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COLLEGE PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

YEAR 7 BBQ AND MUSIC PROGRAM INFORMATION EVENING
As part of the Year 7 Orientation Program we would like to invite the parents/guardians of all Year 7 students to attend a Welcome BBQ being held on Tuesday 11th February, 2014 from 5.30pm - 7.00pm. Dinner will be provided along with the opportunity to meet and get to know your child’s teachers. The music department will also take the time to provide information on the music program at the college and give parents the opportunity to talk to the music staff about music lessons. The Music Information Meeting details are listed on Page 2 of the Newsletter.

BELL TIMES – PERIOD 1 8.30AM
The January Newsletter contained an important article regarding the change to bell times for 2014. Period 1 will commence at 8.30am so all students must be at school by 8.15am to ensure they have time to collect their books for the first two periods and arrive on time for the first period. Students who arrive late to Period 1 are missing valuable tuition. Home Group will be conducted after Period 4 and immediately prior to lunch, not at the start of the day as was previously the case.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS
School photographs will take place on Tuesday, 25th February. Payment on the day is through filling out the Credit Card Section or with cash to the photographer. These are the only payment options. To avoid disappointment on the day, please note this date in your calendar and put the money aside in the coming weeks. The school does not handle payments and is unable to provide change for students on the day.

HOUSE CAPTAINS AND DEPUTY HOUSE CAPTAINS 2014
Nominations for House Captains and Deputy House Captains 2014 close at 3.00pm on Friday, 7th February. Students were advised of the nomination process during the week. The Nomination form, together with the Role Descriptions were also on the College website. The nominations will be reviewed by a Panel comprising of Mr Thorne Assistant Principal, Carnival Co-ordinator and three Student Leaders on Monday, 10th February. Students who have nominated must attend a meeting with Mr Thorne and the Carnival Co-ordinator on Tuesday, 11th February at the commencement of lunch. Candidates will be required to make a short presentation at their House Meeting on Wednesday, 12th February. The successful applicants will be notified on Friday, 14th February 2014.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT VICTORIA
Public Transport Authorised Officers will be stepping up enforcement to ensure fare evaders are penalised and caught. A particular emphasis will be given to the bus network and around school zones. Students are to make sure they have a valid ticket at all times to avoid the risk of a fine. Students are required to touch on with their myki cards every time they travel, even if they have a valid Student Pass. Students who have a Student Pass, or who are over 16 years old, must also carry their Concession Card at all times when travelling. Without their Concession Card, their Student Pass is not valid and they travel, even if they have a valid Student Pass. Students who have a Student Pass, or who are over 16 years old, must also carry their Concession Card at all times when travelling. Without their Concession Card, their Student Pass is not valid whether they have touched on or not. Important information about using public transport and how to apply for a Student Pass or a Concession Card are available online at the Public Transport Victoria website: ptv.vic.gov.au and the College website.

ROAD SAFETY
The safety of students before and after school in relation to traffic around the college is a priority. Parents are asked to support the school policy and to assist with implementing some of the following strategies to eliminate traffic congestion around the college:

- Students are not to cross the road at the roundabout located on the corner of Reema Boulevard and Hanna Drive. Students are to use the supervised School Crossings.
- Parents are encouraged to drop their child off/pick them up at school a few blocks away and let the child walk.
- Please do not to pick up/drop off your child whilst in the flow of traffic, particularly at the roundabout. Vehicles need to be parked safely in the kerb before students leave the vehicle. Parents are reminded to discuss with their child to use one of the supervised School Crossings if they need to cross a road or to get to a pick up point.
- Please do not double park in the streets outside the College, or park across the driveways of the local residents. Local parking officers patrol the area and will issue fines.
- U turns in Reema Boulevard and Hanna Drive must be avoided at busy times.

YEAR 10 AND NEW YEAR 11 & 12 - NETBOOKS IN 2014
The final meeting for the Take Home Computer Program for Year 10 and new Year 11 and 12 students to attend with parents/guardians, will be held on Wednesday 12th February at 6.00pm and 6.30pm in the library.

VCE APP
VCE students are reminded to check the VCE App frequently to keep up-to-date on general Gleneagles happenings, careers notices, sports meetings, room changes, upcoming SACs and key dates. The VCE App is accessible to VCE students via their smart phones, netbooks and computers during class and in the VCE Study Centre (we prohibit the use of mobile phones in any other areas).

HOT WEATHER DAYS
As with every summer, we are bound to face several more days of particularly hot weather this Term.

At school:
- Students are permitted to take drink bottles (containing water only) into the classrooms.
- For protection against sunburn, students must also ensure that they apply sunscreen lotion.
- We would like to remind students to be sun smart and to take all necessary precautions to avoid dehydration, sunburn and sunstroke. The majority of our classrooms are air conditioned and all other rooms have fans.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP
The Second Hand Uniform Shop will be open on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8.30am to 12 noon at the front office.

CONGRATULATIONS TO LEE-ANNE LAZOS, 12H
Congratulations to Lee-Anne Lazos 12H, a recipient of the 2013 Holt Community Spirit and Leadership Awards. Students from 49 Casey schools were recognised for the positive contribution they made to the community in 2013.

The Awards ceremony was held at the Cranbourne Community Theatre on Tuesday, 17th December 2013. Students were presented with their awards by Holt MP Anthony Byrne. Mr Byrne said “These awards recognise the outstanding contribution made by the students and the difference their hard work and dedication has made to their schools and the wider community. It was a great honour to present these awards on behalf of the community”.

MUSIC NOTES
Year 7 - Musical Performance
On Tuesday 4th February, Gleneagles students were treated to a fantastic performance by the ensemble ‘Shrewd Brass’, organised through Musica Viva. The aim of the incursion was to introduce Year 7 students to a variety of brass instruments and show the value in learning instruments throughout their school life.

Year 7 Music Information Night, Tuesday 11th February 6.30pm
Parents will have the opportunity to enrol their child in the Instrumental Music Program this year at the Year 7 BBQ and Music Information night on Tuesday, 11th February. A large selection of instruments will be available for students and a wide variety of instrumental tuition is offered at Gleneagles including: flute, oboe, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, french horn, euphonium, piano, drums and guitar.

Parents will be informed about the associated costs for each of the instruments and receive advice on the most suitable instrument for their child. Woodwind and brass instrumental staff will be available on the night for any queries. Parents that are unable to attend this meeting should contact the Music Director, Sue Schueler on Tel 9708 1319 prior to the date as places in the program are limited.

Sue Schueler, Music Director
BEING SAFE ONLINE

Using social media and being online is common place and a source of fun for many people. However we would like to remind all students, as well as parents and guardians, that it is also important to keep yourself safe in this environment whether it is writing to Facebook, sharing photos or playing games. Whenever and wherever you go online there are some basic safety rules you should follow regardless of whether you are connecting using your computer, tablet, mobile or games console. Always try to keep your personal information private, be careful what you accept or share online and make sure that you tell a trusted adult if things go wrong or make you feel uncomfortable. The number of online sites and apps is constantly growing and therefore making it more difficult to keep up with the different safety measures. The Australian Government Department of Communications provides a website which contains simple and easy to follow safety guidelines for a range of social networking and online gaming sites. The government have developed this in partnership with the Internet Industry Association and Australian teenagers.

Visit http://www.communications.gov.au/easyguide to find out the cyber safety features for a particular site whether it is Instagram, Kik, Snapchat, Xbox Live, Wii and many more. The website provides instructions for protecting your information, steps for reporting cyberbullying or abuse as well as other useful information about the site. In order for social media to remain fun it is important that your online experience is done safely. Therefore students, parents and guardians are encouraged to look at the safety guidelines and make the necessary profile changes and follow the advice provided.

Mr Van der Westhuizen, Cyber Safety

CAREERS NEWS

Congratulations to the Class of 2013

Our Year 12 students from 2013 recently received their offers for tertiary places (University and TAFE). 71% of the students received one of their top three tertiary preferences and 64% of our Year 12 students will be going to University, 27% to TAFE courses and the remainder will be studying at private colleges or working full-time. The most popular destinations for our students were Deakin University, RMIT University and Monash University and the most popular courses were humanities, health sciences and nursing, followed by engineering and teaching.

VCE Camps and Careers

The Year 11 and Year 12 students have been learning about how to choose a tertiary course after completing VCE, how the ATAR is calculated and the application and offer processes for University and TAFE during their study camps at Phillip Island (Year 11) and the city universities (Year 12).

VCE Career interviews

All Year 12 students are required to book in for a career interview this Term to discuss their options for study after Year 12 including pathway programs and special consideration. Year 11 students are also welcome to have an individual interview in Term 1 or 2. The sign up sheet is next to the Careers office door.

Careers Office

All students aged 15 and above are invited to drop into the careers office (located between L and H blocks) near the Japanese Garden. The Careers Co-ordinator, Chris Wood is the Work Experience Co-ordinator (for Year 10), helps students with their resumes and job applications and advises senior students about their pathways into tertiary study after completing their high school studies. There are course guides for University and TAFE (including interstate courses), a careers library with information about hundreds of different careers and Defence force information. You can also collect a Tax File Number application.

Chris Wood, Careers Co-ordinator

GLENEAGLES BOOK CLUB

The Gleneagles Book Club starts on Wednesday, 12th February at lunch time. Come along and have some fun. New members are invited to join us and existing members are most welcome back. We share our reading, make book selections for the library, join in competitions, meet authors, watch films and generally enjoy the company of people who love reading.

Lynne Moller, Library Co-ordinator
**SETTLING BACK INTO SCHOOL**

Going back to school after the holidays or changing/starting at a new school can be difficult. You might be really excited to get back to school, catch up with all your friends or you might be sad that days of sleeping in and having extra time on your hands are over until the next holiday. No matter what you might be feeling, here are some tips that can help you get back into the right headspace for returning to school and get you motivated for the rest of the school year.

**Returning to School**

You’re not alone - it’s likely other people have similar feelings to you and may be struggling to settle back in.

**Set yourself some goals** - These might be school related - for example, to get good marks in English and Maths and/or more personal goals, for example, to get your driver’s licence or take up a hobby.

**Get involved** - A good way to get back into things at school is to become involved in activities that interest you. This could include sport, music or drama.

**Have something to look forward to** - plan ahead so that you have something to look forward to. You may want to plan to catch up with friends after school or do something special over the weekend. And there are always next holidays to look forward to!

**Starting at Glenaeages Secondary College**

Check out the Starting at a new school fact sheet at: http://au.reachout.com/Starting-at-a-new-school which includes information on coping with change and making friends.

**Getting Help**

If you find that you are not coping it may be helpful to talk to someone about how you are feeling. This may be a trusted friend, family member or other adult. Sometimes talking to someone who is not so close to the situation can help - they may be able to give you a different perspective on things and have other suggestions for dealing with situations.

There are many people at school who are here to help you, including:

Teachers, Homegroup Teachers, Team Leaders, Sub-School Leaders, Student Wellbeing Co-ordinator (Maxine Foster), the Adolescent Health Nurse (Anne Clancy) or the Social Worker (Laura Wilks) and we have a range of other supports from within the community that we can access for you or refer you to for assistance if required. Anne is here on Tuesdays and Fridays and Laura is here on Mondays and Thursdays. They share an office in the new building at the end of the H Block. If you would prefer to talk to someone anonymously you can call Kids Help Line 1800 55 1800 (free call) 24 hours a day 7 days a week or visit their website at: www.kidshelpline.com.au/teens

(Source: Reachout fact sheet ‘Going back to school after the holidays’)

Anne Clancy, Adolescent Health Nurse, Wellbeing Team

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**ENDEAVOUR NORTH HAWKS JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB REGISTRATION FOR 2014**

**FRIDAY 7TH FEBRUARY AND SUNDAY 16TH FEBRUARY**

Players from all age groups (Under 9s to Under 17s) are invited to register:

- Friday 7th February, 6.00pm-8.00pm
- Sunday 16th February, 12 noon - 3.00pm

Register at: Barry Simon Reserve, Gleneagles Drive, Endeavour Hills (Mel 91 E-F2).

All primary school aged children are also invited to join Auskick (registrations for Auskick will also be taken)

**Contacts:**

- Club Secretary Mobile 0422 888 190
- Website endeavournorthjfc.com.au

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**IT’S TIME TO GET EXCITED! NARRE NORTH FOXES FOOTBALL CLUB THE PLACE TO BE**

**JUNIOR REGISTRATION U9 TO U17 SUNDAY 9TH FEBRUARY 9.00AM - 12.30PM**

Register at: 203 Belgrave-Hallam Rd Narre Warren North

All players welcome. Come and join the most enjoyable family club anywhere, where every players runs out to train with a footy in their hands.

Get in early as there are limited places in some age groups.

**Contacts:**

- Registrar barryalison@gmail.com
- Secretary cgbrittain@hotmail.com