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Briodie and Sarah: Piano Duet for Student Convention

HOLY BIBLE vs MOBILE PHONE

Ever wonder what would happen if we treated our Bible like we treat our mobile phone?

What if we carried it around in our purses or pockets?

What if we flipped through it several times a day?

What if we turned back to get it if we forgot it?

What if we used it to receive messages from the text?

What if we treated it like we couldn't live without it?

What if we gave it to our children as gifts?

What if we used it when we travelled?

This is something to think about where is my Bible?

Oh, and one more thing:

No dropped calls.

Unlike our mobile phone, we don't have to worry about our Bible being disconnected, because Jesus already paid the bill.

Makes you stop and think "where are my priorities?" **(Anonymous)**

VICTORIAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS REGIONAL ART EXHIBITION

In Bendigo this week and next there is an Art Exhibition in the Visual Arts and Design Building near Gate 8 at Latrobe Uni, Bendigo, showcasing the terrific artwork of students in Victorian Independent Schools. Art works from seven secondary students from Olivet were selected for the exhibition. Shaneece Turvey, Zoe Harris, Tristan West, Brooke Saligari, Joel Lourey, James Baxter and Ryan White (pictured top right).



Congratulations to all students on their art skills and to Ms. Browning on the very successful Studio Art course offered to our secondary students.

MATHLETICS

Staff this week have been given access to the Mathletics Website www.mathletics.com.au as a trial basis for numeracy and literacy assistance with a view to making this available to students both at school and at home for the remainder of this year and for 2012.

Students are able to access the site as soon as they receive their own individual user name and password either today or tomorrow. Students can access this password from their teacher.

RIO TINTO BIG SCIENCE COMPETITION RESULTS

Congratulations to the following four students for their awards as follows:

Rordan Ettridge-Brayshaw CREDIT

Maddison Kelly CREDIT

Justyn Walker CREDIT

Krysley Harris CREDIT

These were presented at Assembly this morning. Several others were very close to gaining Credit certificates.

The Olivet News

WELCOME TO THE AMY FAMILY

Maddison, Caleb and Ryan all began at Olivet this week and it is wonderful to have the family including Jacob and Rosemary as Dad and Mum with us. Jacob was an Olivet student in the 90's and we trust their time with us will be a real blessing to their whole family.

PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK for the RADNELL, TURVEY, THORPE and WALKER Families.

ROAD SAFETY PRESENTATION

During secondary Chapel yesterday Mr John Maher gave a very moving personal and family testimony of the loss of their youngest daughter, 18 yr-old Carmen, in a car accident.

It was a timely reminder to all the students as they near driving age (and to staff) to be aware of driver fatigue and its potential effects on drivers.

John has a real passion to pass this message on to schools and for the past 13 years has delivered this message to many students and staff.

PERFORMING ARTS WEEK THIS WEEK

This week has seen the secondary students in their final preparations for Victorian Student Convention next week in Rawson, near Moe.

Thank you Mrs Donaldson as Convention Co-ordinator for all your hard work and organization in leading up to Convention Week.

Thank you to the staff for the many hours of work required to have next week's Convention items and events well prepared for: Mrs Donaldson, Mr Price, Mrs Chapman, Mr Steel and Mr Chapman. Thank you also to the students for your co-operation and your planning towards next week. We pray it will be a wonderful week of blessing and encouragement for you all as one of the highlights of the school year!

ALL MEDICAL FORMS NEED TO BE RETURNED TO MRS DONALDSON BY TOMORROW.

BUS ARRANGEMENTS FOR NEXT WEEK

The Rosa bus from Strathfieldsaye will be travelling to Convention with the secondary students for the week. Therefore 2 cars (Evers and Nicholas) will bring the primary students from Strathfieldsaye to Olivet for all of next week. Thank you to both families for the use of their vehicles for the week.

THERE WILL BE NO NEWSLETTER NEXT WEEK.

CONVENTION CONCERT TOMORROW

Tomorrow from 1.30—2.20pm there will be a concert of items in preparation for next week. Parents, grandparents, other family members and friends are very welcome to join with us as part of the audience.

VOUCHERS FOR OLIVET

Thank you to all who have been diligently collecting either Coles or Woolworths vouchers for Olivet. The school has set a goal of 5,000 vouchers for Coles Sports for Schools, and after 7 weeks of collecting are up to 3432 vouchers, so we are well on the way.

The deadline for Woolworths Earn and Learn tokens is next Tuesday 18th October, so please bring any you still have at home.

You can keep track of our tally on www.woolworths.com.au.

IN HIS STEPS

The Year 8 students are studying this book for their Literature this term and on Monday 24th October after lunch, all secondary students will be viewing the film "What Would Jesus Do" a wonderful testimony to changed lives as it closely follows the book "In His Steps" by Charles Sheldon.

GOVERNMENT AND THE LAW

On Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th October Dr Dallas Clarnette will be running 4 sessions on how parliament works. All secondary students will be attending the sessions, which will be a wonderful opportunity to hear of the workings of government, the political parties and our democracy.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Castlemaine Cannons Basketball Association

Summer season commences on 17th October and finishes at the end of Term 1 2012.

Under 12 Boys and Girls up to Senior Men and Women.

Any queries please contact Tracey West 0418 742 562 or email traceywest414@hotmail.com

LITTLE ATHS MARYBOROUGH

Commences Friday 14 October

Time is from 5.20pm

Contact Alastair and Carlene Dowie 5464 1952

CONVENTION INFORMATION

Monday 17 October: For Convention students, the Rosa bus will be collecting the Bendigo secondary students from 130 Olympic Pde for departure at 5.30am sharp please.

All other secondary students are to meet at Olivet by 6.15am please. We will make a stop at Elphin-stone as soon after 6.30am as possible for students normally collected from that spot.

We would ask students who suffer from travel sickness to please take their tablets beforehand and to also bring them for the return trip next Friday.

Students who suffer from Asthma are requested to bring their ventolin/medication with them.

Friday 21 October: We plan to leave Rawson Convention Centre by 1pm, returning to Olivet by 6pm and Bendigo by 7pm.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR VICTORIAN STUDENT CONVENTION ALL NEXT WEEK

In order to give their best performances, we do want all students to be well rested before convention, so plenty of sleep is required both beforehand and during convention. We would recommend early nights on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights in preparation for the week.

We also expect students to be sensible with taking only small amounts of snacks for the week. We certainly do not starve at convention with generous meals provided along with morning and afternoon teas, but if you do wish to bring some snacks from home, please make them as healthy as possible.

Please pray for the week, that it will be a time for life-changing growth in students' lives as they learn, share their items, meet new friends and that all students will behave in a manner which honours God and themselves at all times.

WHAT TO BRING TO CONVENTION

Students are asked to wear their summer uniform on Monday please. Please bring your lunch and water bottle as there is no lunch provided on the first day. We will not be stopping near shops along the way.

Please bring your complete winter uniform, (including bow/tie) ironed, named and covered on a coat hanger.

Sports uniform, including BLACK shorts, must be packed. Sports day will be on Wednesday, WACKY HAT DAY. Please clean and polish your shoes before Monday.

Bring sleeping bag, pillow case, towel, toiletries, deodorant, pyjamas, thongs for shower, torch, camera, Bible, pen and paper.

Sunscreen, warm coat, hat from home for sports day. The weather can be very cool at this time of the year up in the mountains, but it can also get quite warm in the middle of the day.

Please bring all equipment for your items including Convention folder, props, costumes, puppets, scripts, Bible Bowl questions, music and musical instruments.

STUDENTS MUST NOT BRING MP3 PLAYERS, IPODS OR OTHER LIKE ITEMS. Mobile phones may be brought but will be limited to appropriate daytime use only, as a watch/camera/emergency. Internet Access is not permitted for the whole week, including on the bus trip to and returning from Rawson.

If parents wish to contact students urgently at Convention, please contact either Mary-Anne at the College initially, or ring Phil Chapman on 0437 360 085 or Cheryl Donaldson on 0448 398 856. The Landline phone at Rawson is 03 5165 3200 for emergencies only.

It is expected that students will not chew gum while at convention and will keep themselves respectably dressed at all times. eg shirts tucked in and wearing school uniform properly, showing respect for themselves and for Olivet.

Mrs Donaldson will be in charge of the girls and Mr Chapman will be in charge of the boys. Boys and Girls rooms will be in separate parts of the Centre. No boys will be permitted in or near girls' rooms and vice versa.

We expect that students will uphold the standards expected and will co-operate at all times. If not, students will be sent home at the family's expense.

As is normally the case, students will be expected to support one another in their events and to be an audience for them where possible.

Students and staff will be sitting together during evening rallies.

Phil Chapman
