



# Gleneagles College Newsletter

## IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE

Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	- State Athletics (selected students)	Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	- Year 10 & 11 Exams (11-18/11)
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> October	- Year 12 Exams (26/10- 16/11)	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	- Year 8 Camp (14-18/11)
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	- Interschool Sport, Table Tennis, Year 8 (selected students) - High School Cancer Challenge, Year 10 (selected students)	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	- Gleneagles Art Exhibition
		Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	- Year 9 Exams (18-23/11)
		Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	- Year 10 → 11 Transition (21/11-2/12) - Year 11 → 12 Transition (21/11-2/12)
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	- Study Day, Year 10 & 11 students	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	- VCE Second Hand Book Sale (23-24/11)
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	- Melbourne Cup Day, Public Holiday	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	- Year 9 Outdoor Ed Camp (24-25/11) selected students
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	- Intermediate Sport, Boys Hockey, Year 8 (selected students) - Year 8E Excursion	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	- Singing Concert, College Study Centre - Year 9 → 10 Transition (28/11-2/12) - Year 7, 2017 Information Night
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	- Intermediate Sport, Girls Hockey, Year 8 (selected students) - Year 10E Excursion	Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	- SEAL Year 7, 2017 Orientation Day
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	- Intermediate Sport, Boys & Girls Hockey, Year 7 (selected students) - Year 9 Outdoor Ed Excursion	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	- Year 7, 2017 Orientation Day

## COLLEGE PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### ATTENDANCE

A reminder that Monday, 31<sup>st</sup> October 2016 (the day before Melbourne Cup Day) is a school day and all students in Years 7, 8 and 9 are expected to attend school. A special program will be run on this day. Year 7 students are to wear complete PE uniform. Year 8 and 9 students are to be in complete school uniform. This is a Study Day for Year 10 and 11 students to prepare for upcoming exams. If your child does not attend, they must bring a note of explanation and give it to their Home Group Teacher on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2016.

### YEAR 12 GRADUATION DINNER & PRESENTATION NIGHT

On Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2016, the Year 12 Graduation Dinner was held at Sandown Racecourse in Springvale. This was a very enjoyable evening where members of the 2016 Year 12 cohort were formally recognised. Congratulations to the Year 12 students on the culmination of six years of secondary schooling. We wish to acknowledge the support that has been ongoing from the Senior School Team led by Matt Neal (Head of Senior School), Sean Leith (Year 12 Team Leader), the VCE teachers and indeed all the teachers who have taught these students throughout their time at Gleneagles.

Parents and families should also be recognised for their support and encouragement. We wish our Year 12 students all the best for the November examination period. Whilst some students have already undertaken LOTE Oral and written examinations, the majority of our students will begin the examination period with the English and EAL paper on Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> October 2016. The full list of Award Recipients are listed on Page 2 and the VCE Graduates 2016, are on Page 4 of this Newsletter.

### STUDENT ACTIVITIES AND LEADERSHIP TEAM 2017 (SALT)

Student Activities and Leadership Team 2017 applications closed on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at 3.00pm. 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, 12<sup>th</sup> December 2016.

### BUSES

Students are reminded that when travelling on school buses that payment with a valid Myki card is required. Students need to touch on and off with their Myki when using all public transport. Transport inspectors are monitoring bus routes and issuing a fine of \$150 if travelling without a valid ticket. Students should not be surprised if they are fined when travelling without a valid ticket. A reminder for students to continue to behave in an appropriate manner when travelling to and from school.



### PARKING

The City of Casey have advised the College that their officers will be monitoring parental parking outside the College both at the commencement and conclusion of the school day. They will particularly target vehicles illegally parked, double parked, parked on nature strips, across driveways and crossings and impeding buses. Fines will be issued to offending vehicles.

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

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING YEAR 12, 2016 AWARD RECIPIENTS: -

<b>PRINCIPAL AWARD</b>	<i>Luke Silva</i>
<b>VALEDICTORIAN</b>	<i>Raras Santosa</i>
<b>Australian Defence Force Long Tan Leadership Award</b>	<i>Natalie Erdossy</i>
<b>The Caltex Best All Rounder Award</b>	<i>Chloe Potter</i>
<i>Biology</i>	<i>Olumide Yinka-Kehinde</i>
<i>Business Management</i>	<i>Jarrold O'Donnell</i>
<i>Chemistry</i>	<i>Raras Santosa</i>
<i>English as an Additional Language</i>	<i>Joud Ghassali</i>
<i>English Language</i>	<i>Jarrold O'Donnell</i>
<i>English</i>	<i>Raras Santosa</i>
<i>Environmental Science</i>	<i>Raras Santosa</i>
<i>Further Maths</i>	<i>Jake Kime</i>
<i>German</i>	<i>Tamara Katalinic</i>
<i>Health and Human Development</i>	<i>Lauren Southall</i>
<i>History: Revolutions</i>	<i>Jarrold O'Donnell</i>
<i>Informatics</i>	<i>Elika Noferesti</i>
<i>Legal Studies</i>	<i>Jake Kime</i>
<i>Literature</i>	<i>Jacquelyn Rochecouste</i>
<i>Math Methods</i>	<i>Mahdi Al-Khazaly</i>
<i>Media</i>	<i>Arnel Duracak</i>
<i>Music</i>	<i>George Katsoras</i>
<i>Physical Education</i>	<i>Shania Kumar</i>
<i>Physics</i>	<i>Nicolas Pallant</i>
<i>Politics</i>	<i>Joud Ghassali</i>
<i>Psychology</i>	<i>Jake Kime</i>
<i>Sociology</i>	<i>Joud Ghassali</i>
<i>Specialist Maths</i>	<i>Luke Silva</i>
<i>Studio Art</i>	<i>Jimmy Nguyen</i>
<i>Visual Communication</i>	<i>Naomi Blakeley</i>

### MS MENDOZA, MICROSOFT INNOVATIVE EDUCATOR

Gleneagles Teacher Anna Mendoza, was recently announced as a Microsoft Innovative Educator (MIE) Expert, joining 85 other Australian teachers and more than 4,800 educators in the MIE Expert Program worldwide. Each year Microsoft selects innovative educators to share ideas, try new approaches and learn from each other as a global community dedicated to improving student outcomes through technology.

As an MIE Expert, educators build their capacity for using technology in both the classroom and curriculum to improve student learning, advise Microsoft and educational institutions on how to integrate technology in pedagogically sound ways and be an advocate at conferences, events and trainings for how Microsoft technology can improve learning. This brings exciting opportunities to further the 1:1 technology program at Gleneagles through training, support and networking with other innovative schools around the world.

### 2016 REGIONAL SCHOOLS ENVIRONMENT SUMMIT NOSSAL

Nossal High School held its first ever Regional Schools Environment Summit on Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> September 2016. Gleneagles Secondary College was invited to participate in this extraordinary event whilst meeting with many schools such as Suzanne Cory High School, Nossal High School and many more across Victoria. Year 8E students Damian Aleksic, Gabi Iob, Zahra Mozaffari and Yuvani Jayatillake, were given the honour of representing Gleneagles in many activities that were run across the day. Guest speaker, Tammy, provided students with a unique experience as she spoke about how little she used across the year (which only filled only a jar), many of the things she used were reusable and recyclable.

The day was filled with activities such as visitors from CERES demonstrating many elements, students actively taking part in the Trash Talk discussions, making unique bags to replace plastic ones and using apps which allow customers to understand whether their eggs pass the free range eggs test. All participants were gifted with a plant in recognition for their participation and Zahra received an award for her major co-operation with her group.



Picture: Zahra Mozaffari with other Award recipients  
Article by Zahra Mozaffari, Year 8E



## **BEEP TEST GUINNESS WORLD RECORD**

628 students lined up in front of the Reema Reserve soccer pitch on a sunny Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> October 2016, all anticipating to work together to make history – to break the Guinness World Record of *The Most Participants in a Beep Test* at one time. The current record is 593 participants (95% of participants must reach Level 5). One by one, every student was checked into the reserve (students were issued with colour coded wrist bands, one colour per each group of 50 students) and many students waved at the cameras and flying drones in excitement. For weeks this was the event that became the main topic of conversation between students, families, teachers and staff in the classroom and at home, even in the local news, and it was finally happening!

We were pleased to see our very own local MP, Luke Donnellan at the Beep Test, chatting with and being interviewed by students at the event. As the anticipation continued to increase, we completed a quick ‘team’ warm-up before the test. We eventually took our places on the line, waiting for the sound of the first beep. When it was finally heard, that was it. 628 students were all running back and forth to the 20 metre markers under the bright scorching sun. Most of us began feeling the fatigue and could hear our friends on either side of us puffing too. Some dropped out in the early stages, but most of us strived to hang on until the minimum requirement. As Level 5 was approaching closer and closer, the cheering became louder as we pushed each other through the pain and struggle. We were edging towards the moment of excitement.

“Level 5.2!” Many of us stopped in great joy and relief. For some, this was a new Personal Best and a major achievement that they never would have thought to achieve. Other students just smiled when they reached this Level and continued to run to their limits. The test finally came to a close when the mighty James Harry, Year 10E dominated and finished his lengthy run at Level 14.4. Kyle Contencin, Year 11, achieved Level 14. All the students, officials, teachers and stewards enjoyed the free sausage sizzle after the event. Despite the Gleneagles students not achieving the Guinness World Record Attempt, as we were 15 people short (as students needed to reach the required Level 5 range) the event was still a major achievement for everyone. Numerous students achieved a new Personal Best score and pushed themselves beyond their expectations. Congratulations to all the students who participated and contributed to the school effort. You should be extremely proud of yourselves regardless of the result!

*Article written by Canis Nugroho, Sports Captain, Year 10E*



*Pictured: James Harry, Ms Bell, Kyle Contencin*

## **CAREERS NEWS**

### **Launch of Work Experience 2017**

At Year 9 Assembly, students were introduced to the Year 10, 2017 Work Experience process and asked to start organising their Work Experience placement in advance. Work Experience week will be Monday 26<sup>th</sup> to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017. Students should make an appointment with the Careers Centre staff during recess or lunch in October and November to obtain assistance in finding a placement that relates to their future career interests.

### **Job Opportunity - Foodworks Doveton**

Foodworks in Doveton is a small family run supermarket and wishes to employ two Casual staff members. The position will be 9-15 hours per week (one or two shifts after school and one weekend day) and will suit students aged 15-16 years. The manager Luke has asked interested students to drop in their resume directly to Foodworks at 4/6 Autumn Place, Doveton. If you have any queries, please see Chris Wood in the Careers Centre.

### **STEPS 10L Work Experience**

The final Work Experience block for STEPS students is from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2016. 10L students and parents, please ensure that the placement has been secured and your form is signed and returned to the Careers Centre well before the due date.

### **University Extension Studies – Attention Year 11 Students**

Have you thought about studying a University level subject in your VCE? Are you completing VCE in 2017? Applications for VCE extension programs close in December 2016:

- Monash University <https://www.study.monash/why-choose-monash/information-for-high-achieving-students/monash-extension/how-do-i-apply>
- RMIT University: <http://www.rmit.edu.au/study-with-us/levels-of-study/pre-university-study/vce-extend>
- University of Melbourne <https://futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/info/school-students/extension-program>
- Deakin University: <http://www.deakin.edu.au/courses/entry-pathways/accelerate>

*Chris Wood, Careers Co-ordinator*

*Catherine Oldham, Careers Assistant*



## VCE COMPLETION CERTIFICATES 2016

Kiara ADAMS	Pranish KARAN	Elham RAZAI
Tramayne ADAMS	George KATSORAS	Victoria REEVES
Alisya AHISKAL	Tamara KATALINIC	Justin REYNOLDS
Jason ALCOCK	Bibi-Amina KHALILI	Khadija REZAEI
Mahdi AL-KHAZALY	Shakeel KHAN	Jacquelyn ROCHECOUSTE
Bharam ATMAR	Jamil KHADIM ALI	Brandon RUJA
Thomas AVERY	Marjan KHOSHIWAL	Fawzia SABAWI
Denise BAKER	Bailey KILPATRICK	Sarah SAID
Annalise BARRY	Jake KIME	Sanvir SALL
Rhys BELL	Olivia KOLOKOSSIAN	Ebony SALEMS
Armin BILCEVIC	Bridie KONNDOURAS	Ihya SAMBRANO
Naomi BLAKELEY	Shania KUMAR	Sarasvati SANTOSA
Matthew BOTROS	Emma LAKISS	Luke SANDELIN-MCCANN
Georgia BRODRICK	Sabrina LAVAKA	Daniela SANTOS
Kealeigh BROWN	Jayden LI	Sajad SIDIQI
Jordan CARNELLEY	Daryl Song-Han LOO	Luke SILVA
Nash CRAWFORD	Nicholas MADDOCKS	Lauren SOUTHALL
Casey CRUTCHFIELD	Daniel MARQUISON	Ella SOUTHALL
Ramona CUPSA	Jasleen MATHARU	Holly SOUTHALL
Samuel DE LOSA	Kyle MCPHAIL	Ashley STANLY
Alyssa DICHOSO	Murtaza MIRZA	Kaveena SWAN
Tara DI GIULIO	Zaman MOHAMMADI	Long TAM
Kathrin DIMAKSYAN	Zafar MOHAMMAD ABBASS	Paul TOMOIAGA
Dejan DOBRIC	Anna-Maria MOLDOVAN	Elliott TRAN
Arnel DURACAK	Ashleigh MORGAN	Tin TRUONG
Shae DURBIN	Fitim MUAREMOV	Jaimee VOLLMER
Kyla ELLIS	Shervin NASIRPOOR	Myphung-Tien VU
Shaun ELLIS	Ioanna NATIS	Te Haerenga WALKER
Natalie ERDOSSY	Hao NGO	James WALLEGE
Joshua EVANS	Jimmy NGUYEN	Masouda WAZIRI
Miriam FARES	Matthew NICOLICI	David WILKOSZ
Nawid FAYAZI	Elika NOFERESTI	Xin Onn WONG
Shohan FERNANDO	Jarrold O'DONNELL	Alexandria WOODWARD
Vivienne FLORANCE-MCDONALD	Nicolas PALLANT	Rachael WOOLRIDGE
Nicole FOSTER	Matthew PERERA	Olumide YINKA-KEHINDE
Janelle GACUTAN	Andrijana POPADIC	Mouhamed ZEITOUNEH
Tyler GALES	Arwin POPAL	Mark ZEPACKIC
Gresa GASHI	Moin POPEL	
Joud GHASSALI	Chloe POTTER	
Christopher GIANNIKOPOULOS	Maddison PRINGLE	
Freshta HUSSAINI	Safi QURESHI	
Murtaza HUSSAINI	Nawid RAHIMI	
Ashini ILANPERUMA	Jordan RAMESA	
Kiran KANAKAN	Robert RAMACHANDRAM	