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Susy and Darcy at Castlemaine State Festival; Shianne, Olivia and Taihlen at Wood Tech; Naomi and Annaliese striding it out at the Cross Country.

THE END OF TERM IS NEAR

All of a sudden we are towards the end of the second last week of term! The time has gone very quickly.

We have an important week next week where we celebrate the completion of the term's work, meet with teachers and parents to discuss students' progress, and look ahead to much-anticipated holidays and next term.

It is important for students to remember to reflect on the term just gone and to see if there are any improvements that can be put in place to see success more easily.

Students are encouraged to work with enthusiasm, to work as if you were serving the Lord and not as if you were serving only men and women. Remember that the Lord will give a reward to everyone.... for doing good. Ephesians 6:8.

Some things that always point towards success;

Always do your best.

Don't leave work till the last minute.

Work consistently.

Face your challenges and don't avoid the difficult tasks.

Develop good working habits.

Work on building good character.

Remember the Lord your God in your youth.

Phil Chapman

PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK for the PORT SALTER/JONES SANDEMAN and SMITH Families.



SECONDARY SPORT TOMORROW

Tomorrow we continue with our last week of Tennis at the Lawn Tennis courts. Students, please have the correct sports uniform, with black shorts and Olivet sports top. Please bring one or more tennis racquets if you can.

CASTLEMAINE STATE FESTIVAL

This week students from all classes (Prep - 2 tomorrow) have been able to see some of the Castlemaine State Festival activities and Art work around the district. Thank you to Mrs Chapman for organizing the excursions for the students as part of their learning.

Prep - 2 Class: Friday 20 March accompanied by Mrs Chapman and Miss Box leaving Olivet at 11am and returning at 12.45pm for lunch. Normal school uniform please.

The Olivet News

SUPERCOACH 2015

Supercoach is an AFL Fantasy game run by the Herald Sun, which no doubt some of you would already be aware. Maybe you have even played it in seasons past. However, this year, you will have the opportunity to join the Olivet SFL (Supercoach Football League), and go head to head with your fellow classmates, teachers (maybe parents) and even the Strath Bus Driver.

So if you are interested, here is what to do.

Send an email to cjthornton7@gmail.com with 'Supercoach' as the subject along with your details including full name, age, class and which AFL team you support.

Looking forward to a great year ahead.

Thanks, Chris Thornton

SECONDARY OUTDOOR EDUCATION TRIP

WILSON'S PROM Tues 28 April - Fri 1 May

Students are reminded to walk regularly as part of their training for the trip. This can be a major part of ActiveApril as detailed last week.

WINTER UNIFORMS

Parents please check the fit of your girls' skirts NOW and let Mary-Anne know if you will be requiring a new one as the skirts are made by a local dressmaker. This takes time and we would like to get the orders submitted asap to ensure they arrive before we start Term 2.

It is a good opportunity to check other uniform items as well as some stocks are limited. We will be ordering stock for the winter in the coming weeks.

Thanks very much, Mary-Anne Revell

WEEKLY PUZZLE

How many British monarchs have reigned since Australia gained independence? Who are they?

Last week's answers:

1. What are the only mammals that fly? Bats
2. What type of geological feature is Mauna Loa?
A volcano on the island of Hawaii
3. Which country played in the Cricket World Cup for the first time in 2015? Afghanistan
4. In web documents, what does PDF stands for?
Portable Document Format.

HONOUR ROLL TRIPS Monday 23 March

PREP - 2 and GRADE 3-4 CLASSES

Years Prep to Four will be traveling to Animal Land Children's Farm at Diggers Rest. We plan to leave school on the BCI bus at 9:45 AM and return for normal dismissal.

Students will need to wear sports uniform and bring a spare pair of shoes and a plastic bag for muddy shoes (it's a farm). The weather could be wet, so this is very important.

Students will also need to bring snacks, lunch, water bottle and any medication necessary.

Activities include Dairy visit- Hand Milk Cow;

Make butter in a churn;

Have a hand led pony ride;

Play in the adventure playground;

Collect the eggs from the chooks;

Hand feed the ducks;

Take a tractor ride to visit the Pigs, Donkeys, Alpacas, Deer, Sheep, Cows, Goats, Horses and Geese;

Then visit the nursery for a chance to hold and cuddle baby animals. Cost is \$10 each.

PREP - GR 4 HONOUR ROLL PERMISSION

I give permission for _____
to attend the Honour Roll Trip on Monday March 23 to the Animal Land Children's Farm at Diggers Rest. Cost per student of \$10 is included.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN

GRADE 5-6 CLASS

Years 5 and 6 students will travel to Bendigo for Honour Roll in Term 1. They will visit the Bendigo Discovery Centre for a Science fun filled morning. At Discovery we will participate in a number of science activities, visit the planetarium and complete a lab activity. This will be followed by lunch at the Strathdale Lions Park. Normal school hours apply on this day.

Students are asked to bring lunch and drinks and wear their sports uniform on the day. The cost for the day will be \$8. Please encourage your child to have enough work completed to attend Honour Roll. No additional permission form is required for this excursion.

SECONDARY AXEDALE PICNIC DAY

Staff and Students who have completed all their work requirements for the term will leave Olivet at 9am by Rosa Bus. **Due to the fact that some students do not have bikes or have difficulty in bringing them for the day, we will no longer require bikes to be brought on the day.**

Could all families please make a special effort to bring a plate of picnic lunch to share plus something that is sweet to share. Thank you.

We will meet Bendigo students at the Lake Weeroona carpark at 10am. Mrs Donaldson will take lunch and go on ahead to the Axedale bike track on the river side, where the tables are situated.

We will then drive through Axedale to a suitable point where we will walk along the bike/walking track back towards Axedale and will meet up with Mrs Donaldson back at the picnic area for lunch.

After lunch we will walk through Axedale and then all board the bus again. We will stop for ice

creams along the way, before we travel back to Lake Weeroona carpark for collection by 2.15pm. Return to Olivet by 3.15pm. Cost of the day per student will be \$5.

SECONDARY HONOUR ROLL PERMISSION

I give permission for _____ to attend the Honour Roll Trip on Monday March 23 to Axedale for a Bike Picnic Day. Cost per student of \$5 is included.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN

HOT CROSS BUN SALE FUNDRAISER

Orders are due back to the Office by tomorrow please.

LAST WEEK OF TERM 1 ARRANGEMENTS

Monday 23 March Honour Roll Day

Tuesday 24 March there will be no classes for students as the day will be set aside for staff-parent interviews for all students. Secondary students are asked to please attend interviews with their parents.

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday will be normal school days.

Presentation Afternoon will be held from 1.15pm on Friday 27 March. Students will be dismissed at approx. 2.30pm.

CHESS TOURNAMENT

During Term 2, students from Grades 3 - 4, Grades 5 - 6, and from Years 7 - 10 will be eligible to form groups of 5 for the Mount Alexander Chess Challenge to be held on Wed 20 May for Primary and Thurs 21 May for Secondary.

Students who are interested please speak to their class teacher by Friday of next week so we can register your interest.

STAFF TRAINING SEMINARS

Staff are continually updating their Teaching Registrations by attending Seminars regularly.

Last Wednesday Mrs Donaldson attended a Professional Development Day on Students Writing Essays. **One thing that emerged was the need for students to write neatly and legibly.**

Last week Miss Mitchell and Mrs Chapman attended an excellent workshop for music teachers in Melbourne.

On Monday Mr Chapman attended a Health and PE Course training for No Apologies from Focus on the Family while yesterday Mr Nicholas and Mr Chapman attended a day in Bendigo to look at Special Needs of Students and in particular Dyslexia. Mr SNicholas is currently completing a comprehensive course in School Leadership with an on-line Webinar each fortnight.

INTERSCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

The interschool cross country run was held in beautiful weather at the Botanic Gardens which made for a great morning outing. Our students had various levels of success on an enjoyable day of friendly competition. Results of those in the top 35 are as follows:

9 year old GIRLS

Nova Bodno 18th

9 year old BOYS

Orin McKay 11

10 year old GIRLS

Stella Wilson 6th

10 year old BOYS

Ashley Lacey 16th

Aston Wilson 17th

Ben Smith 21st

11 year old GIRLS

Chelsea Patterson 19th

Elizabeth Patterson 21st

Amaya McKenzie 35th

11 year old BOYS

Talon Manning 31st

12+ GIRLS

Naomi Brown 13th

Annaliese Tolley 14th

Erin Lyne 34th

12+ BOYS

Brodie McKenzie 11th

Isaac Duncan 26th

Joshua Lacey 27th