COLLEGE PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

CBD EXPERIENCE

Next week, all Year 9s will participate in the CBD Experience. This five day program is an opportunity for students to experience the many wonderful attractions and features of our great city of Melbourne. Please ensure you have purchased your Zone 1 & 2 weekly concession ticket (if still available) or have money loaded on to your Myki before Monday. Please note: There are no Zone 1 & 2 tickets available at Hallam station. You will need a student ID card to be able to purchase a concession ticket. Students need to make sure they are aware of meeting spots and always allow plenty of time for train travel. Students must bring appropriate work books and wear full-school uniform at all times (non-school uniform items will be confiscated for the week). On days when students are participating in physical activities (bike riding, rock climbing), they are to bring P.E uniform in their bags and bathers and towel when attending MSAC. Students not attending the CBD Experience are expected to attend school as per usual. Any queries from parents during the CBD week regarding this experience, please contact the school.

‘UV BELOW THREE – SAFE TO GET SOME VITAMIN D’

As schools and early childhood services across Victoria prepare for the onset of the autumn and winter months, SunSmart is encouraging everyone to get some sun exposure during their week to help with vitamin D levels. Although ultraviolet (UV) radiation from the sun is the main cause of skin cancer, it is also the best natural source of vitamin D; essential for strong bones, muscles and overall health. Sun protection is required when UV Index levels reach three and above. In Victoria, average UV levels fall below three between May and August, making it a great time to get outside for some sun to help with vitamin D levels.

Actions required:

- Check UV levels for your area by visiting the SunSmart UV Alert in the weather section of your daily newspaper or at www.sunsmart.com.au/ultraviolet_radiation/sunsmart_uv_alert
- For further information contact SunSmart on 03 9635 5148 or see: www.sunsmart.com.au

REPORT WRITING DAY

A student-free day has been scheduled for Friday 15th June. Gleneagles staff will use this day for correction and reporting. There will be no students attending on this day.

EXCURSIONS

All excursion notices have a date by which payment must be received. This allows the school to confirm bookings at venues and with transport, as well as draw cheques for payments. Please ensure you pay by the date required to avoid disappointment. All excursion notices are available on the college website under the Events tab.

Sue Peddlesden, Adele Duffy, Kathie Toth & Paul Thorne

BOOK CLUB EXCURSION

On the 21st of May, the Book Club members went on a fantastic excursion to meet one of the most brilliant authors on the planet – Jeff Kinney, author of “Diary of a Wimpy Kid” (pictured below right). The book club members were really excited to meet him, get him to sign their books and to have a photo with him. We met him at the Melbourne Exhibition Centre with lots of other schools. He was a very funny man with a great story of his life and how he began writing his amazing books. He truly enjoys writing the series and he is even writing more books. He is very happy to know that all the children in Australia enjoy reading them. His books also came out as movies, and now they’re working on another one that will be as great as his other works. These are some of the other facts we learned about him: His first ever comic to be published in newspapers was called “Idoof.” His books were translated to 40 different languages around the world. Most of the things that happened in the books happened to him when he was a student at school. HE INVENTED POPTROPICA!!!!!! (in case you don’t know what that is, it’s an international computer game). “Cabin Fever” is the latest one. His favourite book is the 3rd one. He had an enormous balloon of Greg flying on the streets of America. Another book is coming out soon. We also went to Dymocks book shop were we got some great novels and books and also picked some great books for the school library that we thought the students will like and enjoy.

Masa Tawalbeh, 7F Student
MESSAGE FROM THE BURSAR:

Semester One Elective
Semester One electives are now overdue. Please contact the Bursar’s office to organise payment.

EMA Families
Statements will be posted out today Thursday 24th May. If you are in receipt of EMA this year and you don’t receive a statement, please contact the Bursar’s office. Thank you
Ms Lyn Bartley, Bursar

CAREERS NEWS

Defence Forces Talk
On Wednesday 23rd May, Warrant Officer Gerry Foran gave a presentation to Year 10 about entry requirements for the ADF and ADFA, apprenticeships in the Army, Navy and Air Force, the Defence Force Technical Scholarship scheme, and the selection process. Chris Wood has extra brochures and information available in the Careers Office.

Monash University Indigenous Experience Day
On Thursday 17th May a small group of Gleneagles students attended the Monash University Indigenous Experience Day. Students met Elders from the Yulendj Indigenous Engagement Unit, heard about scholarship opportunities and support services, took part in two activity sessions with Monash Faculties and had a tour of the new Monash Colleges and Sports Centre. The students met Olympic athlete Kyle Vander Kuyp who now runs a Mentoring program for young people.

Try a Trade Expo excursion
On Tuesday 22nd May, 50 Year 10 students attended the Try a Trade Expo at Cranbourne Racecourse organised by the South East Local Learning and Education Network. Students took part in hands-on activities including electronics, bricklaying and paving, carpentry, plumbing, hairdressing, automotive, children’s services and cookery and obtained information from providers such as Link Employment, MEGT, Civil Construction Institute, Chisholm and William Angliss Institutes. Any student requiring further information about trades, apprenticeships and traineeships should see Ms Wood in the Careers Office.

RMIT Experience Days in July
If you are in Years 10-12 you should consider registering for one of the RMIT University Experience days during the school holidays:

- Medical Laboratory Visits – Monday 2nd July to Friday 6th July
- Experience Computing, Animation and IT – Tuesday 3rd July (city campus)
- Experience Art and Design – Monday 2nd July (City campus)
- Aerospace, Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering – Wednesday 4th July (Bundoora East campus)
- Electrical and Computer Engineering – Thursday 5th or Friday 6th July – City campus
- Experience Advertising, PR and Marketing – Tuesday 10th July – City campus
- Experience Community Justice – Wednesday 11th July – City campus
- Health and Medical Sciences – Thursday 12th July – Bundoora West campus

You must register on-line at www.rmit.edu.au/experiencedays

Computer Games Bootcamp
Don’t leave it too late to sign up for the Monash University Computer Games Bootcamp at Clayton from Sat 7th to Friday 13th July (in school holidays). It is a fantastic week of activities and is free! There will be team activities each day. Register on-line at https://secure.monash.edu/infotech/promotion/games-boot-camp/register-interest-form.html

Ms Chris Wood, Careers Co-ordinator

SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SHOP
The Second-Hand Uniform Shop will be open on Tuesday 29th May, 9 – 11am at the front office.

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- complete this slip and return it to the office or
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Or you can download the newsletter each week from the College website: www.gleneagles.vic.edu.au

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