**IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE**

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**COLLEGE PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

**YEAR 9 SAMs TALK PRESENTATION**

Gleneagles had the pleasure of hosting a Monash University representative for a Year 9 SAMs (Student Access Monash) talk on Tuesday, 6th August. The presentation gave our students an overview of what Monash University has to offer and the various pathways students can choose. This has certainly been a focus for our Year 9 students over the last few weeks and it was great to see the involvement from our students and gain some insight into some of the different careers our students are thinking of pursuing. Hopefully all of the students that attended gained some valuable knowledge of the many different pathways that they can choose from.

**ROAD SAFETY ISSUES**

Parents are requested to be mindful of student safety before and after school in relation to traffic. Traffic Police have been in attendance monitoring traffic conditions and speed around the college.

- Please obey all traffic and parking signs outside the school.
- U Turns in Reema Boulevard are not permitted outside the school.
- Discuss with your child the need to use the School Crossings at all times.
- Please do not double park in the streets outside the College when dropping off or picking up your child.
- Do not park over the School Crossing lines.
- No parking in the drop off bay during designated times.

Parking inspectors patrol school zones and will issue fines for non compliance of road rules and parking signs. Your cooperation in these areas will be greatly appreciated.

**GERMAN POETRY COMPETITION**

Congratulations to Joseph Halliwell 7E, for winning silver and Elana Vitalich 7G, for winning bronze in the Goethe Institute’s German Poetry Competition (Regional Final) on Wednesday, 31st July. Joseph will also be competing in the State Final next month.

**HOW TO GIVE YOUR CHILD THE BEST CHANCE AT SCHOOL**

Make sure they attend school every day and arrive on time! Some absences are impossible to avoid – genuine illness, bereavement, etc. are examples of the acceptable reasons for absence. However, every time your child is late or absent from school, his/her learning is disrupted. Most teaching is sequential – what is taught and learned today is a foundation which enables children to understand and master what is taught tomorrow. It is usually harder for a child to catch up on work missed than to master it when it is being taught in class. To avoid making it hard for your child, parents should minimise absences by:-

- Arranging doctor and dentist appointments out of school hours.
- Developing in your child the habit of being on time to school each day.
- Not allowing children to remain at home for minor/frivolous reasons.
- Arranging birthday celebrations etc. to occur out of school hours.
- Contacting the Homegroup teacher or mentor immediately there is any concern which might influence attendance.
- Asking your child would they stay home if this was their paid employment – if the answer is no, they should be at school.

*Sue Peddlesden, Adele Duffy, Kathie Toth & Paul Thorne*
It’s all happening at our school - Gleneagles Market Day Saturday, 7th December, 10.00am to 3.00pm.

All students, parents, local community groups and organisations get involved. You may have a hobby, things to sell, activities to run or an item to perform. Come and share your culture.
- You don’t have to be a professional.
- You can come and share something that you do.

This day will benefit our whole school community.
Expression of Interest Forms are available now.

Please email us and we’ll send it through.
Jamel: Jamel@cultureducation.com.au for stall details
Jen: riley.jennifer.l@edumail.vic.gov.au - PFA details

"Gleneagles Community – Making Connections"

**SPONTANEOUS STORY TELLING**

Book Club members created their own amazingly captivating (and unlikely) stories by rolling Rory’s Story Cubes. Imaginations ran wild as people created the most outlandish stories. Much laughter was heard. Below are the Rory Story Cubes that were rolled by the students to create a story.

**THE WINNING STORY**

On a dark and dreary night, a retired detective was walking home along a deserted street, with the aid of his walking stick. In the distance he saw a shed in the middle of a piece of land. The detective had not seen this rundown shed before, so he decided to investigate. As he got closer he discovered the shed had a key-shaped window which had been broken open. The detective peered inside and saw a maimed and skinned sheep hanging from a hook in the ceiling. The detective was taken aback by the sight. He wanted to investigate further so he bashed the door open with his walking stick. The inside was quite old with an out-of-place pillar in the middle of the room with a childishly drawn picture of a town square after a storm.

As the detective was wondering who this shed belonged to, the light flickered off and then back on. An apple rolled out from beside the pillar and the water in the fountain in the picture turned to blood and started oozing out of the frame. The lights flickered once more. When they came back on, the shed had vanished and the detective was never seen again.

Javairia Qureshi 7H, Jessica Kam 7H

**WRITING COMPETITIONS**

- **How Can You Be A Bully Stopper?** Competition closes 30th August.
- **Fresh Words Writing** competition closes 20th September.

Join in the writing competitions and win some great prizes. For more information speak to Ms Moller in the library, check the details on the writing competitions display in the library or download the Link [http://www.write4fun.net/](http://www.write4fun.net/)

Ms Moller, Library Co-ordinator
Year 11 to 12 Course Counselling

Year 11 VCE students are encouraged to meet with Chris Wood if you have any queries about selecting your Year 12 subjects for 2014. Please check the VICTER guide 2015 for course pre-requisites at:

Year 11 Hallam Interviews

If you are planning to go to Hallam Senior College and did not attend your Course Counselling session on 30th July, you must see both your Course Counsellor and Chris Wood (to make a Hallam interview appointment and collect your enrolment pack), otherwise you do not have a place at either school next year.

University and TAFE Open Days

Students in Years 10-12 should be attending Open Days to explore their tertiary options. The next Open Days are on Sunday, 11th August:

- **RMIT University** – City, Bundoora and Brunswick 10.00am to 3.00pm
- **Australian Catholic University** Melbourne campus, Fitzroy 10.00am to 4.00pm
- **Deakin University Geelong** – Waterfront & Wauurn Ponds

It is always a good idea to plan your visit to Open Day, so go to the websites to see what activities are planned for each course area.

Cerberus Naval Base Tour

On Tuesday 6th August, a group of students from Years 9-11 toured the Royal Australian Navy training base at Cerberus on the Mornington Peninsula, organised by the Southeast LLEN. We saw the fantastic sporting facilities, the Recruit Centre and accommodation, the Boatswain area – including models of ships and rescue equipment, training areas for fire fighting and sea emergencies and a hot lunch was provided.

Herald Sun Career Expo

Sat 17th/Sun 18th August - Herald Sun Careers Expo, Melbourne Exhibition Centre, Clarendon St, Southbank in the city, 10.00am - 4.00pm.

There will be a full Expo guide in this Saturday’s Herald Sun (10th August). Please see Chris Wood if you would like free entry tickets to attend this expo.

SEDA Open Days

SEDA runs a Year 11 and 12 VCAL Program in Sport Development in a wide range of sports, linking secondary education with major sporting organisations. There are two open days to find out more:-

- 20th August - 10.30am to 2.30pm at the Nunawading Basketball Stadium 310-336 Burwood Hwy, Burwood East.
- 13th September – 10.30am to 2.30pm at the Albert Park Sailing Club, Aquatic Drive, Albert Park

RSVP: opendays@sedagroup.com.au

Chris Wood, Careers Co-ordinator

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GLENAGLE Secondary College Film Festival 2013

Entries are now open for the Gleneagles Film Festival 2013 which will be held on **Tuesday, 15th October 2013** at Hallam Senior Secondary College Theatre. The Film Festival is an annual event that celebrates screen based work of students throughout the school.

The Film Festival is open to not only media students, but to any students creating screen based work in any class. Prizes for the Festival are from Madman Entertainment and Crumpler.

Videos need to be under 5 minutes and be received by Mr Young by **Monday, 16th September** to be considered for the Film Festival. For further details, contact Mr Young.

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Jesse Brugmans, 10H

Megan Ann Lee 10E, Stephanie Gentil 10E, Zoe Johnson 10E
GLENEAGLES SECONDARY COLLEGE PRESENTS

2013 PERFORMING ARTS VARIETY NIGHT CONCERT

This entertaining evening features talented students from Gleneagles S.C. There are some excellent performances to look forward to including singing, ensemble, dancing and instrumental items.

When: Thursday, 12th September, 2013
Time: 6.30pm
Where: Gleneagles Community Centre “The Shed”
Tickets: $5.00 all tickets

Tickets can be purchased from the Bursar’s office from Monday, 2nd September. Please note that groups of students should be accompanied by an adult.

BOXERCISE / FITNESS CLASSES

WEDNESDAY MORNINGS, 7.30AM

All students are invited to come along to the free fitness club and boxercise class on Wednesday mornings! Starting at 7.30am in the gym, students will work through a range of boxercise and fitness workouts, followed by a cereal breakfast, finishing at 8.15am. Come along and join in!

You will need a separate change of sports clothes. See you there at 7.30am!