Science Prac: Kyle and Kris and their model of the solar system and planet orbits; Assembly action with Mr Nicholas

LOVING OTHERS
God’s love is greater than any other. It is this love that sustains us and buoy us each day to live for Him. We must connect to God’s source of love to equip us for all that we will meet each day. This same love was strong enough to take Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, to death on a cross so we might have a life of freedom from the guilt and penalty of our sin.

We are now free to love others with this same love from God, to bless others and to bring encouragement and friendship to those we do life with.

“Love means doing what God has commanded us, and He has commanded us to love one another, just as you heard from the beginning.” 2 John 1:6

“Be an example .... in love... 1 Timothy 4:12

HOUSE CAPTAINS FOR 2013
Staff have chosen the following students to be the House Captains for the College this year:

ANDREW          DAVID
ELC    Hannah Low  Aston Wilson
Delta  Erin Lyne   Joshua Lacey
Gamma Ruby Salter Maddison Amy
Yr7/8  Kris Evers  Mem Wood
Yr 9/10 James Baxter Joel Lourey

BUS CAPTAINS FOR 2013
The following students have been appointed Bus Captains:
Kangaroo Flat: Jim Collins
Strathfieldsaye: Kris Evers
Maryborough: Brette Gleeson-Sutcliffe

MORNING TEA
Mr Chapman will hold a Morning Tea tomorrow at 10.40 am for House Captains and Bus Captains

CIRCUS COMES TO OLIVET
Circus Challenge are an exciting group of artists who will be visiting Olivet next Wednesday Feb 13th to teach circus skills workshops for all students. We are planning for the Prep students to be here on Wednesday as well and then to take Thursday as their rest day next week.

It will be great fun! At 2.15pm, some of the students will then perform the show “You Be The Star” to entertain us! All families and friends are invited.

We are appreciative of the Resiliency Grant which enables us to have this opportunity without extra cost to families.

DELTA AND GAMMA SINGING WORKSHOP
As part of the Castlemaine State Festival, Olivet will be visited by two local musicians, Jane Thompson and James Rigby, who love to encourage singing. They will be with us on this coming Monday 11th Feb after recess, to teach Delta and Gamma students some new songs. We do appreciate their willingness to share their talent with us.

BUDDIES SESSION TOMORROW
A Get-To-Know-You Buddies session will be held tomorrow at 12.20pm for all students. Each of the students has an older or younger Buddy and this provides a great opportunity for them to get to know each other a little better.
PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK for the COLLINS COX CRITCHLEY and DONNAN Families.

DEDICATION NIGHT
Tuesday 19 February is a special night for the College. We will meet for a BBQ Tea from 6pm onwards and families are asked to bring along a salad to share. Then at 7.30 we will meet in the Assembly Area to commit our school year ahead to the Lord. Each group within the College - The Executive Board, Staff, Parents, House Captains and Students all have an important and unique role to play in the College. We want to acknowledge God's role in leading us and equipping us for the roles we are given.

THANK YOU TO CLAIRE LACEY for taking on the role of playing Advance Australia Fair on the piano each Monday morning at Assembly. Claire takes over from Robert Mitchell and before him, Alisha Mitchell, in providing accompaniment for our singing of our National Anthem.

THANK YOU ALSO TO LOIS BROWN AYSHA McCOY AND JOEL LOUREY for your assistance with puppets with Mrs Donaldson during Assembly.

YEAR 7 CALCULATORS
As a vital part of the Secondary Mathematics program, calculators are used from Year 7 onwards. If students do not own a Scientific Calculator, they may be purchased from Mr Chapman for $25.

GAMMA (Gr 5/6) CANBERRA TRIP
Every two years, Olivet runs a trip to Canberra for all Gamma students. Our tentative date for the trip this year is June 3-7 and the cost will be approximately $150 – great value!

Thank you to the very generous Christian family in Canberra who will feed and accommodate us in their home. Mr Nicholas and Mrs Chapman would be the main supervising teachers and bus drivers. The program will be a very busy one including many of the main educational attractions in Canberra. For more detail, speak with any past Gamma students.

We would hope to travel one way by school bus and the other by plane, although this depends on the availability of cheap airfares. We do need an early indication as to who would be hoping to come on the trip so that we can secure these airfares if they become available. Could all Gamma families please complete the following reply as soon as possible to help us in our planning.

Thanking you in anticipation,
Mr Nicholas and Mrs Chapman.

NOTE OF INTENTION
We anticipate that ........................................ will be attending the Gamma Canberra Trip in Term 2 from June 3-7.

_______________________
Signature of Parent/Guardian

ELC NEWS
The year has started very well with all children quickly settling in to class activities and school routines. The home reading program is under way with new books being sent home each night for student reading.

The Primary swimming program started Tuesday and it was very successful. Thank you to the parents who came to encourage and assist - especially with the changing! The Preps are well under-way with the language program of letter names, letter sounds, letter formation and key sight words.

Our major theme for this term is Special Places and we have started with a look at home. We have also nearly completed an introductory topic about Safety, particularly bus, sun, road and pool safety. On Tuesday we had a visit from the 'lollipop lady' who shared with the children the technique for using the local school crossing.

SCIENCE PRAC PROGRAM FOR SECONDARY
We have started the year well in secondary science units, with students enjoying the practical aspect of Science.

Year 7 are looking at Safety in the Lab and Microscopes, and testing hypotheses to see if they are correct. Year 8 have looked at the solar system and seasons of the Earth moving on to examine Energy and how it changes into other forms.

Year 9 have looked at different types of soils. They are now searching the evidence in the world for how the universe is today, its history, and in particular, the Earth and the way it operates in space. Year 10 have been looking at models of chemical compounds leading into a study of DNA and Genetics.
OPEN WATER LEARNING EXPERIENCE  
Friday 15 February  
The Year 7/8 students will be participating in a 100-minute session rotating around five activities including: Water safety, DRSABCD, Body boards, Rescues and PFDs. The students will be leaving from school at 8:50am on Friday 15 February. It is important that the students come dressed in their bathers, (they may wear their school/sport uniform over the top if desired) as there is only one public toilet on site and there will be other schools participating as well.

Students will need to bring along their school uniform to change into for the remainder of the day. Please make sure your child brings the following items: enclosed shoes (that can get wet, not thongs), towel, bathers (tops must be T-shirt length and bottoms just above the knee), water bottle and sunscreen.

PERMISSION SLIP FOR OWLE

I give permission for ______________________ to attend the Open Water Learning Experience at Crusoe Reservoir on Friday 15 February.

Please tick if you do not give permission for Life Saving Victoria to photograph and/or video your child

Please tick if your child meets the following minimum swimming requirements: Swim 25m freestyle, Survival scull or tread water for one minute, swim for one minute holding a flotation aid, and surface dive, swim underwater and recover an object from water of chest depth

________________________________________
Signature of Parent/Guardian

SECONDARY SWIMMING PROGRAM

Secondaries will continue their swimming program on Fridays tomorrow. Please bring bathers and T-shirts and longer shorts for both boys and girls, towel and plastic bag for wet items.

The House Swimming Sports will be held at Harcourt Pool on Friday 22 February. (Week 4)