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*Presentation Night 2012 and
views from South Pacific
Convention in Fiji in Dec*

SCHOOL YEAR SOON TO GET UNDER WAY

Welcome to the new year and of course the school year is just around the corner. We have 9 new Prep students eager to come for their first day of school, along with several new students to Olivet for the very first time. We welcome them all and look forward to their coming.

Thank you to the Staff who have been busy preparing their classes and curriculum for the year ahead. This is the first year of the new Australian Curriculum in Maths, English, History and Science with

other subjects to follow soon.

This new year will hold many enjoyable times ahead for us all with no doubt more than a few varied challenges as well. We move into the year confident of God's rich grace in our lives and His Spirit and Peace to guide us on life's journey. May we all know God's abundant life-giving Spirit as we embark on this year.

All students return on Tuesday 29 Jan at 8.45am for the first day of school. Prep students will not be required at school for Wednesdays during Term 1.



The Olivet News



Parents are invited, and encouraged to come along for the first Assembly held for the year, and to stay for a light morning tea and a chat with other parents.

We welcome Mrs Elissa Weightman to Olivet as our new Secondary LOTE Teacher who will be teaching the students Indonesian Language. Primary students will continue to learn Auslan Sign Language with Mrs Chapman.

WORKING BEE TASKS

There are many tasks to achieve in making the College environment "spic and span" after the holidays and much of this is to do with sweeping paths, gardening, de-cobwebbing, clearing away fallen leaves, spreading soft-fall in the playground area, vacuuming change rooms, cleaning troughs and rooms, etc.

We would be thrilled if you could donate a couple of hours next week to help us complete the jobs that are outstanding.

Mrs Donaldson will be co-ordinating the clean-up on Tuesday-Wednesday this coming week so please ring her on 0448 398856 or 5472 3817 to let her know when you will be in.

Mr Chapman will be in Brisbane on ICCE matters for Monday and Tuesday.

SOUTH PACIFIC FIJI CONVENTION

As you can see the students and staff attending South Pacific Convention in Suva, Fiji did arrive back safely back home thanks to the hard work and perseverance of Mary-Anne Revell and others who assisted in transferring our flights to an earlier flight. Thank you for your love and care for us in arranging for us to be brought home safely, the day before Cyclone Evan hit Fiji.

There were other schools who were not quite so fortunate but who were able to assist in the clean-up following the cyclone.

PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK for the AMY BALZAN BAXTER and BENNETT Families.

UNIFORMS

Parents will be wanting to see Mrs Revell with uniform matters before the school year begins and next Thursday 24 Jan after 11am and Friday 25 Jan from 9am - 3pm will be the best days to see her.

girls are reminded of the need for black lace-up shoes or buckle shoes. Loose slip-ons or ballet shoes are not appropriate footwear for safe school use nor are they a good solid base for strong growing feet.

EVERYONE HEALTH AND FITNESS

Term 1 Sport will be an 8-week swimming program for Primaries starting on Tuesday 5 Feb running through till 26 March.

Secondaries will have their swimming program on Fridays commencing the first Friday (1st Feb) for 3 weeks. The House Swimming Sports will be held at Harcourt Pool on Friday 22 February.

FIRST SCRIPTURE FOR THE YEAR

Psalm 34:1 - 8

SILVER APPLE AWARDS FOR CONVENTION

The Bible Bowl Book for Study for this year's Victorian Student Convention in Term 4 is Jonah.

I want to encourage all of the Year 9 and 10 students (all of whom will be involved in the Bible Bowl competition) to get started and to see if they can memorise Jonah one chapter at a time for Convention.

REMINDER OF TERM DATES

Staff Days: Thurs 24 Jan All F/T and P/T Staff

Friday 25 Jan All F/T Staff, P/T as needed

Monday 28 Jan Australia Day Holiday

First day of school: Tues 29 Jan

Term 1: Tues 29 Jan - Thurs 28 March

Term 2: Wed 17 April - Fri 28 June

Term 3: Mon 15 July - Fri 20 Sept

Term 4: Mon 7 Oct - Thurs 12 Dec
