**IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE**

| Monday 5th May | - EAL Excursion (selected students) | Monday 12th May | - Junior Girls Football, Boys Netball |
| Tuesday 6th May | - Parent Teacher Interviews (1.00pm-8.00pm) No classes for students all day | Tuesday 13th May | - Year 12 Sociology excursion |
| Wednesday 7th May | - Year 12 Business Management excursion - Year 8 Resuscitate A Mate incursion (7/8-5) - Year 11 Geography Coast excursion | Thursday 15th May | - Senior Girls Football |
| Thursday 8th May | - Year 10 VCE Career Expo excursion | Monday 19th May | - Year 11 & 12 Visual Communications excursion |
| Friday 9th May | - Gleneagles Athletics Sports Carnival | Monday 26th May | - Year 9 CBD (26-30/5) |

**COLLEGE PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

**GLENEAGLES OPEN NIGHT, 28TH APRIL 2014**

The positive reputation of Gleneagles continues to grow! Over 120 visitors attended our Open Night on Tuesday, 28th April. Prospective students and their families were able to learn about the school and have their questions answered by a panel comprising of teachers and students. Families were also able to see the school first-hand through tours guided by our enthusiastic student leaders. Staff received positive feedback from parents and children who were impressed by the range of programs and services available at Gleneagles. Student volunteers, staff and members of our Parents and Friends group were essential in ensuring the success of the night’s festivities and we send our thanks to them.

If any parents were unable to attend the Open Night and would like further information about the wide range of education programs offered at Gleneagles or to arrange a school tour, please contact the College on Telephone 9708 1319. We would like to sincerely thank the students and parents who volunteered their time to assist with this night. The list of student and parent volunteers will be listed in next week’s Newsletter.

**PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS**

Parent Teacher Interviews will be held on Tuesday, 6th May. The teachers will be available between 1.00pm and 8.00pm. There are no classes for students on this day. Students are encouraged to attend interviews with their parents. As detailed in previous newsletters, the booking system for Parent Teacher Interviews is now active for parents/guardians. Please consult the information sheet that was posted home at the end of Term 1 to gain access to the system.

The best access to the online booking system is from the “Quick Links” section of the school website www.gleneagles.vic.edu.au. Should you not have access to the internet, please give your instructions to your child and they can use one of the school computers to implement your booking requests and print off a hard copy for you to bring on the afternoon/evening. If you are having difficulties with access or have lost your details please contact Mr Bunce via his email address, bunce.russell.m@edumail.vic.gov.au, or the school via phone on 9708 1319.

**NAPLAN**

The NAPLAN tests for Years 7 & 9 students will be held on the mornings of Tuesday 13th May, Wednesday 14th May and Thursday 15th May. Students will be given further information about these tests shortly. We encourage all students to attend on these days to ensure all students can be included in the process and enable parents to receive relevant reports when they are published. If you have any queries or concerns please contact Kathie Toth.

**YEAR 9 CBD EXPERIENCE**

With students beginning their preparation for the Year 9 CBD Experience shortly, parents/guardians are reminded that payment of the Essential Education Items Levy must have been made to the Bursar by the end of Term 1 in order for your child to attend. The CBD Experience will run in Week 6 of this Term, Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May.

*Sue Peddlesden, Adele Duffy, Kathie Toth, Paul Thorne*
INTERSCHOOL SPORTS SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Well done to Canis Nugroho, 8E who participated in the State Interschool Sports Swimming Championships on Tuesday 29th April at the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre. Canis competed in the 12-15yrs 100m freestyle and came in sixth place. This an outstanding effort considering that she is in an age category which includes girls older than herself.

Ashlee Chatfield, Carnivals Co-ordinator

YEAR 8 RESUSCITATE A MATE PROGRAM

On Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th May 2014 all Year 8 students will be taking part in Life Saving Victoria’s Resuscitate A Mate Program. The program will be held during Period 1 and is an interactive session designed to introduce students to basic anatomy and emergency response management, be it at home, at the beach, in the pool or at school. This is a valuable program for our students which will empower them with knowledge, skills and confidence.

Ms Waters, Year 8 Team Leader

TEACHERS TAKE A TUMBLE IN THE ANNUAL SAC TUG-OF-WAR EVENT

Students and teachers alike enjoyed the fun and light hearted activities of the Student Activities Committee, after the annual Gleneagles’ Cross-Country carnival that was held on Friday, 4th April. In House groups, students participated in duck and spoon races, sack and three-legged races and the wildly popular and heavily anticipated, house and student versus teacher tug of war competitions. A record number of students participated in the events, ensuring that the teachers took a tumble in the student versus teacher event.

Thanks to all SAC members who helped to organise and run the activities on the day and to all those that spiritedly participated!

Miss Ivory, Miss Fernandez & Miss Reynolds

GLENEAGLES ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

On Friday 9th May, Gleneagles will hold the annual House Athletics Carnival at the Knox Athletics track. Students are encouraged to dress up in their House colours, or wear their PE uniform. Prizes will be given to students who demonstrate exceptional team work, enthusiasm and who are encouraging others. Please ensure that you bring adequate clothing, snacks and drinks, or money to purchase something from the canteen. Parents are very welcome to attend and support the students in what should be a fantastic and energetic day!

Ashlee Chatfield, Carnivals Co-ordinator

CAREERS NEWS

VCE and Careers Expo

On Thursday 8th May, the Year 10 students will be going to the VCE and Careers Expo at Caulfield Racecourse and will attend career seminars and collect course information from University and TAFE institute stalls. There are still many students who have not returned their permission forms and payment. The form and $5 payment must be returned to the Bursar urgently.

Try A Trade Expo

On Tuesday, 29th April, 45 students from Year 10 attended the Annual South East Try A Trade Careers Expo at Cranbourne Racecourse. There were many hands-on activities including bricklaying, tiling, carpentry, hairdressing, horticulture and cookery as well as stalls from TAFE institutes and employers.

Australian Defence Force Presentation

On Wednesday, 30th April, Squadron Leader David Cole from the Air Force gave the Year 10 students a presentation on the recruitment process for ADFA and General entry as well as information about the employment opportunities in the Defence Forces, including the one year roles (available after VCE).


Chris Wood, Careers Co-ordinator