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### *Maths Awards to Zoe Harris and Kris Evers*

### **WHAT A BIG WEEK!**

We are so thankful to God for the many blessings that He brings to the College. We can see a few of these blessings here - student achievements, purchase of a new bus for the Kangaroo Flat Run, excitement of the creek running 'through' Olivet, Gingerbread houses made in Food Tech and Mrs Ellison bringing in cupcakes, surrounded by ELC students.

As we draw near to the end of the school year, we give thanks to God for the growing and learning opportunities we have seen the students accepting as well as the challenges they have overcome with God's help and character.

It is good to reflect on some memorable achievements and to plan for the year ahead in 2011.

**Jeremiah 29:11** "For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope."



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## DATES FOR THE DIARY

### Friday 3rd December

Due date for classwork and completion of work requirements for Term 4

**Monday 6th December** (Students are not required at school except if required for interviews)

Report Collating & Interview Day (If you wish to make an appointment with your child's teacher please arrange before Monday).

### Monday 6th December

6pm Secondary Formal Dinner at Bendigo Mexican Kitchen (opp. McDonalds). Cars leave Olivet 5.15pm.

### Tuesday 7th December

Honour Roll Day.

**Students who have not completed their term's work requirements are expected to attend school in school uniform to complete their outstanding work.**

### Wednesday 8th December

Morning classes and clean-up.

Full dress-rehearsal of the Musical Fish Tales in the afternoon for the Primary students.

Afternoon sport for the secondaries—please bring your sports uniform.

### Thursday 9th December

All students must attend the rehearsal at the Castlemaine Church of Christ at 9am in correct summer uniform please.

Normal bus runs will operate for the morning leaving at the normal time and go directly to the church. Bus runs will do the return trip leaving the church at 12 noon and arriving at their destinations at approx. 12.30pm and Maryborough at 12.45pm.

Students will need to bring a water bottle and some morning tea on Thursday for their break.

**11am Morning Presentation** for presentation of term 4 awards and certificates. All welcome.

**Reports and 2010 Magazines will be given to parents following the Morning Presentation. If you are not able to attend on the morning please write a note or send an email to allow your students to collect these for you on the day.**

**12.30pm Staff/Executive luncheon at Saffs**

**6.45pm Presentation Night** (students are asked to please be at the church at 6.30pm).

### Friday 10th December

Staff Day (no students required)

### Sunday 12th December

Students and staff leave for South Pacific Student Convention at Phillip Island.

## CONVENTION DVDs FOR SALE

Larry Gunn, Principal of Mt Carmel Christian School in Wodonga, has produced DVDs of each of the Evening rallies at the recent Victorian Student Convention. If you would like to purchase any or all of these, they are selling for \$5 each. Please contact Mrs Revell in the Office.

**PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK** for the HARRISON HORDERN JOHNSTON and KUHLE Families.

## FROM THE EXECUTIVE

The new bus BCI 33-seater will be available as from the start of the school year from Kangaroo Flat and will be a wonderful asset to the College. The Rosa will then move to the Strathfieldsaye run and the Coaster will move to the Maryborough run.

Ken Evers has tendered his resignation, effective immediately, from Reachout Executive due to family commitments. Ken has been a wonderful asset to the Olivet Executive over these past 4 years with his wisdom and insight, and this will be a huge loss to the school community. God bless you Ken!

The Executive has completed the interview process for the new Primary 3/4 class and are pleased to announce that Mr Steven Nicholas will be commencing in this role at the beginning of the school year. We welcome Steven and his family to the school community and trust it will be a time of great blessing and fruitfulness for all concerned.

**SECONDARY SPORT** tomorrow will be Curves for the girls and Cricket for the boys. Please bring your correct sports uniform and your drink bottle.

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## **SECONDARY HONOUR ROLL Mon Dec 6th**

Students and Staff will be attending the Annual Formal Dinner (6-9pm) to be held at the Mexican Kitchen in Bendigo (opposite McDonalds). Cost is \$18. Transport will be available from Olivet for those students in Castlemaine and local areas. If you need a lift to Bendigo please book with Mrs Donaldson. Cars will leave Olivet at 5.15pm. Students will return to Olivet by 9.45pm.

## **PRIMARY HONOUR ROLL Tues Dec 7<sup>th</sup>.**

All students on Honour Roll will travel to Ballarat by school bus to visit 'Funbugs' an indoor activity centre.

This will be followed by a picnic lunch at Lake Wendouree. Students are asked to bring a picnic lunch, snacks and drinks for the day.

The buses will depart from school at 9 am and return at the normal dismissal time.

Students will wear their sport uniforms and should bring sunscreen if the day is to be warm. The cost for the day is \$4 and will be added to parents' accounts.

It should be a great day to round off a brilliant year at Olivet!

Please fill in the permission slip and return to school tomorrow.

## **PERMISSION FORM FOR PRIMARY HROLL**

I give permission for ..... to travel to Ballarat for the Fun Bugs Day on Tuesday December 7th as outlined above.

Parent/Guardian.....

## **PRIMARY MUSICAL REHEARSAL**

Could all E.L.C. and Gamma students please bring their named costumes for "Fish Tales" in a named plastic bag by tomorrow please (Friday 3rd). They will be kept at school until Wednesday 8th when we will transport them to the Church of Christ for the full dress rehearsal.

Could all permission slips for the Rehearsal on Wednesday please be returned to teachers by tomorrow. Thank you all.

## **PERMISSION FORM FOR PRIMARY MUSICAL REHEARSAL AT CASTLEMAINE C of C**

I give permission for ..... to travel to Castlemaine Church of Christ on Wed afternoon 8th Dec for the Primary Musical Rehearsal.

Parent/Guardian.....

## **SOUTH PAC STUDENT CONVENTION**

Could all students going to SouthPac please bring their art and craft entries to school on Friday (tomorrow) with their completed judges forms and place them on the tables in the Assembly area ready to be packed.

## **BUS ARRANGEMENTS FOR SOUTH PAC**

Mr and Mrs Chapman will be driving the students to Phillip Island in the Rosa Bus on Sunday 12 December. Bendigo students (John Brown and Jacob Seears) will catch the 11.38am train to Castlemaine. All other students will meet at the Chapmans (Berkeley Street, opp Bowling Green) at 11.45am. We will then meet the Bendigo students at the station at 12 noon and leave from there.

We are very sorry this intrudes into Sunday morning worship time but we have no other alternative and we must arrive at Phillip Island by 4pm.

**Students are required to bring their lunch with them on Sunday please.**

Students will be travelling home on Friday 17 December, to arrive in Castlemaine at approx. 6pm and Bendigo 7pm.

## **WHAT TO BRING TO SOUTH PAC**

Students are asked to pack both winter and summer uniforms on coat hangers and covered by plastic ( and named). Please include tie and bow, clean black shoes, school jumper.

Students are to wear neat casual clothes on the Sunday please. Please bring your lunch and a water bottle with you.

Sports uniform, including Black shorts, Goofy hat for Athletics Day on the Wed, sunscreen and warm coat

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Sleeping bag, pillow case, towel, toiletries, deodorant, pyjamas, thongs for shower, torch, camera, Bible, pen and paper.

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Please bring all equipment for your items including your Convention folder, props, costumes, puppets, scripts, Bible Bowl questions, music and musical instruments.

**NO RADIOS, IPODS, WALKMANS, EARPLUGS** or any like devices. Student mobile phones will only be available for appropriate use during the daytime.

Contact can be made with Phil Chapman 0437 360 085 and Jan Chapman 0402 091126

#### **LAST NEWSLETTER FOR THE YEAR**

School starting dates for 2011 will be:-

**Staff days Thurs 27 Jan/Friday 28 Jan**

**Students start Term 1 on Mon 31 Jan**

Prep students will be 4 days per week in Term 1 (no school on Wednesdays for preps)

**Parents wishing to organize uniforms, pay fees etc for the start of the year will be able to do so on the Thurs and Friday prior to students starting term.**

**Thank you to all Reachout members,** particularly the Executive members, for being prepared to make the tough decisions and for your commitment to work on behalf of, and for the benefit of the College.

**Thank you to all staff, both full-time and part-time, class assistants and aides,** for your careful and deliberate guidance and direction of the students' lives. This is a huge calling and we thank you for your willingness to work in God's ministry of training up children and young people to be strong Christian leaders with a heart for God and others.

**Parents and other family members—**thank you for your support and encouragement of your children to always give of their best in all they do.

**Students who are leaving Olivet—**may you take with you a desire to do God's best and to know God's purposes for you, to acknowledge God in all your ways and to seek to please God in all you are as a person.

**Students generally—**may you know God's blessing over the holiday period, refreshment and safe and happy times with family and friends.

**Thank you to Barb Anderson** for your assistance in ELC class this year on a regular basis.

**Thank you also to Jemima Box** for your assistance during Term 4 in Beta class.

**Thank you to Trevor and Annette Kuhle, Kathy Evans, Kathleen and Michael Ellison, Heath and Amanda Bourdon** for your cleaning of the College and toilets this year, **Thank you also to Heath and Hugh Austin** for lawns and maintenance throughout the year.

**Thank you to our faithful bus drivers, Brad Gawthrop, Kim Evers, Tim Lacey and Peter Chaffey** for your safe driving and protection of student bus travellers.

Thank you for the privilege of working with the whole school community in leading the College.

May all know the blessing of knowing Jesus as Saviour and Lord at this special Christmas time and the joy He brings to all because of His gift of Himself to us.

**Phil Chapman**