



NEWSLETTER

7TH APRIL 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ Friday 8th April
Last Day Term 1
Early Dismissal 2:30pm
- ◆ Monday 25th April
ANZAC DAY (public holiday)
- ◆ Tuesday 26th April
First Day Term 2
- ◆ Thursday 28th April
Cross Country
- ◆ Wednesday 4th May
Year 7 2023 Information
Evening 6.00pm-7.00pm
- ◆ Wednesday 4th May
Year 7— 2023 SEAL &
Immersion Information Evening
7pm-7.30pm
- ◆ Friday 6th May
Division Cross Country
- ◆ Friday 6th May Year 7
Immunisations

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Principal's Update



Congratulations staff, students and parents on a very productive First term. Staff and students have worked hard in their teaching and learning. The term break is both well-earned and well-needed.

Here is a summary of Term 1 events:

Our **Year 7 students** have settled in well to life at high school and are enjoying all the extra-curricular programs we have to offer. For the first time, we were able to accommodate all students who wanted to attend the Year 7 Camp – making for a fun start to the year and great connections between student peers and students and staff. Thankfully, we will be able to continue to offer Year 7 Camp to all who wish to attend next year too.

Our **Athletics and Swimming carnivals**, the two major house events, have been very successful and from there the winning competitors have gone on to the next level of competitions against other schools. Congratulations on the successes and endeavours across the sporting field over the term. It looks like we will have another enjoyable and successful year in these areas.

Our **PAC'd Performing Arts concert** – the first for the year was held on Wednesday 30th March. We were entertained by performances from the Year 7 band, Senior Band, Vocal Ensemble, Year 7 Performing Arts and Year 9 Actors' Studio drama skits, VCE Music performance bands and Vocal Ensemble and an item from the school musical. It was great to be able to put on one of our regular Performing Arts nights and showcase the work of our staff and students in instrumental music, drama, dance and music performance. Thank you to all who attended to support our students and a huge thank you to the students and teachers for all your hard work so far this year. I look forward to many more performances across the year.

The **musical production – Matilda** has rehearsals in full swing and we have already had a sneak preview of one of the musical numbers at the **PAC'd Performing Arts concert**.

Parent, Student, Teacher Conferences were held online across Monday afternoon and Tuesday this week. It was good to see so many parents and students attend. It provides a good opportunity for parents to have discussions about academic progress, discuss improvement strategies and to meet their children's teachers. Thank you to all who attended.

Principal's Update Continued

Professional Learning Teams (PLTs) – Improving Literacy

Our teachers are working in small teams, using an inquiry cycle to improve teaching and student learning. The inquiry cycle stages are diagnose, prioritise, plan, implement & monitor. This term, PLTs have learned about the inquiry cycle and diagnosed literacy needs for students in specific classes. In term 2, teachers will be planning, implementing and monitoring literacy strategies to meet these learning needs. There are many different focuses across a variety of year levels and subjects for this important literacy work including:

- using subject specific language when answering and justifying responses to questions
- selecting appropriate verbs for topic sentences in a text response
- understanding correct language for mathematical operations
- using conjunctions to link ideas in a paragraph
- identifying and using full stops and commas in a grammatically correct way
- using linking words when answering compare questions
- identifying and understanding command words in a question
- and many, many more.

We will keep you posted on what teachers and students learn through this process.

Recycling Unwanted Uniform

Thank you to those parents who have passed on unwanted uniform pieces to the school for use in supporting families in need. These come in very handy and are very much appreciated. If anyone has any uniform in good condition that is no longer needed, please pass them on to the school at the general office.

Reminder that school finishes this Friday at 2:30pm. I wish you all well for the holiday break.

Italian Club



ITALIAN CLUB



Ciao a tutti! In Italian Club on Thursday, 17th February, we played the national sport of Italy, Soccer! Students across year levels came and played against Mr Balestra, Mr Capone and Mr Davies.



Forza Gladdy!



Italian Club runs on Thursday's at 12:40pm in E1



Italian Club Continued

ITALIAN CLUB



Regional Swimming Finals

NMR SWIMMING

On Wednesday, 23rd March a small group of swimmers qualified to attend Regionals at Watermarc in Greensborough. Students were very competitive, unfortunately, we didn't qualify through to state. It was a very good day and enjoyed by all

Thanks to Mr Freeman for driving, Elsa Hawes for swim captain and Mitchell Moore for medal presentation

Ms Talbot



Science

Baby Reptiles arrive at GPSC!

As part of the reptile program at Gladstone Park Secondary College, three new lizards have arrived at the school! We are all very excited to welcome them into our little family. The three lizards that the school acquired were an Angle Head lizard, a Bearded Dragon and a Blue Tongue lizard. The Angle head and the Blue Tongue have been named Bert and Ernie, with a name still to be announced for our popular Bearded Dragon.

That's where we need everyone's help! A box will be placed in the science foyer which will be used for name suggestions for the Bearded Dragon. The best name chosen will win. Good luck everyone!

Mia Prisco



VCAL P.E

VCAL P.E Elective

Mustapha Ayche

During Term 1, our Year 12 VCAL PE class, and our lovely teacher Miss Talbot, went on an excursion and walked to the local tennis club. The tennis club is only a few streets down from the school, which is really good, as it gave us an excuse to walk there and be more active. When we got there, we had 3 full courts to ourselves, some of us played singles and some of us played doubles. I really enjoyed playing tennis and participating in this excursion for VCAL PE. It really showed us how useful and encouraging it is to see local sporting clubs and how many local clubs we have access to.



Studio Arts Excursion

On Tuesday, 22nd of March, the year 12 Studio Arts (Art) and Studio Arts (Photography) students embarked on an excursion to the National Gallery of Victoria (NGV) to visit the 2022 Top Arts Exhibition. The day started with a folio viewing of the exhibiting students' Unit 3 and 4 folios, whereby our year 12 students had the opportunity to flip through the exemplary folios that were selected from various secondary schools throughout the state of Victoria.

Following the folio viewing, students had the opportunity to visit the Top Arts Exhibition where they could see the final artworks created by the same students in Unit 4. The artworks included a broad range of mixed media pieces which ranged from drawing, painting and sculpture, to video and installation works, all of which were created while Melbourne navigated its way through the 2021 lockdowns.

The second half of the day saw students visit several commercial galleries throughout Flinders Lane, a necessary learning activity which relates to Unit 4 of the Studio Arts Study Design whereby students study various gallery contexts and consider the placement and conservation of artworks within these spaces. The first gallery the students visited was forty five downstairs where artist, Debra Winn, had the opening of her exhibition titled, *Light* (22 March – 23 April). Students had the opportunity to listen to the artist speak about her work, while given time to ask questions about her studio practice which covered her historical and cultural context, aesthetic qualities, materials, techniques and processes, as well as her sources of inspiration.

Progressing further along Flinders Lane, students visited Anna Schwartz Gallery where Australian multidisciplinary artist, Mike Parr, was showing his exhibition titled, *Volte Face* (1st February – 2nd April). Through visiting a prestigious gallery such as Anna Schwartz and seeing Parr's artworks in situ, students were able to gain firsthand insight into the artist's vocation, which in turn helps them comprehend where a life in art could potentially take them.

After the Covid disruptions caused over 2020-21 which led to many excursions needing to be postponed by the Visual Arts Department, students were overjoyed to be on an excursion and experiencing artwork in life rather than seeing them on computer screens and projectors (something which they have become accustomed to over the last 2 years). The day out filled students with inspiration which they have taken back into their Unit 3 folios and will continue to remember throughout the duration of the year. Indeed, an excursion to be remembered.

Yours sincerely,

Emilio Longo and Matthew Janineh (VCE Studio Arts Teachers)



Studio Arts Excursion Photos



Vet Workplace Skills

On Thursday, 31st March the VET Workplace Skills class walked to Gladstone Park Shopping centre to look at OHS. We were kindly shown around Woolworths by a very knowledgeable employee, Anastacia, who showed us all the safety and experience that is needed to run a safe workplace. We went into the bakery/delicatessen, fruit and vegetable preparing room before heading to the storeroom out the back. We saw many workplace safety equipment and PPE. Anastacia talked about the training required, the induction to work at Woolworths and the continual strive to make the workplace a safe environment. Thank you so much. Students learnt a lot.



P.E Elective War Ball -Year 12

The year 12 VCAL class competed in a fun round of war ball against junior classes. Rules were suitable and modified to make sure the whole game overall was safe for everyone. We tried hard and gave it our all at that game of war ball and we were super competitive but unfortunately, we did not win, we came Second!. It was great seeing how well the junior classes and the year 12s interacting with each other to make the game enjoyable and exciting. We were all very happy with the outcome of this game and hope to do it again in the future. Well done to everyone for putting 100% effort and really having fun out there because that's what it's all about. Great sportsmanship and teamwork skills were used in this exciting game of war-ball which is what we all love to see!

Thank you all for an enjoying, fun and energetic class.

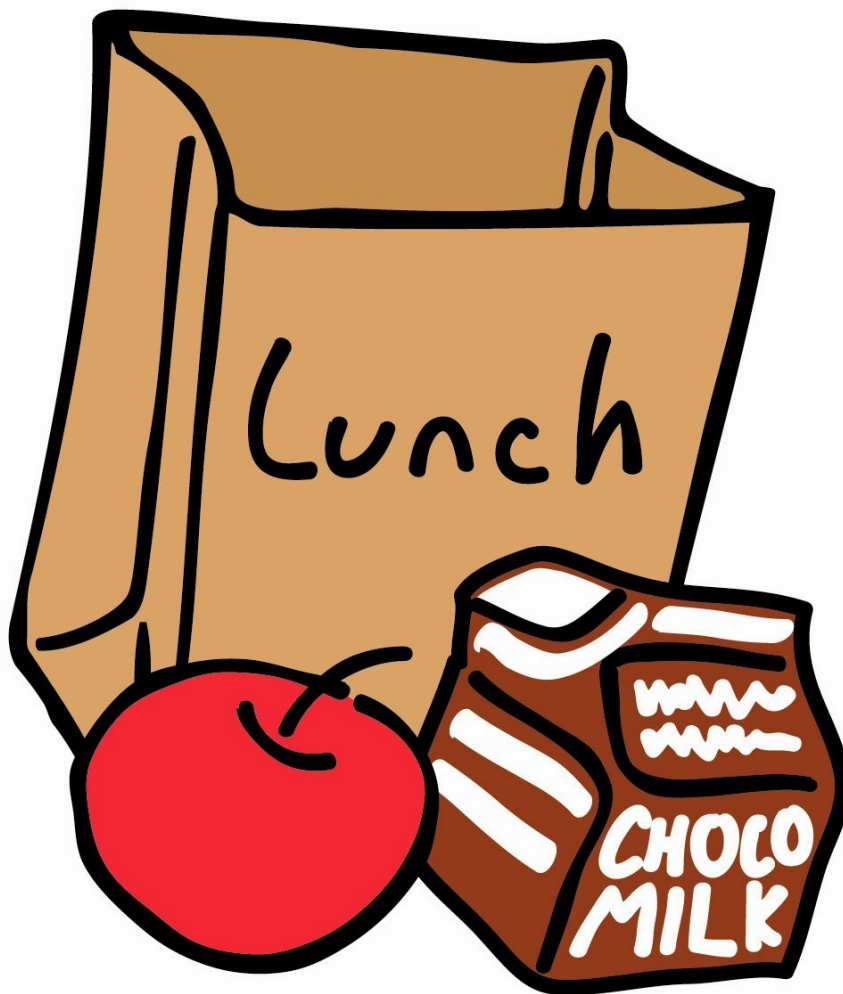


Bocca Foods - Lunch Orders

Please see below the school's lunch ordering policy. We encourage all families to use this process as the canteen is very busy at recess and may be unable process your child's lunch order.

Order Online and create an account

<https://boccafoods.com.au>



Hume Council School Holiday Program




AUTUMN SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

SATURDAY 9 APRIL 2022:
Bike Town Broadmeadows - Safe Riding as a Family
 Time: 10am — 12.30pm
 Age: Young people and families
 Children under 12 must be accompanied by a parent/carer for the duration of the program
 Location: Youth Central
 33-37 Pearcedale Parade, Broadmeadows 3047
 Bookings are essential. Tickets close: 8 April at 12pm

MONDAY 11 APRIL 2022:
Movie Night at Roxburgh Park Youth Centre
 Time: 2.30pm — 6pm
 Age: 12 - 18
 Location: Roxburgh Park Youth Centre
 75 Lakeside Drive, Roxburgh Park 3064
 Bookings preferable, walk ins welcome. Tickets close: 8 April at 12pm

Create Your Future at Craigieburn Youth Centre
 Time: 1pm — 4pm
 Age: 14 - 19
 Location: Craigieburn Youth Centre
 59 Craigieburn Rd, Craigieburn 3064
 Bookings are essential. Tickets close: 8 April at 12pm

TUESDAY 12 APRIL 2022:
Wear Your Rainbow at Sunbury Youth Centre
 Time: 1pm — 4pm
 Age: 12 - 17
 Location: Sunbury Youth Centre
 51-53 Evans Street, Sunbury 3429
 Bookings preferable, walk ins welcome. Tickets close: 11 April at 12pm

Arts & Craft Day at Youth Central Broadmeadows
 Time: 1.30pm — 5pm
 Age: 12 - 18
 Location: Youth Central
 33-37 Pearcedale Parade, Broadmeadows 3047
 Bookings preferable, walk ins welcome. Tickets close: 11 April at 12pm

WEDNESDAY 13 APRIL 2022:
Open Day at Craigieburn Youth Centre
 Time: 1pm — 5pm
 Age: 12 - 18
 Location: Craigieburn Youth Centre
 59 Craigieburn Rd, Craigieburn 3064
 Bookings preferable, walk ins welcome. Tickets close: 12 April at 12pm

THURSDAY 14 APRIL 2022:
Open Day at Youth Central Broadmeadows
 Time: 11am — 1pm
 Age: 12 - 18
 Location: Youth Central
 33-37 Pearcedale Parade, Broadmeadows 3047
 Bookings preferable, walk ins welcome. Tickets close: 13 April at 12pm

Launch of Connect & Thrive: A Plan for Young People in Hume 2022-2026
 Time: 2.30pm — 5.30pm
 Age: All
 Location: Youth Central
 33-37 Pearcedale Parade, Broadmeadows 3047
 Bookings are essential. Tickets close 8 April at 5pm

TUESDAY 19 APRIL 2022:
Mixed Sports at Roxburgh Park
 Time: 1pm — 3pm
 Age: 12 - 18
 Location: Roxburgh Park Youth Centre/Oval
 75 Lakeside Drive, Roxburgh Park 3064
 Bookings preferable, walk ins welcome. Tickets close: 18 April at 12pm

Wear Your Rainbow at Craigieburn Youth Centre
 Time: 1pm — 5pm
 Age: 12 - 17
 Location: Craigieburn Youth Centre
 59 Craigieburn Rd, Craigieburn 3064
 Bookings preferable, walk ins welcome. Tickets close: 18 April at 12pm

Make a Mural in a Day at Craigieburn GLC Art Gallery
 Time: 1pm — 5pm
 Age: 12 - 18
 Location: Craigieburn GLC Art Gallery
 75-95 Central Park Avenue, Craigieburn 3064
 Bookings are essential. Tickets close: 18 April at 12pm

WEDNESDAY 20 APRIL 2022:
Game World and Chill Out at Sunbury Youth Centre
 Time: 1pm — 5pm
 Age: 12 - 18
 Location: Sunbury Youth Centre
 51-53 Evans Street, Sunbury 3429
 Bookings preferable, walk ins welcome. Tickets close: 19 April at 12pm

THURSDAY 21 APRIL 2022:
Job Readiness at Broadmeadows Youth Central
 Time: 11am — 2pm
 Age: 14 - 19
 Location: Youth Central
 33-37 Pearcedale Parade, Broadmeadows 3047
 Bookings are essential. Tickets close 20 April at 12pm

Create Your Future at Sunbury Youth Centre
 Time: 1pm — 4pm
 Age: 14 - 19
 Location: Sunbury Youth Centre
 51-53 Evans Street, Sunbury 3429
 Bookings are essential. Tickets close 20 April 2022

FRIDAY 22 APRIL 2022:
Movie Night at Youth Central Broadmeadows
 Time: 2.30pm — 6pm
 Age: 12 - 18
 Location: Youth Central
 33-37 Pearcedale Parade, Broadmeadows 3047
 Bookings preferable, walk ins welcome. Tickets close 21 April at 12pm

SATURDAY 23 APRIL 2022:
Bike Town Craigieburn - Safe Riding as a Family
 Time: 10am — 12.30pm
 Age: Young people and families
 Children under 12 must be accompanied by a parent/carer for the duration of the program
 Location: Craigieburn Youth Centre
 59 Craigieburn Rd, Craigieburn 3064
 Bookings are essential. Tickets close: 8 April at 12pm

NO PROGRAMS ON EASTER PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

For further information please contact us at: Phone: 9205 2556 Email: youth@hume.vic.gov.au




2022 Important Dates

Friday 8th April	End Of Term 1 - 2:30pm Finish
Monday 25th April	Anzac Day - Public Holiday
Tuesday 26th April	First Day Term 2
Thursday 28th April	Cross Country
Wednesday 4th May	Year 7—2023 Information Evening 6pm - 7pm
Wednesday 4th May	Year 7—2023 SEAL & Immersion Information Evening 7pm - 7:30pm
Friday 6th May	Division Cross Country
Friday 6th May	Year 7 Immunisations
Wednesday 11th May	Open Day Tour 1 9.15am Tour 2 11.00am
Wednesday 11th May	Senior & Intermediate Interschool Sport
Sunday 15th May	Musical Rehearsal Number 3

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.