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Year 7 Gingerbread Houses; Grade 3/4 Instrumental Ensemble; Orientation Day Prep students with Mrs Evers.

FAITH CHOICES

Joshua 24:15 reminds us to choose for ourselves whom we will serve. . . .

Good decision-making is the key to a happy life. But good decision-making is not a skill some of us are naturally blessed with. Courage, education or the ageing process don't automatically produce better decision-makers.

Spending time with good decision-makers is wise, but it doesn't necessarily rub off on you. And the earlier parents teach this skill to their children, the better, as in Proverbs 22:6.

So teach your children the following principles:-

The consequences you get are the result of the choices you make.

Let your children know it's not their circumstances, but decisions they make about them, that govern their lives. You may think your children know this, but they don't usually have the "cause and effect" wiring in their brains until late adolescence.

You will always have options.

Children commonly feel powerless when reacting to negative circumstances. They tend to be "either/or" thinkers, concluding that things are either all good or all bad. Teach them "both/and" thinking, because things can be bad yet you can choose to make good decisions about them.



"Either/or" thinking frequently produces children who may become pessimistic, disempowered, easily manipulated, depressed adults. Knowing they always have good options prevents circumstances from dictating their lives.

BUT AS FOR ME AND MY HOUSE, WE WILL SERVE THE LORD.

(Adapted from The Word For Today Wed March 6 2013 Bob & Debby Gass)

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

STAFF DINNER LAST THURSDAY

Last Thursday night, Olivet celebrated World Teachers' Day (WTD) when the Olivet Reachout Board, and all our teaching and ancillary staff met together for dinner and a special time of fellowship.

WTD acknowledges the efforts of teachers in an increasingly complex, multicultural and technological society.

The Olivet News

We have a great sense of unity amongst the staff who are all passionate, dedicated and committed to their tasks.

Our teaching staff are caring and attentive to the individual needs of each child desiring for them to learn to their optimum ability and to reach their God-given potential. Thank you for your tireless work both in the classroom and at home when you are preparing lessons or marking work.

And to all the staff, thank you for the opportunity to work amongst you and to have the privilege of leading the College each day.

Phil Chapman

CHOICES OF LIFE

Last Monday, Olivet had a visit from Mr Bruce Coleman from "Choices of Life" who spoke with all students from Years 5-10 about how precious life is and how God has made each one of us uniquely.

WELCOME TO EVANNA HOUSE, who began in Year 7 Olivet on Tuesday. Evanna is D'Arcy's sister, and we pray her time at Olivet will be filled with blessing and successful learning.

AFL NINES FOR SECONDARY SPORT

Tomorrow afternoon students will be travelling in the bus to Campbells Creek oval for AFL Nine practice. Please be in your correct sports uniform.

ORIENTATION MORNING

Monday 11 November 8.45 - 12.45pm

It was terrific to welcome the new students and prospective students to Olivet for our first Orientation Day last Tuesday. There will be another opportunity on Monday November 11 for new students to Olivet to experience first-hand the classes and how they run.

MELBOURNE CUP HOLIDAYS

Monday 4 November Staff Curriculum Day Literacy Workshop

Tuesday 5 November Public Holiday

No students will be required to attend school on these two days.

CERES EXCURSION Years 7/8 November 7

Next Thursday Year 7 and 8 students will be travelling to Ceres Community Environment Park in Brunswick. Students are looking at the issues of Sustainability and Energy this term. Sessions to be covered at CERES will be Energy Efficient Housing, Water For Life and Organic Gardening.

Students will be wearing their correct sports uniform for the day and are to bring their lunch and water bottle.

Students will be travelling on the Maryborough bus at 8.45am and will be returning by 3.15pm.

Accompanying teachers will be Mr Chapman and Mrs Weightman.

PERMISSION FORM YR 7/8 CERES DAY

I give permission for _____
to attend the CERES Excursion on Thursday 7 November. There will be no cost to parents as this will be funded from the Country Areas Grant.

Signed _____

KICKBALL P-2 November 8 at the Maldon Oval.

The ELC will travel by school bus to the Bill Woodfull Oval in Maldon on Friday November 8th to participate in a regional schools sport day. Competition starts at 10 am and runs through to 12.30. We will depart Olivet at 9.10.

Students will need to wear sports uniform and bring along lunch, snacks, drink, medications, hats and clothing appropriate for an outside day.

PERMISSION FORM P-2 KICKBALL DAY

I give permission for _____
to attend the P-2 Kickball Day at Bill Woodfull Oval on Friday November 8th.

Signed _____

AFL JUNIOR NINES Grades 5-6 November 8 at Campbells Creek.

A team of up to 12 Grade 5/6 students will be attending. Students not involved in the program will be occupied/supervised in other ways on the day and parents will be notified via the student diary.

YEAR 9/10 MARKET DAY FOR ECONOMICS

On Thursday 28 November students from Mrs Weightman's Year 9/10 Economics class will be running a Market Day at school. Items will be on sale and Primary and Secondary students are asked to plan ahead so they may have put aside some cash to purchase items on the day.

Parents may like to offer some odd jobs around home to help students raise some pocket-money for the day.

Advertising for the day will be given by the students running the stalls and this will be done closer to the time.

GRADE 6 GRADUATION DINNER

Monday 2 December from 6pm - 8pm at Sky-Dancers Café in Harcourt. Parents of the graduating students from Grade 6 Primary and moving to to Secondary in 2014 will join with students and staff to celebrate this important occasion in the students' lives.

SECONDARY FORMAL DINNER

Monday 9 December at a venue to be decided.

PRESENTATION MORNING 11am and

PRESENTATION NIGHT 7pm both to be held on Thursday 12 December.
