The last two weeks have been very busy for the staff and students of Gladstone Park.

**Sports**
There have been many sports teams going out to represent the school and we are hopeful that some will reach the state level. Stay tuned for reports in this and future newsletters.

**Information Evening**
On Wednesday 27th April we held our annual Information Evening for prospective students and their parents. The night was very well attended and as usual, nearly every seat in the PAC was taken.

The program started with a magnificent and energetic performance by the Pop Chorus. This was followed by addresses from our School Council President, our four School Captains and two of our year 7 students.

This year’s speakers did a fantastic job of presenting to the audience their perspective on the benefits of being a student at Gladstone Park. Well done to Captains Zoe Evans, Mikayla Kelly, Bradie Cetin and William Woon and our year 7 students Lucy Myers and Jonathan Khoshaba. They all spoke confidently and proudly.

The general information session was followed by the SEAL and Immersion information session. Again, student leaders addressed the audience with pride and confidence.

**Open Day and Immersion Celebration Night**
This Wednesday morning we took tour groups through the school for our Open Day. Again, the students at Gladstone Park proudly escorted around 150 parents and children around the school. During this time the students provided a narrative on all the different aspects of the school and were able to confidently answer questions. It was a very successful day and all parents went away fully informed about what Gladstone Park has to offer and what the expectations are of our students.

On Wednesday evening we held our Immersion Celebration Night. The purpose of this night is to celebrate the success of the program, present awards to students, provide information to students who may be thinking of joining the program and to be entertained by our talented students and staff. Our student hosts did a great job of informing the audience about the benefits of learning a language using the immersion model.

Well done and thank-you to all involved in the Open Day tours and the Immersion Celebration night.

I wish you all a lovely Mother’s Day on Sunday.
VET Business

On Wednesday the Vet business class visited Gladstone Park shops including a detailed tour of Woolworths looking at Workplace Health and Safety. The 2 Managers showed and explained their safety procedures and protocols. Many thanks to the managers - Izzy and Berkan for their time in doing this. The students learnt a lot from the 50 minute visit and we are very appreciative of their dedication to OHS and passing on valuable expertise to our students.

Lee-Anne Talbot

Pasta & Rice Drive

VCAL is running a pasta and rice drive, please help us by donating pasta and rice to the cause which will help feed the homeless.

Collection tubs will be in all subs schools and in the teacher’s staffroom.
Year 10 Science

On Tuesday April 12th and Wednesday April 13th the Year 10 “The Next Generation” science classes went on an excursion to Latrobe University “Get Into Genes” activity.

The students who attended completed four activities related to plant and animal breeding. These included DNA extraction, gel electrophoresis and a study of restriction enzymes and molecular markers. Our students were congratulated by the presenters for their exemplary behaviour and enthusiastic participation in the learning activities.

After the two hour session students had some free time to buy their lunch and observe university life in the Agora.

This Excursion was free, sponsored by the Dairy Futures CRC, the Australian Centre for Plant Functional Genomics and the Latrobe Outreach program. The work done by the students may also become a component of the Unibridges program.

Michael Jaques and Brittany Hibbert
London & Paris 2017

Visual Arts Tour for students currently in years 9, 10 and 11

Over the past three years students from Gladstone Park Secondary College have been fortunate to have an opportunity to participate in two Visual Arts tours of London and Paris. The Tours in 2013 and 2015 were a huge success and we hope to repeat this experience for another group of students.

For further information and expression of interest please contact Mrs Sophie Downer on 9933 0500 downersophie.s@edumail.vic.gov.au
Senior Boys Netball

Congratulations to our Senior Boys Netball team who won their first round match against Roxburgh Park 40 -19 and will advance to the next round. The boys had been training hard and deserved their success.

Admittedly, Roxburgh Park were not as prepared as us (they were one player short so we lent a player to them for each quarter – this did include some of our star goalers, who managed to score at least 10 of Roxy’s goals for them). Our players showed great maturity and also supported our Senior Girls team who played on the same day. Well done to all the players for supporting each other and giving the game their best.

See you in the next round!

Miss Emma Jones
Career Centre News

"UMAT" is required for the following Victorian courses;
- LaTrobe Dentistry
- LaTrobe Oral Health Science
- Monash Medicine
UMAT Registrations close @ 5pm 03/06/16
https://umat.acer.edu.au/

University of Melbourne - Focus on Melbourne seminars - 17 May - 15 June
https://futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/explore/events/victoria_and_interstate/victoria/2016-focus-on-melbourne?

AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE CADETS - NOW RECRUITING
Information Night: Friday 17th June, 7pm – 9pm
Menin Barracks, 127 Pascoe Vale Rd, Moonee Ponds
To register please email: admno.407sqn@aafc.org.au

RSPCA Animal Career Discovery Day
Thursday 23 June & Thursday 1 December
http://www.rspcavic.org/services/education/secondary-education/animal-career-discovery-day

How to obtain a Tax File Number.

Essential for all students interested in a "creative" career!
RMIT - Ready, Set, Design series
2 - Folio Bytes - Saturday 25 June
3 - Interview Bytes - Saturday 17 September
# Limited places available so please book now for all sessions.

LaTrobe Aspire program
Guarantee a 2017 place with LaTrobe!
http://www.latrobe.edu.au/study/aspire

RMIT Experience it days - 27 June - 1 July

"Inside Monash Seminar Series" for students and parents
Hear from a current student, past student and academic in 90 minutes
March until September 2016
http://www.monash.edu/inside-monash/
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RMIT Medical Laboratory visits - 4 - 8 July

Experience LaTrobe University – 7 July
http://www.latrobe.edu.au/experience/events/experience-la-trobe-events/melbourne-program

RMIT Guide for Parents

RMIT Mechanical Engineering
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CGRYtNfUTvl&list=PLEE4472C6B2843288&index=2

RMIT - Course pathways

Computer Science and IT
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qOlBH4B8Vv4

RMIT Business (Entrepreneurship)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3SO3pUAOVyg

What kind of engineer are you?
Interested in engineering but not sure which type is the best fit for you? You can now find out with our new online quiz "What kind of Engineer are you?"
To take the quiz visit: https://trueengineer.com.au/

Alpha Flight Services - vacant positions
https://alphaflight.exp3ss.com/home

Part-time customer service position available at
TB's Party to Go Shop, Shop 14 / 1 Greenvale Drive, Greenvale
Leave Resume in store or telephone Tanya 9333 3164

"Part time work"
Lazy Moes - Tullamarine
Email your resume to deanna@lazymoes.com.au
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Office Hours

Monday—Thursday
8:15am to 4:15pm

Friday
8:15am to 4:00pm

Last day of each Term the office will close at 2:30pm

The office is CLOSED during all school holiday periods

All upcoming dates can also be found on our Website:
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.