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



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*National schools' tree-planting day last Friday along Campbells Creek*

### FACING THE GIANTS

We all have some things in our lives that are less than pleasant, scary in fact, or even fill us with fear and a desire to run the other way.

Caleb and Joshua were part of the team who went to check out the promised land for the people of Israel. While all the others came back to Moses and the people of Israel with complaints, saying the giants were too big for them, these two brave men came back with a positive message of how wonderful the land was, full of fertile soil and profitable for them. They chose to overlook those things that would bind them and paralyse them and look at what God had placed them there for.

We also are encouraged to constantly remind ourselves that on our own, things can look daunting, but with God to guide us through, all things are possible.

Whether it be a tough Maths Test, or a time-consuming work requirement to complete, or getting ready for a new situation which is a bit scary, be strong and courageous as Caleb and Joshua were and see it through. Never take your eyes off the purpose God has for you.

Mr Chapman

**Work as if it were your first day -  
Forgive as soon as possible;  
Love without boundaries.  
Laugh a lot, and never stop smiling!**

Source unknown

**PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK** for the  
COX CRITCHLEY DAHL and DAVIS  
Families.

### AUSLAN CLASSES THIS TERM

In Primary Auslan classes so far this term, we have been learning to sign the colors of the Olympic rings and the signs for the names of some of the Olympic sports.

### IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2012

**Term 4 starts Monday October 8th**

### Secondary Performing Arts Week

**October 8-12** – all secondary students will be rehearsing for Convention items.

**Victorian Inter-School Student Convention will be held at Rawson near Moe October 15-19**

**Thursday December 6th**

11am Presentation Morning where awards are presented for Term 4 – all families and friends are invited to attend

**Thursday December 6th**

7pm Presentation Night where annual awards are presented – all families and friends are invited to a special climax of our school year.

**School continues to run for the week from Monday 10 - 14 December.**

**SOUTH PACIFIC STUDENT CONVENTION** Group of secondary students leave for Fiji on Sat December 8th with Mr and Mrs Chapman as teachers in charge.

**(They return on Mon 17 Dec)**

### WELCOME TO ANNALIESE TOLLEY

who began at Olivet today in Year 3. (Annaliese is Jay's sister) We know there will be several girls who will be eager to help you to settle in quickly and well to your new school routines. May God bless you Annaliese as you begin with us here at Olivet.

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## STAFF AND PARENT CAR PARKING

Staff have been discussing the parking of staff cars and the congestion that is often seen between 8.30 - 8.45am every morning as parents drop their children to school.

We have decided to try something different and we trust it will reduce the congestion during the morning particularly.

The Maryborough Coaster Bus will be parked at the front of the school along with the Strathfieldsay Rosa Bus enabling more easy access to the parking bay alongside the main building.

Staff who park their cars along this bay do so by 8.15am and so this allows access for parents to use this turn-in bay as a DROP-OFF ZONE for their children. Students would then move quickly to the nearest entry gate.

We want to try this and see if this reduces the congestion in the mornings. Please note that if you are using this facility, please respect those drivers coming in behind you and use it only as a quick drop-off zone and to move on quickly.

## COMMUNITY NOTICE

Mid-Winter Fun Day Celebrating Community Resilience

FREE HOT LUNCH

Campbells Creek Community Centre

SATURDAY 11th August

Noon - 4pm

Music & Fun for all ages

SES Sandbagging Demonstrations

CFA Fire Ready Information

RSVPs for catering appreciated to Kate Clifford  
5471 1700

## AUSTRALIAN MATHS COMPETITION

Today all secondary students participated in the Australian Maths Competition, a great opportunity to tackle challenging questions more of a problem-solving nature.

Life is a lot about developing problem solving skills in many different settings, and we encourage all students to develop success in this area of learning.

## OUTDOOR EDUCATION TRIP

Don't forget to keep up that walking routine as we are only 2 weeks away from our walk. We will be walking approx. 20 km per day so we do require a level of fitness which everyone is capable of reaching with a little effort.

## REFLECTION: THE OLYMPIC TORCH

**The Olympic Flame, Torch and Relay** draw on a history going back to the ancient Olympic Games in Greece.

The Torch and Relay were important elements of the cultural festivals surrounding the Olympic Games of Ancient Greece.

During the Games, a sacred flame burned continually on the altar of the goddess, Hera.

In addition, heralds were summoned to travel throughout Greece to announce the Games, declaring a sacred truce for the duration.

**The modern Games:** A very precise ritual for the lighting of the Flame is followed at every Games. It is lit from the sun's rays at the Temple of Hera in Olympia.

After a short relay around Greece, the Flame is handed to the new host city at another ceremony in the Panathenaiko stadium in Athens.

The torch relay in the new host nation spreads the message of peace, unity and friendship, arriving to light the flame at the opening ceremony.

## CHOCOLATES

Thank you to all the families and students who have taken the opportunity to sell the chocolate frogs to raise funds for secondary students attending the Convention in Fiji in December.

Students who are attending the Convention are raising funds for their expenses. Any other boxes sold have the profits pooled and shared across all Convention attendees to offset expenses.

If you still have boxes that have unsold chocolates, please do your best to complete the box and to return outstanding monies to Mrs Revell as soon as you can. There are more chocolates on the way (possibly tomorrow).

## CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE

All parents who have claimed the Conveyance Allowance previously do not need to fill in another form unless their address has changed. If your address has changed and you have not notified the office please let Mary-Anne know on 5472 3817 asap and she will send you a new form. If you live further than 4.8km from the College and you did not lodge a Claim Form for travel in Semester 1 please ask for a Claim Form now. You may be eligible.

## EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE

### Instalment Two

The Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) is provided to assist eligible families with the costs associated with the education of their children. Parents and guardians may be eligible for the EMA if they have a valid Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card.

Parents and guardians who lodged an EMA application at the beginning of the year do not need to lodge another EMA application to receive the sec-

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ond payment. Parents/Guardians whose children have transferred to this school since 28 February 2012 will need to submit a new EMA application form. Applications close on 5 August 2012.

### **CASTLEMAINE DISTRICT T-BALL DAYS**

Castlemaine District Schools T-Ball Competition is coming up on Wednesday 15 August for Gamma 5/6 students and on Thursday 16 August for the Delta 3/4 class.

Students will travel to the Wesley Hill Sports Ground by school bus and arrive in time for the planned 10am start.

Teams play at least 5 games, with the Years 5/6 students having a Finals Play-off.

Activities will be completed around 2pm and students will return to Olivet.

Students will need to wear sports uniform and bring along lunch, snacks, a drink and clothing appropriate for a day outside. Parents are most welcome to join us for the day.

### **PERMISSION FORM (T-Ball Competition)**

I give my permission for \_\_\_\_\_  
to attend the District Schools T-Ball Competition to  
Wesley Hill on Wed 15 August (Gamma 5/6)/Thurs  
16 August (Delta 3/4)

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SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN

**We do not segment our lives, giving some time to God, some to our business or schooling, while keeping parts to ourselves. The idea is to live all of our lives in the presence of God, under the authority of God, and for the honor and glory of God. That is what the Christian life is all about.**

**R.C. Sproul**

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