



UPCOMING EVENTS

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Year 8 Cricket
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Year 7 Activity Days

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Principal's Update



Welcome back to the new school year. I hope you have all had a relaxing and well-deserved summer break after what was a very stressful year.

Thank you to students, parents and staff for the smooth start to the year, it has been a very calm and productive. Our new students seem to have settled in well. Thank you for your patience throughout the staggered start and the wet-weather day in the first week.

New and Returning Staff

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome new and returning staff to the Gladstone Park community:

Returning Staff:

Ms Karabatak

New Staff:

Ms Amaridis

Ms Austin

Ms Carew

Ms Casamento Food Technology

Ms Chand

Ms Cotronis

Mr Edwards

Ms Girgis

Ms Ilac

Ms O'Connor English and Tutoring

Ms Paterson

Ms Stewart

Mr Suratman English

Mr Wang

Ms Welch

Mr Yip

Maths

Humanities

English

Maths and Tutoring

Maths Tutoring

Humanities and Tutoring

Careers

English and Humanities

Science Tutoring

VCAL and Psychology

Accounting and Economics

Integration

Accounting and Economics

School Council – call for nominations

The nominations close this Monday night (15th Feb) at 4pm for the 3 Parent, 3 Staff and 1 Student categories. Elections to take place if there are more nominations than positions. Nomination forms can be collected from the General Office. This was communicated through Compass.

Tutor Program

We have employed 7 new staff to assist with the new Department of Education Tutor program, which is aimed at assisting students who fell behind during Covid to catch up. Currently the tutors are collecting data and visiting classes to identify those students most in need. The actual tutoring will start as soon as we identify students and a program is organised.

Principal's Report Continued...

Year 7 Camp

Thank you to Junior School staff for their work in organising and running another successful camp. Thanks to the staff who attended. The year 7 Orientation Camp is a great opportunity for staff and students to get to know each other and have a bit of fun away from school. Thanks in particular to Ms Ross, who organised the camp and the Junior School staff for assisting her.

**Due to the recent high demand for places on this camp, we are investigating having the camp run over the whole week, in 2022, where half the cohort attend for the first half of the week and the other half attend on the second half of the week, with an overlap in the middle.*

Swimming Carnival

As was the case last year, due to the number limits imposed by the Oak Park Swimming Pool, we ran the carnival with all year 7, 8 and year 12 students and any students in years 9, 10 and 11 who were competing.

Classes ran back at school for students in years 9, 10 and 11 who were not competing.

It was a great day, warm weather and a real sense of team spirit by all.

Thank you to Mr Puxley and Mr Greaney for their work in organising the event and to all the staff and Sport and Recreation students who assisted.

The Athletics carnival (on the 31st March) is a compulsory event for all students as there is capacity to fit all of our students at the venue. Please ensure all payments and permissions are completed by the due date as no payments will be accepted after the due date.

Important Dates:

It is a very full term one with many whole school events, such as the Swimming and Athletics carnivals and school photo day.

Our usual **Year 7 BBQ** will be a different format this year, due to current Covid restrictions. It is likely we will run an on-line information session with the year 7 classroom teachers and families through Microsoft Teams. Year 7 students will undertake further training to learn how to access this platform. Stay tuned for more information on this event.

We are all hoping for a return to normal during 2021, however only time will tell. Stay safe everyone.

Privacy Collection Statement

PRIVACY COLLECTION STATEMENT – Secondary Schools

Information for parents and carers

During the ordinary course of your child's attendance at our school, school staff will collect your child's personal and health information when necessary to educate your child, or to support your child's social and emotional wellbeing or health. Such information will also be collected when required to fulfil a legal obligation, including duty of care, anti-discrimination law and occupational health and safety law. If that information is not collected, the school may be unable to provide optimal education or support to your child or fulfil those legal obligations.

For example, health information may be collected through the school nurse, primary welfare officer or wellbeing staff member. If your child is referred to a specific health service at school, such as a Student Support Service officer, or school-engaged psychologist, the required consent will be obtained.

Our school may use online tools, such as apps and other software, to effectively collect and manage information about your child for teaching and learning purposes, parent communication and engagement; student administration; and school management purposes. When our school uses these online tools, we take steps to ensure that your child's information is secure. If you have any concerns about the use of these online tools, please contact us.

School staff will only share your child's personal or health information with other staff who need to know to enable the school to educate or support your child or fulfil a legal obligation.

When our students transfer to another Victorian government school, personal and health information about that student will be transferred to that next school. Transferring this information is in the best interests of our students and assists that next school to provide optimal education and support to students.

In some limited circumstances, information may be disclosed outside of the school (and outside of the Department of Education and Training). The school will seek your consent for such disclosures unless the disclosure allowed or mandated by law.

Our school values the privacy of every person. When collecting and managing personal and health information, all school staff must comply with Victorian privacy law. For more information about privacy including about how to access personal and health information held by the school about you or your child, see our school's privacy policy: <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Pages/schoolsprivacypolicy.aspx>

Throughout this notice, 'staff' includes principals, teachers, Student Support Service officers, youth workers, social workers, nurses and any other allied health practitioners and all other staff at our school. This includes employees, agents and service providers (contractors) of the Department, whether paid or unpaid.

Privacy Collection Statement

PRIVACY COLLECTION STATEMENT - Enrolment

Information for parents and carers

The Enrolment Form asks you for personal and health information about your child and your family. This information is collected to enable our school to educate your child and support your child's social and emotional wellbeing and health. Our school is also required by legislation, such as the *Education and Training Reform Act 2006*, to collect some of this information.

Our school relies on you to provide **health information** about any medical condition or disability that your child has, medication your child may take while at school, any known allergies and contact details of your child's doctor. If you do not provide all relevant health information, this may put your child's health at risk.

Our school requires current, relevant information about all **parents and carers** so that we can take account of family arrangements. Please provide our school with copies of all current parenting plans AND court orders regarding parenting arrangements. Please provide copies of court orders or plans when they change. If you wish to discuss any matters regarding family arrangements in confidence, please contact the principal.

Protecting your privacy and sharing information

The information about your child and family collected through this Enrolment Form will only be shared with school staff who need to know to enable our school to educate or support your child, or to fulfil legal obligations including duty of care, anti-discrimination law and occupational health and safety law. The information collected will not be disclosed beyond the Department of Education and Training without your consent, unless such disclosure is lawful. For more about information-sharing and privacy, see our school's privacy policy: <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Pages/schoolsprivacypolicy.aspx>

Our school's use of online tools (including apps and other software) to collect and manage information

Our school may use online tools, such as apps and other software, to effectively collect and manage information about your child for teaching and learning purposes, parent communication and engagement; student administration; and school management purposes. When our school uses these online tools, we take steps to ensure that your child's information is secure. If you have any concerns about the use of these online tools, please contact us.

Emergency contacts

Emergency contacts are those people you nominate for the school to contact during an emergency. Please ensure your nominated emergency contact agrees to you providing their contact details to our school and that they have read the paragraph above. It is important that you inform them that their contact details may be disclosed beyond the Department if lawful.

Student background information

The enrolment form requests information about country of birth, aboriginality, language spoken at home and parent occupation. This information enables the Department to allocate appropriate resources to our school. The Department also uses this information to plan for future educational needs in Victoria and shares some information with the Commonwealth government to monitor, plan and allocate resources.

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Immunisation status

Your child's immunisation status assists our school to manage health risks for children. The Department may also provide this information to the Department of Health and Human Services to assess immunisation rates in Victoria, but not in a way which identifies you.

Visa status

Our school also requires this information to process your child's enrolment.

Updating your child's personal and health information

Please inform our school if, and when, there are any updates to any of the personal or health information you provide on the Enrolment Form.

Accessing your child's records

Our school provides ordinary school communications and school reports to students and parents and carers who have legal decision-making responsibility for the student. Requests for any other type of student records may be made through a Freedom of Information (FOI) application. Please contact our school and we can advise you how to do this.

Student transfers between Victorian government schools

When our students transfer to another Victorian government school, our school will transfer the student's personal and health information to that next school. This may include copies of student's school records, including any health information. Transferring this information assist the next school to provide the best possible education and support to students.

Interschool Sport

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Just a reminder to parents and guardians that due to Covid there will be **NO SPECTATORS** at interschool sports. Please be aware of this and abide by the rules set out by SSV and the venues that are convening the different sports.

Thanks

Lee-Anne Talbot/Peter Freeman

Sport Coordinators

Senior Girls Softball



Senior Boys and Girls Volleyball

Congratulations to our senior Volleyball teams. Boys have made it through to the next level – NMR on the 29th March and the girls were very competitive but couldn't make it through to the next level.

Year 7 Camp ADANAC

Last week I went on the Year 7 Camp. I had the best time, it was so fun especially because I got to be with my friends the whole time. So the first day was probably my favourite, I was on the bus with one of my friends Kenny. We were talking about TV shows the whole time. When we got to there the teachers split us up in our cabins, then we started to do the fun things. We had hut building, stand up paddle boarding and a water trampoline. We had so much fun. We had some lunch and dinner, the food was good. It took me a long time to go to bed because I had so much energy. The next day we had the waterslide first thing in the morning. It was freezing but it was really fun. Then we had beach volleyball and a flying fox. The flying fox was really fun, I went really fast and we had a really funny instructor for it. His name was Ant, he would always make jokes and have fun. The next day was our last, we made pancakes and we were disc throwing. The pancakes were so good. My favourite activity was probably the water trampoline because I did heaps of flips in the water and Mr Richardson launched me into the air and I splatted into the water. But then it was the end of the day, we went on the bus and back to school. I had the best experience ever.

Ayden Andrews 7C



My personal favourite activities at camp were the water trampoline, stand up paddle boarding and flying fox.

At the camp I had heaps of fun playing basketball in the gym with a few teachers and students, and had lots of fun flipping off the water trampoline and falling off the sup boards.

A lot of us made new friends and got the chance to get closer to old friends. And everyone had heaps of laughs around the camp fire with everyone singing including the teachers singing and performance, some jokes and old embarrassing stories.

The trivia night was fun and competitive, everyone racing to put their hands up to answer the questions and bring a win to their table.

Sarah Hafiz 7H



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Tuesday 2nd March	Divisional Swimming
Monday 8th March	Public Holiday—Labour Day
Tuesday 9th March	Year 10 Drive Safe Program
Wednesday 10th March	Year 7 Immunisations
Friday 12th March	School Photos—Whole School
Tuesday 16th March	School Photos—Catch-up
Thursday 18th March	Senior Sport

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.