**STOP WORK ACTION – WEDNESDAY, 5TH DECEMBER**

Unfortunately, the negotiation of new awards for the teaching and education support services has not yet been completed. The AEU has advised that, should no resolution be reached, regional stop work action involving Glenelg Secondary College is scheduled for Wednesday, 5th December. This is a half day stoppage and it is anticipated that classes would recommence at 1.20pm. While we are hopeful that this matter will be settled before then, we advise you to make alternative arrangements in preparation. Should the stop work action go ahead, members of the school AEU sub-branch will notify the college of their intentions on Monday, 3rd December and a notice will be sent home detailing the arrangements. Thank you for your understanding and support.

**TRANSITION PROGRAM FOR 2013**

For the next two weeks, Year 10 and 11 students will begin their Year 11 and 12 studies with a series of classes that will prepare them for their program in 2013. It is essential that all students take part in this transition program as it will provide a solid introduction to the demands and expectations of their final school years. Students going to Hallam for their program in 2013 should have received a letter in the mail with all relevant details.

**YEAR 9 TIMELINE**

Year 9 students will complete exams next week and then will return to their normal timetabled classes until the End of Year Activities Program commencing on Thursday, 13th December. All students are expected to attend school and to actively participate in these classes and the program. Year 9 students will not attend on Tuesday 11th December (Year 7, 2013 Orientation Day), but are required at school every other school day.

**BOOKLIST AND PARENT CONTRIBUTION**

All students have received their booklists for next year as well as relevant information for the second-hand book sales. Every year the PFA run a second-hand book sale to enable students to sell and buy books. It cuts down your costs and also brings in some useful dollars $$$ The PFA takes a small commission on each sale and then spends that money on making improvements for the students at the school. This is a very valuable service, so please take the time to read all the information provided, a lot of work goes into making this very helpful for you and your child. You must sign the permission form indicating you support the sale of your child’s books, without this we cannot accept the books for sale.

Year 12 students will be getting a cheque for their sold books at the end of the year so get those books in as soon as possible. Students in Year 11 and Year 10 are able to bring in their books to L3 throughout the school day in the first week of Transition, please encourage your child to do this so we have plenty of stock to offer parents. Year 7-9 books will be collected on 4th and 5th December by Homegroup and we will be reminding students closer to these dates. If you misplace the paper work you can go to the website and download the relevant forms. The new book company is Link Educational Supplies who have an outlet in Waverley Road, Mount Waverley. The booklists are easy to read and there are three options for purchasing your new texts, so please read these details carefully on the front page.

**Parent Contribution** information for 2013 has been mailed home today and you should receive this in the post early next week. If you have not seen this by the close of next week please contact the school on 9708 1319 and ask for Lyn Bartley.
COLLEGE UNIFORM
The end of the 2012 school year marks the end of the three year implementation period for the Gleneagles college uniform. From the start of 2013, the Gleneagles college uniform is to be worn by all students. Details of the uniform, dress code and the uniform supplier are available on the college website.

SECOND-HAND BOOK SALES
The Parents and Friends Association are continuing to organise the second-hand book sales for 2012-2013 and books for sale are currently being collected. Year 11 students should be dropping off their books to L3 as soon as their exams are finished.

Year 12 students have been sent the information in the mail and also have the opportunity to sell Gleneagles school uniform items. The remaining year levels will hand their books in on their specified days over the next two weeks. VCE sales will occur on Wednesday 28th November and Thursday 29th November.

Year 7 sales will occur on Tuesday 11th December, Year 8, 9 and 10 sales will occur on Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th December. All relevant paperwork has been given to your child including the list of second-hand books available for purchase. Please ensure you sign the permission form that enables us to sell their books on your behalf.

Sue Peddlesden, Adele Duffy, Kathie Toth & Paul Thorne

YEAR 8 CAMP: THE SUMMIT
On Monday 12th to Wednesday 14th November, 73 students from Year 8 had the chance to visit The Summit, a gorgeous camp in Trafalgar east. The three day camp included a whole bunch of adventurous activities that got everyone working together as a team and conquering their fears.

The food the summit staff gave out was pleasant and prepared on time. They never let us out on an empty stomach. Each group had duties to do before and after every meal. The cabins were very cosy. All cabins included a kitchen, lounge room, bathroom and two or three bedrooms that had lots of room to move about in.

The activities included a giant swing, flying fox, wombat hole, underground cave, laser skirmish and the mud pit. The students also completed a Monster Course which challenged the groups on their teamwork skills and ability to communicate with one another.

The people in each group that represented the best qualities and values were given an opportunity to ride in the army tank. We came out of camp muddy but with the best experience of our lives!

Alexandria Woodward, Pearl Dallas and Tarik Sivic 8F

STUDENTS AND SOCIAL MEDIA
It has come to the school's attention that a large proportion of students are using social media sites that encourage others to ask them questions and give comments anonymously.

This has lead to some serious harassment issues already. As a school we are advising students to not use these sites as they do not have any type of protection if they were harassed. Unless students are directly threatened Gleneagles is limited in actions it can make.

Gleneagles has a strict bullying and cyber-bullying policy and will take any case seriously and may result in the removal of computer privileges, detention or suspension.

Students should understand that threatening others using a communication device is against the Commonwealth Criminal Code Act 1995 and anyone over 10 year can be prosecuted.

If students feel they are being threatened on an anonymous comment website they should delete their account.

If any students have issues regarding social media they should follow these steps:

1. Don’t retaliate: You should not reply to any harassment online - it is what they are looking for and you may end up looking like the bully.

2. Collect Evidence: Print out or make a screen-grab of any harassment against you.

3. Block the Bully: Delete from your friends list or delete the message from the site.

4. Report It: If someone has threatened you on social media report it to your Home Group Teacher or a Team Leader.

More information about cyber safety can be found on the school's website.

Robert Young, Cyber Safety Officer
**CAREERS NEWS**

**RSPCA Youth Holiday Program**
The RSPCA at Burwood East is offering two holiday program dates for students interested in Vet Science, Vet Nursing or animal care. The sessions cost $100 for each day. Register at [http://www.rspcavic.org/services/education/holiday-programs/youth-holiday-program](http://www.rspcavic.org/services/education/holiday-programs/youth-holiday-program)

Thursday 17th January – Animal Attendant for a Day (how to become an attendant, ambulance driver or adoption officer).

Wednesday 23rd January – Veterinary science and Vet nursing – watch life surgery in the animal hospital and learn about assessing dogs who are admitted.

**Southern Health Work Experience now open – current Year 9s**

Register with e-recruitment by entering your name and contact details, then submit your application and resume. Places are limited so apply now!

**Work Experience in Local Councils – current Year 9s**
Casey Council (in Magid Drive Narre Warren) has a formal work experience program. Choose preferences for Council departments you would like to work in, for example Engineering, Childcare, Local laws, IT etc. and submit your application with preferred dates via the website [www.casey.vic.gov.au/employment/article.asp?Item=4781](http://www.casey.vic.gov.au/employment/article.asp?Item=4781)


There is a separate form for Library services.

**Australian Government Work Experience – current Year 9s**

**Access Education Summer School – Year 10 and 11**
Monash University is offering free tickets to the Access Education VCE summer school for the first 15 students who register via Gleneagles. Other students will pay a discount price of $35. Classes will be held at Monash University Clayton campus from 22nd to 25th January 2013. Please contact Chris Wood for more information or to register for the summer school.

*Chris Wood, Careers Co-ordinator*
MATHS TALENT QUEST WINNERS

As part of the SEAL Mathematics Program for Year 8, the students utilised part of their class time to investigate a particular branch of mathematics. They entered their findings into the Maths Talent Quest, run by the Mathematical Association of Victoria and many were awarded certificates and prizes for their investigations. Congratulations to the following students on their tremendous endeavours in mathematical investigation.

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The students were awarded with their Certificates during the Year 8 Assembly.

Pam Stratford (8E Maths Teacher)