LOVE NEVER FAILS

“Love is patient and kind; love is not jealous or boastful; it is not arrogant or rude; Love does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrong, but rejoices in the right. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends” 1 Corinthians 13: 4-8

Money doesn’t bring happiness, fame does not bring self-worth, and revenge does not bring satisfaction. The only thing that never fails is love.

When Mother Theresa addressed world leaders at the United Nations, she was asked, “How can we have world peace?” She replied “Go home and love your family.”

Napoleon Bonaparte’s intellectual greatness and intense egotism make his alleged tribute to the supremacy of leadership by love all the more striking. He said, “Alexander, Caesar, Charlemagne and I myself founded great empires: but upon what did the creations of our genius depend? Upon force. Jesus alone founded His Kingdom on love, and to this day millions would die for Him.”

Sometimes leaders are just power-holders. Because you can’t love others without making yourself vulnerable, they see expressing love as a weakness. But, the fact is that to truly love—whether it’s your spouse, your children, or the people around you—you must give yourself unreservedly in such a way that you can be hurt and even rejected. The fundamental principle of true leadership is to give of yourself with no holds barred. Love is, according to Scripture, still the winning strategy. The Bible says, “God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind 2 Timothy 1:7. That’s why love is the winning strategy. (From the Word for Today, Thurs 9 June 2016)

UPCOMING EVENTS

This week: Week 10
Fri 17 June Reports finalized on-line, ready for final collation on Monday.

Week 11
Mon 20 June Proof reading and collation of reports (No students required) Thursday 23 June End of Term Trips Fri 24 June Last day of Term 2

Monday 11 July First day for Term 3
TERM DATES FOR 2016
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.

PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK for the THOMAS TURNBULL THORPE and TOLLEY families.

STEP-UP STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
The 2016 Christian Student Leadership Conference is being held on Thursday 28 and Friday 29 July. The Conference is an excellent opportunity for students in Years 10, 11 and 12 to engage with God, each other and to explore their leadership gifts in a nurturing and challenging environment. The cost of the 2-day conference is $220. Further details can be obtained from Pam Lavery at pam.lavery@cen.edu.au or from the Christian Education National website www.cen.edu.au. Registrations close on the 20th July.

SUNSMART INFO FOR FAMILIES
From May to August in Victoria UV levels are typically low so it’s time to put sun gear away and get some sun for vitamin D. Vitamin D is essential for healthy bones, muscles and general health.

Children and adults are encouraged to try and get outdoors around midday each day with some skin uncovered. Sun protection is not normally needed at this time of year, unless near highly reflective surfaces such as snow, outside for extended periods or if the UV reaches three and above.

Here are SunSmart’s top vitamin D tips for autumn and winter:

- Physical activity assists with the production of vitamin D, so get outside and active in the middle of the day.
- Clothing acts as a barrier to vitamin D absorption, so put away the hat and roll up the sleeves when outdoors.

Download SunSmart’s free app to check the daily sun protection times and know when you do or don’t need sun protection.

If you are concerned about vitamin D, speak to your doctor for advice.

CONVENTION PHOTOGRAPHY
All Secondary students who are wanting to enter photos in South Pacific Convention or the Castlemaine Show are to have them mounted and submitted to Mrs Chapman no later than Friday July 15th (End of Week 1 of Term 3).

**** Remember that photos to be submitted must be taken after October 2015.

SECONDARY SPORT TOMORROW
Sport tomorrow will be our last week of Netball and Football kick, weather permitting. Students are expected to remember to bring their correct sports uniform and runners please.

THIS WEEK’S PUZZLE
Driving along last week I noticed my odometer had passed 260,000 km. It was then reading 260069. How many km would it be till the next palindrome, when the number looks the same from each end? (Give your solution to Mr Chapman—he would love to see you solve it)

LAST WEEK’S PUZZLE
1. Which famous inventor is credited with inventing the phonograph (or record player) in 1877? Thomas Edison
2. What type of animal is an earwig? Insect
3. What is the Swiss unit of currency? Franc
4. What is the largest country in the world starting with the letter “T”? Tanzania

END OF TERM TRIPS Thurs 23 June
PREP—YEAR 2 CLASS & YEAR 3/4 CLASS
Term Two Honour Roll involves a trip to Mulligrubs Play Centre in East Bendigo, where students can pursue a range of challenges and activities, staying dry at the same time.

We will travel by bus and spend a few hours either side of lunch enjoying activities before returning to school. Children will need to wear sports uniform and bring along their lunch, snacks, drinks and any necessary medication for the day.

The subsidised cost of $5 per student will be paid prior to leaving on the day.

Would Bendigo families please let Mrs Revell know if you plan to deliver children to Mulligrubs by 10am and collect them from there by 2pm.

YEAR 5/6 CLASS
Students will travel by school bus to Ballarat with Mr Nicholas and Miss Emily to the Gold Rush mini golf course and Lake Wendouree for lunch.

Students will need to bring snacks, drinks and lunch on the day. They will dress in sports uniform and a warm coat may also be necessary. Normal school times will apply for this Honour Roll day.

A cost of $5 will need to be paid prior to leaving on the day.

YEAR 7—10 CLASSES
All students will be travelling by train to Melbourne for the day, visiting the Holocaust Museum and the Immigration Museum as part of their Australian Curriculum requirements for History.

Students are to bring their lunch and snacks and to wear their full winter uniform.

A subsidized cost of $10 per student will be paid prior to leaving on the day.
ARRANGEMENTS FOR NEXT WEEK

Monday 20 June
No students are required at school next Monday. Staff will be proof reading and collating the reports for all students ready to distribute on Friday after Presentation Afternoon.

Tuesday 21 June/Wednesday 22 June
Normal school days

Thursday 23 June End of Term Trips
Please refer to the notices in this Newsletter or to the secondary notice that was sent out with train times etc.

Friday 24 June Last day of Term 2
Students will be finalising their term’s work this morning and then cleaning rooms, tidying and cleaning desks and rooms. Afternoon Presentation will be commencing at 1.15pm and students will be dismissed at approx. 2.30pm for holidays.
Parents and family members, friends of the College along with past students are always invited to come along to witness the presentation of items, certificates and awards for Term 2.

Please note that the Kangaroo Flat and Maryborough buses will be running the return journey in the afternoon. The Strathfieldsaye bus will not be returning to Bendigo, so if there are students who require a lift home, they will return in staff cars.

UNKNOWN REGULAR PAYMENT
A regular payment is being placed in the Bendigo Bank for Olivet with reference “school”. Can the family making the payment please contact Mrs Revell so that she can direct it to the correct account. Thank you.