Cohen Donnan at Red Robin Photographic Studio in Bendigo last week for Work Experience; Annabella and Mary assisted with preparations for the Buda Harvest Dinner last Friday evening; The winning tower construction at “Partner A Class” at the CBA in Bendigo on Tuesday (strong foundations); Oscar and Susy presenting their Powerpoint of the History and Identity of the Commonwealth Bank.

FINANCIAL WISDOM

Yesterday the Reserve Bank of Australia handed down their decision to keep the official interest rate at 1.5% for this month.

Year 9 and 10 students on Tuesday were in the midst of it all as they presented their Powerpoints to members of staff at the CBA Bank in Bendigo, for critical appraisal on things like communication, research, diction, and overall knowledge of their topic.

There are some very good words of advice that are relevant to students as they embark on their careers in the next few years:
Always spend less than you earn! Try to keep debt to a manageable level so that it does not become a mill-stone around your neck.
Be generous with your time and money. Develop an attitude which is in line with the Biblical Principle indicating it is more blessed to give than to receive. Acts 20:35. Avoid the use of credit cards if you can’t pay them off each month.
True contentment does not come from getting all we want but by discovering the blessings we have been given and learning to enjoy them. As a general principle, “Owe no man anything—except for your obligation to love one another.” Romans 13:8

Phil Chapman
PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK for the TOLLEY TURVEY and WILSON families.

CASTLEMAINE AGRICULTURAL SHOW
This is a great opportunity for students up to the age of 16, and all adults, to enjoy the fun of entering their art, craft, photography, horticulture and cooking in a local competition.
This year the Show will be held on Friday 28th and Saturday 29th October at the Camp Reserve in Castlemaine.
You could start planning and working on your entries in the holidays. See 2015 Schedule online www.castlemaine show.com.au for details of categories.

SECONDARY NEWS RE SOUTH PAC CONVENTION/CASTLEMAINE SHOW
Congratulations to all those who are planning and working on their art and craft entries for the South Pac and Castlemaine Show!
Your event sheets need to be finalized with Mrs Chapman by Friday Week 1 next term......this includes all decisions about photos, art work and music events so you have the holidays to get organized.
All photos must have a negative or, in the case of digital photos, original “proof” must be attached to the report form for each entry. They also need to be mounted.....please do not enclose photos in picture or photos frames. All art work needs to be framed. (See Guidelines www.scee.edu.au/ssd/conventions/)
If you require the College to arrange mounting or framing for a fee, please arrange with Mrs Chapman asap before the holidays.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD
Students are encouraged to collect a shoe box, decide on either a boy or a girl, aged between 2-4, 5-9 or 10-14, and to start collecting items as follows:-
Something to wear
Something to play with
Something for school
Something to love
Something special
Something for personal hygiene
Include a personal note of encouragement and a photo.
We have an opportunity to really make a difference in a child’s life as we prepare these gifts. We are holding a Buddy Activity on the last day of term, Friday next week, to put together our shoe boxes and their contents. Please bring along your shoe box and contents on the day. Thank you.

SUMMER AND WINTER UNIFORMS
We are currently in a change-over period of uniforms, until the end of Week 2 in Term 4. Students may wear either uniform depending on the weather for the day, as long as the uniform is worn correctly, either full summer, or full winter uniform.

UPCOMING EVENTS
WEEK 9:
Today Years Prep—2 Excursion to Bendigo to see “Snugglepot and Cuddlepie”

WEEK 10:
Mon 12 Sept HR/End of Term Trips
Mon 12—Tues 13 Sept Year 3 & 4 class overnight trip to Echuca.
Wed 14 Sept Mukti Mission Day (India) with visiting speaker and International Lunch.
Students are invited to dress in Indian dress for the day, and to bring a donation for lunch.
Thurs 15 Sept All day Parent/Teacher Interviews (secondary students to attend with parents please)
Fri 16 Sept Last Day of Term 3
Buddy Activity preparing Shoe Boxes for Operation Christmas Child

TERM 4
Mon 3 Oct - Thurs 8 Dec (10 weeks)
Thurs 8 Dec Presentation Morning 11am (for Term 4 Awards)
Presentation Night 6.30pm for all year awards South Pacific Student Convention for secondary students will run from Saturday 10 - Friday 16 December.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR NEXT WEEK
Monday 12 September
HONOUR ROLL/END OF TERM TRIPS
Prep-2 and 5-6 Classes
The end of term Honour Roll trip for Prep—2 and Years 5&6 will be to the Ballarat Wildlife Park and then on to a local park and playground for lunch.
Normal school times will apply on this day and students are asked to wear their sports uniform and appropriate apparel in case of wet/cold weather. Travel will be by College Bus. The cost of the trip will be $7 per student, subsidized by the College.
Students will also need to bring a packed lunch, drinks and snacks on the day and any medications needed. We are looking forward to a great trip as we learn about a variety of animals and their habitats.

PERMISSION SLIP FOR P-2 and 5-6 TRIP
I give my permission for ____________________ to attend the trip to Ballarat Wildlife Park on Monday 12 September and enclose $7 cost.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN
Please sign and return this slip to your class teacher tomorrow, thank you.
ECHUCA OVERNIGHT TRIP FOR YRS 3—4
Students will be travelling to Echuca for their overnight camp on Monday night, staying at River City Christian College. Activities on the camp will include Paddlesteamer trip, Twisted Ed Science and historic wharf exploration.

Secondary Years 7—10 Classes
Students will be travelling by bus to Werribee Open Range Zoo as part of their Australian Curriculum requirements for Science. Students will be participating in one of the Zoo programs “Grassland Ecosystem” where they will be challenged by the question “Which animal would you save from extinction and why?”

Students are to bring lunch, water bottle and snacks for the day and they will need to wear their sports uniform. Cost will be $10 per student subsidized by the College, to be paid prior to leaving on the day.

A special notice was sent home earlier in the week. Please sign and return the permission slip tomorrow, thank you.

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY next week will be normal school days for all classes. (Year 3/4 class will return from Echuca on Tuesday afternoon).

WEDNESDAY will be a little different as we welcome our visiting speaker for Mukti Mission Day (India) International Lunch. Students are invited to dress in Indian dress for the day, and to bring a donation for lunch. This will help to supply up to 20 dairy cows for the people of the Mukti Mission in Pune, India in the state of Maharashtra, east of Mumbai (formerly Bombay) on the west side of India.

THURSDAY 15 Sept will be the day set aside for Parent/Teacher Interviews (secondary students to attend with parents please). Times were sent home on a coloured sheet last week with the Newsletter.

FRIDAY 16 Sept is the last day of Term 3. We will be holding a Buddy Activity during the morning to make the final preparations for the shoe boxes to send to boys and girls for Operation Christmas Child.

Presentation Afternoon will be held at 1.15pm. All parents, family members and friends are invited to join with us in celebrating the work of the students during Term 3. Students love having family members there to share their achievements.

THANK YOU to all for the term that has just passed. There has been much accomplished and we do thank our hard-working Staff, Bus Drivers, Cleaners, all families, Class Assistants and Volunteers, House Captains and Bus Captains for their efforts this term.

Thank you to Claire Lacey for your work with the Years 5-6 class as Class Assistant on Tuesdays for the past 2 terms. We trust you will be well prepared for the coming Year 12 exams.

TERM 4
First day back for students will be Monday 3 October.

LOCK-DOWN PROCEDURE
Yesterday as part of Government regulations for child safety, Olivet held a mock lock-down procedure where students and staff are required to remain indoors until a possible dangerous situation or incident is resolved. Thank you to those involved in the “drama” and we pray that no situation will arise that would endanger the students or staff at Olivet.

PRAYER AND PRAISE
Praise for the blossom and springtime
Praise for continued safety of the buses
Pray for the end of term trips on Monday and Tuesday
Pray for continued recovery of families who have experienced illness over these past few weeks
Praise and prayer for wonderful family times over the coming break from classes.

SECONDARY SPORT
Tomorrow we will be playing Badminton at Wesley Stadium. Please wear your correct sports uniform and runners.