Principal’s Update

Year 12 VCE Results

Congratulations to all our VCE students on their results. A very pleasing 11 students achieved an ATAR score of 90 or above, with the Dux, Hannah Brebner achieving a score of 98.85. FANTASTIC!

Our Top 11 VCE students for 2015 are:

- **Dux**
  - Hannah Brebner
  - Dante Schiavone-Delfino
  - Nisal Karawita
  - Bianca Roberts
  - Ben Markesich
  - Rachel Chau
  - Sabrina Kochary
  - Aleksander Milivojevic
  - Aida Zepcan
  - Memashi Jayathilake
  - Karen Loka

Congratulations to these students. All your hard work has really paid off.

One of the pleasing aspects of the results is our School Study Score Mean increased from 28.5 in 2014 to 29.3 in 2015 and our Percentage of VCE study scores of 40 or more has increased from 3.6% to 4.8%. This is fantastic news.

I am very proud of the efforts and achievements of all our students. Now you can all take a deep breath and start planning the next step towards your chosen careers. If you are at all concerned about your results and VTAC selections, please contact Ms Kurrle in Careers for advice.

Awards evenings

We recently held our Junior School and Middle/Senior School Awards evenings, which were both a great success.

Our guest speakers were Mona Gentner, ex-student of Gladstone Park and Mr Josh Bull MP. Our 2016 School Captains all gave moving speeches and congratulated the award winners.

It was also lovely to see Mr Lamb return to present the Robert Lamb Award for Outstanding Contribution to the College to Zoe Evans.

Many prestigious awards were presented to our students, but the highlight is always finding out who the Dux of each year level are. These are students who achieved the highest scores in their year level.

Congratulations to the following Dux:

- Year 7 – Nina Zecan
- Year 8 – Abby Boppana
- Year 9 – Courtney McKeown
- Year 10 – Gokmen Tokkuzun
- Year 11 – Okan Ozer

Thanks to each of the three sub-schools for all their work in making these nights a huge success. The Award Nights are always well attended by family and staff and are a lovely finale to the school year.

Have a safe and enjoyable holiday break. See you all in 2016!
2015 VCE High Achievers
On the 25th November, the 2016 Year 12 students celebrated their Graduation at a ceremony held at Moonee Valley Racecourse.

Students donned their fancy dresses and suits for an evening filled with speeches, nostalgia and fun on the dance floor!

A number of students received an award for each of the Key Learning Areas. The recipient of the overall Academic Excellence Award was a 2016 School Captain, Hannah Brebner.

Congratulations to the Year 12s of 2016. The school community wishes you all the best in your future endeavours!
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Compass Is Here

New Parent Communication Tool

In 2016 Gladstone Park will be using a new organisation, Compass School Manager, as our main communication link with parents through the Compass Parent Portal.

Compass offers a range of features, including the ability to:

- Approve or enter upcoming or past absences for your son/daughter
- Provide consent and pay for excursions and other school activities online
- Update your registered email and mobile number (used for SMS alerts) details
- Access course outlines in each subject
- Access your child’s Progress and Semester Reports
- Book your Parent/Student/Teacher conferences
- View up-to-date class and school attendance information including your child’s timetable
- Access information regarding upcoming events and news

Accessing the Compass Parent and Student Portal

Families will be able to access the portal through the school website or directly at the following address:


Family usernames and passwords have been mailed home this week.

Your family username and password must not be shared with your child. Students can access the portal with their regular school username and password.

Year 12 Career Agenda 2015 - 2016

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Year 8 Medieval Day
Immersion Students Visit Lygon St

On Tuesday the 24\textsuperscript{th} of November the current immersion students and the immersion students of next year went on an exciting excursion to Lygon Street. We were jumping up and down on our seats waiting for an adventurous day to begin. Excitement filled the air as we arrived at Lygon Street.

When we arrived, we started the day with an amazing trip to the Italian Immigration Museum. We learnt a lot of interesting facts about the history of Italian culture and immigration. After we finished with the museum we walked over to Brunetti and bought delicious Italian desserts. Soon after we were told we were going to participate in a fun and exciting treasure hunt around Lygon Street, we were running up and down looking for answers to earn the exciting reward which was free gelato. Although we didn’t win the race we still had a blast on the quest to find the answers.

Finally at lunch the teachers let us roam around Lygon Street to find delicious meals to eat. Some of us went and looked for souvenirs to take home and remember this awesome day. We were disappointed when we had to step on to the bus to go back to school.

Overall it was a great, fun, exciting day spent with friends and teachers!

By Rosaleen Georges, Malek Ben Romdhane and Nur Nasuha Rosman
Year 9 Surf Camp - 2015

The year 9 surf camp was at Anglesea from the 9th to the 11th of December. The students had two surf lessons and a kayak lesson. The surf was pumping this year. All the students were able to stand up and catch some fantastic waves. Besides surfing we went to the Aireys Inlet Lighthouse, Erskine falls at Lorne, Point Roadnight and grabbed some bargains at the Torquay surf shops. The weather was great. The food and accommodation was great and we had fish and chips for lunch on the last day. All students and teachers had an awesome time.

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Vanessa Mcleannan
Year 9 Surf Camp - 2015
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Source: Activating Better Arson Prevention in Australia, Monash Sustainability Institute (2016)

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**Office Hours**

Monday—Thursday  
8:15am to 4:15pm  

Friday  
8:15am to 4:00pm  

**The office is CLOSED during all school holiday periods**

All upcoming dates can also be found on our Website:  
[www.gladstoneparksc.vic.edu.au](http://www.gladstoneparksc.vic.edu.au)

**HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR DETAILS?**

Please immediately notify the College of any changes to your address or contact details.

**ATTENTION YEAR 11 & YEAR 12 PARENTS**

Parents are reminded that where a Year 11 or Year 12 student is absent from school due to a family holiday, this will be considered an unapproved absence.

VCE and VCAL have attendance requirements which must be met in order for a student to pass.

**STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE**

Parents are reminded that the school does not provide personal accident insurance for students. Parents/guardians are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs.

Reasonably low cost accident insurance policies are available from commercial insurers should you require one.