Fergie visits Olivet; Claire and Jackson showing tennis skills

SEEING THINGS DIFFERENTLY
It is good at times to reflect and to see things from a different perspective. God gives us the opportunity each day of drawing on His wisdom for our daily needs and tasks. So it with this in mind that I share some thoughts adapted from The Word For Today Sept 11 2013.

1. View setbacks as detours, not dead-ends.
2. Learn from criticism and continue to do your best.
3. When you are afraid, praise God until your faith rebuilds.
4. When you feel you’ve failed, look for the lesson then remember all the times you have succeeded.
5. When you are in a battle, visualize yourself winning in God’s strength.
6. Don’t live in the past, nor worry about the future, but enjoy the moments of today.
7. Try not to complain, but focus on resolving issues where you can.
8. When you are tired, take time to rest, but never give up!
9. When you are under pressure and under scrutiny, smile and try to have fun - enjoy the journey!

As this is the last Newsletter for the term, I would like to thank all families and staff including class assistants for their work with the students this term.

Tomorrow is the last testing day for Honour Roll and so we congratulate all students who have successfully completed their set goals for their work for this term. This is the number one priority for students to learn to complete tasks so they can build confidence and success into their lives for their future. God wants each one to reach his/her full potential and it is always a blessing to see students take on their responsibilities cheerfully and with passion. Well done!

May each family enjoy a wonderful time during the term break, from next Friday onwards, as they spend time together. Enjoy God’s Presence throughout the holidays and remember to be safe in all activities.

PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK for the CRITCHLEY DONNAN and ELLISON Families.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR NEXT WEEK HONOUR ROLL TRIPS Monday 16 September
ELC AND DELTA CLASSES Grades:Prep - 4 will travel by school bus to Fun Bugs in Ballarat for our primary Honour Roll Trip.
We will depart from school at 9.30 am and return by 3.00 pm. Children will need to wear sports uniform and bring along lunch, snacks, drink and necessary medications.
The trip will be subsidized by the school but a $5 cost per student will be levied to parent accounts

PERMISSION FORM ELC/DELTA HR Due back Fri 13/9
I give permission for ________________________ to attend the Honour Roll Trip to Fun Bugs on Monday September 16

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN
GAMMA HONOUR ROLL TRIP WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY SO MONDAY WILL BE A NORMAL SCHOOL DAY FOR GAMMA STUDENTS WEARING SCHOOL UNIFORM (Not Sports uniform)

SECONDARY 7 - 10 HONOUR ROLL TRIP
On Monday 16th September, Secondary students who have completed their work and attained Honour Roll are invited to participate in an Honour Roll trip.
We will meet at the Dragon City Lanes at 10.30am for two games of Ten Pin bowling. We will then travel to Lake Weeroona for a BBQ lunch.
Bendigo students will meet the Castlemaine students at the bowling alley. Castlemaine students will leave the College by car at 9.45am. Mr Chapman and Mrs Donaldson will be driving the students to Bendigo.
After a BBQ lunch, Bendigo students can be collected at 2.15pm, and the Castlemaine students will return to the College in time for the school bus run. Please return the attached permission slip and $10.00 for the Honour Roll trip. There will be a prize for the highest score! Thank you.

SEC HONOUR ROLL PERMISSION FORM
Due back Fri 13/9
I give permission for _______________________ to go to the Bendigo for Ten Pin Bowling and lunch on Mon 16 Sept as outlined in the Newsletter. Cost $10 payable by the day of Honour Roll.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN

TUESDAY 17 SEPTEMBER
PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS ALL DAY
Students are encouraged to come along to Primary interviews if that is felt to be appropriate by parents. Secondary students are expected to come to their interviews please.

WED 18 AND THURS 19 SEPTEMBER
These two days are normal school days for all primary students. (Gamma class have their HR Trip on Wed). Secondary students are spending these two days in Echuca at River City Christian College. (See separate notice)

GAMMA HONOUR ROLL Gr 5/6
The Gamma Honour Roll Trip for Term 3 will be held on Wednesday 18 September. We will journey to Bendigo by college bus to the Bendigo Discovery Centre.

We will have a great time participating in a range of fun science activities. These will include: a Lab activity entitled 'The Fast and the Furious'; a visit to the Planetarium and an opportunity to use the Vertical Slide!!
Students may bring a small amount of money to spend in the shop at the Discovery Centre.
We will then travel to the Strathdale Lions Park for lunch. Students are asked to bring a packed lunch, snacks and drinks for the day.
Sports Uniform will be worn on the day. Parents will be charged $6 to their account.
Students will arrive/depark from school as per normal school hours on this day. However, parents of Bendigo students may drop their children at the Discovery Centre at 9:50am and pick up their children at 2pm from the Strathdale Lions Park. Please let Mr Nicholas know if this is going to be the case via the diary.
We are looking forward to a great day in Bendigo!

GAMMA HONOUR ROLL PERMISSION FORM
Due back Fri 13/9
I give permission for _______________________ to go to the Bendigo Discovery Centre on Wed 18 Sept as outlined in the Newsletter. Cost $6

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN

FRIDAY 20 SEPTEMBER
Last day of term
Footy Colours Day
Students are to wear normal school uniform today but may wear appropriate footy colours over the top of their uniform.
Presentation Afternoon will begin at 1.15pm. Parents and other family members are invited to join us for the afternoon, as students receive their character awards and academic awards, and present items based on their term 3 work.
Students will be dismissed for the term break at approx. 2.20pm.
ART FRAMING AND PHOTOGRAPHY MATBOARDS AND PRINT MATBOARDS

If students wish to have Kristina Browning frame artwork or matboard prints and photos, they need to be handed in to Mrs Donaldson by next Friday, the last day of term.

Mrs Browning will be on holidays the first week back next term and will be unable to frame artworks. Otherwise, Gary Chapman (Opposite IGA in Mostyn Street, Castlemaine) will frame art, prints and photos. Thank you. Mrs Donaldson

ADIDAS SCHOOL FUN RUN
A week has passed since our fun run, which means all aches, pains and blisters should hopefully have healed or subsided.
As was mentioned last week, students still had an extra week to collect sponsors. The money raised by the school is going to allow for an update of various sport equipment and provide students with a greater range of experiences in their physical education classes.
Please make sure all forms and monies are returned to the respective class teacher by Friday 13 September (tomorrow).
Please read the back page of the sponsor form and fill out the students details, money raised and their chosen prize. Thank you to all who have made a contribution to the school in this way.

SECONDARY TRIP TO RIVER CITY
I need to write an apology to parents who received a letter last week which left at some important information. The trip is to take place on Wednesday 18 through to Thursday 19 September.

The students will be leaving by train at 7:47am (Castlemaine) or 8:45am (Bendigo) and returning on Thursday at 2:10pm (Bendigo) or 2:51pm (Castlemaine).
Please make sure you arrive no later than 10 minutes before the train is due to leave. Students will be required to wear their school sport uniform throughout the duration of the two days. There are showers available at River City, so please add a towel, face washer, thongs and plastic bag to the equipment list.
Please send the permission slip, medical forms and money in the envelope tomorrow.
Thank you. Mr Steel

SUMMER UNIFORMS
Would parents please check summer uniforms for Term 4 to ensure they fit well. If new uniforms need to be ordered please see Mrs Revell as soon as possible.