Roller Blading at the Zone; Allycia and Susanna in LOTE Auslan; D’Arcy, Taihelen and Tom; Squatters, settlers and swaggies Grades 5 & 6

THE STRENGTH OF THE WIND

It was quite amazing today to see the extremes in the weather. First we had the drizzle, then the downpour, and finally the WIND! We can be thankful to the Lord that these didn’t arrive in their fullness yesterday for the end of term trips. We only experienced them partially!

It was certainly blowing a gale here at school for most of the day today.

In Assembly this morning we spoke about the passage in Ephesians 6 which talks about being strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armour of God, that we might be able to withstand the storms that come against us, using the faith, Spirit, righteousness, truth, Word of God, salvation and prayer that are God’s own resources, vital tools for us all. Certainly God has conquered sin and death in the world and so He can conquer every thing or issue that comes against us. But we reminded ourselves that we do not battle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against the spiritual wickedness in high places.

When we see the effects of the strong wind, it is a timely reminder of the battle that rages in the heavens, with God having already gaining the victory when He conquered sin and death when He died for every one of us, saving us from a life of guilt and fear, and presenting us with an opportunity to live for Him, with His Spirit able to dwell within us to live a life of victory through His power.
PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK for the JOHNSTON LACEY LYNE and MANNING Families.

SUPPORTING OLIVET
If you shop at Maddern’s IGA in Barker St, Castlemaine, please ask for your total to be written in the Olivet book and the school will receive 3% of your bill back as a fundraising donation to the College. We are very grateful to Maddern’s for their support of our community. Thank you too to the families who have been shopping there for your faithful support.

YEAR 9 / 10 COMMUNITY SERVICE
In Term 4 as part of Health and PE and Christian Leaders, students will be completing a number of sessions serving the community around Campbells Creek by doing simple needy jobs as part of Community Service around their properties. To give the students an idea of what is involved, we are planning to begin on Thursday afternoon with a community service here at Olivet. Jobs will include weeding, raking, mowing (hand mower only), and generally tidying up the outdoor area of Olivet. Could students please remember to bring with them on Thursday a change of clothes so they can tackle the garden and other jobs with more appropriate clothing. If you have any concerns with the program planned, please contact Mr Chapman.

CONVENTION PREPARATION
A reminder to all Secondary students that to save a last minute rush, you should be starting to plan your items and your art/craft work for Convention in October. Photos can be taken now and mounted, art work can be framed now too. Craft work may be in the process of being created especially those items which you are preparing at home such as claywork, knitting, crocheting, cross-stitch, tapestry, any metalwork and woodwork too. Students need to get a copy of the Convention Guidelines.

TOMORROW (WED 25 JUNE) will be a student-free day as staff finalize reports to be distributed to parents. This has been a big process as we adjust our reporting procedure to report on National Achievement Standards. Due to the restructuring of our computer system and software within the College, reports will be distributed at the end of Week 1 of Term 3. This is a big change and we apologize for this delay beyond our control, as this process has been forestalled through no fault of our own. It is always the Staff’s desire to have reports issued to parents by the end of term, but in this instance it is not possible. Class Teachers will have reports in Draft Format if parents feel it is essential to see the progress of your child before next term. Please contact Mrs Revell to arrange this if needed.

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY will be normal school days for students. Lunch on Friday will be held at 12.30pm, followed by our normal Presentation Afternoon commencing at 1.15pm. Students will be dismissed for the term at approx. 2.30pm. All parents, grandparents, families and friends are always welcome to come and share in the afternoon proceedings.

THANK YOU TO ALL who have helped to make this term pass successfully with assistance to the College - such as in hearing students read, cleaning, assisting in classes, bus driving, voluntary assistance in any number of ways. It has been a real team effort and we do appreciate you being involved with the College. The students and the staff really do see the difference when you are involved in this way.