SOCCER PITCH FUNDING COMMITMENT


Mr Andrews announced an election commitment of one million dollars to fund the building of a new soccer pitch at the school (to be built behind the Shed near the bus bays).

The school has long advocated that this is a much needed facility for the school and local soccer clubs. The facility will also be regularly used by the Hallam Senior College Soccer Academy.

Mr Donnellan MP has supported this development and he was delighted to be able to make this announcement. His support over many years is greatly appreciated.

I would also like to acknowledge the involvement and assistance of the City of Casey Councillors Cr Rafal Kaplan and Cr Rosalie Crestani from the Four Oaks Ward and Cr Amanda Stapledon for their contribution to this project. The City of Casey has recently included funding in the 2014/15 Budget to commence planning of the pitch and have indicated funding in the years to come.

As Principal, I am delighted with the active support of both local and state politicians from both parties. It has been a long journey but with so much support, I am quietly confident that our students will finally have a facility to match their passion for soccer!

Ms Sue Peddlesden, Principal, Mr Daniel Andrews MP, Victorian Leader of the Opposition, Mr Luke Donnellan, Labor Member for Narre Warren North, Mr James Merlino MP, Shadow Education Minister

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YEAR 9 VCE INFORMATION NIGHT & COURSE COUNSELLING

All Year 9 students have now received information regarding the 2015 Year 10 Elective Program, including all the options available and the process for selecting electives. The elective information, together with the Powerpoint Presentation are also on the college website. To access these documents, select the Slide across the top of the screen on the Homepage (Electives, click here).

If your child is considering a VCE subject in Year 10, 2015, it is essential that you both attend the Year 9 VCE Information Night to be held on Monday, 28th July at 6.30pm in the Shed. You will get a better understanding of why your child should or shouldn’t consider a VCE subject, the process for applying and the criteria we use to decide who is appropriate. You will also have an opportunity to find out more about the VCE subjects on offer.

Discovery

On Wednesday 30th July at 6.30pm we will be holding an information session on the Discovery Program. Details regarding this program were provided to the Year 9 students at the assembly on Wednesday 23rd July.

The Year 9 Course Counselling will be held on Wednesday, 6th August from 1.00pm - 8.00pm in the Shed. There will be no scheduled classes for Year 9 students on the day. All Year 9 students with their parent/guardian are required to attend a course counselling session to confirm the student’s elective selections for 2015. This is an important session that will be invaluable in helping students make informed decisions about their future pathways.

To access the online booking system for Course Counselling for parents to make appointments themselves with their child’s course counsellor, parents need to go to the Gleneagles website, click on the Quicklinks on the Homepage, or you can select the Slide across the top of the screen on the Homepage (Year 10 2015 On-line Booking System Course Counselling, click here) and it will take you directly to the online booking system. Even if your child is considering going to Hallam or another school they must have a course counselling interview to secure a program for next year.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

On Wednesday, 30th July during Period 1 at the High Achiever’s School Assembly, we will recognise the achievements of students who performed above their Year level or have shown improvement in their studies based on the Semester 1 Reports. Parents of these students have been invited to the presentation of certificates and to share in a special Morning Tea as part of this celebration.

Sue Peddlesden, Adele Duffy, Kathie Toth & Paul Thorne

PFA MEETING

The upcoming PFA meetings will be held as follows:

- Wednesday, 30th July 3.35pm-4.30pm at the College
- Thursday 31st July 7.00pm-8.00pm at McDonalds, Endeavour Hills

Small children welcome. If you are free to attend we’d love you to join us for a coffee and chat. The second meeting is a “repeat” of the first.

HOST FAMILIES REQUIRED FOR MALAYSIAN STUDENTS

Thank you to the families that have offered to host a student from our Malaysian sister school from Monday 4th August to Saturday 16th August 2014. We are seeking families to host male students. If you are interested or would like further details, please contact Ms van Rossum at the College or email: vanrossum.tammy.s@edumail.vic.gov.au.

CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP

On Thursday 17th July, four very nervous Gleneagles Secondary students competed at the State Cross Country Championships at Bundoora Park. The students competed in terrible conditions; Hail, strong winds, rain and a very muddy course, with a smile on their face and to an outstanding level. The students represented the school with enthusiasm, great sportsmanship, determination and should be extremely proud of their results in fields of up to 100 other students from all over Victoria. Congratulations! The results are as follows:-

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LANGUAGE PERFECT WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2014

Between the 19th to 29th May 2014, students were tested on their reading, listening, and writing skills in 18 different languages using the software, Language Perfect. They gained points by learning words, and as they reached certain thresholds they earned certificates and went into the draw to win great prizes, including a MacBook Air, iPods, iTunes vouchers, an AU$5000 Nacel Australia language learning scholarship and a NZ$4000 NZIIU overseas exchange scholarship.

Competitors from more than 1,100 schools answered over 187 million questions in just 10 days, creating a huge buzz about language learning. Gleneagles Secondary College took part in the Language Perfect World Championships again this year. Students from Year 7 to 9 answered altogether 235,286 questions and earned 89,036 points. They spent 679 hours online learning languages. Fantastic effort! Gleneagles achieved 56th overall in Victoria (out of 196 schools) and 160th in Australia (out of 778 schools). Our school came 38th overall in Indonesian (out of 704 schools) and the 78th overall in German (out of 893 schools). Congratulations to all of our students who earned a certificate this year. They are ranked in at least the top 20% of 300,000 competitors in the largest online languages competition in the world! The top winners are:

Year 9:
Nicholas Wang 9I Elite Award
Nicolas answered 55,389 questions and earned 25,336 points placing him in the top 0.2% of 300,000 competitors from around the world. AMAZING EFFORT!

Lisa Li 91 Gold Award

Year 8:
Fatima Mozaffari 8C Gold Award
Alicia Mckenzie 8F Gold Award
Hannah Halton 8E Gold Award
Mark Tay 8E Gold Award
Chamil Rajapaksa 8E Gold Award
Beverly Kho 8E Silver Award
Kiara Lam 8C Silver Award
Noora Chhatrany 8E Bronze Award
John Kourosh 8C Bronze Award
Jenina Wan Ishak 8B Bronze Award
Mahee Hosain 8E Bronze Award
Arnes Duracak 8G Credit Award

Year 7:
Jordyn Thomas 7L Gold Award
Chantal Parker 7A Credit Award
Agnes Kristani 7G Credit Award

Ms Rajamaki, LOTE Domain Leader

CAREERS NEWS

Year 9 Career Week
This week the Year 9 students learnt interview techniques, prepared for work experience, undertook Career Voyage and Safe@work training and had a session with Monash University ‘Oh the Places you’ll go’. They also had presentations about careers with Victoria Police, the CFA and Traditional Trades. The students attended a Wellbeing Day Program on Thursday and had an excursion to a University campus on Friday – either Victoria University, Swinburne University or RMIT University. Students are preparing to choose their electives or VCE subject/s for Year 10 in 2015.

Hallam Senior College Open Day
Students who are interested in finding out about Hallam’s Year 10, VCAL and VCE programs for 2015 should attend the Hallam Senior College Open Days with their parents. If you are planning to do VCAL in 2015 you must attend the VCAL information session on Wednesday 30th July. A general open day is on 15th August. Morning and evening sessions available. For more information/book a tour go to the website: http://www.hallamssc.vic.edu.au/en-AU/content/open-days-1

University Open Days
August is Open Day month. All VCE students and even Year 10 students are encouraged to attend a University or TAFE open day. Here are the first group of Open Days:

Saturday 2nd August:
- Monash University, Peninsula and Berwick, 10am to 4pm
- Berwick TEC (Technical Education Centre) 10am to 2pm

Sunday 3rd August
- Kangan Institute Centre of Fashion@Richmond 10am-3pm
- Monash University, Clayton, Caulfield & Parkville 10am – 4pm
- Swinburne University – Hawthorn campus 10am to 4pm

Sun 10th August
- RMIT University, City, Bundoora & Brunswick 10am to 4pm
- Australian Catholic University Melbourne, Fitzroy 10-4pm
- Deakin University Geelong – Waterfront & Waurn Ponds

Year 11 Career Activities
- All Year 11 students will be attending the Melbourne Career Expo on Friday 15th August at the Melbourne Exhibition Centre. Permission slips will be handed out soon.
- A Deakin University representative will be in the Careers office on Tuesday 5th August – please make a 15 minute appointment with Deakin – see Chris Wood in the Careers Office.

RSPCA Animal Courses
RSPCA Education and Learning are excited to be offering all new 5 day Short Courses and 1 day Introductory courses. Programs are suited to students aged 16 years and above who are interested in pursuing a career in the animal industry. Places are limited – please visit the website http://www.rspcavic.org/services/education/short-courses for the specific course details, fees and enrolment forms.

Chris Wood, Careers Co-ordinator
GLENEAGLES Presents

‘PERFORMING ARTS
VARIETY NIGHT CONCERT’

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

Date: Wednesday, 20th August
Location: Gleneagles, the Shed
Time: 7.00 pm
Cost: All tickets - $5.00

Tickets can be purchased from the Bursar’s office from Monday, 4th August.

(Please note that groups of students should be accompanied by an adult)

GLENEAGLES BUSINESS DIRECTORY

DO YOU OWN OR MANAGE A LOCAL BUSINESS?

DO YOU WANT EXPOSURE TO ADVERTISE TO 1,200 LOCAL FAMILIES?

Our Year 10 Discovery class is creating a Business Directory that will be printed and issued towards the end of Term 3 with the College newsletter.

Gleneagles is a very large school and the Business Directory will be sent home to an estimated 1,200 families in the local community.

We are selling advertising space: -

- Business Card size $40
- Double Business Card size $80
- Half A4 page $120
- Full A4 page $200

If you wish to advertise your company in the Gleneagles Business Directory please email the College: -

gleneagles.sc@edumail.vic.gov.au

‘Attention Discovery Business Directory’ with your details by 5.00pm on Friday, 8th August 2014 with your expression of interest.

If you require further information please contact call Ms Tippett, Senior Sub School Leader at the College on Telephone 9708 1319.