



Gleneagles College Newsletter

IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE

Friday 7 th October 2016	- SALT 2017 – Applications Open	Friday 21 st October	- Year 8 Excursion, IMAX
Monday 10 th October	- Gleneagles Cup (selected students) - Year 7 Art Excursion - Interschool Sport, Cricket, Table Tennis, Year 8 (selected students)	Monday 24 th October	- State Athletics (selected students)
		Wednesday 26 th October	- Year 12 Exams (26/10- 16/11)
Tuesday 11 th October	- Year 12 Studio Arts Excursion - Year 10 MacBeth Performance, the Shed - Year 12 Art Show, MUMA, 5.30pm-7.00pm - PFA Meeting, 4.00pm, College Staffroom	Monday 31 st October	- Study Day, Year 10 & 11 students
		Tuesday 1 st November	- Melbourne Cup Day, Public Holiday
		Friday 11 th November	- Year 10 & 11 Exams (11-18/11)
Wednesday 12 th October	- Free Dress Day, \$2.00 donation	Monday 14 th November	- Year 8 Camp (14-18/11)
Thursday 13 th October	- Interschool Sport, Cricket, Year 7 (selected students)	Tuesday 15 th November	- Art Exhibition
		Friday 18 th November	- Year 9 Exams (18-23/11)
Friday 14 th October	- Guinness World Record Attempt, Beep Test, Year 7-10 students, P3 & 4	Monday 21 st November	- Year 10 → 11 Transition (21/11-2/12) - Year 11 → 12 Transition (21/11-2/12)
Tuesday 18 th October	- Year 12 Final Assembly	Wednesday 23 rd November	- VCE Second Hand Book Sale (23-24/11)
Wednesday 19 th October	- Writing Workshop, Year 7E students - Year 12 Presentation/Graduation Dinner	Monday 28 th November	- Singing Concert, College Study Centre - Year 9 → 10 Transition (28/11-2/12) - Year 7, 2017 Information Night

COLLEGE PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

WELCOME BACK TO TERM 4, 2016

Welcome back to the final Term of the 2016 school year. We hope that all members of the College community enjoyed a safe and restful break. Term 4 is a very busy time for all students and staff. It is important that students maintain a high level of attendance, focus upon meeting all due dates and establish a regular homework schedule.

Our VCE, Year 10 and Year 9 students should be preparing for their end of year exams by completing regular revision and checking in with their Mentor, Home Group or classroom teachers when assistance is required. Parents can assist by regularly checking their child's study planner to ensure they are managing their study routine and encouraging students to attend Homework Club on Thursdays from 3.00pm- 4.30pm in the library.

PLANNING FOR 2017

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PFA MEETING, TUESDAY, 11TH OCTOBER 2016, 4.00PM

The next PFA Meeting will be held on Tuesday 11th October 2016, 4.00pm, at the College in the staff room. It will be an opportunity to look at what we have achieved this year and start looking at dates and activities for next year. No booking required.

FREE DRESS DAY, WEDNESDAY 12TH OCTOBER 2016, \$2.00

Wednesday 12th October 2016 is the next Free Dress Day for all students. Students that come in free dress make a \$2.00 donation. All money raised will go to the Friends of Ermera.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES AND LEADERSHIP TEAM 2017 (SALT)

Student Activities and Leadership Team 2017 applications opened on Friday 7th October 2016 and will close on Friday 14th October 2016 at 3.00pm. SALT Application forms are located on the College website, Quicklinks on the Homepage and also on Student Compass. Interviews will be conducted later this month and early in November. The Student Activities and Leadership roles for 2017 will be announced at the Presentation Night on Monday, 12th December 2016.

GLENEAGLES FILM FESTIVAL

On Wednesday, 5th October 2016 the annual Gleneagles Film Festival was held at Hallam Senior Secondary College Theatre. It was great to see such a display of skill and talent from the students. It was clear the amount of hard work that all the filmmakers had put into their work. It was a very successful night and we thank the teachers, parents and friends who were so supportive of the students involved and the media teachers led by Robert Young.

NEWSLETTER

As advised in previous editions, the College Newsletter distribution to parents/guardians in the paper format ceased at the end of Term 3, 2016. All Newsletters will be published electronically for students, parents and the school community. The Gleneagles Newsletter is published on the College website, Student and Parent Compass Portals. No paper copies will be produced.

COMPASS PARENT PORTAL

Have you logged onto the Compass Parent Portal yet?



In 2016 Compass allows you to:

- Access information regarding upcoming events
- View your child's timetable; View and update class and school attendance information
- Approve or enter upcoming and past absences for your child
- Email your child/children's teacher(s)
- View comments from teachers about your child's behaviour and achievements.
- Access the College Newsletter

In 2017 Compass will allow you to:

- View and print your child/children's school reports
- Book Parent Teacher Interviews
- Pay for, and give consent, for all school excursions

The Compass Parent Handbook 2016 is located on the College website. If you have lost your login and password, contact the College office.

STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE AND AMBULANCE COVER ARRANGEMENTS

Parents are reminded that the DET (The Department of Education & Training) does not provide personal accident insurance or ambulance cover for students. Parents and guardians of students who do not have student accident insurance/ambulance cover are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance/transport and any other transport costs.

These costs may be recoverable from the Department where an injury is caused by the negligence of the DET, a School Council or their employees or volunteers. Student accident insurance/ambulance cover policies are available from some commercial insurers and can be obtained by school councils on a whole-of-school basis, or by parents/guardians for individual students.

- Parents/guardians of students who do not have student accident insurance, are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance/transport and any other transport costs; and
- Parents /guardians can purchase insurance policies from commercial insurers.

Sue Peddlesden, Adele Duffy, Kathie Toth & Rhonda Greelish



GUINNESS WORLD RECORD ATTEMPT 'BEEP TEST' **FRIDAY, 14TH OCTOBER 2016, PERIODS 3 & 4**

Students in Years 7, 8, 9 & 10 at Gleneagles will be attempting a Guinness World Record for the Most Participants in the Beep Test. The Beep Test is a multi-stage endurance test where participants are required to run 20 metre shuttles between two markers, set 20 metres apart, at the speed of the "Beep" sound.

The current record stands at 593, achieved by a school in the United Kingdom. The College is aiming to break the World Record and have over 650 students keen to attempt the challenge. The World Record Attempt will be held on Friday 14th October 2016, from 10.30am-12.30pm. Any Permission Form that has not been returned for the event needs to be returned to front office as soon as possible.

Ms Bell, PE and Health Domain Leader



VICTORIAN MATHS CHALLENGE **YEAR 7 & 8 STUDENTS**

The Victorian Maths Challenge is now open and we are encouraging families with children in Years 7 to 8 to join in the fun. The Challenge provides a range of hands-on, open-ended and interactive activities that promote problem solving. Whether it's erecting a paper tower in the Eureka Challenge, making estimations in the Paper Planes Challenge or building and keeping a boat afloat in the Titanic Challenge, there is a challenge to interest everyone in the family. With eight exciting challenges to choose from, each with videos and instructions to help families succeed, it's easy to get started.

Each challenge has been designed to provide a relevant industry and careers context and links to the Victorian Curriculum. The Victorian Maths Challenge aims to increase confidence and engagement in mathematics by encouraging families to explore and discuss maths concepts every day. Family participation in learning is one of the most accurate predictors of a child's success in school and beyond.

The Victorian Maths Challenge schools section has been created in partnership with the Mathematical Association of Victoria, who will moderate the site. Running until Tuesday, 29th November 2016, families can take on as many of the challenges as they like and share their experiences online, through photos, video or personal stories. For more information about the Challenge or to get started, see: - www.education.vic.gov.au/vmc

VIETNAM WAR HISTORY COMPETITION

During the Term 3, 2016 school holiday I had the opportunity to visit Vietnam as the prize for winning the 2016 Vietnam War History Competition. Winning the competition and being announced as one of the winners in the Civic Reception at the NGV by the Premier of Victoria was only the start of a remarkable journey.

I stood at the Battle of Long Tan site in shivers, realising that I could have been spotted and shot by camouflaged Viet Cong soldiers hiding only 20 metres away and how I witnessed the site where my tour leader, Gary McKay, was wounded almost 50 years ago. I also visited the Chu Chi tunnels, where I learned how the Viet Cong used them as an escape route to the Saigon River.

On the other hand, it was also heartbreaking to hear about the struggles back at home from the perspective of Alma Elliot, whose husband was conscripted in the war. When she described how she had the reputation of having the 'boyfriend who killed Vietnamese children', and explained how her own children were affected by Agent Orange, it brought tears to my eyes. I met Helen, a local dressmaker in Hoi An who owned her own shop for 13 years with the ultimate dream of being a nurse. But dreams don't always turn to gold, as her being part of a family with six children and insufficient funds to support and achieve it. Together with her younger sister, Helen opened up a little shop where she now makes beautiful authentic dresses. All her salary goes towards supporting her husband and children. Helen has to work long hours to continuously support her family yet always has a smile on her face.

I learnt to be grateful for my life, to stop complaining that my blanket is too thick or that I have to walk up a hill to my next classroom because I could be having it worse off, not having the opportunity to strive for further education like Helen. This trip gave me the opportunity to observe, taste and get a better understanding of Vietnam's unique culture; to walk along the river at night and see shining streets and rivers filled with brightly coloured lanterns, listen to local Vietnamese children sing, watch a cultural Water Puppet Show and ride in a cyclo. It was a privilege to travel alongside nine other amazing Victorian students who will become my friends for life. Thank you to Ms Sykes and Ms Weir for your support and guidance throughout the competition. I had the best time of my life, learnt a lot and will treasure the trip forever.



Article by Canis Nugroho 10E, College Sports Captain

YEAR 8 HUMANITIES AND LOTE EXCURSIONS

On Tuesday 13th and Wednesday 14th September 2016, Year 8 students participated in an excursion to Melbourne Zoo. The students were provided with an opportunity to explore the many animal species from Australia and around the world. For the Humanities students, the focus of the day was on rainforests and conservation. Students were able to see the important role the zoo plays in promoting conservation and raising awareness about human impacts on the environment. Students observed the gorilla rainforest and the orang-utans enclosure, which had an educational exhibit on palm oil. Students will be completing a research report in Term 4 based on their field work observations at the zoo and the work we have been doing in class.

For Indonesian LOTE students, the aim was to expose students to animals in the South-East Asian section. Students were able to compare species found in Indonesia to those in Australia and were encouraged to take photos of all animals to use in completing a set task of choice. For German LOTE students, the focus was on photographing and collecting information about five animals that live in the Melbourne Zoo. The photographs will be used to illustrate a Kinderbuch (children's book) with the students describing the animals and their habitats in German. For Chinese, students took photos of animals at the Melbourne Zoo and then chose 12 animals to write about in Chinese, expressing their degree of likeness for each animal and using the photos to support their writing. Overall it was an enjoyable and informative day. *Pictured: Year 8 students Stellar, Monique, Ryan and Valente*



CAREERS NEWS

Jobs Available Over Summer And Tax File Numbers

If you are aged 15+ and looking for work, particularly over the November to February period, now is the time to look for 'Christmas Casual' jobs.

- Type Christmas Casual into a jobsearch website and specify the suburb (eg Narre Warren for jobs at Fountain Gate Shopping Centre).
- Apply directly to McDonalds, Hungry Jacks, KFC through their on-line Career portals.
- You will need a Tax File Number and your own bank account before you start working, check out the website below, <https://www.ato.gov.au/Individuals/Tax-file-number/>.
- Complete your form on-line and make an appointment with an Australia Post outlet. Take your original identity documents and the printed form to your appointment.
- Your Tax File Number will be sent by mail to your postal address.

Chris Wood, Careers Co-ordinator

Catherine Oldham, Careers Assistant

GLENEAGLES SECONDARY COLLEGE AND MONASH UNIVERSITY MUSEUM OF ART (MUMA) INVITE YOU TO A POP-UP STUDENT EXHIBITION OF STUDENT ARTWORK

MUMA



IN OUR EYES

TUESDAY 11 OCTOBER 2016

5.30PM – 7.00PM

HELEN MACPHERSON SMITH EDUCATION SPACE AT MUMA

SAMINA ALJAZ

NAOMI BLAKELEY

TARA DI GIULIO

KYLA ELLIS

NAVID FAYAZI

SHOHAN FERNANDO

JANELLE GACUTAN

FRECHTA HUGGAINI

ASHINI ILANPERUMA

MAIRA KANWAL

GEORGE KATSORAS

BAILEY KILPATRICK

ASHLEIGH MORGAN

JIMMY NGUYEN

ELIKA NOFERESTI

FAWZIA GABAWI

DANI SANTOG

HOLLY SOUTHALL

JAIMEE VOLLMER

TIEN VU

TE HAERENGA WALKER

ALEX WOODWARD

MOUHAMED ZEITOUNEH

Nazmi Elaksoy, *Gibjanna - The play of light 2016.*

Photo: Maddison Pirngie

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SECONDARY COLLEGE

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Rhonda Greelish, Assistant Principal

Student's Name: _____ Home Group: _____

School enrolled at for 2017: _____

Reason for Transfer: _____

Parent/Guardian's name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____