**END OF YEAR ACTIVITIES**

The End of Year Activities Program began yesterday and will operate until Monday, 16th December for students in Years 7, 8 and 9. This program has provided students with the opportunity to take part in a variety of learning experiences different to those provided in the regular timetable. All students will take part in a BBQ Fun Day at Lysterfield Lake on Monday, 16th December. Students are reminded to wear their PE/Sport uniform each day.

**CLEAN UP DAY**

We will hold a Clean Up Day on Tuesday, 17th December. Students who attend school on that day will be given a range of cleaning tasks. This assists in ensuring we go into the break having removed items from various areas that are no longer required and generally tidied up. Students who attend on Tuesday, 17th December may wear their sports uniform. There will be no formal timetabled classes. Students must bring recess and lunch as the canteen will be closed.

**ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE END OF THE YEAR IN THE OFFICE**

The Bursar’s office will take payments up to 4.00pm on Wednesday, 18th December. They will not be able to take any further payments until Friday, 24th January 2014. We need time to finalise the accounts for 2013. The General office will close at 4.30pm on Wednesday, 18th December. The office staff need time to finalise the administration tasks for this year and prepare for 2014. Reports will be posted home on Wednesday, 18th December.

**UNCLEARED LOCKERS**

All students should ensure they clear their lockers by Monday, 16th December. After this time, to allow scheduled maintenance to occur, all locks will be cut off lockers and unemptied lockers will be cleared. If the contents have a name on them, they will be kept and stored securely. If items do not have a name on them, they will be donated to charity. Should your child have not cleared their locker and wish to retrieve the contents, they are to see Mr Thorne, Assistant Principal during the first week of Term 1, 2014. Any items left unclaimed by the end of the first week will not be retained.

*Sue Peddlesden, Adele Duffy, Kathie Toth & Paul Thorne*
THANK YOU PARENTS AND FRIENDS OF GLENEAGLES FOR A WONDERFUL YEAR

Sue Caljouw
Thank you Sue for over 10 years devoted service and commitment to Gleneagles. Your wisdom and efforts particularly with fundraising and second hand books and your terrific sense of humour are unmatched. As the last of your children at Gleneagles moves on, you are entitled to do so as well. We will miss you and it will not be the same without you. Thank you – love from your friends at Gleneagles.

Market Day
Thank you Jamel - our Market Day Co-ordinator for this new activity, supported by staff member Lynne Moller and her fantastic student leaders Ashleigh Morgan 9J, Harry Dove 9I, Carollanne Skilton 9G, Shaun Ellis 9E, Stuart Green 9I, Alicia Kouch 9D, Shania Kumar 9D, Salim Niazi 9F. So many positive comments, here’s one from a stallholder which sums it up:

... I would like to congratulate you and your team on an extremely professional, precisely run Market day event which will benefit the school enormously.

...I thoroughly enjoyed the festive community spirit which I know was part of your plan and I’m sure all those who attended the day left our school with a positive impression and a great vibe. I would also like to thank all of the students on the day who acted in a confident efficient manner and conducted themselves in the true spirit and values of our school. They should all be very proud of themselves. Thank you also to all of the teachers and school leaders who gave up their valuable time so close to Christmas and (report writing times) to participate in the wonderful event. A special thanks to Mr Thorne for “traffic control” and security. Overall it was a wonderful day, the weather perfect and everything ran very smoothly a fantastic effort by you all THANK YOU.

Merit Certificates

Acknowledgement of Recipients
Outstanding effort in completing the 'Phases of the Moon' extension activity

Teacher: Mr Holder

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CAREERS NEWS

Year 9-10 Career Transition Program
On Monday, 9th December the students heard a motivational talk from Luke Atkins who recently completed an Adventure Challenge Race in the USA. He talked to the students about the importance of setting goals for their future, both long and short-term. The Year 9 students also completed safe@work OHS training and attended pre-interview training run by the company YIP services.

On Wednesday, 11th December the students listened to speakers from industry – Engineers Australia, Metro Trains, Racing Victoria, Student Edge. There was a Trade Industry session in the afternoon (Master Plumbers, Master Electricians and the Victorian Automobile Chamber of Commerce). Other students took part in Hairdressing and Beauty activities. If any students missed the safe@work program, they will need to catch up in Term 1 to complete their certificates before going out on work experience.

Year 12 Change of Preference Counselling
Year 12 results (VCE and ATAR) are released on Monday 16th December, so we wish our students all the best. Any student who requires assistance to change their tertiary preferences after this date can see Ms Wood in the Careers Office until Thursday 19th December at 4.00pm. University and TAFEs also have Change of Preference Expos next week. Students can change their VTAC preferences up until 12 noon on Monday, 23rd December.

Year 10 Work Experience 2014
Students need to spend time over the summer break to look for a work experience placement for 2014 – the dates are 16th to 20th June. This is compulsory for all students as there are no classes on during this week and staff will visit students on their placement. Discovery students must have additional placements in each Term. Students should contact friends, relatives and neighbours to get contacts in companies where they would like to work. Any queries to Chris Wood in the Careers Office.

Australian International Air Show
Friday 1st - Sunday 3rd March at Avalon Airport, near Geelong. If you are interested in a career in aviation, the ADF or aeronautical engineering, then this will be a good event to attend. The ADF will have military aeroplanes and helicopters on display, as well as historic planes and demonstrations from a wide variety of aircraft.


Chris Wood, Careers Co-ordinator