

OLIVET CHRISTIAN COLLEGE NEWSLETTER



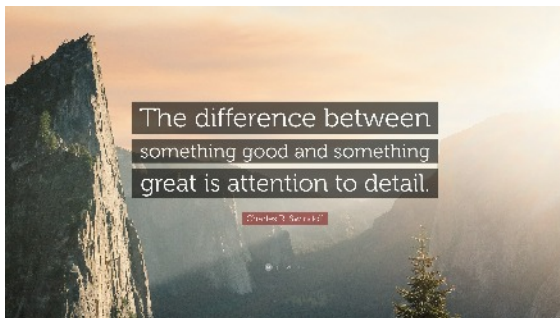
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From the Principals Desk

Our last character trait focus for Term Three is that of thoroughness. One dictionary defines thorough as “taking pains to do something carefully and completely” Not many of us would be able to say that we always finish what we start and perhaps fewer do a complete job of it when we do finish a task.

There is a verse in Proverbs that applies when we finish a job the way that it should be done: “The desire accomplished is sweet to the soul.....” When we have finished or thoroughly completed a task, we experience a feeling of satisfaction that is not easy to put into words. We all need the encouragement, at times, to be thorough, remembering that the difference between something good and something great is attention to detail.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - THIS WEEK: SOMETHING TO WEAR



On Wednesday 11th September, Mrs Bish will be collecting donations under the category, ‘something to wear’. Examples include t-shirts, shorts, underwear, etc.

Please take note: all the items we collect must be brand new. Please leave the items in their packets, with their tags, if possible. Thank you for your contribution to Operation Christmas Child!

FAMILIES TO PRAY FOR THIS WEEK
McGrath ~ McKay ~ McLean ~ Miller

ENCOURAGING...EQUIPPING...EMPOWERING...

SECONDARY SPORTS

This week we'll be doing table tennis.



WEEK 9

Next week is a busy and exciting week for the students across the college! Year 9 & 10 will be on Work Experience for the week at a variety

of work places across the region, gaining invaluable experience as they consider future careers. Grade 5/6 will be flying to Canberra on Monday morning for an exciting 4-day trip. They will discover some of the sights around our Nation's capital, including Parliament House, Australian War Memorial, Australian Mint, Questacon, Australian Institute of Sport & Botanic Gardens, amongst other things. On Thursday, the Grade 3/4 class will head to Melbourne for an overnight stay, visiting the Melbourne Zoo & Aquarium. We look forward to hearing everyone's stories when they return.!



SWIMMING

In Term 4, we will be commencing swimming again for Primary Sports. Sports day for primaries will move to **Tuesdays**, so students will wear sports uniform and bring their swimming things along also. The first session will be in Week 1, on Tuesday 8th October and the program will run for 8 weeks.

SUMMER UNIFORMS

At the start of Term 4, we will move to Summer uniform. For the first 2 weeks of Term 4 (7-18 October), students have the option to wear winter uniform if the weather is cold. Please note, this is full winter uniform including tie, winter tights, etc, not a mixture of Summer and Winter.

NAPLAN RESULTS

Secondary NAPLAN results were given out at parent teacher interviews. We have not yet received the Primary NAPLAN results and we will send these home when they have arrived.

THANK YOU

To Lyal Eales store, Castlemaine for their support for our Fathers Day Stall last week.

LITTLE OLLIES STORYTIME - TERM 3 DATES

Monday 2nd September ~ Monday 9th September (last session for the term)

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END OF TERM EXCURSIONS

ELC

On Monday 16th September, the ELC will travel by train to the Melbourne Museum. Students will need to wear sports uniform and will bring morning tea, lunch and water. A note will be sent home with full details next week.

Grades 3-6

On Monday 16th September, due to the camps to Melbourne & Canberra, grade 3-6 will spend the day at school.

Secondary

On Tuesday 17th September, the Secondary classes will be heading to Jumpz, Kangaroo Flat for their end of term excursion. The day will run from 10am - 2pm and the cost for the day will be \$12 per student. Students will need to bring their morning tea, lunch and water. If you intend to drop off and pick up your child/ren, please let the office or teachers know by Friday 13th September.

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TERM THREE PLANNER

Wednesday 17th July - Friday 20th

September

Sept 9-13	Year 5/6 Canberra Trip
Sept 12-13	Year 3/4 Camp
Sept 9-13	Year 10 Work Experience
Sept 16	End of Term Excursions
Sept 17	Secondary End of Term Excursion
Sept 18	Secondary & Primary Chess
Sept 20	Term Presentation at 1.15pm

HOT LUNCHES ON THURSDAYS THROUGHOUT TERM 3

TERM FOUR PLANNER

Monday 7th October - Thursday 5th December

Oct 12	Castlemaine Old Boys afternoon tea
Oct 29	Orientation Morning for new students
Nov 4	NO STUDENTS
Nov 5	Melbourne Cup - NO STUDENTS
Nov 7	Orientation Morning for new students
Nov	T20 Cricket Grade 3/4
Nov 11	Grade 5/6 Cricket Cup
Nov 13	Report Writing Day - NO STUDENTS
Nov 20-22	Secondary Camp - Log Cabin, Creswick
Nov 25	Secondary Formal
Nov 25	Grade 6 Graduation
Dec 2	End of Term Excursion
Dec 5	Term Presentation at 11am
	Annual Presentation Night at 6.30pm (all families expected to attend)

School procedures for the bushfire season

Fire danger ratings and warnings are used in Victoria to provide clear direction on the safest options for preserving life.

Schools and children's services listed on the DET Bushfire At-Risk Register (BARR) will be closed when a Code Red fire danger rating day is determined in their Bureau of Meteorology district. **Our school has been identified as being one of those at high bushfire risk and is listed on the BARR.**



Where possible, we will provide parents with up to four days' notice of a potential Code Red day closure by letter, text and email. A Code Red day will be determined by the Emergency Management Commissioner no later than 1.00 pm the day before the potential closure. Once we are advised of the confirmation of the Code Red day we will provide you with advice before the end of the school day.

Once confirmed, the decision to close will not change, regardless of improvements in the weather forecast. This is to avoid confusion and help your family plan alternative care arrangements for your child. It is also important to note that:

No staff will be on site on days where the school is closed due to a forecast Code Red day.

School camps will be cancelled if a Code Red fire danger rating day is determined for the Bureau of Meteorology district in which the camp is located.

Depending on which Bureau of Meteorology district is impacted bus route cancellations may affect our school.

On these Code Red days families are encouraged to enact their Bushfire Survival Plan – **on such days children should never be left at home or in the care of older children.**

For those of us living in a bushfire prone area, the CFA advise that when Code Red days are forecast, the safest option is to leave the night before or early on the morning of the Code Red day.

As part of preparing our school for potential hazards such as fire, we have updated and completed our Emergency Management Plan, reprioritised any maintenance works that may assist in preparing for the threat of fire and cleared our facility's grounds.

What can parents do?

Make sure your family's bushfire survival plan is up-to-date and includes alternative care arrangements in the event that our school is closed.

Ensure we have your current contact details, including your mobile phone numbers. Keep in touch with us by reading our newsletters, by checking our website www.olivet.vic.edu.au and by talking to your child's teacher or any other member of the teaching staff about our emergency management plan.

Most importantly at this time of year, if you're planning a holiday or short stay in the bush or in a coastal area, you should check warnings in advance of travel and remain vigilant during your stay.

If your child is old enough, talk to them about bushfires and your family's bushfire survival plan.

You can access more information about children's services closures on the Department of Education and Training website – see

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/health/pages/closures.aspx>

For up-to-date information on this year's fire season see:

<https://emergency.vic.gov.au>

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Twitter (twitter.com/CFA_Updates)

ABC local radio, Sky News and other emergency broadcast VicEmergency Hotline (1800 226 226)



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