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The Olivet News

KEN/TIM FLY OVER THE PACIFIC presence and His love for them, and commit their ways to Him and allow Him to reign over all aspects of their lives.

Against Ma-

laria" 55-day

world trip by

Ken Evers and

Tim Pryse is

well under way.

Since their

take-off last

Saturday they

have visited Wollongong, Norfolk Island, Samoa en route to their first "Reception" in Phoenix, Arizona.

We continue to pray for God's continued protection and safety for Ken and Tim along their journey and to bring God's blessings to many along the way

as well as encouragement and hope to those suffering from malaria throughout the world.

GOD'S PRESENCE IN OUR LIVES

We have begun our next Scripture passage for learning: Deuteronomy 6:1-9. This is a wonderful passage which puts God as the centre of our lives. God commands us to put Him first in all we think, say and act.

"The Lord our God is one LORD: And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might". verses 4-5

The Staff during our morning prayer-time prays for each family of Olivet on a rotating basis, and we want to see our families see success in their raising of their children.

Joshua says that the only real way to see success in life is to make time every day to read and meditate on God's Word, the Bible. Joshua 1:8 We pray that for each of our students that they will see success in their lives as they recognise God's

TOILET CLEANING

Over the past couple of weeks, we have seen a change of families looking after the cleaning of our toilets.

Thank you to Kathy Evans for your wonderful work in keeping the toilets clean for us for the past couple of years and to Trevor Kuhle (and Annette) more recently. It has been a real blessing to have the toilets kept clean for the students' use.

We want to thank Kathleen Ellison for taking over this important role.

HOT LUNCHES

Thank you to Emily and Bruce Hordern for preparing Hot Lunches for the Students and Staff each fortnight on a Friday, starting tomorrow. They will be very well received!

GRAMPIANS GETAWAY

The secondaries leave for their Grampians GetAway next Wed morning for their 3-day trip.

Mr and Mrs Steel, Mr Jackson (Qualified Outdoor Education Supervisor) and Mr Chapman will be walking with the students and Mrs Chapman will be available with her car as land crew. Mobile number for contact

Adrian Steel 0437 359 721

Phil Chapman 0437 360 085

The Bus will depart from BENDIGO Olympic Parade at 7.30am Wed 19th May and students are asked to arrive at OLIVET before 8.30am.

On Friday we plan to return to Olivet by 4.00pm and to Bendigo by 5.15pm.

BRING LUNCH FIRST DAY

Please bring a substantial lunch on the first day. Upon arrival at Olivet, students will receive their food for the trip.

MEDICAL FORMS AND PAYMENT OF \$30

Some families are still to return Medical Forms for the Grampians Trip to Mr Steel. Can this please be completed and sent to school tomorrow. \$30 cost to parents will be charged to family accounts unless it is paid directly.

SECONDARY SPORT

Please bring your Sports Uniform tomorrow.

Students will be walking up Mt Tarrengower in Maldon with their packs as preparation for the trip next week.

EXTRA FOOD ITEMS may be brought for snacks along the way but remember that everything you bring with you is extra weight on your back.

STUDENTS NOT GOING ON THE TRIP are advised that as staff will not be available to supervise them for those 3 days, we request that students work at home on these days please.

WHAT TO BRING (Please label all items clearly with your names).

Cooking stove, utensils and tents will be distributed between students and staff. Students will carry their own clothes, warm sleeping bag and sleeping mat and toiletries, plus 3 litres of water per person per day.

Each student will be given a waterproof plastic garbage bag to line their pack in case of wet weather.

The College will provide a more comprehensive first aid kit, shovel, small cooking stoves, fuel and saucepans. Tents have been arranged.

Please refer to the list attached to this Newsletter for Equipment to bring with you.

PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK for the FRASER GLEESON-SUTCLIFFE HARRIS and HARRISON Families.

USE OF DIARIES

It is very important that parents are asked to sign their students' diaries every night to check that students have completed the homework that is expected to be done.

It is also very important to check any communications from staff and to initial that parents have seen the note written.

We expect the students from Gamma class and Secondary students to be responsible for their diaries to be signed, but we ask parents to assist us in training the students to accept and to remember to be responsible in this matter.

WELCOME TO THE TURVEY FAMILY

Shaneece Turvey began in Beta class on Monday and we pray the family will be blessed as Shaneece settles into the routine of regular work and sees success in her learning.

STAFF APPOINTMENTS

Tracey Box has been appointed as the Staff Aide to assist students with their learning needs during mornings, particularly at the Yrs 3-5 levels.

Kylie Steel has also been appointed for Term 3 mornings to cover general office admin. while Mrs Revell takes Long Service Leave.

CURRICULUM DAY PLANNED

This is advance notice of a planned Curriculum Day on Monday 12th July (first day of Term 3).

Staff will be working on the Annual Curriculum Documents required by all Independent Schools, as well as continuing planning for the new Australian curriculum being implemented in 2012 at all year Levels.

Further to curriculum, staff are working on a submission in response to the draft Australian curriculum due by May 23, in the subject areas of Maths, English, History and Science.

P-2 KICKBALL DAY

ELC will be participating in the Interschool Kickball competition at Wesley Hill on Tuesday 25th May. This will be a fun day with children out of the school from 9.15 till early afternoon.

Sports Uniform is required to be worn on the day and supporters and helpers are welcome.

PERMISSION SLIP FOR P-2 SPORTS DAY

I give permission for _____
to participate in the ELC Kickball Day on Tuesday
25th May.

1. All families will be surveyed and provided with a personalised login.
2. AMC will independently collate survey results. AMC will independently provide a summary of collated results to the school leadership team.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN

COMMUNITY NOTICES

BADMINTON HAS COMMENCED

The Castlemaine Badminton Club would like to welcome Juniors Thursday nights from May 13 at 7.30pm to play social badminton.

Seniors will be playing Competition badminton also from May 13 at 7.30pm.

Don't forget our social Wednesdays which commence from 1.15pm to 3.15pm, which are good fun and very challenging.

For further enquiries, please contact Club President Graeme Jennings on 5472 1657, or 5470 5065.

SCHOOL SURVEYS

As part of our ongoing commitment to continuously improving the school, we believe it is critical to seek each school community member's opinion on a range of issues relating to Olivet.

Your feedback is very important to us as we continue to build a successful school and strengthen our reputation as an education provider.

As such, we have engaged the professional services of Access Management Corporation (AMC) to undertake a ***strictly private and confidential School Results Survey*** on our behalf. The survey should take approximately 10 - 15 minutes and will need to be completed online. There are no right or wrong answers and we ask that you respond honestly to each statement.

Please note that this survey will be **confidential**. No member of the leadership team at Olivet, including me, will have access to your individual responses. We will be provided with a summary of **collated** results only.

AMC will undertake the following process to ensure anonymity:
