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NEWSLETTER

25TH JUNE 2021

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ Friday 25th June
 Report Writing Day Student Free
- Monday 12th July Start Term 3
- ◆ Tuesday 13th July Year 12 Unit 3
 Parent Teacher Interviews 4:00pm - 6:30pm
- Thursday 22nd July Shrek The Musical Opening Night - 7pm
- Friday 23rd July Shrek The Musical VIP Night - 7pm
- ◆ Saturday 24th July Shrek The Musical Matinee - 1pm Closing Performance - 7pm

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Principal's Update

What a busy and stressful term it has been. Thankfully, we made it through to the end of term in one piece. We were fortunate not to have any students or staff contract Covid 19, which is great news, particularly as there were many local locations that were listed as Tier One and Tier Two sites. Thank you to you all those who went to be tested and isolated for the required time. Thank you also to staff, students and parents for assisting in making the transition to



and from lockdown a smooth one. It was not an ideal situation, but we can now see the benefits, given the zero community transfers at this time.

Extra Curricular Program Returns

You will see in the pages of this newsletter that there has been a gradual return to our extracurricular program, with the releasing of restrictions, and we are pleased to be able to put on our musical Shrek early next term. The cancellation of the musical last year was such a disappointment to students, parents and staff and it is great to be able to go ahead with it this year. Everyone is very excited about it, so make sure you purchase your tickets to support our talented students and to enjoy a wonderful show.

Retirement of Jude Minahan

At the end of this term, one of our much respected and valued long serving Food Technology teachers, Jude Minahan, is taking long service leave and then transitioning into retirement. Many students have had the privilege of being in Jude's classes over the years and had the benefit of learning from a very experienced and skilled Food Tech teacher. Jude started teaching at Gladstone Park in 1992 and has seen many students through her classrooms in that time. Some of our current

parents were also students of Jude and hold many fond memories her as their teacher. Students who have attended the Year 11 Ski Camps will remember all the delicious food she prepared for you and with you whilst up at the Lodge.

Jude has been a mentor and the backbone of the Food Technology area for many years, has contributed in many areas across the school and will be sorely missed by staff and students alike.

We wish you all the best Jude in your next life adventure. I hope you come back and visit your Gladstone Park family often.

A picture of Jude at the lunch prepared for her by her food technology staff.

Have a lovely break, see you all next term.

Year 12 VET Business - Relaxation

On Wednesday the student welfare came to the Year 12 Vet Business class and did a relaxation/ stress relief class. Students were learning about stress in the workplace, causes, the implications on productivity, and how they can de-stress themselves.

Thanks to Maree Grey for her great class and informative ideas.













VCAL Excursions - Term 2

Term 2 has been an excursion extravaganza for the VCAL students at Gladstone Park.

Excursion 1 – Melbourne Museum on 18th May

VCAL students undertook the *Road to Zero* program at the Museum. This was an insight into road safety in Australia where VCAL students were asked to complete their own road safety videos. Students came up with different messages in relation to road safety and completed short commercial advertisements. Students were able to tour the museum in the afternoon session to take in Australia's cultural and scientific history.





Excursion 2 – Royal Melbourne Zoo on 24th May

VCAL students travelled to the Royal Melbourne Zoo where they took part in the *Sustainable Australia program*. Students learnt about sustainable products and recycling and then went on a tour of the zoo to view all the different animal enclosures. Students enjoyed the opportunity to undertake the program and to view the animals of the world pre the Covid Lockdown.



VCAL Excursions - Term 2

Excursion 3 - Trout Farm on 27th May

Students from VCAL had the opportunity to attend a Trout Farm where they were taught how to cast a fishing line and other basics of fishing. Students had a great experience fishing in a large pond catchment with a high success rate with each cast. Students had the experience of both losing bait to some pesky trout and on the positive side landing some great catches! Some students were witness to fish that wiggled free from their lines and splashed back into the pond while they looked on in a disappointed fashion. Some trout were transported back to Gladstone Park for our school tanks and many tips on how to maintain aquaponics was given by the locals. Students were able to BBQ and eat fresh fish, while enjoying their time out in the environment for a memorable day.









All Aboard Skateboarding

Year 7, 8 and 9

In weeks 9 and 10 we were visited by All Aboard Skateboarding and participated in a fun group activity learning how to take small risks and learn a new skill. All Aboard Skateboarding is a joint YMCA and Victorian Skateboarding Association initiative aiming to educate students about the importance of getting out and having fun through learning a new skill and physical activity. Our students thoroughly enjoyed themselves!



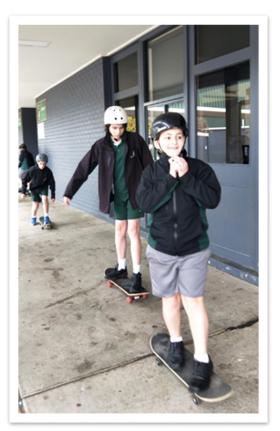




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SRC Progress - Term

From the casual clothes days over the last two terms, SRC has raised over \$2000 for the bushfires in WA and Lifeline Australia, both Australian charities with causes close to the students of SRC.

SRC worked with Rainbow Club to celebrate IDAHOBIT week. Together we ran a successful celebration at lunchtime including live music and lollies!





Our president Reuben and secretary Calum have also been working to implement paper recycling bins in classrooms for quite some time. This proposal has finally come into fruition with the recycling bins being distributed last week. In addition, a battery recycling bin which gets taken down to the Gladstone Park shops. Right: Calum and Reuben adding to the battery recycling program.



SRC Progress - Term 2

Lastly, over the month of June some of our year 12s have been participating in the push-up challenge to raise funds and awareness for mental health. On Monday the 21st of June we also contributed to the cause, we aimed to do 3,318 push-ups over the course of lunchtime, and we absolutely smashed the goal coming in with 3,590! Special mentions to Zach Daniells, Chithira Nugagahakumbura, Joshua Adamo, Natalie Hansen and Reuben Silveira for breaking the 200 mark.







The Parliament Prize - 2021

What would you say to Parliament if you were an MP?

During sitting weeks, Members of Parliament (MPs) get the opportunity to make statements on matters of interest and concern to them. Often that includes matters arising in their electorates that they wish to bring to the attention of Parliament. The maximum time allowed for such statements is 90 seconds per member. You can see what members speak about during Members' Statements by looking at Hansard, which is the record of what is said in Parliament.

The Parliament Prize invites Victorian school students to consider what they would say in Parliament if they were an MP, and submit a 90-second video of their own Member statement.

The competition is open to three categories: grades 5 and 6; years 7 to 9; and years 10 to 12.

A prize of \$500 and a commemorative trophy will be awarded to the first-placed entry in each category. There will also be prizes of \$250 to the second-placed entries and \$125 to the third-placed entries in each age group.

Submissions close on Friday, 30 July 2021 by 5PM.

For more information please see Ms Li in the C block office or < https://victorianparliament.us.launchpad6.com/ ParliamentPrize2021>





Skateboard Designers

Skateboard Designers of Year 9 Visual Communication Design

In semester one this year we have two Year 9 VCD classes, and students have been working on their designs for their very own Skateboard decks. Students followed the Design Process and researched board designs for inspiration then began generating their own ideas. They then developed their favourite ideas with Design Elements & Principles, and then

refined their design even further, then set out their work plan to reach their perfect design solution.

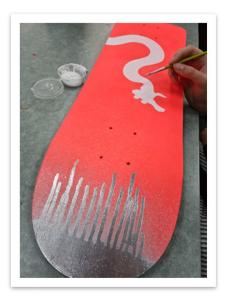
The Year 9 students used Posca paint textas, Ironlak spray cans, stencilling skills and metallic and acrylic paints to produce their skateboards. Made of shaped and laminated plywood, the finished boards were then varnished to give that professional finish, and they look awesome! The Year 9s have made an outstanding effort. You can see the skateboards in real life for a limited time in the display cabinets of the T-Block foyer.

Kerri Neven & Matthew Janineh
 Year 9 VCD`

Boards in progress by: Milana Kozulin, Dion Sorbello, Jack Daws, Hajar Oztas

Completed boards by: Lara Ozcelik, Mona El-Moustafa, Chris Medawar, Makayla Salazar, Don Clarke Oriel.









Skateboard Designers











School Production - 2021



Due to the new density limits tickets will now be sold through the school library during school hours (not over holiday period).

Ticket sales to **cast members** open Thursday 24th June.

General public and staff tickets will go on sale Monday 12th July.

All going well we are anticipating being at 100% capacity by the start of the production.

Currently tickets are purchased with limits but hopefully but he 12th July the limits will not apply.

Thursday and Saturday Matinee performances 4 per transaction.

Friday and Saturday evening performances 2 per transaction.

Ticket prices: Adults \$20 — Concession/Child \$15 — Group of 10 \$150

CASH ONLY - Unfortunately the library does not have EFTPOS facilities.

Opening Performance Thursday 22nd July at 7pm

VIP Night Friday 23rd July at 7pm

Saturday Matinee Saturday 24th July at 1pm

Saturday Evening Saturday 24th July at 7pm



2021 Important Dates

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Friday 25th June	Report Writing Day - Student Free
Monday 12th July	Start of Term 3
Tuesday 13th July	Year 12 Unit 3 Parent Teacher Interviews 4:00pm to 6:30pm
Monday 19th July	Divisional Track & Field
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Wednesday 28th July	Parent Information Night for Year 10 2022 6:00pm to 7:00pm
Wednesday 28th July	Parent Information Night for VCE / VCAL 2022 6:00pm to 7:00pm
Friday 30th July	Intermediate Sport
Wednesday 4th August	Year 7 Interschool Sport
Friday 6th August	Year 11 Social 6:30pm to 11: 00pm
Monday 16th August	Curriculum Day - Student Free

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.