

OLIVET CHRISTIAN COLLEGE NEWSLETTER



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From the Principal's Desk

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I was reading about a reporter who had heard that Rudyard Kipling, the famous writer and poet, had earned more than one hundred dollars for each word he had written - he was a very rich man - the reporter gave Kipling one hundred dollars and asked him to give him one of his one hundred dollar words. Kipling reportedly looked at the note for a moment. Folded it and as he put it in his pocket said one word,

“Thanks.” I think Kipling was right on the money! The word thanks is

certainly a one hundred dollar word. It's only a little word but it means so much when we tell others. The Bible is filled with Psalms, prayers, and letters of thanksgiving and gratitude to God for life, rescue, food, wisdom and pretty much everything else we need in life. Throughout the Bible we see that thankfulness should be part of our basic makeup in life. Take a moment to appreciate Psalm 111, a Psalm of thanksgiving from beginning to end. I pray you can join with us as we focus on the character trait of Appreciation over these next few weeks.



REMINDER

Next Monday 2nd & Tuesday 3rd November there will be NO SCHOOL, for Melbourne Cup Public Holiday.

SPORT

TENNIS PRIMARY AND SECONDARY



The Primary classes had great fun with tennis yesterday!

Secondary students will be doing tennis tomorrow afternoon at the Castlemaine courts. Please bring along a racquet if you have your own that you would prefer to use.

AFTERNOON PICK-UP

Parents are reminded that the school must be advised if your child's normal after school pick-up/bus travel has changed for the day. This is for children's safety.

DRINK BOTTLES

A reminder to parents that students must bring their own drink bottles to school as the bubble taps are currently unavailable due to Covid-19 restrictions. The drink bottles can be refilled as necessary.

STUDENT ABSENCE

A reminder to parents that if your child is absent from school, it is your responsibility to let their class teacher and/or the office know that they will be away, prior to school starting for the day. If we have not heard from you, we will be in contact with you. This is for children's safety.

BENDIGO LACROSSE

2020/2021 Junior Competition begins on Thursdays 29th October 2020 at 4.30pm (90 minutes - training and match) for a minimum of 12 weeks during October 2020 to March 2021. There will be no lacrosse during December 2020 or January 2021. For more information, contact Gino Iuliano (Junior Co-ordinator) on 0409 970 767 or email gino.iuliano@roads.vic.gov.au



TERM FOUR PLANNER *

Tuesday 6th October - Thursday 10th December

2 Nov	NO SCHOOL
3 Nov	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday - NO SCHOOL
10 Nov	Orientation Morning
19 Nov	Orientation Morning
24 Nov	Grade 6 Graduation (subject to Covid restrictions)
24 Nov	Secondary Formal (subject to Covid restrictions)
25 Nov	Report Writing Day - NO SCHOOL

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

FAMILIES TO PRAY FOR THIS WEEK
McKay ~ McLean ~ Miller ~ Mutisya

CHICKENS!

The Foundation class have had some eggs in an incubator over the last few weeks. This week, it was amazing to see the chickens hatch from their eggs and they were very excited to share the new additions to their classroom! See our Facebook page to watch a video of one of the chickens hatching!



Bushfire Information for Parents

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.

1. 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.
2. 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 as soon as possible.

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