START TO THE SCHOOL YEAR

It was wonderful to welcome back all our students for the start of a new school year. Students spent time with their Home Group Teacher or Mentor, attended a Year level assembly, received their timetables and lockers. By Period 3 all students were settled into class and the education program was underway. Indeed it was the smoothest start to the school year I can recall. This is testament to the team of staff who toiled away to ensure everything was in place for the beginning of the new school year.

I commend the Newsletter to students and staff as a key way to stay informed about key dates and important developments at the College. The Newsletter will be posted to the College website and via Newsfeed on Compass every fortnight. Compass can be accessed via the web or the Compass App can be downloaded on to your mobile device.

SCHOOL CARNIVALS 2016

The Whole School Swimming Carnival will be held on Monday 6th of March at Doveton Pool in the Park. This is a whole school event and we expect all students to attend. Carnival Permission forms should be completed via Compass. Just log on and look for the bar above News Feed. You can complete it and submit it all online!

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ONGOING REPORTING - PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

We are implementing a new way of reporting in 2017 utilising the Compass software. Parents will be to log on and to see what their child is learning, key work that has been set, what progress they are making, what they can do to improve and how you can support them along the way. Communicating with classroom teachers will be so easy and you’ll receive regular progress reports, all via Compass.

We are running two Parent Information Nights with multiple session times. Each session goes for 15 mins plus time for questions afterwards. We encourage all parents to attend one of the sessions and discover how Compass will help you stay in touch with your child’s school work.

Wednesday 15/2 in the Library at 5:00, 5:30 & 6:30p.m.
Note: this is the same night as the Year 7 BBQ but other parents are welcome.

Monday 20/2 in the Library at 4:00, 6:00 and 7:00p.m

If you have any questions please ring the school on 97081319

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY FRIDAY 24TH FEBRUARY 2017

The College Assembly will be held on Wednesday 24th February, 2017 during Period 1. Our student leaders will be presented with their badges. The assembly will be student focused and due to space constraints in the gym, we are not able to accommodate parents. Please note the assembly may be rescheduled if weather is unfavourable.

YEAR 7 WELCOME BBQ

We’re looking forward to meeting year 7 students and their families at the Year 7 BBQ on February 15th from 5.30p.m.
STUDENT LEADERS FOR 2017
“A good leader is not the person who does things right, but the person who finds the right things to do.”

We are pleased to acknowledge and congratulate our SALT team for 2017.

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HOUSE CAPTAIN APPLICATIONS
It’s not too late to be a leader at GSC in 2017!
How about applying for a leadership position for your House?

House Captains: Year 10, 11 & 12 students
Deputy House Captains: Year 7, 8 & 9 students

Information on the application process is available on Compass Newsfeed. A reminder that House Captain applications close at 3pm on Monday 13th February. Applications can be submitted via email at studentleadership@gleneagles.vic.edu.au or hand in a hard copy to Debbie in the front office.

YEAR 7 CAMPS

Our Year 7 students are looking forward to their camp during week 5. It’s a wonderful opportunity for students to get to know the other students in their year level and the teachers. Its three days full of fun and interesting activities. The camp needs to be paid in full either directly or through CSEF by Friday 17/2/17.

Monday 27th February to Wednesday 1st March Camp One: Students from 7A, 7G, 7H, 7I, 7J, 7K
Wednesday 1st March to Friday 3rd March Camp Two: 7B, 7C, 7D, 7E, 7F

A special program is in place for students unable to attend and these students must attend school as usual, during the camp period.

SELECT ENTRY ACCELERATED LEARNING (SEAL) PROGRAM

INFORMATION NIGHT, WEDNESDAY, 19TH APRIL 2017, 7.00PM FOR YEAR 7, 2018 STUDENTS

Applications for entry into the 2018 Year 7 SEAL Program are now being invited. Gleneagles is one of the 38 schools accredited to run such a program. The SEAL Information Night will be held on Wednesday 19th April 2017 at 7.00pm in the Shed at the College. No booking required. Applications close on Thursday, 27th April 2017 at 12 noon. Testing for entry into the SEAL Program for Year 7, 2017 students is scheduled for Saturday, 6th May 2017. Please let family members or friends who may be interested in this program that they may obtain further details through the College website and download the application forms. Look for SEAL on the Quick Links section on the Homepage.
### IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE FOR THE TERM AHEAD

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### EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES

The College has extensive protocols in place in the event of any emergency situation. These include evacuations and lock down/shelter in place procedures. These are fully documented (44 pages!) and are submitted to the Department of Education. All staff have a copy of the relevant pages and it is part of our induction process for new staff.

I would ask parents to trust that the school can handle an incident appropriately and refrain from calling or coming to the school. To do so, just risks pulling staff from their allocated duties under the College plan. You will be contacted by the school if we need you to collect your child.

As part of our emergency protocols we hold practice drills. This is to ensure staff and students would be able to calmly and appropriately implement the College plan. We will hold a drill this Term.

Clearly, for the drill to be effective it must simulate an event and this precludes forewarning the school community. It is inappropriate for your child to text you or post to social media about any evacuation or lock down/shelter in place event as they simply will not have the relevant information. They could raise tension in the community unnecessarily. However, once a drill is commenced we do publish a notice on the banner of the front page of the College website. Please do not ring the College during an emergency procedure as it distracts from the core business of ensuring the school communities safety.

As Principal, my highest priority is the safety of all students and staff. Trust us!
COLLECTING STUDENTS DURING SCHOOL HOURS

If you need to collect your child during school hours, please ensure you telephone the college (approx. 20 minutes) prior to collecting the student, or write a note in the School Planner, so the student can be waiting at the office to be collected and signed out by a parent/guardian. This will assist to minimise disruption to classes.

CAMP REPORTS

Year 11 VCE Camp – Monday 6th of February to Wednesday 8th of February

The two years of VCE are the most significant and challenging years of life for most people. It mostly consists of hours of gruelling study and numerous mental setbacks, but can be the most rewarding too. The thought of entering VCE can be rather daunting for Year 11’s. This is why there is no better way to learn how to maximise the upcoming two years than enjoying time together away from school and the classroom, especially at the Year 11 Camp.

The three day camp, held at CYC Church Street, Cowes, Phillip Island provided students with the knowledge and ability to be successful throughout VCE. The camp consisted of various useful seminars and tutorials held by teachers, focusing on introducing VCE requirements, advising tips on managing time and stress, and enhancing study skill techniques.

Whilst attending these productive sessions, everyone had the opportunity to relish the wonders of Phillip Island with early morning beach walks and runs through the fresh seaside breeze, along with watching the adorable Penguin Parade in the dark and chilly night. Everyone also enjoyed the “Op Shop” themed fancy dress party and trivia night, with some eccentric and creative outfits.

Every student gained a valuable and worthwhile experience from the camp. Thank you to all the teachers for the hard work put into organising lessons and taking care of the students, and a special thanks to Ms Reynolds for organising the camp.

Canis Nugroho, Year 11

Year 12 Camp 2017 – Monday 6th of February to Wednesday 8th of February

The 2017 Year 12 study conference was an informative collective of excursions to aid the year 12 cohort in planning their lives after school.

We attended RMIT in the CBD, Deakin University in Burwood and Monash University’s Peninsula campus. At each university, students were given a range of educational presentations regarding the various opportunities offered at each university and the different pathways we can take. Not only were we informed of the courses that each University offered, our own teachers also gave us speeches and presentations that explained the functionality of the system, and support that we are provided. Mr Young took us through the VCE Student Handbook and helped us to organise ourselves in preparation for the year ahead. Prior to this, Ms Wood outlined the processes involved in University course selection, and how to greater enhance our chances at achieving an invitation into our dream course.

The different clubs and societies in each campus were listed to us to further educate us on campus life, and a guest speaker from Edrolo informed us on how to benefit most from the website. Our own Mr Evans explained to us the importance of maintaining our health throughout VCE, while our art teachers helped us all make inspirational flags to surround ourselves with in the VCE Study Centre to ensure we never lose motivation. Goals were set and letters to our future selves were read and rewritten, and each activity we participated in prepared us more and more for the years ahead.

At the Monash campus, a speaker named Michael Rolls explained to us, using his own story, the importance of perseverance and never giving up. He was an inspirational amputee who informed us of the seemingly endless hardships he’d faced in his life, and how he coped with these.

The three-day camp was concluded with a relaxing visit to Frankston beach, and an indulgence in pizza at the nearby restaurant.

Kyle Contencin and Lisa Li.... Senior Sub-School Captains 2017
CAREERS NEWS

Work experience for Year 10
Work experience week is Monday 26th to Friday 30th June 2017 (last week of Term 2). Students should be finalising their placements now and will soon receive a copy of the Work experience Arrangement form in Home Group. Work experience is a compulsory component of the year 10 curriculum. Teachers visit students on their placement and students complete a work experience diary. The final day to return forms is Thursday 24th March, however students should organise their placements in advance due to competition from other schools in the area. Students are expected to find their own placement but can see Chris or Catherine in the Careers Centre for ideas and assistance.

Congratulations to the Class of 2016
Our year 12 students from 2016 recently received their first round offers for tertiary places:
• 91% of students who applied for tertiary study received an offer for one of their top three preferences
• 79.6% of applicants will be going to University
• 16.5% have been offered TAFE Diplomas
• 3.8% have been offered places at a Private College
• The remainder have an apprenticeship, are applying to the Australian Defence Force or are working full time.

Here are our students’ top 10 destinations for 2017:

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Did you know that we now have a dedicated Careers Website?
Visit www.gleneaglescareers.com.au to read our latest Careers News and for information about tertiary and job options, University Open Days, VTAC Application processes, Resume writing and MUCH more...