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# The Olivet News

### FANNY CROSBY (Hymn Writer)

As a blind person, Fanny Crosby faced daily insecurity. That is why she found so much comfort in the Psalms, and why so many of her hymns point to the security we have in the Lord.

Like David in the desert, she sometimes felt alone and vulnerable. But she found comfort in the psalmist's figures of speech. In the words of scripture she prayed "hide me," and many psalms would come to mind (e.g., Psalm 17:8, 27:8, 31:20, 32:7). She seemed to focus on Psalms 62-64.

When we consider how the hand of God covers us, shielding us from harm, we can only express praise to God.

Fanny Jane Crosby (1820-1915)

### WELCOME

To little Khaleela Joy Nicholas, new baby girl for Ian and Pam Nicholas.

To Isaac Rungen who started in Gamma class on Monday this week.

May both Khaleela and Isaac know the joy of the Lord and His blessing in their lives.

### ARRANGEMENTS FOR NEXT WEEK

Tomorrow is the deadline for all work to be submitted for the term.

Work not completed satisfactorily by tomorrow will be completed next week in the students' own time and they will not achieve Honour Roll, nor be eligible for the trips planned, both for Primary and Secondary, unless special arrangements have been made for reasons of extended absence or on compassionate grounds.

Next week is the last week of term.

**Monday and Tuesday** will be normal

days for students but with some extra activities included at times, particularly for Secondary students as they plan for Convention. Secondary students are asked to bring sports uniform for Tuesday afternoon please.

### Wednesday is Honour Roll Day.

Students eligible for these trips must please read the accompanying notices to ensure they know the arrangements. Students who have not completed set work for the term are to come in school uniform on Wednesday to do so.

### Thursday is Parent / Teacher Day

and staff will be talking with each family regarding the progress of their students. NAPLAN results for Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 will also be given to parents. Parents are encouraged to bring students with them to their interview. Students who do not meet the Honour Roll requirements by tomorrow are expected to attend interviews.

It is interesting to note that while the results of NAPLAN were generally very encouraging for Olivet, it is only as students are at Olivet for a longer period of time that NAPLAN results increase significantly.

**Friday 23rd Sept is the last day for the term.** Students will come for a full day of school.

Parents, Grandparents and Friends are invited to come to a luncheon at 12.15pm. Families are asked to bring a large plate of finger food for lunch please.

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The Presentation Afternoon will be starting at 1.15pm and we encourage all parents and other family members to come and support the children and students in the presentation of character traits and awards for their diligent work this term.

**PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK** for the MITCHELL MOUNTFORD NICHOLSON and PATTERSON Families.

#### **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.

This will allow the school to purchase a set of pop up goals for the outside court and other needed sport equipment. Our tally at the end of the sixth week is 2,702. So, we are just over half way with only another four weeks to go to reach our goal.

Our tally for the Woolworths Earn and Learn is at 911, which you can keep track of at [www.woolworths.com.au](http://www.woolworths.com.au). The Woolworths Earn and Learn has been extended to the 18<sup>th</sup> of October.

Thanks again for supporting the school in this manner. It is a joy to see the students' excitement when they place their vouchers into the box.

#### **SUMMER UNIFORMS**

As the end of term is fast approaching it is time to check if your child/ren require any new uniforms for the start of Term 4. Please check length of dresses and condition of all uniforms so that all students return in acceptable uniforms.

If there is anything that may need to be ordered please notify the Office.

Secondary Students need to have both summer and winter uniforms ready for Convention in Week 2 of Term 4 so there is a need to make sure all winter items are accounted for as well.

**REMINDER that all unsold butterfly badges and monies need to be returned by this Monday. Thank you for your assistance in this very successful fundraiser for the deaf community.**

#### **PRIMARY HONOUR ROLL TRIP**

Our Term 3 Honour Roll excursion will be a mega-trip to the Kyabram Fauna Park. This will be held on the last Wednesday of term (21st Sept). We are looking forward to a great day with some of Australia's amazing animals.

Please note that all requirements for Honour Roll must be met. **Students who have not completed their work goals will be required at school on this day in uniform to complete work.**

We will depart on school buses from the College at 8.50 am and return at 3.10 pm. Children will need to wear sports uniform (and coats/hats if weather demands) and bring along lunch, snacks, drinks and necessary medications. The trip will be subsidised by the college with an \$8.00 cost per student levied to parent accounts.

#### **PERMISSION FORM PRIMARY H ROLL TRIP**

I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ to attend the Honour Roll Trip to Kyabram Fauna Park on Wednesday September 21<sup>st</sup>.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

#### **SECONDARY GIRLS' HONOUR ROLL TRIP**

On Tuesday 20th September the secondary girls will be having their Honour Roll in Bendigo. This term's celebration will be a PHOTO BOOTH & DINNER night! The photos will be taken by a professional photographer, [imagesbygail.com!](http://imagesbygail.com!)

Time - 4:00pm – 8:00pm

Castlemaine students will leave Olivet at 3.20pm to travel to Bendigo by car or bus. Bendigo students can be dropped off at 4.00pm Rosalind Park, Bendigo (near town clock end), and be collected from La Porchetta at 8.00pm.

Castlemaine students will return to Olivet around 8.45pm and can be collected from the school unless alternative arrangements are made beforehand.

Mrs Donaldson and Miss Brennan will be the teachers at this event.

The cost for the excursion is \$10.00 per student.

#### **PERMISSION FORM SEC GIRLS' H ROLL TRIP**

I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ to attend the Honour Roll Trip to Bendigo for the Photo Booth and Dinner Night on Tuesday September 20<sup>th</sup>.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

#### **SECONDARY BOYS' HONOUR ROLL TRIP**

Please see separate notice on accompanying sheet.

#### **A.C.E. VICTORIAN STUDENT CONVENTION**

Each student has been given a **PHOTOGRAPHY GUIDELINE** to assist them to take their photos. Please remember that all entries must have a thumb nail print of the photo. This helps the judges to know if the photo has been cropped.

All **ART ENTRIES and PHOTOS** need to be handed into Mrs Donaldson on the first day back next term, so they can be checked and labelled.

During Monday and Tuesday of Week 10 this term, the students will be writing out their Judges forms, so we can be prepared in Week 1.

Mrs Donaldson

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## **BAGS AND BIKES FOR AFRICA**

Castlemaine is helping children in Africa this month, sending over a huge container full of bikes, school bags, clothes and books at the end of September.

And it's easy to help, just have a look in your garage, shed, and around the house! Have you got an old bike (9yo plus) lying around? A pair of sneakers or school shoes you've grown out of that are still in good condition? Maybe some coloured pencils or a drawing book to spare? These things would mean a lot to our children, who have had nothing until now.

OrphFund is asking Castlemaine children to pack a backpack or a school bag with things for a child in Africa. The container will be shipped to Africa and then transformed into a library for the children.

We will come to your school to collect your bags and bikes on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> of September.

Any questions please call Arabella on 0419 566 081.

**OrphFund is a volunteer based organisation, based in Castlemaine, helping abandoned, orphaned and vulnerable children around the world, regardless of race or religion.**

**We run grass root, self sustaining, community projects, that provide shelter, nutrition, health care, support, education and training, ensuring all children have a happy and bright future.**

**Being purely volunteer based we are proud to ensure that 100% of any donation will reach children living in poverty. For more information go to <http://www.orphfund.org/drupal/>**