# OLIVET CHRISTIAN COLLEGE NEWSLETTER



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# From the Principal's Desk

As we complete our third week of our character focus on being decisive, I would like to consider what the book of Proverbs has to say about taking time with our decisions. In Proverbs 14:15 & 18 we are told that the wise person takes the time and makes the effort to understand all they can before making a decision. Proverbs 13:16 tells us that a wise man thinks about the consequences



of the decision. I am reminded of a quote from a Christian leader and author who said, "Don't make snap decisions. The spur of the moment decisions are merely guesses......Before announcing a decision, it's best to take a little time, sleep on it first. God may have other plans."

#### **PUBLIC HOLIDAY - NO STUDENTS**

A reminder that next Monday 11 March is a public holiday so there will be no school on this day.



#### PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

An interview schedule has been sent home today with your child/ren's interview time listed. If there are any problems with your interview time, please contact the office to change. Interviews

are compulsory and students do not attend school on the day BUT we ask that Secondary students attend their interview with Parents/Guardians.

Primary students often come to school but don't need to sit in the interview.

FAMILIES TO PRAY FOR THIS WEEK Westcott Williams-Weston Wilson Young

## ENCOURAGING...EQUIPPING...EMPOWERING



ICY POLES / ICE CREAMS!
Icy Poles and Ice Creams will be back again TOMORROW, helping to raise money for Operation Christmas Child boxes!

#### **NAPLAN**

NAPLAN will be commencing for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students next Wednesday 13 March. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the office.

CONTACTING THE SCHOOL OFFICE When contacting the school office by phone, please use the landline number of 54723817 between 8.15am - 4.30pm.

## **TERM ONE 2024 PLANNER**

<u>Tuesday 30 January - Thursday 28</u> March

| 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             |
|           | <b>Education Incursion</b> |
| 28 Mar    | Last day of Term 1         |

#### WINTER UNIFORMS

At the start of Term 2, there will be a 2 week crossover period where students can wear either full winter uniform or full summer uniform (not a mixture of both). Winter uniforms will not be available to be purchased on Parent Teacher Interview day, so please contact the office on either 54723817 or <a href="mailto:admin@olivet.vic.edu.au">admin@olivet.vic.edu.au</a> to make an appointment for uniforms or send them home with students.

#### SECONDARY KAYAKING

Secondary Students had a great day kayaking at Lake Weeroona on Tuesday. Thank you to Paddle Australia for providing the coaching and kayaks.

#### **SWIMMING SPORTS**

What a great afternoon we had last Friday at our Swimming Sports! Congratulations to Andrew House on winning the afternoon and to David House on providing a great competition!

#### SOUTHERN OCEAN EDUCATION INCURSION

Instead of End of Term Excursions, this term we will be having a whole school incursion on Friday 22 March. Josie from Southern Ocean Education will be coming along and running a session with the Primary Students that includes sea life touch tanks and Secondary Students will be participating in a squid dissection session!

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# HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT HIGH SCHOOL CHAPEL AT OLIVET?

MR GRANT ABBOTT







Well, it's awesome! This is due to the amazing students using their gifts and talents to make their Chapel time an inspirational experience. Every three weeks the students are given a bible passage to investigate and apply God's truth to their lives. How can students effectively learn and apply God's Word? I believe it is through being fully engaged and motivated that they will be fully impacted by the Scriptures. This requires them to be actively involved in the learning process.

During our time in Deuteronomy 6, the students have, in groups, made a tune to sing the scripture verses, along with plays and puppet shows. Every student was deeply engaged with the scriptures, including Deuteronomy 6:5:

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength."

Last week, the talented youth used puppets to tell the story where Jesus was asked "What is the greatest commandment". Others used drama to tell the story of the Good Samaritan. I should have filmed it as it was Logie worthy!

This week the Years 7&8 students used puppets, drama, and a song item to share a deeper understanding of Deuteronomy 6. Some students appear to be very quiet in regular class however, in chapel, you see another side which shows off their extraordinary potential!

The Year 9&10 's are helping to prepare us for Easter, so they used an outstanding drama on the raising of Lazarus from the dead, including one student hiding in a storage cupboard and coming out wrapped in toilet roll when called by Jesus to come out. You can imagine the surprise of many high school students! This helped students relate to the people seeing Lazarus coming out of the tomb in the original historical event.

Other students used puppets to demonstrate the opposition to Jesus from the religious leaders who decided that Jesus must die.

I am truly amazed by the creativity, talents, gifts, and enthusiasm of the high school students. They inspire me. I am privileged to be part of the high school chapel. I hope that you could visit on a Tuesday morning to witness these incredible students making learning exciting and inspirational.









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#### **BUS DRIVER 0.4**

Part-time bus driver to operate Bendigo bus run for 3.25 hour per day in a split shift. Light Rigid license. Working with children. Must have a Driver Accreditation Certificate approved prior to commencement.

All potential employees must comply with the College Child Safety Code of Conduct and Child Safety Policy. Must work within the Christian ethos of the College.

Application Form and Position Description are available under employment tab www.olivet.vic.edu.au. Applications will be reviewed as they are submitted. Interviews and offers may occur prior to the closing date.

#### PRIMARY TEACHER 0.6 - 0.8

Seeking a part-time talented and enthusiastic Christian teacher to join our dynamic team with an immediate start. This is an added position in lower Primary position working in the 2 -3 class.

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Applications close 4pm Monday 25th March 2024

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