INTERIM REPORTS
An Interim Report for Year 7 to 10 students or a Mentor Report for VCE students is being posted to students’ home addresses over the next week. These reports provide an indication of how the student has progressed in their studies during Term 3. Parent Teacher Interviews for Semester 2 will give parents the opportunity to follow up with teachers on any issues that arise from the interim report and ensure they can be addressed before the Semester 2 reports are prepared.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEW BOOKINGS
On Wednesday, 18th September Gleneagles will be holding its second Parent Teacher Interviews for the year from 3.00pm to 8.00pm. We are continuing to use an electronic booking system which will allow parents/guardians to directly book interviews using the internet. When it is activated on Monday, 9th September, you will need to click on the “Parent Teacher Interviews” heading in the Quick Links section on the left side of the screen on the Gleneagles website. You will then be taken to the booking system. This is currently NOT available; access will be allowed from midday on Monday, 9th September. If you have not done so, you may like to check that you can access the school website at www.gleneagles.vic.edu.au. Please refer to the information sheet included with your child’s interim or Mentor report for more detailed instructions on how to access the booking system as well as your login details. 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.

GERMAN EXCHANGE STUDENTS
We would like to wish all the students and teachers who are leaving next Friday for the German Exchange Program all the best for a wonderful experience and best wishes and thank you to the teachers who organised the trip. We look forward to hearing the reports from the trip next Term.

SCHOOL PRODUCTION ‘ON THE VERGE’
Students and staff have been rehearsing and putting the final touches to the school production, which will be held on Wednesday 4th and Thursday 5th September at Hallam Senior Secondary College Theatre, commencing at 7.30pm. Tickets are still available from the Bursar’s office. The students featured on the front page of the Berwick Leader Newspaper this week (full article on Page 4 of the Newsletter).

FREE DRESS DAY – WEDNESDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER
A Free Dress Day will be held Wednesday, 11th September during the Student Activity Committees’ Spring Carnival Week. There will be different events running during the week at lunch times for students and staff to get involved. The free dress day will be “fluoro” theme for those wanting to participate. Anyone in free dress must pay a $2 donation that will be donated to the Friends of Ermera, East Timor.

SAC Committee

BUSES - MYKI
The bus companies have advised that a large number of students are still failing to touch on or off their MYKI when travelling. It is important that students always touch on and off on every trip, even if they are using the pre-paid MYKI pass (weekly, monthly, quarterly, half yearly or yearly). A MYKI that cannot touch on or has not been touched on for any reason is not valid for travel. Travel without a valid MYKI is fare evasion. Failure to do so could result in the issuance of an infringement notice by one of the revenue protection officers.

Sue Peddlesden, Adele Duffy, Kathie Toth & Paul Thorne

2013/14 ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS
The 2013/14 Entertainment Books are available at the Bursar’s office to purchase for $65.00. Visit the college website to download a copy of the Entertainment Book order form, or order online at:

IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE

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CONGRATULATIONS LACHLAN MADDEN, M22

We are delighted to announce that Lachlan Madden, M22 has been selected to represent Australia in the Under 18s Baseball World Cup in Taiwan from 30th August to 8th September 2013.

Lachlan received a scholarship in Queensland at the Baseball Academy and for the past six weeks has been supported by Major League Baseball and Baseball Australia. Selection into the World Cup team has been as a result of his time at the Academy. Lachlan is placed in the top 20 under 18s baseball players in Australia. If you would like to follow Lachlan and the team you can go to www.ibaf.org and follow the links to the World Cup.

VICTORIAN STATE POETRY FINALISTS

Congratulations to Joseph Halliwell 7E and Ashleigh Morgan 9J who represented our college at the State Finals of the German Poetry Competition on Saturday, 24th August. The competition was fierce with over 50 students competing in the State Finals. Gut gemacht!

Ms Iacoban, LOTE teacher

Pictured: Joseph Halliwell 7E and Ashleigh Morgan 9J

LEGAL STUDIES EXCURSION – LODDON PRISON

On Thursday 8th August, two year 11 Legal Studies classes and some Year 12 students headed off to Castlemaine to partake in a prison education program at Loddon Prison. We thought that it looked like a retirement home but as soon as we entered we saw the concrete, barbed wire and the rock paths designed to stop prisoners escaping. The prison we visited was a medium security with 409 prisoners. We got the opportunity to speak to four prisoners of varying offences. One of the first ones we spoke to was a man who had killed his wife while affected by drugs and alcohol. He had been in prison 13 times before. He talked to us about the dangers of being addicted. He had started drinking at the age of 14 and never stopped. He was sentenced 17 years and had already served 8.5 years.

The second prisoner we spoke to was a young bloke in his twenties having committed many armed robberies as he owed a man some money for drugs. The third prisoner we spoke to was a man who had been sentenced to dangerous driving killing a person. He was speeding when he had an accident. His friend died at the scene. He was in a coma for two months and was later arrested. The last prisoner we spoke to was found guilty of fraud. He spoke to us a lot about the effects of his crime on himself and his family.

Overall it was a scary yet worthwhile experience as we got to do something few people are able to do. I think we all learnt that we need to be careful when making decisions and not to end up in jail.

Abir Kezraj, M18

YEAR 12 ENGLISH EXCURSION

On Wednesday, 21st August the Year 12 English classes travelled to the Australian Centre for the Moving Image (AMCI) located in Federation Square. The excursion was designed to help students create a new understanding on the context of ‘Exploring Issues of Identity and Belonging’ which is one of the more difficult areas of the English course which will be assessed in class through a SAC and again on the end of year English Exam. At ACMI the students viewed the film ‘Skin’, directed by Anthony Fabian based on the true story of a black girl who was born to two white Afrikaner parents in South Africa during the apartheid era.

The students experienced a university style lecture analysing the ideas within ‘Skin’ in comparison with other films. During the session students were able to ask questions in order to broaden their knowledge and develop their own confidence to generate and explore ideas of ‘Identity and Belonging’ deeply. Overall it was an enjoyable day with a lot of information to take in and process.

By Joshua Tarasenko M11, Michael Keyt M24, Liam Carnelley M02, Andrew Thao M24 and Jake Chrisafis M24

WHERE’S WALLY DAY

We celebrated Book Week by dressing up. Can you find Wally in the library?
Work Experience for 2014 – Attention Year 9
Applications are now open for work experience placements at Melbourne Zoo, Healesville Sanctuary or Werribee Zoo (16th-20th June 2014). You will need to complete the application form, write a covering letter and ask Ms Wood in the Careers Office to email it to the zoo. Go to: http://www.zoo.org.au/get-involved/volunteer/work-experience

Victoria Police takes only one work experience student from each school. Please submit your resume to Chris Wood in the Careers Office by the end of this Term, with a covering letter saying why you would like to work in the police force. There will be a selection process and you will be notified in writing.

Students wanting to do work experience at a child care centre or private kindergarten must apply for a Working with Children Check (WWC). Complete the form and take it to a post office. Go to the website: http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/

Monash University Year 11 Experience Day
Wednesday 26th September (during holidays) at the Caulfield Campus of Monash University from 11.00am to 3.00pm for Year 11 students and their parents. Attend workshops, find out about course options, pathways and meet academic staff. Due to expected large numbers, you must register in advance at www.monash.edu/year11-day

Deakin University Events – Year 11 and 12

Deakin at Your Doorstep (Associate Degree Information Session) – Monday 2nd September, Chisholm Institute, Dandenong campus, 6.30pm to 8.00pm in Building W (enter from Cleeland Road). The Associate Degree of Arts, Business and Sciences is a pathway to a Deakin degree.

RMIT University Laboratory Visits (School Holidays)
Nuclear Medicine Lab visits (for the Medical Radiations program) on Thursday, 26th or Friday 27th September for Year 11 and 12 students. St Vincent’s Hospital or the Austin Hospital. Register at www.rmit.edu.au/medicalsciences

RSPCA Holiday Programs
Book now for a full day session at the Burwood East shelter - http://www rspcavic.org/services/education/holiday-programs/
- Animal attendant for a day – Thursday 3rd October, ages 13-18 years, 9.30am to 3.00pm, cost $100.
- Vet for a day – Tuesday 1st October, ages 15 to 20, 9.30am to 3.00pm, cost $100.

‘Ready 4 Work’ Program at William Angliss
William Angliss Institute in the city (near Parliament Station) is offering a three day hospitality program in the September holidays – for Year 11 or 12 students who are seeking part-time or casual work in cafes and restaurants. Costs $350 for 3 days (9.00am to 5.00pm) The course covers:
- Responsible Service of Alcohol certificate (RSA)
- Basic Coffee Service
- Follow Workplace Hygiene
- Basic Food & Beverage Service

The dates are being finalised.

Enquiries to: carolynn@angliss.edu.au

Youth Central Website
The Victorian Government’s Youth Central Website (for 12 to 25 year olds) has information about looking for a job, preparing a resume, going for an interview, career and industry profiles, getting ready for tertiary study, choosing a University or TAFE, finding an apprenticeship, managing money, employment rights, on-line safety and lots more. Go to http://www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au/

Chris Wood, Careers Co-ordinator
Edgy production

Students from Glenelg Secondary School in Endeavour Hills are putting on their own play called On The Verge. REPORT PAGE 5

GLEANEAGLES Secondary College is on the verge of raising the curtain.

Students and staff at the Endeavour Hills school have been rehearsing since April to put the final touches on their production of On The Verge.

The play was written by English teacher Suzanne Dowling over summer to appeal to school-aged children.

Director Ashlea Thompson said it made students reflect on their lives, influences and futures.

Ms Thompson said the cast and crew were all excited to go on stage on September 4-5 at Hallam Secondary College.

For more information, visit gleneagles.vic.edu.au or call 9708 1319.