Once students are accepted into university, he said, the playing field is more or less level. "Students who have had to strive and struggle to get to university are often very motivated."

Former Lilydale Heights College student Gary Dickson graduated with a Bachelor of Arts from La Trobe University and is now studying a Post Graduate Degree while also working as a researcher at University of Melbourne. He broadly agrees with the findings and believes he will have the same career opportunities to get a high-paying or prestigious job as someone who attended a private school. Sashi Balaraman, 27, attended Haileybury College and went on to study law and accounting at Monash University. He has since worked for a commercial law firm and in corporate finance. "I've never been asked what school I went to in a job interview," he said.

"I'm comfortable saying that it's quite possible if I went to a public school and I would be in the same position I am today," he said. "Regardless of whether you're at a state or private school, it's whether you have that desire to succeed.

This Age article was first published on 17th August 2014 and was written by Alexandra Smith, Amy McNeillage, Tom Cowie. It was edited to shorten the text for our newsletter. The full article is available at http://www.theage.com.au/victoria/-104swb.html

Sue Peddlesden, Adele Duffy, Kathie Toth & Paul Thorne
PFA MEETINGS – WEDNESDAY 27TH AUGUST 2014
The upcoming PFA meetings will be held on:

Wednesday 27th August, 3.35pm & 6.30pm at the College

These two meetings are an opportunity for parents to hear and ask questions about the 1:1 student device proposal for next year, as mentioned in the College Newsletter dated 8th August 2014. The meetings are open to all parents/guardians of the school community to attend. All Welcome, no RSVP required.

Small children welcome. If you are free to attend we’d love you to join us for a coffee and chat. The second meeting is a “repeat” of the first. Kindly note change in meeting date and venue.

SAC COMMITTEE NEWS
WINTER CARNIVAL 25TH – 30TH AUGUST 2014
During the week SAC will be running numerous activities during lunchtime to celebrate the Winter Carnival. We look forward to students and teachers getting involved in these activities:

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SAC Committee

YEAR 11 PHYSICS EXCURSION
On Wednesday 13th August the Year 11 physics students attended an excursion to Ecolinc in Bacchus Marsh. Ecolinc offers a specialised full day program about sustainable energy sources catered to the Year 11 physics detailed study. All Year 11 physics students had an opportunity to investigate the ESD features of Ecolinc’s building and the greenhouse effect; examine electricity usage and efficiency of a variety of appliances; and explore alternative energy sources. Students’ explored efficiency of light globe and other house hold appliances. Students also investigated solar electricity generation, wind turbines, hydroelectricity and hydrogen fuel cells. It was a wonderful and educationally rich experience for all physics students.

Ms Kapadia, Physics Teacher

BUILDING ON KNOWLEDGE
In Science this Term we are trying to create a ‘Book Igloo’. A book igloo is an igloo made entirely of books, all different shapes, sizes and weights. We first discovered the original creation online and we thought of recreating it to see if it was real or just photo shopped. We made our first attempt on Tuesday, 12th August. We were not necessarily trying to recreate the whole igloo rather to test and try out techniques for the real shot. On Thursday 14th August we started to make our official ‘Book Igloo’. We started off by sorting all the books we had been supplied into groups based on the size and width of them. Then, starting with the large, thin textbooks, our structure began to take its form. We then continued going up at a lean to form the shape with the books becoming smaller gradually. Over time the structure was in full action resembling the original design, but smaller.

We were given a time limit of two periods to try and get as far as possible throughout the final creation. By almost the end of the second period the igloo was roughly 85cm tall and in 190cm in width. It could fit three people sitting down comfortably. There were approximately 500-600 books used in total. We were all very proud of what we had created in this short time limit and we are hoping to be able to finish it off next week. It will be on display in the library soon.

Article by Paige Hillier 8E & Petria Nand 8E

HOMEWORK CLUB
THURSDAYS, 3.00PM – 4.30PM
The very popular free Homework Program is held weekly, Thursdays, from 3.00pm-4.30pm in the Library. This is supervised by a number of staff and volunteer tutors from the community through our links with the Migrant Resource Centre, the City of Casey and The Smith Family. It is important to note that students should only be attending if they want help with work or a place to study/attend to complete homework and assignments.

Parents/Guardians and students, please note that the Homework Club is not just a place to wait and catch up with friends until you get collected after school; if you are there you need to be focused on your work and understanding that other students around you need you to be working quietly.

Maxine Foster, Student Wellbeing Co-ordinator

Pictured: Megan Lee 11D; Brandon St John 11I; David Humbert 11MA; Roghin Saravanaraj 11E
**Merit Certificates**

*Gleneagles Secondary College*

**Teacher: Mr Van der Westhuizen**

Outstanding work in the Algebra Unit Test

Acknowledgement of Recipients

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**CAREERS NEWS**

**University and TAFE Open Days**

August is Open Day month. All VCE students and even Year 10 students are encouraged to attend a University or TAFE Open Day. Here are this weekend’s Open Days:

**Saturday 23rd August**

- Chisholm Institute of TAFE – Dandenong campus, 11.00am-4.00pm
  
  Go to [chisholm.edu.au/open](http://chisholm.edu.au/open) for the full program. You can win a $1,000 Westfield shopping voucher - just visit chisholm.edu.au/competition. There will be all day campus tours from Buildings G and W. Pre-register your interest and receive a free show bag.

**Sunday 24th August**

- Deakin University, Burwood campus, 10.00am-3.00pm
  
  - La Trobe University, Bundoora campus, 10.00am-3.00pm
  - Victoria University, Footscray Park campus, 10.00am-4.00pm
  - William Angliss Institute, Melbourne city
  - Box Hill Institute, Elgar and Whitehorse campuses
  - Australian Institute of Fitness

**Australian Defence Force Information Sessions**

The Information sessions are held at Defence Force Recruiting Centre: Level 14, 501 Swanston St, Melbourne. There are limited positions for the sessions, so reservations are required: Email [CPTVIC@dfr.com.au](mailto:CPTVIC@dfr.com.au) with the date and title of the session you would like to attend.

Adventure, travel, great pay and diverse career opportunities – just to name a few of the benefits on offer when you join the Navy, Army or Air Force. If you’re up for the challenge and would like to find out more, come along to one of the upcoming information sessions. All sessions are held from 6.00pm -7.00pm:

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**RSPCA Short Courses**

RSPCA Education and Learning, located at Burwood East, are offering new one day introductory courses and five day short courses for people interested in the animal care industry. These courses are suitable for students aged 16 years and above and will provide valuable access to industry experts and utilise quality resources and trainers. Places are limited – please visit the website: [http://www.rspcavic.org/services/education/short-courses](http://www.rspcavic.org/services/education/short-courses) for the specific course details, fees and enrolment forms. The short courses are $225 per person.

**VCE Extension Studies**

Studying a University subject while you are in Year 12 can boost your ATAR and gain credits into a university degree.

- **Deakin University** offers extension studies in the following subjects if you are studying VCE Psychology or Health and Human Development:-
  
  - Health Behaviour
  - Health Information and Data
  - Introduction to Psychology A
  - Introduction to Psychology B


VCE Extension studies are also available at:-


  University of Melbourne: [http://futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/info/school-students/extension-program/subject-areas](http://futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/info/school-students/extension-program/subject-areas)


*Chris Wood, Careers Co-ordinator*
Entries are now open for the Gleneagles Film Festival which will be held on Wednesday, 8th October 2014 at Hallam Senior Secondary College Theatre. The Film Festival is an annual event that celebrates screen based work of students throughout the school. The Film Festival is open to not only media students, but any students creating screen based work in any class.

Students will also be in the running for prizes from Madman Entertainment and Crumpler. Videos need to be under 5 minutes and be submitted to Mr Young by Monday, 15th September 2014 to be considered for the Festival.

Mr Young, Arts & Visual Arts Director

GLENEAGLES BUSINESS DIRECTORY

DO YOU OWN OR MANAGE A LOCAL BUSINESS?
DO YOU WANT EXPOSURE TO ADVERTISE TO 1,200 LOCAL FAMILIES?

Our Year 10 Discovery class is creating a Business Directory that will be printed and issued early in Term 4 with the College newsletter. Gleneagles is a very large school and the Business Directory will be sent home to an estimated 1,200 families in the local community.

We are selling advertising space:

- Business Card Size $40
- Double Business Card Size $80
- Half A4 Page $120
- Full A4 Page $200

If you wish to advertise your company in the Gleneagles Business Directory please email the College: gleneagles.sc@edumail.vic.gov.au

‘Attention Discovery Business Directory ’ with your details by 5.00pm on Friday, 12th September 2014 with your expression of interest.

If you require further information please contact call Ms Tippett, Senior Sub School Leader at the College on Telephone 9708 1319.