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The Olivet News

After school activities; Grade 3 and 4 AFL 9s.

JESUS LOVES US WITH AN UNCONDI-TIONAL LOVE

John 3:16 says "God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish, but has eternal life."

A congregation decided to honour one of its retired pastors. He was ninety-two, and some people wondered why the church even asked the elderly man to speak. After a warm welcome and introduction, he rose from his chair and walked with great dignity and effort to the pulpit.

Leaning on the podium to steady himself, without notes of any kind, he began to speak; "When your pastor invited me here, he asked me to talk about the greatest lesson I've learned in fifty-plus years of preaching. I've thought about it for a few days, and it boiled down to the one thing that has made the most difference in my life and sustained me through all my trials. The one thing I can rely on when tears, heartbreak, pain, fear and sorrow paralyse me.... the one thing that always comforts me:

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to Him belong. They are weak but He is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me. The Bible tells me so."

You could hear a pin drop as the old man shuffled back to his seat. It's something the people never forgot. And it's something we should never forget either -Jesus loves us unconditionally. That's today, tomorrow, and forever!

(The Word For Today Tues 18 Aug 2015)

PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK for the O'CONNELL PATTERSON PORT and ROBERTS families.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Fri 21 Aug Footy Colours Day Gold Coin Donation (see article) Fri 4 Sept Fathers' Day Stall Buda Harvest Dinner 6pm (\$10 pp) Mon 14 Sept Honour Roll Day Tues 15 Sept Parent/Teacher Interviews

Wed 16 Sept Mt Alexander Chess Tournament at CSC Junior Campus Thurs 17 Sept Nutrition Day "Know Your Food" for Gr 5/6 and Yrs 7/8 Fri 18 Sept Last day of Term 3

Mon 5 Oct First day of Term 4 Thurs 10 Dec Presentation Night and last day of school for students for 2015

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

This program presents a fantastic opportunity for our school to earn new educational equipment. We are now past the half way mark of the program and our collection of Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers is going well.

Earning new educational equipment for our school is as simple as encouraging our school community to collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers each time we shop at Woolies.

Double Sticker Weekend!

To help us collect even more, Woolworths are holding a big **Double Sticker Weekend** this Friday, Saturday and Sunday only. Customers will get **two** stickers for every \$10 they spend*. The more we collect the more educational equipment we can redeem. Thanks everyone!

MEDALLIONS AND ANNUAL AWARDS

This year sees a slightly different approach to the Annual Awards presented at Presentation Night.

Students who receive awards will be receiving Medallions to keep but trophies will not be given from this year onwards.

Recognition of the awards will be on permanent display in frames in the hall rather than on the trophies. In the past the history is usually only seen by the student who receives the award for that particular year.

Trophies received for last year 2014 will still need to be returned to school at the usual time, during Term 4.

Medallions will be awarded in each class for the following curriculum areas:-

MATHS/SCIENCE ENGLISH/HUMANITIES LANGUAGES SPORTSMANSHIP/SPORTSWOMANSHIP TECHNOLOGY PERFORMING ARTS VISUAL ARTS

COMMONWEALTH BANK TOURS

Next Wednesday as part of the Secondary Maths program for Finance and the Economy, all secondary students will be travelling to the CBA Castlemaine for a short tour of their facilities. including the ATMs, Customer Area, Telling Cells and the Strong Room.

Students will depart Olivet at 9.45am and travel via bus to Castlemaine for the tour to begin at 10am. Students will return at approx. 11am.

This tour combines the work students have been studying.

Year 9 and 10 students have been looking at the Sharemarket and the Economy, calculating simple interest and compound interest, and comparing the rates at which Home Loans can be repaid depending on variable interest rates and length of loans.

Year 7 and 8 students have been looking at % and the cost of commodities such as petrol, and the total cost of a road trip around Victoria.

PLEASING NAPLAN RESULTS

Results for the Term 2 NAPLAN tests have arrived here at school, and we are delighted to announce that Olivet students and families can be encouraged by the results received. Parents are encouraged to call in and see their home group teacher at an appropriate time to discuss and collect the certificate of results.

A big thank you to our teaching staff and parents for all the good work that has been completed both at school and at home in reading, writing, spelling and numeracy (maths). Well done students.

VICTORIA'S JOURNEY OF REMEMBRANCE

As part of the Victorian Government's Anzac Centenary program (2014-2018) a free community roadshow is travelling throughout Victoria. The roadshow includes storytelling, live theatre performances, video, guest speakers and interactive content. Each attendee takes home an Anzac Centenary Commemoration Information Pack, which contains a brief history of Victoria's contribution to the war effort, profiles of Victoria Cross recipients and a small token of remembrance.

Travelling to communities and secondary schools across the state, this free roadshow has been created to educate Victorians about WWI history, encourage them to discover personal connections and inspire them to initiate their own Centenary projects.

Olivet indicated an expression of interest and was accepted to have the roadshow come to the school.

The road show performance will be at Olivet on Tuesday 25th August at 9.30am in the hall. Parents and friends are welcome to attend. The show will run for about an hour. Cheryl Donaldson

SECONDARY SPORT

Tomorrow's sport will be Futsal/soccer at school. Students are asked to bring along correct sports uniform and runners please.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

- Thank God for the pleasing NAPLAN results.
- Praise God for families and friends.
- Thank God for the security of God's love in our lives.
- Pray against sickness and illness for families, students and staff.
- Pray for Mrs Donaldson and the Mission team in Vanuatu.

FOOTY COLOURS DAY TOMORROW Friday 21 August (Gold Coin Donation)

Tomorrow, all students and staff are encouraged to wear their favourite footy colours to school over the top of their school uniform - scarves, beanies, jumpers, footies etc.

We are raising money as part of a Castlemaine Schools venture to go towards a village in East Timor, known as Lolotoe, which is an isolated village near the border with West Timor, where travel and communication are very difficult. The older children must leave the community and board in the nearest regional centre - a town called Maliana - in order to finish their secondary education.

Money raised will go straight towards scholarships for students from Lolotoe to finish their schooling. The scholarships will pay for students to board at Maliana, and the focus will be on disadvantaged students, mainly those who do not have parents, or from families with very limited means.

Looking forward to a great day tomorrow for Footy Colours Day and raising money for a very worthy cause.

WEEKLY PUZZLE

1. In which month of the year is the Christian festival of Epiphany?

2. What type of animal is a bezoar?

3. In which Queensland town were golfer Greg Norman and tennis player Pat Rafter born?

4. In US legal circles, what does "SCOTUS" stand for?

5. Which large Australian company has an ASX code of WBC?

LAST WEEK'S ANSWER

Who is the current speaker of the House of Representatives in Canberra? Mr Tony Smith

BUDA HARVEST DINNER 2015

Parents and family members are invited to attend the Buda Harvest Dinner to be held at the Campbells Creek Community Centre on Friday 4 September from 6pm (for 6.30pm).

Tickets are \$10 per person and may be obtained from Phil Chapman. Representative students from the local schools will be assisting with the preparation of the meals.

"Sample the amazing produce grown by kids, collected by kids and cooked by kids!!!

(with the teensy, tiniest bit of help from fabulous parents and helpers)

(as per the poster from the Great School Vegie Challenge)

Thank you to Chelsea and Elizabeth Patterson who will represent Olivet joining with students from other local schools to prepare the dinner. Have a great time girls!

FATHERS' DAY STALL Friday 4 September

Our Fathers' Day Stall will be held on Friday September 4th....donations of suitable stock for the stall are very welcome and may be left at the College Office by the end of August.

All profits from the Stall will go towards the camps and excursion fund from which all classes benefit. Thank you to our families for your support.

2015 INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS VICTORIA PARENT SATISFACTION SURVEY

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Most of you will have received the email for this Survey. If you have missed it please check out below.

To complete the survey, please click on: <u>http://</u> research.is.vic.edu.au/index.php?r=survey/index/ sid/885537/lang/en

The survey will take approximately 10 minutes to complete. Please complete the survey by **Friday 28 August 2015.**

Either parent may fill out the questionnaire or both parents may complete the survey together. We ask that you complete the survey for your **eldest** child at the school. However, you may also complete the survey for each child you have at the school, by clicking on the link again and re-doing it for other children. When working through the questionnaire, when you read 'school', think of your child's school and when you read 'student', think about your eldest child.

We would like to emphasize that the survey is completely anonymous. Independent Schools Victoria reports the results to the school in aggregate only.

We appreciate your taking the time to participate.

DELICIOUS DISHES (COMMUNITY NOTICE)

Castlemaine District Community Health's free workshops on how to create a simple yet delicious meal will occur in early September. Members of the public are invited to take part in "Delicious Dishes" – a fun way of increasing your fruit and vegetable intake through learning how to prepare a quick and easy meal.

CEO Liz March said that healthy meals which include fruit and vegetables are essential for good health. "In the Mount Alexander Shire, about half of the population eat the recommended two serves of fruit daily. Only 10 per cent of adults eat the recommended 5 serves of vegetables each day. The Delicious Dishes workshops are about promoting healthier communities in our region."

Workshops will be interactive demonstrations on preparing healthy dishes, with some nutritional information. Participants will also enjoy the meal prepared during a shared lunch.

The Delicious Dishes workshops will take place in Castlemaine on Friday September 4th and Wednesday September 9th. Additional workshops will be in Maldon on Thursday 3rd September and Newstead on Thursday September 10th.

To book or find out more, please call Castlemaine District Community Health on 5479 1000 or visit www.cdchcastlemaine.com.au.