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## COLLEGE PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

### PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent Teacher Interviews were held on Wednesday 9th September 2015. Teachers conducted 2559 interviews and met with over 450 parents. It was great to see so many parents attending to find out about their sons/daughters progress and what is occurring throughout the school community. Time should now be spent working on the issues that have been addressed before the Semester 2 reports are prepared.

### NAPLAN REPORTS

NAPLAN reports for Year 7 and 9 students that were not collected during the Parent Teacher interviews are available at the school office, to be collected by a parent.

### LAST DAY OF TERM 3, EARLY DISMISSAL AT 2.30PM

Friday, 18th September 2015 is the last day of Term 3. Students will be dismissed at 2.30pm. The bus companies have been notified of this alteration to arrangements. The first day of Term 4 is Monday 5th October, 2015.

### CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

The Department of Education & Training has extended the date to Friday 18th September 2015 for applications for eligible Concession Card Holders. Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF) will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. Please contact the College office to obtain a CSEF Application Form or download from the College website or [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

_Sue Peddlesden, Adele Duffy, Kathie Toth & Rhonda Greelish_

### FREE DRESS DAY, WEDNESDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER 2015

**THEME: FOOTY (ALL CODES) $2.00 DONATION**

The Students Activities Committee (SAC) will be hosting a Free Dress Day with a footy theme on Wednesday, 16th September 2015. Students are encouraged to come to school in free dress/footy theme on this day with a $2 donation. All funds raised will go to the Victorian State School Relief, which helps to provide uniforms and resources to disadvantaged students.

### VCE ART AND DESIGN SHOW, THURSDAY, 15TH OCTOBER 2015

**VENUE: MONASH UNIVERSITY MUSEUM OF ARTS**

This year the Glenelgues Visual Arts Department has continued its positive educational partnership with Monash University Museum of Arts (MUMA). As such the 2015 Year 12 VCE Studio Arts and Visual Communication students will be holding a one night only pop-up exhibition at MUMA, Monash University, Caulfield East campus.

**Event:** Year 12 VCE Studio Arts & Visual Communications Student Exhibition

**Time:** 6.30pm - 8.00pm

**Venue:** Monash University Museum of Arts (MUMA)

900 Dandenong Road, Caulfield East

Stay tuned for more information regarding tickets in the coming weeks.

_Ms Kinnersley, Art/CBD_

### GLENEAGLES FILM FESTIVAL, TUESDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2015

The Glenelgues Film Festival will be held at Hallam Senior Secondary College Theatre on Tuesday 13th October 2015, commencing 7.00pm. All tickets cost $8.00 and are available now to purchase from the College Bursar’s office or at the venue on the night.

_Mr Young, Multi Media/VCE Team Leader – Assistant_
YEAR 10 STUDY SKILLS AND EXAM PREPARATION
PRESENTED BY ELEVATE EDUCATION
The most common question we get from students is “What is study?” We are always told to study but what does this actually mean? On Wednesday 9th September 2015 the Year 10 students were provided with a road-map for the work they will need to do during the year ahead, breaking down the study process step by step. Skills that were covered:

Dynamic Reading – How to read a text and pull out the key points, not just summarise every sentence.

Note Taking – How to get the ideas the students have extracted from their reading into an organised set of notes that will facilitate effective learning.

Conceptual Learning Skills – Teaching students how to break the information into its relevant parts as opposed to simply rote-learning the material.

Independent Learning – What independent learning means and how to get it done.

Standing Out On Assessment - Students were shown how to distinguish themselves from the thousands of other students who are all taught the same material.

Mr Sainsbury & Ms Weir, Year 10 Team Leaders

FRIENDSHIP BENCH
Student Voice held a very successful ‘Mosaic Afternoon of Fun’ on Tuesday 1st September 2015. Parents, teachers and students worked together after school to help finish the mosaic for the Friendship Bench. The front component for the chair will hopefully be completed by the end of Term 3 and the back component will begin in Term 4. Afternoon Tea was provided and it was a great way to relax, unwind and get to know one another. Thank you to all those who volunteered their time and contributed to this project. We look forward to seeing more volunteers helping out in Term 4. Pictured below are Sabrina, Natalie and Jessica. Student Voice Team

END OF YEAR ACTIVITIES FOR YEAR 7, 8 & 9 STUDENTS
Our End of Year Program for Year 7, 8 and 9 students will operate from Thursday 10th December to Monday 14th December 2015. This program provides students with the opportunity to enjoy a variety of learning experiences different to those provided in the regular day to day timetable. Year 7 students will participate in one day of activities within the school, one full day at Gumbaya Park and a BBQ fun day at Lysterfield Lake. The Year 8 and 9 Program involves a day at either Chadstone or Southland Shopping Centre, a day of fun at one of Sidetracked, Luna Park, bowling & mini-golf, ice-skating, or Queen Victoria Market, and a BBQ fun day at Lysterfield Lake.

We have tried to keep the costs of the program to a minimum. The one-off charge of $35 covers bus transport, cost of admission, as well as the Lysterfield Lake BBQ lunch. Student permission forms must be completed and returned with the payment to the Bursar by no later than Wednesday 28th October 2015. Forms were posted home with the interim reports and all details are also on the College website, Quick Links on the Home Page.

Ms Turner, End Of Year Program Co-Ordinator

Thursday 10th September 2015 was R U OK? Day which aims to raise awareness of Mental Health and encourage conversation that is geared towards helping people feel supported and connected.

In a world where we are all connected by social media some of us don’t actually feel connected at all. Taking part in R U OK Day can be as simple as making time to have a meaningful conversation with a friend or family member and asking the question, R U OK? It’s through connecting with each other that we can make hard times a bit easier. Check out www.ruok.org.au for more information. Additional details are listed on Page 4 of the Newsletter and on the college website.

Claire Logue, Adolescent Health Nurse

PFA MEETING, WEDNESDAY 14TH OCTOBER 2015, 7.00PM
We invite all interested parents to attend the PFA meetings for this year. Meetings are held in the College staffroom. PFA is a relaxed group of parents/guardians which meets casually to chat about school related things. The next PFA meeting will be held on Wednesday 14th October 2015 at 7.00pm. Hope to see you there.

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Ms Turner, End Of Year Program Co-Ordinator
Health Science Information Night - VCE
Thursday 17th September 2015 - Deakin University is holding an Information Night about the Bachelor of Health Science and Bachelor of Public Health and Health Promotion from 4.30pm-6.30pm at the Burwood campus. To RSVP please go to http://bit.ly/1hA1hLc

VCE Higher Education Studies – Attention Year 11
Deakin University offers first year university subjects as part of your VCE in 2016. These count as part of your VCE and contribute towards your ATAR. You study with first year university students. Classes are available on-line or you can attend classes on-campus. There are no fees. Subjects are available in Psychology, Health, Criminology. Go to deakin.edu.au/vce-studies

Holmesglen Radio and TV Information Session - VCE
Thursday 17th September or Thursday 22nd October 2015 from 5.30pm-6.30pm, Building 1, Batesford Road, Chadstone Room 1.1.18. Students can study the one year Diploma of Screen and Media (Radio and Television), which offers pathways into the Bachelor of Screen at Holmesglen’s Waverley campus or Bachelor of Media or Film at Deakin, RMIT, La Trobe and Swinburne.

Year 10 Work Experience Photos
Here are some more photos of our Year 10 students at work.
Aleksandra at the Primary school, David at the Childcare centre, Hakima at Madina fashions

Chisholm Institute School Holiday Workshops
Our local TAFE Chisholm Institute is offering a huge range of school holiday workshops from 21st September to 1st October 2015 only $20 per person, 10.00am to 2.00pm and includes lunch. Book on-line at www.chisholm.edu.au/workshops. Workshops include Computer gaming, cabinet making, tiling, carpentry, photography, automotive, plumbing, hair and makeup.

Simonds Building and Trade VCAL Program (NEW)
SEDA, in partnership with Simonds Group and the Builders Academy Australia, will be offering a building and Trade VCAL program in Hallam starting in 2016. Students will complete Certificate II in Construction Pathways and Certificate II in Building and Construction (Carpentry) Pre-Apprenticeship with their Intermediate and Senior VCAL. There is an information session at the SEDA head office in Hawthorn, 425 Riversdale Road, on Thursday 17th September 2015 at 7.00pm. RSVP to: sedagroup.com.au/building.

Chris Wood, Careers Co-ordinator

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NEIL HALL-OAKLEY
08/03/1998 TO 06/09/2012

Sunday 6th September marked the third year anniversary of the death of Neil Hall-Oakley. Neil was a loving and kind son, sibling and friend. Always so energetic and spirited who put in his all into whatever he did. He loved his footy, following in his father’s footsteps by following the Carlton Blues. Neil was friendly and was always willing to lend a helping hand to those who needed it and he was peaceful in doing so. He was so forgiving of the people around him, even if some did not deserve that forgiveness.

It cannot be put into words how much he is loved and missed. Although Neil lived a relatively short life, he spent his years well, he touched so many lives and he is forever anchored in our hearts. The world lost a legend and for that it has suffered a great loss, for those who knew him properly, knew that he was destined for greatness.

Although Neil didn’t get all the years he deserved, he will live on through the memories and hearts of those who love him and those who met him and because of that, he can never truly be gone.

Written by Neil’s sister, Jaimee Vollmer, Year 11K
RUOK at School

Signs that could mean a friend isn’t ok

A whole bunch of factors can contribute to someone feeling low. It isn’t always easy to know whether someone is ok, particularly if they haven’t talked about it. However, there are some signs you can look for which could indicate that a friend or family member may need your support.

What causes problems?

- Going through something stressful
- Experiencing grief or loss
- Being around people going through tough times
- Arguing with someone
- Problems at school
- Big life changes e.g. moving house
- Caring for someone who’s unwell
- Being bored
- Having a medical condition or chronic illness
- Not sleeping well
- Not exercising enough
- Hormonal changes

What should I look out for?

- Going through difficult times can have a really big impact on a person’s life, including on their:
  - Relationships with other people
  - Physical health
  - Emotional health

So, it’s a great idea to be aware of certain behaviours and signs that can indicate a mate or a family member might be going through something. The first thing to look out for is signs of a low mood, and the second thing to keep an eye on is the length of time someone seems down.

What are the signs of a low mood?

When people feel low, they often:

- Withdraw from their friends or their family
- Lash out at people and get angry or upset really easily, including towards the people they care about
- Cry or become emotional
- Lose interest in activities and things they usually love
- Have changed sleeping patterns. They might be sleeping all the time, not sleeping much at all, or sleeping at strange hours (such as in the middle of the day)
- Have a changed appetite. They could be eating more than usual, or less.

How do I know they need help?

If someone’s been showing a few or all of the signs of a low mood for two weeks or more, it could mean that they aren’t ok and need support. Talk to your doctor, a school counselor or an adult you trust about how to help them.