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The Olivet News

Aston and Ashley; Elizabeth on the Cross Country Run yesterday.

LAST NEWSLETTER FOR THE TERM

Last weekend provided a brief opportunity for staff, parents and students to take a breather in what has been a very busy, compact Term 1. Tomorrow marks the end of Week 7, and the last day of "normal" work for the term.

Students have accomplished much this term and they are to be congratulated, along with parents and staff, for a very successful term's work. Well done!

Accomplishments outside the classroom include the very successful Round the Bay Trip for Year 7 and 8 students earlier in Feb, the lovely afternoon we all enjoyed at Harcourt Pool for the House Swimming Sports, the Primary Cross Country yesterday and the Swimming Program for Primaries and Secondaries throughout the term.

As we look ahead next week to the end of term and the start of the 2-week break for families and staff, it is timely to reflect on Good Friday, the day we remember the new life that Jesus Christ has offered to all men and women through His once and for all time perfect sacrifice of His life given for us on the Cross of Calvary.

John 3:16 captures our Heavenly Father's heart extremely well—"For God so loved the world that He GAVE His only begotten Son (Jesus) that whosoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have everlasting life." This is God's eternal promise to all who truly love God and commit their lives to Him each day.

In the midst of the busyness of our lives, let us take time out to be still and to know our God and His unending love for each one of us.

Phil Chapman

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL who have helped towards making this term a successful and happy learning environment for students this term.

PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK for the PORT ROBERTS SALTER/JONES and both the SANDEMAN families.

ARTS OPEN 2016 MEET THE MAKERS

The next two weekends are big ones in Castlemaine for those who enjoy arts and crafts! Over 100 artists in over 50 venues will show their work. For details check www.artsopen.com.au

ICE CREAMS

Tomorrow is our last ice cream stall for the term....Ice creams will be \$1 or \$2. Thankyou to all the families who have supported our fundraising for transport to South Pac Convention!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thurs 24 March Last day Term 1

Fri 25 March Good Friday

Mon Tues 11/12 April Victorian Christian Educators at Echuca

Wed 13 April First day for Term 2

Wed 20—Fri 22 April Secondary Outdoor Ed Trip Surf Coast Walk from Torquay to Aireys Inlet/Fairhaven

Mon 25 April Anzac Day Holiday

SECONDARY SPORT TOMORROW will be T20 Cricket Big Bash to finish off the term.

Students are reminded of the need for the correct sports uniform to be worn. Longer black shorts just above the knee or track suit pants (no leggings), yellow sports shirt and runners.

TERM DATES FOR 2016

Term 1: Mon 1 Feb - Thurs 24 March (8 weeks)

Term 2: Wed 13 April - Fri 24 June (11 weeks)

Term 3: Mon 11 July - Fri 16 Sept (10 weeks)

Term 4: Mon 3 Oct - Thurs 8 Dec (10 weeks)

(South Pacific Student Convention for secondary students will run from Sunday 11 - Friday 16 December)

CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

Congratulations to all students on their efforts yesterday. Well done to the following students on their high finishes:-

Girls 12+ yrs: **Elizabeth Patterson 14th**

Julia Brown 27th

Leah Thorpe 28th

Boys 12+ yrs: Talon Manning 33rd

Tom Lyne 40th

Girls 11 yrs: **Stella Wilson 9th**

Haelie Roberts 20th

Lydia Brown 28th

Boys 11 yrs: Aston Wilson 24th

Ben Smith 37th

Boys 10 yrs: Orin McKay 21st

Girls 8/9 yrs: Tegan McKay 30th

LAST WEEK OF TERM 1 ARRANGEMENTS

Monday 21 March will be Honour Roll Day—a day set aside for end of term trips for all classes.

Prep-Year 4 students will be travelling to the Melbourne museum to view Jurassic World: The Exhibition on Monday 21 March.

We will be leaving school at 9:00am by school bus and returning to school in the afternoon so the students can be dismissed at normal time. The cost of the day is \$10 payable to the class teacher asap along with the signed permission slip.

Students will need to bring their own drink bottles, snacks and lunch. Students are to wear their correct sports uniform on the day. We look forward to a great day out together. Permission Form was included in last week's Newsletter.

Year 7—10 Trip Monday 21 March

The secondaries will incorporate a trip for all students to Sovereign Hill in Ballarat.

The excursion meets the requirements for several Achievement Standards in the Australian Curriculum and so it is important for all students to attend.

Students will wear their sports uniform on the day as it is the most suitable for the activities scheduled for the day. Students depart Olivet at 8.45am and return by 3.15pm.

Students need to bring a water bottle and a packed lunch preferably as the program will be a tight schedule.

Activities will include China town, gold panning, wheel wood shop, candle making, bowling alley and more. Tours will be taken of the underground mine and the Gold pour.

YEAR 5—6 Trip TUESDAY 22 March

Due to the bus repairs the Year 5-6 Honour Roll Trip to Mount Franklin will now be held on Tuesday 22 March. Students need to wear their sports uniform and runners on the day. They also need to bring drinks, snacks and a packed lunch. We are looking forward to a fun day together outdoors. The Gr 5-6 students will need to come on Monday in normal school uniform.

Tuesday 22 March will be a normal school day for all students except for Grade 5-6 class above who will have their trip on Tuesday.

Wednesday 23 March will be the day set aside for Parents and Class Teachers to meet to discuss the progress of students during term 1.

All families are expected to be represented at interviews as we take seriously the partnership between staff and parents in raising your children. As usual, secondary students are expected to attend interviews as well.

Thursday 24 March is the last day of Term 1. This will be as normal as possible, with morning classes, clean-up and Afternoon Presentation of awards and certificates to students for Term 1. The Afternoon will commence at 1.15pm.

Parents, Grandparents, other family members and friends of the College are all invited to come along to this celebration of the term's work.

Friday 25 March is Good Friday, start of the Easter school holidays.

Staff will be attending the Victorian Educators' Conference in Echuca on Monday and Tuesday 11/12 April and so the first day for students for Term 2 will be Wednesday 13 April.

LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE

On what day of the week does Christmas Day fall in 2016? SUNDAY
