



Gleneagles College Newsletter

IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE

Monday 14 th December	- End of Year Activities, Years 7,8,9 students, PE/Sports uniform - Presentation Night, Year 7-11 students	Friday 18 th December	- Term 4, 2015 last day
Tuesday 15 th December	- Special Program, Years 7,8,9 students (15-18/12) - Clean Up Day	Wednesday 20 th January	- School office opens 2016, 9.00am-3.30pm
Wednesday 16 th December	- School Office closes for 2016 at 4.30pm	Thursday 28 th January	- Term 1, 2016 first day for students

THURSDAY, 28TH JANUARY 2016 - FIRST DAY TERM 1, 2016 - ALL STUDENTS PRESENT

COLLEGE PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

STUDENT REPORTS

Teachers are currently working on Semester 2 Reports. To ensure all parents receive their child's report in a timely manner, all Year 7-11 student reports will be posted home to parents by Wednesday, 16th December 2015.

2016 SCHOOL YEAR

Students return to school for 2016 on Thursday, 28th January 2016 and all students are expected to attend on this day. If your child is intending to travel overseas or take an extended holiday beyond Thursday, 28th January 2016, parents/guardians **must** supply a note to the College before leaving which indicates the return date to school. Students should return these notes to their Home Group teachers. Gleneagles is becoming a very popular destination for many families and we receive a number of enquiries for enrolments for 2016 every day. It is essential we know if you are intending to return to school any later than Thursday 28th January 2016 to retain your place at this College.

END OF YEAR ACTIVITIES

The End of Year Activities Program began yesterday and will operate until Monday, 14th December 2015 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, 14th December 2015. Students are reminded to wear their PE/Sport uniform.

UNCLEARED LOCKERS

All students should ensure they clear their lockers by Monday 14th December 2015. Team Leaders had organised for each Year levels to clear their lockers during class time before this date. 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 Ms Greelish, Assistant Principal during the first week of Term 1, 2016. Any items left unclaimed by the end of the first week will not be retained.

YEAR 7-11 PRESENTATION NIGHT, MONDAY 14TH DECEMBER 2015

The Year 7 – 11 Presentation Night will be held on Monday, 14th December 2015 at the South Eastern Christian Centre, Gleneagles Drive, Endeavour Hills. Due to increased student numbers, the Presentation Night will again be divided into two sections: -

- ❖ Years 7-8 commencing at 6.00pm
- ❖ Years 9-11 commencing at 8.00pm



All students receiving an award have been forwarded an invitation and are expected to attend the evening in full school uniform accompanied by a parent/s. Upon receipt of the invitation, parents are requested to contact the College and inform the College of their ability or otherwise to attend the night. The College looks forward to celebrating this night next week.

CLEAN UP DAY

We will hold a Clean Up Day on Tuesday, 15th December 2015. 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, 15th December 2015 may wear their PE/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 3.30pm on Wednesday, 16th December 2015. They will not be able to take any further payments until Wednesday, 20th January 2016. We need time to finalise the accounts for 2015. The General office will close at 4.30pm on Wednesday, 16th December 2015. The office staff need time to finalise the administration tasks for this year and prepare for 2016. Reports will be posted home on Wednesday, 16th December 2015.

BURSAR'S OFFICE CLOSURES: Wednesday, 16th Dec 3.30pm

GENERAL OFFICE CLOSURES: Wednesday, 16th Dec 4.30pm

Sue Peddlesden, Adele Duffy, Kathie Toth & Rhonda Greelish

MUSIC NEWS

What an end to a fantastic year in the Music Department. Term 4 has provided students with several performance opportunities to show their many talents. On Monday 23rd November 2015, students sang a variety of songs from many genres. This was followed by our annual Summer Concert on Wednesday 2nd December 2015 and concluded with a performance at Endeavour Hills Shopping Centre on Friday 4th December 2015. More details and photos will feature in the next Newsletter.



EMPLOYERS WANTED FOR WORK EXPERIENCE 2016

Can you offer a Work Experience placement to a Year 10 Gleneagles student in June 2016? Work Experience helps to inform students about their subject choices for Year 11 and enables them to experience what it is like working in a particular industry. If you can help please contact Chris Wood at wood.christine.e@edumail.vic.gov.au



Mrs. Horvat, Director of Instrumental Music

PRIMARY SCIENCE IN ACTION

The Year 7 Science Extension class went to Mossgiel Park Primary School on Wednesday 18th November 2015 to teach science to primary school students. We set up various fun science activities such as; making lava lamps, slime, ice cream, sherbet, hoop glider, bi-carb and vinegar rockets and others. As the activities were fun it was also educational. The Grade 6 students really enjoyed us coming and they said they wanted us to come back and do it again. These activities showed that learning science can be educational and fun at the same time.

Article by Amy 71

CAREERS NEWS



THE CAREERS OFFICE HAS MOVED!

The new Gleneagles Careers centre is now in the Library building, next to the VCE Sub School office. Please see the Careers staff Chris Wood and Catherine Oldham.

YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE 2016

All Year 9 students should be looking for their Work Experience placement for 2016. Work Experience week is **Monday 20th to Friday 24th June 2016**. Please try to find your placement over the school holidays as Work Experience is very competitive, with many other schools having their work experience in June. STEPS students need to find four placements – two in June, one in August and one in October.

VTAC AND ATAR RESULTS RELEASED

MONDAY 14TH DECEMBER 2015 AT 7.00AM



Year 12 students will receive their ATAR and VCE study scores on Monday 14th December 2015 at 7.00am. Year 11 students who have completed Year 12 Units will also be able to access their study score on-line. Any students who require assistance with their course preferences or finding alternative pathways should visit Chris Wood in the Careers Centre from Monday 14th to Thursday 17th December 2015, 4.00pm.

Chris Wood, Careers Co-ordinator

Fresh Christmas Trees
for Sale

Akoonah Park Market Berwick
Sunday 6th & 13th December
jgtreize@bigpond.com

Small Trees 5ft \$50
Medium Trees 6ft \$60
Large Trees 7ft + \$70
Local delivery \$5



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