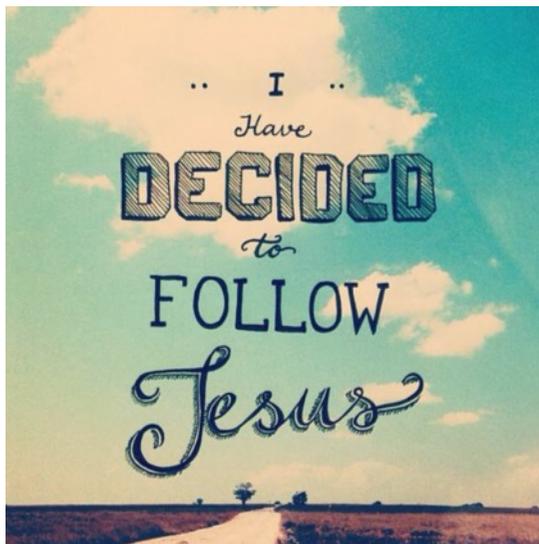
OLIVET CHRISTIAN COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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From the Principal's Desk

This week we have begun our first Scripture memory passage from Matthew 5, commonly known as the Beatitudes found in The Sermon on the Mount. In this sermon, Jesus gives us a great deal of instruction on what it means to be a follower of Jesus. He tells us what will happen when we do as He instructs. We will be blessed for having to deal with those things in life that are not always easy. He offers instruction that often seems counter-intuitive to what we may understand will make for a good life.



Jesus' teaching is a call to a way of being- a response to much of what happens in the world around us. This is as true today as it was in Jesus' day. In Jesus' day, there was the ever-present oppression of Roman rule, and the threat of action at the hint of any kind of opposition to their rule. Today, we live in a world that seems to feel more and more unsafe, constantly on the verge of war. Today, we find ourselves as much in need of the teachings found in The Beatitudes as those that listened to Jesus in the first century.

FAMILIES TO PRAY FOR THIS WEEK
Parker ~ Port ~ Roberts ~ Thomas

WINTER UNIFORM

A reminder that there is a 2 week crossover period where students can wear either full winter uniform or full summer uniform (not a mixture of both).

HOT LUNCHES

We will be starting up hot lunches again next Wednesday 4 May. This week, forms will be sent home in the printed newsletter on Friday & need to be returned by Monday.

PE/SPORT DAY

There has been a change of PE day for the whole school for Term 2. Mr Treloar will now be coming in on a Thursday so all students will need to wear sports uniform on Thursdays ready for some sporting fun!

Exceptions:

There will be 2 Wednesdays during this term where students will wear sports uniform on Wednesday instead of Thursday due to AFL workshops that have been booked. These dates are Wed 18 May and Wed 1 June.

F-2:

This class will need to wear sports uniform both Wednesday and Thursday this term, due to Parkour sessions on Wednesdays for Term 2.

CONDOLENCES

All of us here at Olivet pass on our sincere condolences to both Steven & Jenny Nicholas and family on the passing of Jenny's father and Mary-Anne & Graeme Revell and family on the passing of Mary-Anne's sister over the Easter weekend. We pray that God will continue to minister to them through the coming weeks.

WITH
sympathy



MELBOURNE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA CONCERT

On Friday 20 May, Grades 4-6 and Secondary Students will be heading to Melbourne to hear the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra present *Carnival of the Animals*. The humorous depiction of animals in Saint-Saëns' zoological fantasy will be brought to life through music and puppetry live on the Hamer Hall stage. This concert will be quite the menagerie, with the addition of new Australian wildlife composed by MSO Young-Composer-in-

Residence, Alex Turley. Other activities are also currently being arranged for the day with more information given closer to the time.

TERM TWO PLANNER *

Tuesday 26 April - Friday 24 June

10-20 May	NAPLAN
18 May	AFL Workshop - Sport Uniform (Wednesday)
20 May	Melbourne Symphony Orchestra
1 June	AFL Workshop - Sport Uniform (Wednesday)
13 June	Queens Birthday Public Holiday - NO SCHOOL
20 June	End of Term Excursions
24 June	Last day of Term 2

* Due to Covid-19, these activities may be subject to change.

ENCOURAGING...EQUIPPING...EMPOWERING



SECONDARY HORTICULTURE CLASSES - MONDAY AFTERNOONS

Olivet is introducing a Horticultural class this term for the Secondary students.

Gordon Donaldson has volunteered to teach this class. He has taught at the school before and is well qualified to teach as he has several certificates in Horticulture, and a Graduate Diploma of Technology Education.

- Horticultural Botany, landscape design and gardening, plant nomenclature
Ernest E Lord, School of Landscape Gardening
- Horticulture Studies Certificate
Victorian College of Agriculture and Horticultural Studies
Trade Certificate of Gardening, State Training Board, Victoria
- Graduate Diploma of Technology Education,
Latrobe University, Bendigo

Gordon has owned and managed his own organic orchard and was the head gardener at Castlemaine Health for 10 years.

Each Monday, the student's need to bring: Shoes for gardening, tracksuit or work clothes. The school will provide gloves.

The students will need to change back into their school uniform before they go home.

UPDATED COVID INFORMATION

We have received updated information from Independent Schools Victoria.

Face masks

As announced last week, face masks, while recommended, are not required in any school setting. This means students in grades 3 to 6, staff and visitors in primary schools are no longer required to wear face masks.

Screening requirements

Students and staff who have tested positive for COVID-19, and have completed their 7-day isolation period, now do not need to undertake rapid antigen test (RAT) screening for 12 weeks after their release from isolation.

Household contacts

Students and staff who are household contacts of a COVID-19 case are no longer required to quarantine. They can return to school as long as they undertake rapid antigen tests 5 times within their 7-day period and wear face masks indoors if they are aged 8 and above, unless they have a valid exemption.

If any household contact returns a positive RAT result during this period, they must isolate for 7 days and not attend school.

Vaccination requirements for visitors to schools

Parents, carers and other adult visitors (not performing work) are no longer required to show evidence of two doses of COVID-19 vaccine.

RAT screening program extension reminder

The supply of RATs will continue for the first 4 weeks of this term with the recommendation to test at home twice a week.

MT ALEXANDER FALCONS

KIDS FOOTY CLINICS

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everyone aged
5-12!



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