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



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*Mem and Tegan are buddies!*

*Mathletics Champions Ashley, Aston and Orin*

### PSALM 100 WHAT A GREAT ONE!

What a terrific Psalm to kick-start the Scripture memory for this term!

It is a real encouragement to count our blessings and to sing God's praises and to be thankful for all His many blessings He gives us daily.

"For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting; and His truth endureth to all generations." (verse 5)

Honour is the character trait which accompanies this Scripture and God is worthy of our honour and praise; He alone is worthy of all praise

"Be thankful unto Him and bless His Name" (verse 4)

### CHAPEL

This morning John Mackay, the International Director of Creation Research spoke to the students about Creation, archeological diggings around the world, including Australia, and verses in Genesis about the goodness of God. More information about Creation Research can be found on [www.creationresearch.net](http://www.creationresearch.net)

He can also be heard on Vision Radio at 7.40am each Tuesday on The Journey with Matt and Karen.

**PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK** for the McCOY McKAY and McKENZIE Families.

### CONVENTION PREPARATION

Convention preparation is a big priority this term. It is good to go to the website [www.scee.edu.au](http://www.scee.edu.au) and under school services find the section Student Convention, scroll down to find the Convention

guidelines. Study them carefully to ensure that items fit the guidelines, including photography, art/craft/ essay writing, etc.

Please make every effort to complete items well ahead of time to avoid the last minute rush towards the end of Term 3.

Mrs Donaldson is the Convention Coordinator and will help you with any questions relating to the guidelines.

### TOP MATHLETICS STUDENTS

Awards were made to 3 students at the end of Term 3 for their outstanding work efforts in Mathletics over the duration of Semester One.

These students mastered the most activities - to master an activity means to gain a score of 85% or above.

**ORIN McKAY** 80 activities mastered  
**ASTON WILSON** 76 activities mastered  
**ASHLEY LACEY** 62 activities mastered

### THE CHAPMANS ARE ON LEAVE

Phil and Jan Chapman are currently taking some Long Service Leave and depart for the Gold Coast for 3 weeks next Tuesday. They will return to Olivet for Week 6 (Mon 19 August).

We welcome back Mr John Dubbeld who will be taking Mr Chapman's Maths and Science classes while he is away.

There will be no Primary Auslan classes while Mrs Chapman is away.

Mrs Donaldson is Acting-Principal whilst Mr Chapman is away.

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## 2013 INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS (VIC) PARENT SATISFACTION SURVEY

29 July to 30 August

This survey will be forwarded to families by email or via the school envelope. We would appreciate it if you could complete the survey. The email/letter explains the reasons for the survey and why it is important. Thank you for your assistance.

### ELC NEWS

We are looking for a picture story book from the Castlemaine library. The title is- *999 tadpoles find a new home*. If this book has made it to your house would you please send it back to school.

### ELC

The students in the ELC are studying the topic of MOVING for the first part of this term. We will be looking at human movement, words to describe how animals move, energy, sport, machines and toys. Later in the term the Grade 1 and 2 children will have a focus on Australian Animals and do some simple project research (with lots of help). Let me encourage all of the ELC parents with the progress being made in reading and stress again the importance of regular home reading and the enormous benefit good reading makes to school, learning and life.

### SECONDARY LITERATURE

The Secondary students will be reading or viewing the following books/DVD that align with their study in History.

**Year 7 The Prince of Egypt.** Students have viewed the DVD and are now writing a Dramatic Monologue which they will deliver to the class in Week 3.

**Year 8 The Dawn of Hawaii—The Spoils of Eden.** There will be a writing journal to complete and a project for this book.

**Year 9 Australian Poetry—Henry Lawson and Banjo Paterson.** Students will be choosing a poem from either of these Australian Poets and completing a poetry analysis. These poets lived during Federation.

**Year 10—The Rug Maker of Mazar-e-Sharif.** This book is about a refugee from Afghanistan. The students will complete a journal and project.

### SECONDARY HISTORY

The Secondary students are continuing their study from the Australian Curriculum (History) about the following topics:

**Year 7** Ancient Egypt

**Year 8** Polynesian Expansion

**Year 9** Federation

**Year 10** Rights and Freedoms 1945 to the present

### Gamma 5/6 General Studies Topics:

Our topics in General Studies in Gamma 5/6 this term begin with a Science Inquiry into the life of 'Plants'. We will be carrying out some experiments and drawing some conclusions from our testing concerning the characteristics of plants.

We will then complete our major project on 'Our Nation'. Here we will look at a 'Famous Australian' and hopefully draw on some of the things we saw in Canberra. We will conclude the term with a creative look at 'Transport' incorporating some art work into this topic.

### WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

A quick reminder to all students and parents to do a last minute round up of any stickers that may be lying around the house. The stickers must be redeemed by the 26 July. Therefore all stickers need to be brought to school no later than Monday 22 July. Thanks again for your efforts and assisting the school in this way. I will have a final tally in next weeks newsletter.

### APPLIED FIRST AID COURSE – YEAR 9/10

This term the Year 9/10 students are studying first aid for their health class. As part of their assessment, the students will be enrolled into a first aid course. This first aid course is delivered by a local Allen's qualified trainer. The course will be conducted at school over a four week period. The classes will start this Tuesday from 11am to 1pm and continue until week five. Please make sure you submit the \$35 payment to the school before the course commences.

### MATHS HOMEWORK CLUB

The Maths homework club will be commencing today. This club is run by Mr. Steel. The aim is to assist students who may require extra help on their Maths or provide them with an opportunity to focus on areas for improvement. The homework club runs from 3:15 to 4:00pm after school.

