



NEWSLETTER

4TH MARCH 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Friday 4th March
 Division Swimming
- ◆ Tuesday 8th March Year 7 & 8 Sports
- ◆ Tuesday 8th March Year 10 Drive Safe Program
- ◆ Thursday 10th March SRC Casual Clothes Day
- Monday 14th March Labour Day - Public Holiday
- Tuesday 15th March School Council AGM
- ◆ Thursday 17h March Senior Sports
- ◆ Tuesday 22nd March Curriculum Day - No School

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Principal's Update

School Council Nominations

Congratulations to the following parents, staff and students for successfully being nominated and appointed as new members to the Gladstone Park School Council.

Student members:

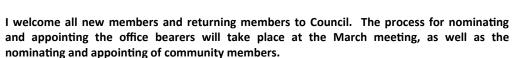
Dihansa Fernando and Sienna Matte-Hado

Parent members:

Reethu Sabahrwal

Staff members:

Roger Centofanti and Jason Broomfield





Thank you to our school captains for being so active around the school, participating in assemblies, primary school visits, the year 7 Barbeque and for setting goals for improvement around the school. I'm very excited about their progress so far.

Year 7 welcome BBQ

Recently we held the year 7 BBQ/Information night for year 7 students and their families. It was a very successful evening and many families had a chance to connect with each other and their children's teachers. They also had the opportunity to be introduced to key contacts in Junior School. There are so many people to thank for their efforts in making it a successful night, including our pianist — Sophie Conlan of Year 11, staff cooking the barbeque and meeting with parents, and school captains. Thanks also to Anthony Greaney and the Junior School team for ensuring it was a well-run event and for all the parents and students who attended.

Year 12 VCE Parent Information Evening

Senior school staff had the pleasure of meeting with parents and students on Tuesday evening for an on-line information session and Q&A on all things VCE. The session was well attended on Teams and was a great opportunity to touch base with families. Thank you to students and parents who attended and contributed to the session. Thank you to Elizabeth Dickin - Senior School Program Manager, Year 12 Coordinators – Monica Nicholls and Simon Phelan, Sam Yip - Careers Coordinator, Camelia Jansz – Student Agency & Events Coordinator, and Klate McFarlane – Senior School Principal.

Year 7 Mini Olympics

They Mini Olympics was held on Friday 25th February. This is a great cross year level event where the Year 11 VET Sport & Recreation students organise and conduct the event for the year 7s. It was a fun and competitive day, and the winning class was 7K. They will receive a free pizza lunch. Thanks especially to the year 11 VET Sport & Recreation students - they did do a great job. Thank you too to Anthony Greaney, Junior School Program manager.



Year 7 Information BBQ

Thursday the 24th of February was the Year 7 BBQ. The aim of the BBQ is to welcome parents/guardians to the Gladstone Park Secondary College community and to give them the opportunity to meet staff. The evening also involved a BBQ and light refreshments, background music created by Sophie Conlan on the piano, and an information session within classroom conducted by teachers followed by a question-and-answer session. If parents/guardians weren't able to attend the evening and you would like an information booklet that was handed out on the evening, please send you student into Junior School to collect one. Thank you to all who attended the evening and the staff members who assisted in running the evening. It was a great success with one of our largest attended evenings in recent times and the feedback received has been really positive!!

Mr. Greaney









Year 7 Mini Olympics

On Friday the 25th of February, the Year 7's participated in the Mini Olympic Carnival. Students competed in their form groups through a series of activity stations including obstacle courses, Vortex challenge and Giant quilts. The day was conducted by the VET Sport and Recreation students who designed the events and scoring systems, provided encouragement and coaching within their activity. The overall aim of the day is to help year 7's to get to know their classmates and develop friendships in a fun and relaxed environment. From all reports the Year 7's had an enjoyable day. Congratulations to 7K who won the day and will receive a class pizza lunch!! Thank you to all the Year 11 VET Sport and Recreation students for their planning and contribution to a successful day!!

Mr. Greaney
Junior School Program Manager



On the 25th of February, last Friday all the year seven classes competed for the Mini Olympics. There were 11 different sport related activities that we all cycled through. This day was run by the a few year 11 VET students. The teachers were there to cheer us on, and Miss Diamantopoulos even got our 7K class an extra 10 points. Some of the fun activities involved: obstacle courses, soccer kicks, long jump, vertical jump, basketball and much more. At the end of the day the points were tallied up and in the end 7K won the prize a free pizza lunch but everyone had heaps of fun. This day could not have been possible without the support from the teachers and students!

By Anna Breen 7K





Year 7 Mini Olympics

Last Friday all the year sevens competed in the Year 7 Mini Olympics. There was 11 activity's that all the classes were rotated through. The activates included Basketball throw, Vertical jump, long jump, obstacle courses and many more. Every event gave you a certain number of points. Some events would give much more than others. The whole day would not have been possible if it was not for the teachers and the year 11 VET students. The winning class won a pizza lunch for the next week. In the end there was only 100 Points Between 7A and 7K, but 7k came out victorious. It was a Fun day for all and very competitive. Definitely one to remember.



Jamie Bartsch 7K





Sports Report

On Thursday 17^{th} Feb, our intermediate Volleyball teams and our boys cricket team competed in interschool sport. Unfortunately though very competitive against the other school we didn't make it through to the next level. We have summer sport for year 7 on the 8^{th} March and Year 8 on the 1^{st} March.

Its so good to see the sportsmanship and fun our students display.

Ms Talbot





Sport Report Continued

Congratulations to the following teams who have made it through to the next level – NMR in term 4. Year 8 Girls Volleyball team and Year 8 Boys cricket.





Italian Club





ITALIAN CLUB









Ciao a tutti! This week in our inaugural Italian Club on Thursday 24th February, we celebrated Carnevale! Students were invited to come and make masks, watch some videos on how Carnevale is celebrated in Venice and listen to some Italian music.

Viva il Carnevale!

Italian Club runs on Thursdays at 12:40 in E1

This is the schedule for the rest of the term:

3rd March: Scopa (Cards) Tournament

10th March: Granita making and bocce

17th March: Soccer Competition

24th March: Movie: Luca 31st March: Movie: Luca

7th April: Movie: Luca

Italian Club













VCAL - TERM 1 - 2022 - NEW BEGINNINGS

The VCAL students for 2022 have commenced the year in a positive fashion. All current students have clear goals in relation to their TAFE/VET industry and there has been a lot of excitement in the air about students commencing their new career pathway. Many VCAL students have already commenced work placement, as others commence their search for new job opportunities in the structured workplace learning program.

Classes have been busy with project work, a highlight being the VCAL garden program which has commenced a new terms plantation of fresh organic vegetables that will be ready for harvest early in term 2. Students are learning different skills in the Wood and PE programs during their electives.

Upcoming excursions have the students ready for students to explore new opportunities and give some balance to their school and Vet program.



VCAL - Great Achievement

Gladstone Park Secondary College is proud to announce a great achievement from last year.

VCAL student of the Year for 2021 Selim Rakipi not only won the Gladstone Park award, but was able to win the VETDSSS Student of the year award in Electrical at the Kangan Institute Awards for 2021.

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Gladstone Park Secondary College is proud of Selim and his efforts during a Covid interrupted two years and appreciate his dedication and excellence in his vocation. We wish Selim the best for the future and hope that current VCAL students are inspired in a similar manner.



Well done Selim!

Mr. Saliba VCAL Coordinator

Immersion Information & Celebration



Italian Immersion Information Night 2022



Gladstone Park SC is proud to announce the 11th Edition of the Italian Immersion Night.

Celebrate con noi!

Students' achievements



Performances



Italian Biscotti Packs to take home!



Come and celebrate the Italian Immersion Information Night

at

Gladstone Park Secondary College!

Wednesday 11th May PAC 7pm-8pm















School Uniform Sale





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Thursday 24th March	Year 7 & 8 Sport
Friday 1st April	Year 11 Elephant Ed Workshops
Tuesday 5th April	Parent Teacher Interviews
Wednesday 6th April	House Athletics
Friday 8th April	End Of Term 1 - 2:30pm Finish

Office Hours

Monday—Thursday 8:15am to 4:15pm

<u>Friday</u>

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.