

Thurs March 8 2018

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



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# The Olivet News

This week we have completed our focus on the character trait of being persuasive.

Being persuasive with God's truth should be developed from God's character and precepts. In doing so, we should never stretch the truth to make our argument more appealing. We should be aware of good timing and what is appropriate to say, how to say it, and when not to say it. It is honouring others while appealing to their conscience and reasoning to see our point. Paul, in 2 Timothy, tells us to be persuasive humbly. Even when people come against us in harsh ways, we should not respond in a harsh way; we are to tell-gently! We are to tell people the Truth gently, and then point them to the hope we have in Christ. God will help lead them to Himself, while we instruct with His knowledge (2 Tim. 2:25). We are called to deliver the message in the best way we can, not worry about the result, because that is in His control.

The best way of providing evidence for the truth of Christianity is not in the skill of our argument; rather, it is in the love of the person presenting the argument! It is the development of our faith in Him that points to the Truth! We have to have a life and faith that is revitalized! Remember, our lives, and how we live them, is the greatest persuasive power we can have on others (Eph. 4:2; 5:9; Col. 3:12-15)!

"The most persuasive sermon is the example which leads the way." (Spurgeon)

Steven Nicholas.

David's House Captains



**PLEASE PRAY** This week for these families: Woodley-Rayner, Amy-Musgrove, Arndstz-Pezzimenti, Bignoux and Bodno families.

### SWIMMING SPORTS

The College community came together last Friday to enjoy the competition, fun and excitement of our annual swimming sports. We were blessed with a day that was just about perfect for this event, although those in the water would have perhaps appreciated a slight increase in the temperature! The events generated some good competition and at the end of the day, it was David House who came out on top. Thank you to all the competitors who swam so well and to those teachers and parents who made the day run smoothly. A special thank you to Mr. Treloar for all his hard work organizing the day.

### PRIMARY SWIMMING

We have two more sessions of swimming at the heated pool, so make sure you have your swimming gear at school for **next Tuesday**.

### SECONDARY SPORT

With the good weather and temperatures climbing into the 30's, we will continue the swimming program at Chewton. Bring along your gear, drinks and medications and get ready for some water activities.

## PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS TUESDAY 27TH MARCH

Please note that the Parent/Teacher Interviews have been scheduled to take place in the last week of Term One this term. Please see attached schedule.

## COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS



Just a reminder that the Coles Sports for Schools program has begun for this year. When you shop at Coles Supermarkets, you will receive a voucher for every \$10 spent. Send your vouchers into the school office and place them in the Coles box. All the vouchers we collect will go towards purchasing sporting equipment for the school. The more vouchers we can collect the better. Be sure to collect as many as you can from your family and friends. Vouchers will be available up until the 18th of April from Coles Supermarkets.



## WINTER UNIFORM



### Time is running out!

We need to be able to plan for next term. So we are asking if you would assess your student's Winter uniform needs and place your order with the office as soon as possible. As the girls pinafores/skirts are not off the rack items, we have to order them at least six weeks ahead.

## YEAR 3-6 CROSS COUNTRY

We haven't received the particulars for the district schools cross country at the Castlemaine Gardens but March 22 is coming up quickly. Students are encouraged to do some training at home as part of their preparation.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday March 12	Labour Day
Thursday March 22	Yr. 3-6 Cross Country
Tuesday March 27	Parent Teacher Interviews
Thursday March 29	End of Term One
Monday April 16	Term Two Begins

## DATES FOR 2018

### TERM 1

Monday March 12	Labour Day
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—Sydney—