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The Olivet News

Our character trait focus at the moment is punctuality. It occurred to me that the ultimate example of punctuality would have been the birth of Jesus Christ at the very first Christmas. Almost everyone remembers that Christ was born in Bethlehem but not as many would remember that Joseph and Mary lived in Nazareth, over 100 km's away, 700 years before Jesus was born, the Old Testament prophet Micah pointed to the fact that Jesus would be born in Bethlehem. So many factors had to come together for Jesus to be born in Bethlehem and if even one of these factors didn't work out then. Jesus would not have been born in Bethlehem. For instance, when Julius Caesar was assassinated, his great nephew became Caesar. After a complicated set of circumstances, Augustus became guite powerful. He wanted to raise money so that he could build monuments to himself. So the scheme was set up to raise taxes or as it says in the book of Luke "It came to pass in those days that there went a decree from Caesar Augustus that everyone should be taxed ... " Of course, Mary and Joseph got caught up in this and so ended up in Bethlehem. God is always on time even in events in our own lives. Nothing ever catches God by surprise. Whatever is happening in our lives, God knows and cares. God is neither early, nor late. He's precisely on time!

As this is the last Newsletter for this year, I would like to take the opportunity to thank each person that has been involved in the College for their input during the past year and to wish everyone a safe and joyous Christmas and holiday time. Thankyou.

Steven Nicholas.

**PLEASE PRAY** This week for these families: Hodges, Johnstone, Kelly M&M Jones, Lacey and Lamers families.

## **PRIMARY SCHOOL MUSICAL 2017**

Please remember that each of the students in Years 5 and 6 will need to bring their costume on Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> December, for a full dress rehearsal at the Castlemaine Church of Christ. If you would like further information or require assistance acquiring costume/s, please feel free to contact Miss Mitchell.

### **NEXT WEEK**

**Monday 4 Dec** will be a normal day for all students.

**Tuesday 5 Dec** is the end of term excursion day (see information in this news letter)

**Wednesday 6 Dec** all students required at school. We will be having a full dress rehearsal for Presentation evening at the Church of Christ in the afternoon. Students will travel by school bus to the church and return to school for normal dismissal.

**Thursday 7 Dec** all students will come to school and then travel by school bus to the Church of Christ for the end of term presentation at 11:00am. Students will be dismissed from the Church at approx. 12 midday. All students will be required to be back at the Church of Christ at 6:15 pm to begin our end of year presentation evening at 6:45. Please remember that all students are required to be in full summer uniform for this event.

### END OF TERM PRIMARY EXCURSIONS

#### **TUESDAY DECEMBER 5**

#### **P-4**

The F-4 Students will celebrate the end of term with an excursion to JETS gym in Golden Square (beginning at 10 AM), then a shuttle bus trip to Cooinda Park for a BBQ lunch (provided) and afternoon activity. Our departure back to school will be at 2:00pm. Bendigo based parents who want to meet us at JETS Gym and pick up from the park can do so but please let the office know of your intentions. Students need to wear sports uniform and bring a hat, snacks, water and medications. Lunch will be supplied. The cost for the day will be \$5 and must be brought to school by Monday the 4th of December.

## **YEAR 5-6**

The Year 5/6 end of term trip will involve a visit to the Bendigo Pottery followed by lunch at Lake Weeroona on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> of December. At the pottery, we will take a tour of the museum, view a master potter at work and get involved with clay during clay play. We will then go to Lake Weeroona for lunch and a run around the playground by the lake side. Students will be bussed to Bendigo via the school bus and will return at the normal dismissal time. Parents who wish to pick up their children at the Lake can do so at 1:45pm. If they wish to drop off their children at the Bendigo Pottery they will need to be there at 10:15 am. Please make sure you contact the College if you plan to do this. The cost for the day will be \$5 and must be brought to school by Monday 4<sup>th</sup> of December.

#### **OLIVET NETBALL UPDATE**

Next week is the last Game for our Wednesday twighlight competition netballers who play up in Bendigo. Olivet is currently 4th on the ladder. Special thanks to Mrs Kirrily McKay for looking after the team and also a big thankyou to Year 8 student Eli Jones who has been umpiring each week for us.

### **CASTLEMAINE OLD SCHOOLBOYS**

On Monday we were visited during Assembly by Ron and Greg from the Castlemaine Old Schoolboys association. Every year the Old Boys donate a number of books to schools in the district. As always we are so thankful for the books and the work of the Castlemaine Old Schoolboys Association. End Of Year Class Parties. (details will be sent home separately)

Mon 4 Year 3/4 & Year 9/10

Wed 6 Year F, 1/2, 5/6, 7/8

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

Tues Dec 5 sions.	Primary end of term excur-
Thurs Dec 7	Secondaries not required at School. End of term Presentation
	Morning. End of year Awards Evening

#### DATES FOR 2018 TERM 1

Sat Jan 27	Working Bee	
Mon-Tues 29 30	Staff meetings and Staff	
	Preparation Days	
Wed Jan 31	All students return to	
	school	
Thur Mar 29	Last Day of Term One	
TERM TWO	Mon April 16 - Wed Jun 27	
TERM THREE	Wed July 18 - Fri Sept 21	
TERM FOUR	Mon Oct 8 - Thur Dec 6	
South Pac. Secondary Conference-Sun 9-Fri 14		
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