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*A productive Buddies session, Year 10
Sci Prac making Puff Mobiles, Gamma
AFL Nines*

MAKING WISE DECISIONS

Proverbs is so full of wisdom - every verse that is acted on is a step towards maturity and growing Godly character.

"The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, King of Israel.

To know wisdom and instruction, to perceive the words of understanding."

Proverbs 1:1-2

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not unto your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will direct your paths. Be not wise in your own eyes - fear the Lord, and depart from evil."

Proverbs 3: 5-7

We make so many decisions each day!

How do we make sure our decisions are wise?

In encouraging our children to make wise decisions it is good to ask yourself these two questions:

1. How will I feel after I have made this decision? Our actions become history as soon as we have made them, but our thoughts about them continue to shape our future. **"Carefully guard your thoughts because they are the source of true life."** Proverbs 4: 23

Children with self-respect and self-worth are much less likely to engage in unwise decisions, and so encourage them to grow in the knowledge they are children of God, with unique gifts and talents. Encourage them to find God's purposes for them and to seek Him with their whole heart.



2. How will the people I value feel about me after this decision?

The trust and respect of others is always needed to succeed. Reputation and character is more important than riches, even in the secular marketplace.

"A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favour rather than silver and gold." Proverbs 22:1

A negative reputation is difficult to shake off. Furthermore, the short-term benefits of making poor decisions lead to long-term losses and regrets, whereas the life lived in union with Christ leads to life in its fullness, **"Blessed is the pure in heart, for they shall see God."** Matthew 5:8

Purity in the heart produces power in the life!

PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK for the BENNETT BIGNOUX and BODNO Families.

GAMMA SPORT

Next Monday sees the Gamma students travel to the Campbells Creek oval for the second week of special training in AFL Nines.

AFL Nines is a nine-a-side competition where players have to stay in their third of the ground and only touch tackling is permitted.

KANGAROO FLAT BUS RUN

From this coming Monday Mr Brad Gawthrop will be on leave for 4 school weeks and so will not be able to accept text messages or phone calls relating to bus travel during this time. Please phone or text Mr Chapman on 0437 360 085 with any messages during this time. Phil will be sharing the driving responsibilities with Mr Ken Geyer from Bendigo.

Brad will return to bus driving on Monday morning 14 October.

FATHERS' DAY STALL TOMORROW

Don't forget our Father's Day Stall tomorrow morning for all students to purchase gifts for their Dads, Grand-dads and special male family friends.

As a staff, we always enjoy watching the students' enthusiasm as they select their gifts and work out their finances.

Prices will be between \$1 and \$6 and all funds raised will contribute towards the Olivet Camping and Excursion Program.

ADIDAS SCHOOL FUN RUN

I trust your fundraising efforts are well on the way as we are entering our third week. Please do not forget that you have until Friday 13 September to submit your sponsor book and money raised.

If you did not already know, the school has activated its online fundraising account. This means that you can log onto the school fun run website, create your very own online fundraising account and have family and friends sponsor you all around the globe. If you are unsure of the process please do not hesitate to ask Mr. Steel.

The details of the event are as follows:

When: Wednesday 4 September
11 – 2pm

Where: Castlemaine Botanical Gardens

What to bring: Deck Chair
Snacks
Water Bottle

All students need to wear their sports uniform for the day. A barbeque lunch will be provided on the day after the second race. Parents and family members, please feel welcome to come along and cheer on the students. Also please let us know if you are interested in helping out on the day.

LEARNING ABOUT INDONESIA THROUGH SKYPE

On Wednesday this week, the Year 9 and 10's enjoyed a unique experience of Skyping some of Mrs. Weightman's friends in Indonesia.

Students tried out their Indonesian speaking and listening skills and also spoke in English as they chatted about their daily lives and discovered many things about life in Indonesia. We are hoping to do more of these Skype conversations in the future as opportunity arises.

It is a fantastic opportunity for students to practise their language with native speakers and to build relationships between Australians and Indonesians.

FEDERAL ELECTION

You may be interested to see how all of the political parties stand on different issues in light of our federal election on Sept 7 – see the Christian values checklist at <http://www.christianvalues.org.au/index.php/checklists/current-elections>

INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS (VIC) PARENT SATISFACTION SURVEY 2013 29 July to 30 August

We would appreciate it if you could complete the survey. Thank you for your assistance. The link to complete this survey is:

<http://research.is.vic.edu.au/index.php?r=survey/index/sid/328722/lang/en>
