

College News



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

This term has seen students involved in a wide range of enrichment and extension activities. As you will read in this newsletter many of our students have excelled in a range of sports and we are very proud of everyone who participated and represented the college so well. Congratulations to James Brooks in Year 10 who is currently ranked second in the Kuta and Kumite VKL rankings for Karate and all the best in the Nationals in Perth later in the year.

An excited group of year 10 and 11 students attended 'A Model United Nations' excursion - a simulation of the UN General Assembly during which students became UN delegates of countries. Our students discussed contentious global issues on the UN's agenda. The objective was to find the best possible solution to simulated problems through dialogue, negotiation and multilateral diplomacy.

I hope you were able to attend our first Musical Soiree for 2014, a term 2 highlight. It was wonderful to see so many of our students demonstrate their musical talents. Thank you to Robyn Keane and Lachlan Mack for all the work involved in putting on such a wonderful showcase and to all the instrumental music staff who work with our students.

Education Week was again celebrated with an array of daily activities. The library was a hub of student challenge and enrichment, including code breaking puzzles, games and competitions. The Languages learning area was 'bubbling' with students and staff matching words in Hebrew, French and Chinese. The English department, led by Mary Maniatis, held a Spelling Bee that was enjoyed by the Junior School. I was delighted to join Keira McLean and Tori Mulligan on the judging panel. Year level champions were: Year 7 Phoebe Foldarvi, Year 8 Bridgette Venier, Year 9 Daniel Szmerling. The final was hard fought with Phoebe winning with the correct spelling of the word onomatopoeia.

We had over 200 students participate in the Berthe Mouchette Poetry Recitation competition run by the Alliance Française – our largest group ever. It was wonderful to hear the students practising their poems before fronting the examiners. We look forward to the results.

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Singers at Carnegie Primary



Mother's Day Classic



French Model United Nations

This newsletter is posted home to all families regularly. If you have any items of interest to the college community or want to advertise your business, please contact either Penny Marks or Debbie Panakos (Business Manager) on 9571 7838.



This year, for the first time, we celebrated National Reconciliation Week. Four of our students - Mathilde, Anna, Anais and Hannah - volunteered their time to participate in Sing Loud, a National Reconciliation Week song competition. They created a version of 'The Journey' which was really inspirational. Well done.

Congratulations to Jayde Glass of Year 11 who was successful in applying for the Rotary Club of Glen Eira scholarship to attend a 1 week excursion to Canberra. She joined 44 other Year 11 Students from all over Australia in a Rotary Adventure in Canberra.

You will read further on that we will be signing the International Convention with the CNED for our French 1st language students. Loveena Narayanan, our Head of Languages, has been instrumental in the college being successful in gaining this accreditation, supported by our French teachers and our French parent committee —well done and thank you.

Your child's Semester 1 report is included in this mailout. Make sure you read it carefully and discuss any areas for improvement with your child. We will be celebrating success in the midyear awards assemblies to be held Tuesday 15th July.

STUDENT SAFETY AT RAIL CROSSINGS

I am very concerned at the risk taking behaviour of our students at rail crossings. We address this with students every year. Recently a student who crossed illegally fell as the train was approaching and fortunately only suffered cuts and bruising and of course shock. This was reported to us by a member of the public who themselves was in shock at this 'near miss'.

Last week I received the email below from Damian Morgan a Community Education officer with Metro trains. He says:

"I regularly visit GEC to deliver Rail Safety Presentations to the students. (Year 7 in term 1 and the ELC in term 1 and 2). I was last at the College on Friday 13/06/14. I have just received this report from a colleague concerning unsafe behavior at Glenhuntly station yesterday morning. The officer was unable to speak with the students as they were crossing on the Caulfield side of Glenhuntly Road, near the signal box, so he felt it necessary to forward the details to me. (incident details below)

"Hi Mr. Morgan,

Today Monday the 16/06/2014 whilst at Glenhuntly R/S level crossing I observed 6 M/P's aged between 15-16 years old cross the level crossing on the signal box side when gates were shut and lights were flashing. These males opened the emergency bypass gate to enter and exit the restricted area and cross live running tracks. The M/P's were wearing Glen Eira College uniform. This was between the hours of 7:30am and 9am."

Please speak to your child about this dangerous and illegal behaviour. The school Code of Conduct applies at, to and from school and it is expected that all students behave appropriately and safely.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Hairspray – this year's musical production.

Rehearsals are well underway for this year's production – Hairspray. Make sure you save the dates. Evening performances are on the 21st, 26th, 27th and 28th August.

TRIVIA NIGHT - SATURDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER

Our Parents' Association has been working hard in preparation for our annual Trivia Night. This year's the theme is Glen Eira Goes to Hollywood. After raising \$10, 000 last year our Parents and Friends goal this year is to raise even more to purchase film editing equipment.

THE GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR 2014 - SATURDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER 1PM & 6.30PM

We are really excited that our school has been accepted to participate in the Victorian State Schools Spectacular 2014. Twenty vocal and/or choir students have been selected to sing in the 1200 voice Mass Choir. There are two shows on Saturday 13th September 1pm & 6.30pm.

*Sheereen Kindler
Principal*

BOB STEWART - EAST MALVERN STORE

It is customary in our small outlet stores to close for the first week of school holidays. This is also the case with our new store in East Malvern.

Bob Stewart, 150 Waverley Road, East Malvern will be closed on **Saturday 28th June** and will resume normal hours on **Tuesday 8th July**.

NATIONALLY CONSISTENT COLLECTION OF DATA ON SCHOOL STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY

All schools, Government and Non-government, are participating in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (Data Collection). This Data Collection will provide valuable information about supports required for a broad group of students. This will enable Australian and State Governments to better target support and resources in schools. This in turn will help schools give students with a disability the support they need.

The Data Collection is not limited to students with diagnosed disabilities. It uses a very broad definition of disability, taken from the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, which describe a broad range of health and learning conditions for which schools are required to provide 'reasonable adjustments' to support students to participate on the same basis as other students.

The Data Collection will take place during terms 2 and 3. No personal or identifying information about any student will be included; however if you decide you do not wish information about your child to be included in the Data Collection, you can opt-out by signing and returning the opt-out consent form. More information about the Data Collection is available on the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development

Have you recently changed, or are about to change, address or home, mobile or work phone number? Please remember to ring the College on 9571 7838 to keep us informed.



website at:

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/needs/Pages/nccd.aspx> or you can contact Sheereen Kindler, Principal, or Jenny Sanchez, Student Wellbeing Coordinator, if you have any further questions.

*Jenny Sanchez
Student Wellbeing Coordinator*

MOTHER'S DAY CLASSIC 2014

The Glen Eira College Pink Panthers Team for the Mother's Day classic gets bigger and better each year. Thank you to all the students and their families and to the GEC staff and their families for celebrating Mother's Day at the Annual Mother's Day Classic. Our team officially had 121 participants which makes this year our most successful classic.

Our team raised over \$300 for breast cancer research: a special mention to Matilda Quintal who helped make that happen. To top off a great day, the Glen Eira College Pink Panthers won the trophy for the largest school team.

Congratulations to all involved!

Keira McLean



Largest School Team Winners

JUNIOR SCHOOL REPORT

This term the Junior School students have really taken the motto: Get Organised, Get Focused, Get Involved and run with it. We have had several sporting teams triumph, an exciting number of singers perform at the Carnegie Primary School fete and many students take part in academic competitions.

With the semester coming to a close and reports finalised, now is an opportune time to sit down as a family and read through the report. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact Mr Tsarpalas, Miss Brown or Miss McLean.

Junior School Team

YEAR 7 REPORT

Well done Year 7s! You have completed your first semester at secondary school. Once again term 2 has proven to be very busy. The annual Athletics Carnival saw many interesting costumes and perfect weather for competing. It was exciting to see the large amount of Year 7s competing in track events – I've never seen so many heats before!

On Monday 26th May many Year 7 students braved the cold and ran 3km around Karkarook Park for the Beachside Division cross country competition. Congratulations to Emilee Layton, Ayal Blitman and Dean Linardakis who all placed and now progress to the SMR competition. Best of luck! Stay tuned for the next newsletter to hear about our Junior School Assembly and our amazing achievements.

A new semester means several new subjects including music, art and home economics. This is the time to ensure you have all the correct equipment before commencing term 3.

*Keira McLean
Year 7 Coordinator*

YEAR 8 REPORT

With the holidays fast approaching and reports now written, I would like to take this opportunity to remind everybody to take a deep breath and think about all of your accomplishments so far this semester.

This year's year 8 cohort has made me extremely proud. Our year 8s really do live up to 'Get Organised, Get Focused, Get Involved!' We have had a very successful term with our students striving to be their best either in academic, sporting or artistic endeavours. Our end of term assembly is sure to be a huge celebration of all their achievements so far.

I would also like to congratulate and thank the year 8 and year 11 students who are taking part in the new Peer Assisted Student Support (PASS) tutoring initiative. Since the start of the term a select group of year 8 students have been participating in small group maths tutoring. I have witnessed the enthusiasm of each of our students and hope that they are seeing the benefits of their hard work. I know I am! The year 11 students who have been running the session have been absolutely wonderful in their role as tutors and mentors, making the learning fun and engaging for our year 8s. I look forward to another wonderful term of the PASS program.

Have a great term 2 holidays everybody! Enjoy, recharge and we will see you all bright and eager in term 3.

*Emily Brown
Year 8 Coordinator*

YEAR 9 REPORT

As we approach the end of another busy semester I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Year 9 staff for their hard work in ensuring student work requirements are up to date and encouraging students to complete unfinished tasks. Furthermore I would like to remind parents to check their child's planner for any messages or absence notes that need to be returned to school. If you have any absence queries please contact me at school.

Whilst the Year 9 camp to Phillip Island is still some time away, please ensure that you return permission slips and payments so we can finalise the program.

Wishing you all a relaxing holiday break.

*Lou Tsarpalas
Year 9 Coordinator*

STUDENT ABSENCES

Parents are reminded that the College has a designated telephone line for notification of student absence – 9571 4178.



MUSIC MUSIC MUSIC...READ ALL ABOUT IT...

Music, that mysterious yet benevolent form has firmly and lovingly embedded itself into the cultural landscape at Glen Eira College. As brittle southerlies penetrate the air, severing the last few hopeful autumnal leaves I am warmed by thoughts of our journey so far in 2014.

You may have noticed recently, when passing, a colourful palette of musical murmurings weaving in and around the PAC. Students are increasingly using music rooms, rehearsal spaces and the grand piano to practice, perform and engage in a range of music initiatives, to our delight and listening pleasure. I often hear Quy Fatouros diligently and at times feverishly practicing scales...up...and down...and up...and down...and...

Quy is also a main figure in the GEC resident rock band, which shows initiative rehearsing twice a week. Thanks to John Tserkezidis for providing his support.

GEC has recently acquired the talents of Alison Bellow, our new brass instrumental music teacher. Alison is a vibrant teacher and we welcome her to the GEC community.

In term 1, the air balmy, lingering, some of our resident vocalists knocked the socks off an ever-expanding audience eager to indulge their hunger for entertainment. And yes, they were entertained. The Glen Huntly Traders Festival was an outstanding success with performances from vocalists (Anishadeep Kaur, Eloise Wenborn, Suzannah Stone, Anna Rowsell, Anais Keenan, Berenice Mickelborough, Hannah Schauder, Erin Herr, Sasha Missell, Maayan Ashkar, Emili Sahnovski and Alizee Morin) and the curiously named Butter Cupboard flute/guitar ensemble of Nina Colon and Vincent McKeown-West.

With summer gone and the rusty hues of autumn peppered throughout the streets, term 2 gave our vocalists another performance opportunity with the Carnegie Primary School Festival. Aside from being talented AND entertaining the students again demonstrated their professionalism, supportiveness, engagement and contagious enthusiasm. Thank you to GEC singers Jade Clay, Suzannah Stone, Alizee Morin, Anna Rowsell, Hannah Schauder, Anais Keenan, George Vogiatzis, Tiffany Vainer and Berenice Mickelborough. Thank you to all the parents and students for your support and enthusiasm. Thanks also to Matthew Weekes for helping out with sound production.

To staff that provide their support and encouragement at external music performances, thank you. Your presence engenders a sense of home, an environment to nurture confidence and build connectedness (not only for the students!). Thanks go to Tori Mulligan, Keira McLean, Emily Brown, Simone Guileiri, Louise Baragwanath and Debbie Panakos.

Then, there were the melodious sirens, voices from old and new friends in song, timid yet with a hint of expectation. There's something inspiring about courageously navigating an uncharted experience that propels our initial hesitation and uncertainty into the realm of surprise, joy and elation.

This was true for GEC's choir as they participated in and hosted Singfest 2014 with schools from all over the southern eastern region. Students included Erin Herr, Sasha Missell, Emili Sahnovski, Maayan Ashkar, Connor McCaskie, James Raikin, Rivka Mitchell, Anishadeep Kaur, Anna Rowsell, Hannah Schauder, Anais Keenan, Mathilde Papon, Maximus Koveos, Berenice Mickelborough, Eloise Wenborn, Declan Boyd, Nishika Hewett, Tiffany Vainer, Liora Glaymon, Nadine Feil-Schadt, Caitlyn James, Suzannah Stone, Naomi Szmerling, Andrew Wilson, George Vogiatzis, Lori McCoy, Jade Clay, Chloe Kirkles, Amelia Lever, Talia Barylak, Natan Camissar, Tyson Arif and Yael Camissar.

Hannah Schauder, Anais Keenan, Mathilde Papon and Anna Rowsell volunteered to take part in Reconciliation Week 2014. They entered the national Sing Loud! song competition in honour of recognising the importance of and participation in this shared awareness campaign. To view their contribution go to the reconciliation.org.au website and follow the links to Sing Loud!. Scroll through the list to find their music video. Yes, I know, they're brilliant!



Singers at Carnegie Primary Fete



Nina and Vincent

This year is the first time GEC will be participating in the Victorian State Schools Spectacular, Saturday 13th of September. This event is immense with over 3000 students performing. GEC has 20 wonderful students participating as part of the mass choir. All this is due to the tireless efforts



of our Music Coordinator Robyn Keane. As an aside, I'd like to take this opportunity, on behalf of the instrumental music teachers, to thank Robyn for her counsel, care of and commitment to the students and passion for music education. By way of demonstration through Robyn's leadership and generous time we have seen the GEC music program greatly develop and we watch as it continues to inspire and grow.

Coming soon is the 2014 Musical 'Hairspray'. GEC is simply abuzz with music mania. As winter settles in keep warm, be inspired and kindle your creative spark.

*Lachlan Mack
Instrumental Music Teacher*

FRENCH CORNER

VISIT OF CNED REPRESENTATIVES TO GEC

Glen Eira College is in the process signing an International Convention with the National Centre of Distance Learning France (CNED). We were delighted to welcome M. Y. Mahé, Executive Director International and European Affairs of CNED and M. Artaud, Head of School Education of CNED to the College on Monday 2nd June. They were very impressed with our students. They met with our French 1st language students and also visited our year 7 French immersion class.

Since 2007, the French 1st language program at GEC has enabled students to maintain a level of French equivalent to what they would have had in France – a level guaranteed by the CNED - whilst following the Australian program with the option of joining the Accelerated program (ACE). The French 1st language program has proven to be successful over the years as past students are now following university courses! The program is continually improving and evolving and we are particularly delighted to have the International Convention with the CNED.

We will provide further information in our next newsletter.

*Loveena Narayanan
French Coordinator*



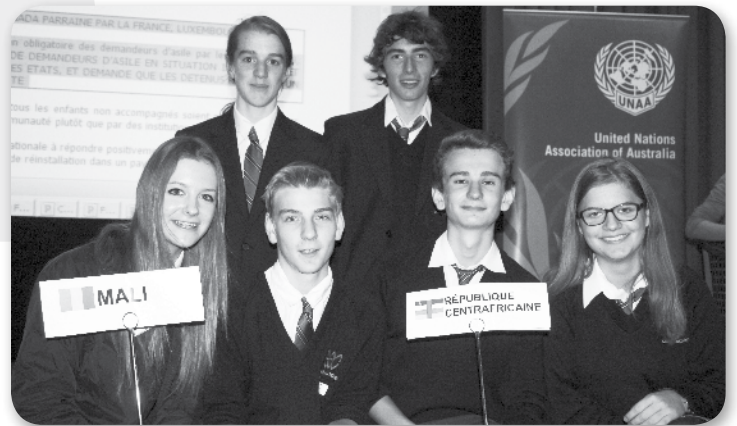
CNED Representatives at GEC

FRENCH MODEL UNITED NATIONS EXCURSION

On Monday 19th May, 6 VCE French students participated in a French Model United Nations. A Model United Nations is a simulation of the UN General Assembly during which participants step into the shoes of ambassadors to the UN and discuss the contentious global issues on the UN's agenda. The topic was Refugees: Rights and Risks. Our students represented Mali and Central African Republic and spent the day debating issues related to refugees and negotiating possible solutions. The 125 student diplomats who participated in the conference finally reached a compromise and adopted a resolution.

The conference which was attended by Education Minister, Martin Dixon, was a huge success. It was a great opportunity for our students to use their French language skills in an authentic situation.

Celine Fompudie



Students at the French Model UN

THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE CENTRE CAMP IN NEERIM

Our new arrivals enjoyed an exciting camp at Forest Edge Recreation Camp in Neerim from Wednesday 14th May to Friday 16th May. This certainly was a highlight for our students. For many of them this was their first experience of the countryside and camping.



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English Language Centre Camp

Many students commented that this was their first camp experience and were excited as they faced new challenges such as the Flying Fox, High Ropes, Archery, Hut Building and other activities. On the second day students worked in teams to prepare a concert showcasing their diverse talents and cultures.

Here is one student's account of her experience on camp: 'On camp I really enjoyed the flying fox activity because it was the first time for me and it was a new experience. I felt like I was flying.'

Another student felt the experience helped her to develop her resilience and self-confidence. 'On camp I really enjoyed the high ropes and flying fox. These two activities are high. I felt very, very scared about it but I did these two and I felt good when I finished. I learned that I can be brave and do the things I never did before. I can do it'.

I would like to thank our Camp Coordinator, Gemma Fisher for organising the camp so well.

I would also like to thank Lilly Francis, Donald McRae, Anny Bevan, Anna Lee, Sascha Bryl and Angela Greet for supporting the students on camp and for ensuring that the students had a wonderful and enriching experience.

*Nevine Salama
English Language Centre Coordinator*

TERM 2 INTERSCHOOL SPORT

Term 2 has seen some excellent results for interschool sports. We started off with the Beachside Division Cross Country event. Glen Eira College was well represented for each age group, which was pleasing to see, as it showed a high participation level from our school. I congratulate all students who represented GEC in the Division Final for their effort. A special mention goes out to the 12 students who have qualified for the Southern Metropolitan Cross Country final. To qualify for this level each student had to finish in the top 15 of their age group. This is a great result as each age group had at least 80 competitors. These students are Emilee Layton, Mai Adachi, Neve Leverington, Rabia Yukselen, Zalie Rowe, Ayal Blitman, Dean Linardakis, Sean Bennie, Louis Walmsley, Trae Toh, Kailash Neupane and Digby Mooney.

Term 2 sport has also seen GEC come through with a victory, as the intermediate boys soccer team won their Beachside Division Competition. It was a close victory as the last game of the day needed to see Yavnah draw or win against Cheltenham for GEC to come away with the win. The soccer gods were looking down on GEC that day. Well done boys and good luck for the District Final competition which will be held on 29th July.

Once again we saw large participation across all year levels for term 2 sport so well done to GEC students for their willingness to have a go in interschool sport. Hopefully we can see these high numbers for term 3 sport.

*Adam Golding
Sports Coordinator*

CONGRATULATIONS TO JAMES BROOKS – RANKED SECOND IN THE STATE IN THE VICTORIAN KARATE LEAGUE

James participates in two forms of karate. Kata is a Japanese word describing detailed choreographed patterns of movements. Kumite is sparring.

The Victorian Karate League (VKL) is new and was established to create a more competitive area for the development of both novice and elite Karate athletes. There are 4 tournaments in the first half of the year where 'wins' are attributed to competitors and their ultimate ranking /s. James is currently ranked second in Kata and Kumite on the VKL rankings for his age group in the Elite category.

In October, James and the first ranked competitor will compete at a Gala Night. James and his Sensei have already started training for this event.

You can view his Kata and Kumite performances through the Facebook Page for 'The Karate School' or through Youtube.

His last Kumite performance at the Shukokai Cup was perhaps his best to date - he scored 10 points to 2 against his opponent. James also performed at the Kata event with the Seniors (adults). The Aussie champion was not at this event but, James was still pretty 'stoked' with a Silver medal.

James has been training with the State Team since Feb/March of this year. He is going with the Victorian Team to the Nationals in Perth (early August) where he will again compete in Kumite.

James Brook





GEC LIBRARY AND THE PREMIERS' READING CHALLENGE

We have now reached the half-way mark of the Premiers' Reading Challenge and it is very pleasing to see so many of our Year 7s and 8s eagerly participating in what is, by any standard, an epic challenge. The requirements of the Challenge – to read fifteen novels within a six month period is quite daunting, especially when you take into consideration the commitment needed and time management skills required to juggle school work, homework and extra-curricular activities. However, the benefits of reading are well documented and include:

Knowledge
Mental stimulation
Stress reduction
Expansion of vocabulary
Improved focus and concentration
Better writing skills ...

I congratulate the students who have already completed the Challenge and all the other students who remain committed to the enjoyment and rewards of reading.

2014 most borrowed titles:

1. Looking for Alaska – J. Green
2. An Abundance of Katherines – J. Green
3. The Fault in Our Stars – J. Green
4. Forever – J. Blume
5. The Wimpy Kid (series) J. Kinney
6. Divergent Trilogy – V. Roth
7. Maximum Ride – J. Patterson
8. The Cherub (series) – R. Muchamore
9. Stolen – L. Christopher
10. The Book Thief – M. Zusak

*Carmel Eyre
College Librarian*

RMIT EVENTS

RMIT University offers a number of free events designed to give students in Years 10, 11 and 12 real experience and insight into life on campus.

Free events are running Monday 30th June to Friday 4th July, the first week of the Victorian School Holidays, plus a special October Experience Project Management Day.

Go to the following website for more details:

<http://www.rmit.edu.au/browse;ID=3qxxhnhmon1rz>

SENIOR HEALTH & WELLBEING EXPO 2014

This year's theme at the Senior Health & Wellbeing Expo was "SAFETY". The EXPO was supported by various external partners who did an outstanding job informing our students. Ambulance Victoria, Victoria Police, Traffic Safe Driving Academy, Taskforce, Headspace, Caulfield Community Health Services and Glen Eira Youth and Family Services all supported our 2014 EXPO.

Students had an excellent opportunity to engage with all services as they rotated between each agency. The positive feedback from students was overwhelming. They reported back that they felt they had gained an increase of knowledge and awareness in different areas such as mental health, drugs and alcohol, CPR and basic first aid, driving laws and road safety, safe partying, cybersafety, sexual diversity and youth and family counselling.

Students also had the opportunity to take home with them various resources and were encouraged to share their knowledge and information with their friends and family to support keeping our community safe.

*Christalia Formoso
Adolescent Health Nurse*



Senior Health & Wellbeing Expo

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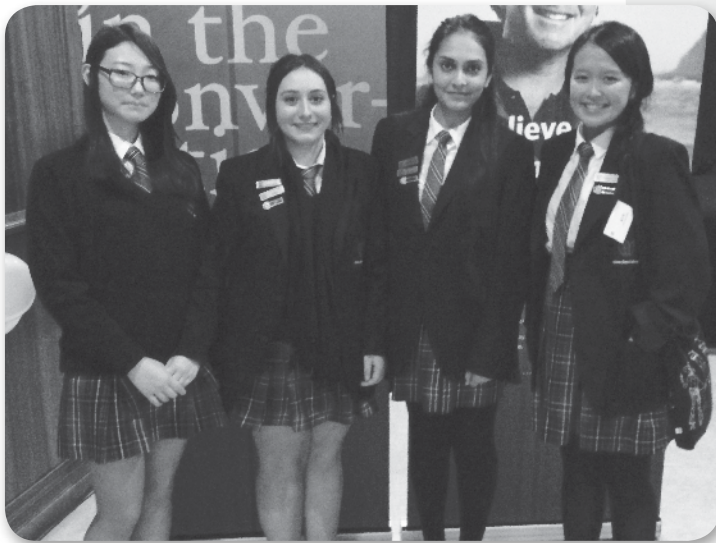
TAKING ON THE CHALLENGES – SCHOOL TO CAREER

On Wednesday 28th May, four year 12 students (Kimberly White, Shruti Malaviya, Dana Frantzis and Yelim Park) and myself attended 'Taking on the Challenges - School to Career', an exciting initiative of the Rotary Club of Chadstone/East Malvern. Also in attendance were three other schools (government and private) from surrounding areas.

The focus of the evening was for year 12 female students to learn from the varied experiences of four high achieving young female presenters. These young female presenters through their personal stories shared their experiences and how they developed the actions for them to move forward in their career. The highlight of the evening was the reaffirmation that young women are able to do anything so long as they are willing to access all the resources given to them, and to not be afraid of attempting things that put them outside of their comfort zone.

I would like to take this opportunity thank the students who attended for their impeccable behaviour, and the Rotary Club of Chadstone/East Malvern for the invitation to the evening.

*Laura Brancatella
Year 12 Coordinator*



Yelim Park, Dana Frantzis, Shruti Malaviya, Kimberly White

YEAR 10 NEWS

Term 2 has been yet another productive time for Year 10 students. At the beginning of the term students successfully completed their Careers Fast Track interviews. This was a valuable process which will help students make better choices about education and career pathways.

The next event was the Keys Please Driver Education Training, an informative session on gaining your Learners Permit and the challenges of being a young driver. Our students approached their exams seriously and gained some valuable experience and practice in exam techniques. To finish up the 10 weeks, students completed a successful

and productive week of work experience. Next term will see students attending the Summit Camp in Trafalgar and an excursion to a tertiary institution later in the term.

*Emma Schmidtke
Year 10 Coordinator*

YEAR 12 NEWS

Term 2 has come to a close and what a term it has been. The year 12 students have been busy with their studies and have completed unit 3 examinations. Many students have put in an extraordinary amount of time into the completion of class work and home study, thus ensuring success at the VCE. I strongly encourage all students to access the VCAA website to further complete questions under examination conditions and compare their answers to the suggested answers. This is a very successful strategy to improve their performance during the end of year examination period.

On Wednesday 11th June, all students undertaking a year 12 subject completed the GAT. On Friday 9th May all year 12 students attended the Age Expo at Caulfield Racecourse. During this time they attended various presentations relating to their present studies or tertiary information for next year. The day was very successful and once again well done to our students for their excellent behavior during all of these events.

If you have any queries regarding year 12 students, please do not hesitate to contact me at the College.

*Laura Brancatella
Year 12 Coordinator*

GLEN EIRA COLLEGE PARENTS ASSOCIATION NEWS TRIVIA NIGHT – GEC GOES TO HOLLYWOOD

We hope you all have Saturday 6th September marked in your diaries. It's going to be a fun night!

You will find a flyer with this newsletter – please put it on your fridge or noticeboard now, and start inviting your friends. You can make up your own table of 10 people, or join a table with others. Bookings open on 21st July.

We need some help with preparations to ensure the night is a great success. In particular, we need to source donations of goods and vouchers for prizes and for our silent and 'loud' auctions. You may like to donate something yourself or from your business, if you have one. Ideas include handmade goods or vouchers for a few hours of your time (eg. 3 hours of gardening or ironing). Please bring or send your donations in to the office, with a completed donation form so we know who to thank (forms available from the office).

We are also approaching various businesses, including many who donated to last year's Trivia Night. If you are willing to help with this task, we'd love to hear from you. Send us an email at gecpa@gec.vic.edu.au and we will reply with details



of businesses we want to approach, and a letter you can provide to them.

The Trivia Night will raise funds for film editing equipment - useful and funky technology for our students. Last year's Trivia Night was lots of fun and raised \$10,000 for shade sails.

Further details will be sent by email as we have more information to provide, and as the night gets closer. If you are not already receiving our emails please ask us to add you to our list by sending an email to gecpa@gec.vic.edu.au.

*Marie-Pierre Deleplanque
GECPA Trivia Night Chairman*

KEY DATES: TERM 3 2014

MONDAY 14TH JULY – FIRST DAY TERM 3
TUESDAY 15TH JULY – MID YEAR AWARD ASSEMBLIES
FRIDAY 25TH JULY – YEAR 12 FORMAL 6PM
FRIDAY 8TH AUGUST – INTERMEDIATE WINTER ROUND ROBIN
THURSDAY 14TH AUGUST – YEAR 8 WINTER ROUND ROBIN
TUESDAY 19TH AUGUST - IMMUNISATIONS YEAR 7 & YEAR 9 BOYS
THURSDAY 21ST AUGUST – HAIRSPRAY 1PM & 7:30PM
TUESDAY 26TH AUGUST – HAIRSPRAY 7:30PM
WEDNESDAY 27TH AUGUST – HAIRSPRAY 1PM
THURSDAY 28TH AUGUST – HAIRSPRAY 7:30PM
THURSDAY 28TH AUGUST – LES MISERABLES EXCURSION
FRIDAY 29TH AUGUST – YEAR 7 WINTER ROUND ROBIN
WEDNESDAY 3RD – FRIDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER – YEAR 10 CAMP
SATURDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER – TRIVIA NIGHT
THURSDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER – SMR TRACK & FIELD
SATURDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER – SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR
TUESDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER – PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS
FRIDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER – LAST DAY TERM 3
 – DISMISSAL AT 2:30PM
FRIDAY 19TH – WEDNESDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER
 – QUEENSLAND TOUR
MONDAY 6TH OCTOBER – FIRST DAY TERM 4

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS



The current Entertainment Book expires at the end of May; the new one starts on 1st June. GEC is again selling the Entertainment Book to raise money for the school.

If you haven't heard about the Entertainment Book before... it costs \$65 (and \$13 of that comes back to our school) and contains more than a thousand discount vouchers for restaurants, cafes, fast food outlets, family activities, retail shops, cinemas, holiday tours, resort and hotel accommodation, etc.

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1. Order and pay online through GEC's custom page at <https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/1879k65>

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2. Let Michael Frajman know by phone or SMS (0438 550 130) or email (mfrajman@bigpond.com) and will co-ordinate with you for payment and delivery.

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