



# Gleneagles College Newsletter

## IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE

Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	- GAT (No Year 11 or 12 classes)	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	- Cross Country (selected students) - UNSW Writing Competition (selected students) - Year 10 Taster Week/Special Program (13-17/06)
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	- Year 7 and 8 Badminton - Year 7 Netball, Soccer, AFL	Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	- Free Dress Day, SALT, \$2.00 donation - UNSW Spelling Competition (selected students) - Winter Concert, the Shed, 6.30pm
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	- Year 10L TAFE visit (Period 4) - Year 11 Biology Excursion	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	- Table Tennis, all levels - Production Camp (16-17/06) - Senior Basketball
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	- Report Writing Day (Student Free)	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	- Year 12 Biology GTAC
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	- Queen's Birthday Holiday (Public Holiday)	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	- Year 10 Work Experience Week (20-24/06)
		Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	- Term 2, 2016 last day, 2.30pm dismissal

### COLLEGE PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### REPORT WRITING DAY, FRIDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2016

A student free day has been scheduled for Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2016. Gleneagles staff will use this day for correction and reporting. There will be no students attending on this day.

#### CBD EXPERIENCE

I had the opportunity to attend two days of the Year 9 CBD Experience over the past fortnight and was so impressed with the maturity of our students. The students took responsibility for moving around the city and attending a wide variety of venues. They did so in good humour and with enthusiasm. I was proud of their presentation, good manners and engagement in the activities. In total we had around 150 students in the city each day and with very, very few exceptions all were fine ambassadors for the College.

#### YEAR 10, 11 & GAT EXAMS

Year 10 students will complete their mid year exams on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2016. Year 11 exams were completed on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2016. All Unit 3 & 4 students will be sitting the GAT (General Achievement Test) on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2016.

#### REPORTS

Reports will be posted home at the end of Term 2. If you have recently changed address or phone number, it is important to advise the College. A change of contact details form is on Page 2 of this Newsletter.

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

#### REACHOUT PARENTS

##### New Online Service For Parents Of Teenagers

ReachOut has launched a free online service, ReachOut Parents, providing tips for parents of young people aged 12-18 years on how to improve communication with their teenagers on issues such as bullying, sex and assertiveness. It also provides a peer-to-peer forum for parents to share their experiences. When a parent recognises a teenager needs help, they're more likely to get it. That's why we've introduced a new service to help parents help teenagers.

Right now, one in four young Australians are living with a mental health difficulty. But there's an even bigger problem: 70% of those who need help don't get it, and suicide remains the leading cause of death for young Australians aged 14-25 years. That means more young people die by suicide each year than by road accident, cancer, or acts of violence. The good news: we can change this. The majority of mental health difficulties start before the age of 24, and we know that parents are one of the first places that young people turn to for support and information.

On the ReachOut Parents website you will find fact sheets, stories, practical tips and tools covering a range of topics, issues and experiences that are relevant to teenagers aged 12-18 years. There is also an online community forum where you can talk to other parents about your experiences and work through your concerns in a safe, anonymous environment. The Reachout Parents details are also listed on the College website.

The aim of ReachOut Parents is to help you:

- Develop and maintain secure and stable relationships with your teenager by learning more about what they might be experiencing or issues they might be going through.
- Support your teenager and teach them how to seek help and work through issues independently.
- Learn about mental health issues that often have their onset during adolescence, including what to be aware of, and how to get help for your teenager if and when they need it.
- Improve the wellbeing and resilience of your whole family.

Please use the following link to their website to access the online service <https://parents.au.reachout.com/Welcome-to-ReachOut-Parents>

*Colette Davis, Wellbeing Manager*

**DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO CAN HELP FOSTER CONNECTION?**

Every year, Victoria experiences a shortfall of more than 300 foster carers. These carers support the lives and outcomes of children and young people who cannot live with their families. The Victorian Government are looking for individuals who can open their homes to the most vulnerable of Victorian children and young people. It's the little things foster carers do for a child that make them amazing, like sharing a meal at the table or a trip to the footy. Carers don't need to be superheroes, but by offering this support foster carers change the lives and outcomes of those most in need. If you feel you can be a suitable carer, apply now to begin the foster care recruitment and training process. To find out more about the enquiry process, call Tel 1800 013 088, or refer to the following below link: [www.fosteringconnections.com.au](http://www.fosteringconnections.com.au)

dormitories), the Seamanship school and Engineering Faculty (Marine engineering and technology) and had lunch with the recruits in the mess hall. Here are some photos from the day.



Picture 1: Masouda, Jasleen and Joanna with ADF staff

Picture 2: James and Luke

Picture 3: JJ in a Rescue craft

Picture 4: The entire group on a model ship (names in no particular order) JJ, Joanna, Jasleen, Masouda, Seb, Liam, James, Luke, Antonia, Emillio, Elliott

**CAREERS NEWS**

**Computer Games Boot Camp at Monash**

The Faculty of Information Technology at Monash University invites Year 9-12 students to the Free Computer Games Boot Camp 2016.

- Dates: 5,6,7th July (during school holidays), 9.30am-6.00pm
- Where: Clayton campus, Monash University
- Cost: Free!
- Register at [cgbc.monash.edu](http://cgbc.monash.edu)

**Chisholm Institute - School Holiday Workshops**

Register to attend a June/July School Holiday Workshop at Chisholm's Frankston campus. You can try workshops in automotive, bricklaying, carpentry, coffee making, hair and beauty, interactive gaming, photography and plumbing. Website: [http://www.chisholm.edu.au/Why\\_Chisholm/Schools/School\\_holiday\\_workshops](http://www.chisholm.edu.au/Why_Chisholm/Schools/School_holiday_workshops)

**HMAS Cerberus Excursion Report**

On Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2016, 11 students from Years 10 and 12 attended the tour of HMAS Cerberus Naval Base near Hastings. It was a very cold day, but we had a fantastic time touring the base. We were lucky enough to watch the current recruits practice their Graduation March with the Naval band playing then toured the extensive Aquatic centre and gymnasium, the School of Survivability and Ship Safety, the Recruit school (including

**Industry Experience Day at AIE**

Are you considering a career in games, 3D or VFX? The Academy of Interactive Entertainment has a free Industry Experience Day at the Melbourne campus on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July (during school holidays). The location is Tower 4, World Trade Centre, 18-38 Siddeley St. Register at [aie.edu.au/ied](http://aie.edu.au/ied)

*Chris Wood, Careers Co-ordinator  
Catherine Oldham, Careers Assistant*

**CHANGE OF CONFIDENTIAL DETAILS**

If parents/guardians have any changes to students details please fill out the following and return to the school office:-

NAME OF STUDENT: \_\_\_\_\_

YEAR LEVEL: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PH: \_\_\_\_\_

MOTHER: MOBILE PHONE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

MOTHER: WORK PHONE NO: \_\_\_\_\_

FATHER: MOBILE PHONE NO \_\_\_\_\_

FATHER: WORK PHONE NO: \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

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