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Tarkyn and Kyle step it out in the Cross Country on Tuesday CHARACTER-BUILDING

Thrifty has been the character trait we have been focussing on these past three weeks in Chapel times on Wednesdays. We have looked at stories from the Bible and from our own experience where wise use of resources has been shown, and not wasted, so that others may be blessed by their thrift.

We mentioned the boy with the five loaves and 2 fish, which Jesus used to bless the multitudes with food; the parable of using your "talents" wisely to be productive in our lives; and Joseph using the 7 good years to store up enough grain for the 7 drought years, so he could help those who were in need.

We have talked about the need for us on a school level to be careful to recycle what we can and not to place in the blue recycling bin what we can't recycle.

There are many aspects of character that grow out of being thrifty—resourceful, generous, attentive, caring, consideration, flexibility, initiative, creativity, helpfulness. Phil Chapman

SPECIAL WORKSHOP WITH SIMON CAMILLERI & BACKYARD BARD

The Backyard Bard is coming to the Castlemaine Church of Christ, 66 Blakeley Road, on Sunday 29th May.

Simon Camilleri will be bringing a dramatized presentation of the Book of Philippians in the 10.30am morning service, then holding a Workshop in the afternoon from 1pm—4pm.

This is an exciting opportunity for students to be involved and a great preparation for Student Convention to be held

Year 7 Technology Electronics later this year.

Cost is \$15 per person and we do need to know final numbers tomorrow please. Please let Mr Chapman know of your interest in attending.

SECONDARY EXCURSION TO THE TUTANKHAMUN EXHIBITION Monday 23rd May, 2011

Thank you to those students who returned their permission slips promptly. Could all other students, please return them by **TOMORROW.** Thank you. Mrs Donaldson

SECONDARY HISTORY CLASSES

This term, the Year 7 students are studying **Ancient Egypt** and we are sure they will enjoy the exhibition next Monday at the Melbourne Museum.

The Year 8 students are continuing their study on **Medieval History** and the Year 9 students are completing an Australian History PACE as well as working on their **Living in War Times Project**

ENGLISH LITERATURE

The **Year 7** students are reading *Little One, Maid of Israel* and are due to hand in their journal on Monday 6th June. The models are due in on Monday 20th June.

The **Year 8** students are reading *Michael Faraday*. The journals are due in on Friday 3rd June, and the project on Friday 17th June.

The **Year 9** students are reading *God's Smuggler* and their Book Review is due in on Friday 17th June.

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YEAR 9 'LIVING IN WAR TIMES PROJECT'

The Year 9 students had a successful morning at the Castlemaine Historical society listening to two speakers and learning what resources were available for their research at the Historical Society. The Mt Alexander Shire Project provided morning tea for the students and chicken and chips for lunch. The students enjoyed their lunch.

We would like to give a special thank you to Mr Steel, Mrs Revell and Mrs Chapman for providing transport to and from the venue. Thank you Mrs Chapman for collecting our lunch too! Mrs Donaldson

YEAR 9 FOOD TECHNOLOGY CLASSES

Over the past two weeks, the Year 9 students have made small vegetable pasties as a snack and Chicken and Chorizo Hot Pot. Both these recipes were a 'hit' with the students. Next week we will be making Amaretti cheesecakes with cherries and strawberries . These are small cheesecakes made in muffin tins. They sound delicious!

Mrs Donaldson

SECONDARY SCIENCE UNITS THIS TERM

Year 7 students are studying Plants, Cells and Genes this term and are working very well. We have looked at Inherited Traits through the generations and are about to grow some "indoor" plants over the next month!

The Year 8 class is studying rocks, Minerals and disturbances in the Earth's Surface and looking at volcanoes and earthquakes. Today students studied rocks and minerals to identify them more easily.

Year 9 students have begun their work on the Scientific Method, Significant Figures and then looking at Nutrition and Disease.

YEAR 5 and 6 CANBERRA TRIP

A very successful trip to Canberra last week. A big thank you to the staff and parents who assisted: Mr Nicholas, Mrs Chapman, Mr Hordern and Mrs Mitchell.

PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK for the KUHLE LOUREY and both of the LACEY Families.

CROSS COUNTRY FUN RUN

Gamma and **Delta** students ran the interschool cross country run on Tuesday and achieved some terrific results:-

Year 6 Boys: Jonathon Gibson 16th Year 5 Boys: Joshua Mitchell 20th

Year 4 Boys: Kyle Evers 4th Tarkyn Balzan 18th

William Lyne 19th

Year 3 Girls: Allycia Cox 22nd Year 3 Boys: James Critchley 22nd Well done to all students for their efforts.

GIRLS' WINTER UNIFORM

The Executive decided on Monday night's meeting to move to black tights rather than grey. Obviously there will be a changing over period this winter, but for Secondary Convention in Term 4, we would need all girls to be in black tights then. any queries please see Mrs Revell.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT

"The Living Room" Youth Service:by the young people for the young people Castlemaine Church of Christ Friday 20th May 7pm.

Come along to experience worship, encouraging testimonies, fun and friendship with supper to follow.

REACHOUT ENTERPRISES LTD, the company which runs Olivet Christian College, held its AGM last Tuesday evening.

Thank you for the support of the members of Reachout and we appreciate the opportunity to inform the members of the position of the College over the past 12 months. As we look to the exciting times ahead we seek the Lord and His sustaining power and presence as we continue to meet the needs of, and to teach and to train the students in Christian Education.



