**IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE**

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| **Tuesday 8th December** | - Orientation Day, Year 7, 2016 students (no Year 9 classes)  
- Morning Tea for Year 7, 2016 Parents/Guardians, 9.00am |
| Wednesday 15th December | - School Office closes for 2016 at 4.00pm |
| Friday 18th December | - Term 4, 2015 last day |
| **Thursday 10th December** | - End of Year Activities, Years 7,8,9 students (10-14/12)  
- Last day of Canteen for 2016 |
| Wednesday 20th January | - School office opens 2016, 9.00am-3.30pm |
| **Monday 14th December** | - Presentation Night, Year 7-11 students |
| Thursday 28th January | - Term 1, 2016 first day for students |
| **Tuesday 15th December** | - Special Program, Years 7,8,9 students (15-18/12)  
- Clean Up Day |
| Monday 1st February | - Year 11 Study Camp (1-3/2/2016)  
- Year 11 Study Conference (1-3/2/2016) |

**STUDENT REPORTS**

Teachers are currently working on Semester 2 Reports. To ensure all parents receive their child’s report in a timely manner, all Year 7-10 student reports will be posted home to parents by Wednesday, 16th December 2015.

**2016 SCHOOL YEAR**

Students return to school for 2016 on Thursday, 28th January 2016 and all students are expected to attend on this day. If your child is intending to travel overseas or take an extended holiday beyond Thursday, 28th January 2016, parents/guardians must supply a note to the College before leaving which indicates the return date to school. Students should return these notes to their Home Group teachers.

Gleneagles is becoming a very popular destination for many families and we receive a number of enquiries for enrolments for 2016 every day. It is essential we know if you are intending to return to school any later than Thursday 28th January 2016 to retain your place at this College.

**YEAR 7 – 11 PRESENTATION NIGHT**

**MONDAY 14TH DECEMBER 2015**

The Year 7 – 11 Presentation Night will be held on Monday, 14th December 2015 at the South Eastern Christian Centre, Gleneagles Drive, Endeavour Hills.

Due to increased student numbers, the Presentation Night will again be divided into two sections: -

- Years 7-8 commencing at 6.00pm
- Years 9-11 commencing at 8.00pm

All students receiving an award will be forwarded an invitation and are expected to attend the evening in full school uniform accompanied by a parent/s. Upon receipt of the invitation, parents are requested to contact the College and inform the College of their ability or otherwise to attend the night. The College looks forward to celebrating this night in the upcoming weeks.

**UNCLEARED LOCKERS**

All students should ensure they clear their lockers by Wednesday 9th December 2015. Team Leaders have organised for each Year levels to clear their lockers during class time before this date. After this time, to allow scheduled maintenance to occur, all locks will be cut off lockers and unemptied lockers will be cleared. If the contents have a name on them, they will be kept and stored securely. If items do not have a name on them, they will be donated to charity. Should your child have not cleared their locker and wish to retrieve the contents, they are to see Ms Greelish, Assistant Principal during the first week of Term 1, 2016. Any items left unclaimed by the end of the first week will not be retained.

**CLEAN UP DAY**

We will hold a Clean Up Day on Tuesday, 15th December 2015. Students who attend school on that day will be given a range of cleaning tasks. This assists in ensuring we go into the break having removed items from various areas that are no longer required and generally tidied up. Students who attend on Tuesday, 15th December 2015 may wear their sports uniform. There will be no formal timetabled classes. Students must bring recess and lunch as the canteen will be closed.

*Sue Peddlesden, Adele Duffy, Kathie Toth & Rhonda Greelish*

**MORNING TEA, TUESDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2015, 9.00AM FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF YEAR 7, 2016 STUDENTS**

You are warmly invited to come and meet other parents and Gleneagles staff over morning tea. We would love to see you. We’ll explain what our parents group does and introduce you to key staff. Arrange early to park as it is the Year 7, 2016 Orientation Day.

- 8.45am - Students assemble in The Shed
- 9.00am - Parent Morning in the Library

YEARS OUTDOOR EDUCATION CAMP
Ms Evans and Ms Bell took the Year 9 Outdoor Ed students to Wilsons Promontory for an overnight camp on Wednesday 25th November to Thursday 26th November 2015. We participated in numerous activities such as surfing, hiking and the challenges of setting up tents. We had a two hour surf lesson at Norman Bay with perfect surf conditions. That night we had all brought our own meals to cook on the trangia stove but unfortunately it was a total fire ban resulting in us going to the shop for dinner and having fish and chips. The weather during the night was wild, meaning no one had much sleep and in the morning we woke up to small rivers in our tent.

Due to the conditions we encountered, our hike up Mt. Oberon was cancelled so we had to find an alternative. Ms Evans decided that Pillar Point would be the place to go. The view was amazing, it looked out over the ocean and back towards the beach. On the way home we were all exhausted so we stopped in Leongatha for a well-deserved lunch break. On behalf of the class, I would like to thank Ms Evans for organising such a terrific camp and it is something we will always remember.

Names of all the Year 9 Outdoor Ed students are on the college website.

Hayley Carmichael, Year 9 Outdoor Ed

CAREERS NEWS

THE CAREERS OFFICE IS MOVING!
The new Gleneagles Careers Centre will be located in the Library building in the room next to the Year 12 Team Leader’s office. Chris Wood and the new Careers Assistant will be located there along with the Careers library.

YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE 2016
All Year 9 students should be looking for their Work Experience placement for 2016. Work Experience week is Monday 20th to Friday 24th June 2016. Students should try to find their own placement but they can get assistance by visiting the Careers Centre, as we have a list of employers who have supervised students in the past. Please try to find your placement over the school holidays, as Work Experience is very competitive with many other schools having their Work Experience in June. STEPS students need to find four placements – two in June, one in August and one in October.

Employers Wanted For Work Experience 2016
If you own a company or work in a large organisation, would you be able to supervise a Gleneagles student on Work Experience? We will have our largest ever Year 10 cohort in 2016 and finding places for all of our students will be challenging without the help of our wonderful school community. Work Experience helps to inform students about their subject choices for Year 11 and enables them to experience what it is like working in a particular industry. Employers need to provide a safe workplace and supervision for the student. If you can help please contact Chris Wood at wood.christine.e@edumail.vic.gov.au

Chris Wood, Careers Co-ordinator

Fresh Christmas Trees for Sale
Akoonah Park Market Berwick
Sunday 6th & 13th December
jgtrezise@bigpond.com

Small Trees 5ft $50
Medium Trees 6ft $60
Large Trees 7ft + $70
Local delivery $5

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