

OLIVET CHRISTIAN COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

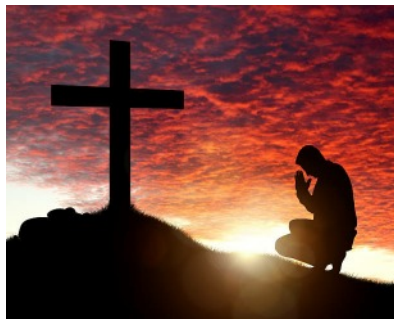


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From the Principal's Desk

Our Scripture memory focus is currently Deuteronomy chapter 6:1-3. Moses, who led the people out of Egypt and through the wilderness for 40 years, is giving the Israelites a pep talk before they go into their new land. God did not have Moses lead the people into the Promised Land. In his absence, the people would have to learn for themselves to put their trust in God. The idea conveyed in the word “fear” in verse two is broader than merely being afraid of God’s power. To fear the Lord is to respect his authority. The fear of God does not produce anxiety but respect. It leads us to obey his commands and live as His people. May each of us fear God, not that we will be filled with anxiety, but that we will respect His authority and obey His Word.



SWIMMING SPORTS

We're looking forward to a great time tomorrow! All parents and friends are welcome to come and enjoy this day with us and cheer on the students! All students are to wear summer uniform for the day. We expect to be finished around 2.45pm. Students can either leave with their families or return back to school to go on the school bus home as normal. We look forward to seeing you there!

FAMILIES TO PRAY FOR THIS WEEK
Thomas ~ Tuck ~ Watson ~ Weatherall



ICY POLES / ICE CREAMS!

There will be no icy poles tomorrow due to the swimming sports, so save your coins ready for next week!

SECONDARY KAYAKING

As part of the Secondary PE Program, next Tuesday 5 March, the Secondary students will be travelling by Olivet bus to Lake Weeroona in Bendigo to take part in Flatwater Skills Paddling Activity. This session will be run by Paddle Australia Qualified Coaches. Students are to wear sports uniform as normal and bring along their swimming gear to get changed into while kayaking. Please also refer to the information sheet from Paddle Victoria, which has gone home with students today and is also on our website. They will also need to bring along their morning tea and lunch as normal and any medications required. Students will leave after their chapel session and will return prior to the end of the day, in time for the buses.

There is a possibility of a Kangaroo Flat drop off in the afternoon on the way back to school. Please contact the office if you would like to use this option as without prior arrangement, students will be brought to school for dismissal.

JUST BRASS

Due to the secondary kayaking next Tuesday, Just Brass will be held on Wednesday 6 March.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN is coming up on 13-25 March. An information sheet has been sent home with students today and is also available on our website. Skills tested are reading, writing, language conventions and numeracy and is an opportunity for students to demonstrate their knowledge and skills in certain areas of the curriculum. Later in the year, parents will be given an individual NAPLAN report that will identify how your child is progressing.

TERM ONE 2024 PLANNER

Tuesday 30 January - Thursday 28 March

Dates to be confirmed for:

- End of Term Excursions

1 Mar	Swimming Sports - Chewton Swimming Pool
5 Mar	Secondary Kayaking
7 Mar	Primary Swimming
11 Mar	Labour Day Public Holiday - NO SCHOOL
14 Mar	Primary Swimming
18 Mar	Compulsory Parent Teacher Interviews
19 Mar	Year 7 Immunisations
21 Mar	Primary Swimming
13-25 Mar	NAPLAN
22 Mar	Southern Ocean Education incursion
28 Mar	Last day of Term 1

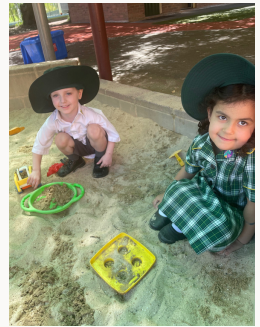


ENCOURAGING...EQUIPPING...EMPOWERING

PREP / YEAR 1

Prep and Year 1 have had a great start to the year getting to know each other and learning to share our beautiful classroom space. Prep have met Ally the Alligator who has helped us get to know the sounds m, s, f and a. Year 1 has been learning to how to choose between 'ai' and 'ay' when writing, as well becoming very clever with identifying vowels.

We are learning daily routines, lining up and walking around the school. It's been really fun to meet new friends from the older grades, in the yard too. We are so thankful for our school!



Youth Mental Health First Aid

Learn how to support young people experiencing a mental health problem.



Come along to *Youth Mental Health First Aid* training where you'll learn:

- The difference between normal adolescent development and a developing mental health problem
- How to have open conversations with young people
- Signs and symptoms of possible mental health problems
- Where to seek further help.

Over four evening sessions you'll learn all this, receive take home resources, meet other parents and enjoy a delicious meal.

What:	Youth Mental Health First Aid Training
When:	5pm to 9pm Monday 29 April & 6, 13, 20 May 2024
Where:	Civic Centre, Castlemaine
Cost:	\$75 full / \$55 concession per person
Book:	Register by 22 April at www.mountalexandershireyouth.com.au/training
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