



NEWSLETTER

6TH MAY 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Monday 9th May
 Senior & Intermediate Sport
- Tuesday 10 May to Friday 13th May
 NAPLAN Year 7 & Year 9
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Principal's Update

Anzac Day Service

This year, our school ANZAC Day service took place on Wednesday, $27^{\rm th}$ of April.

Our ANZAC ceremony took place, not only to remember all Australians who served and died in all wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations, but also to commemorate a fallen soldier who was a much admired and respected student of Gladstone Park

- Corporal Cameron Stewart Baird, recipient of the Medal for Gallantry and posthumously awarded the Victoria Cross.



A wreath was placed at the flagpole, on the Cameron Baird commemorative lectern, during the service.

Thank you to:

Members of the Broadmeadows and Sunshine Army Cadets

School Captain Ines Zepcan, for leading the Cadets throughout the service

School Captains Alannah Quirk, Dylan Do and Ines Zepcan for their readings throughout the service

Jock Lippiatt for playing the bagpipes leading the entourage to the flagpole Jack Breen for playing the last post

The year 7-9 Form and Vice Captains and other students and staff who attended and assisted with the service

Mr Centofanti for organising the service

It was a very moving tribute to all members of the defence force, past and present.

Information Evening

We held a very successful Information Night on Wednesday 4th of May. There is a great deal of interest in our special programs of SEAL (Select Entry Accelerated Learning) and Language Immersion as well as the main-stream classes. Many families are keen send their children to Gladstone Park and I am very proud of our high standing in the community. It was a great opportunity for prospective parents and students to hear student and parent perspectives of the school, and to learn about changes to our zone and Year 7 placement processes. If you have any friends or family with questions about year 7 for 2023, please ask them to contact Junior School.

Thank you to the students who contributed: Ines Zepcan, Alannah Quirk, Dylan Do, Ayla Kotch, Sienna Griffiths, Nevra Kurucu, Dumini Manikku Wadu, Shenantha Fernando and Niza Thambi, Isabella and Julia Chaperon. Thank you also to the staff who contributed: Jody Scott, Klate McFarlane, Roger Centofanti, Tom Hughes, Maurizio Corso, Anthony Greaney, and Georgia Stewart. Special thanks to Sharon Matuauto, School Council President, for providing a parent's perspective.

We are looking forward to our Open Day and Italian Immersion Celebration Evening next week.

Principal's Update Continued

NAPLAN Testing

All students in Year 7 and Year 9 will participating in the NAPLAN testing starting Tuesday 10th of May. As with last year, it is an on-line testing format. The school uses the data from these tests as one measure to gauge how we are progressing with our overall improvement strategies. These tests also give parents a snapshot as to where each child sits in relation to the nation for this test. NAPLAN is not the only form of monitoring your child's growth. Teacher judgement and classroom testing is also used – as shown on school reports. Please assure your child/ren not to stress over the test, but do encourage them to put in a good effort – we want an accurate measure. We acknowledge that each child is an individual who has their own strengths and weaknesses, as we all do. Learning growth happens at differing rates, and our aim is to give all of our students the opportunity to reach their full potential.

Uniform Reminder

We have concerns with a number of students being out of uniform lately. Our <u>school uniform guidelines</u> are quite clear for students and parents. All items of uniform must be identical to those described in the brochure and student planner, and all are obtainable from our official school suppliers. A particular concern currently is non-uniform tracksuit pants.

The School Council endorses the <u>uniform policy</u>, and sanctions apply for students who are out of uniform. If you are experiencing difficulty obtaining items of uniform, please contact the school for assistance. We want all our students wearing correct uniform as they represent our school and its values to the community.

Year 11 & 12 VCD Top Designs Excursion

On Friday 29th of April, Year 11 and 12 Visual Communication Design students investigated the 2022 Top Designs Exhibition, held at the Melbourne Museum in Carlton. On display we saw the best of the best folios and finals from 2021 in Visual Communication Design, as judged by VCAA. Inspiring, amazing and more than a little intimidating, students had the opportunity to flick through the folios and see what it takes to be the best. The level of skill and imagination on display was amazing, and inspirational for our Year 11s as they consider what they will specialise in for their SAT Folio in Year 12, and it was informative on best practice for our Year 12s, who have just embarked on their SAT folios. In all, the day was both informative and practical, as students also completed research tasks towards their various folios. Our thanks to Mr Janineh for his assistance on the day. Our students were excellent ambassadors for the school and a pleasure to take out and about in the city.

Kerri Neven

Visual Art Learning Area Leader.



VCAL P.E

On Thursday 5th May, Year 11 and 12 VCAL PE participated in a small friendly game of soccer while keeping fit and healthy at the same time. After period 1 we went to the main gym to play some games of Table Tennis. Overall, the class enjoyed the activities we completed, and by doing this we all were up and about with energy from running around with friends.

By Steven Szadurski



















































































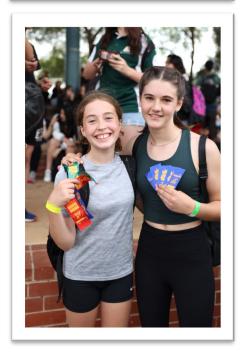
































































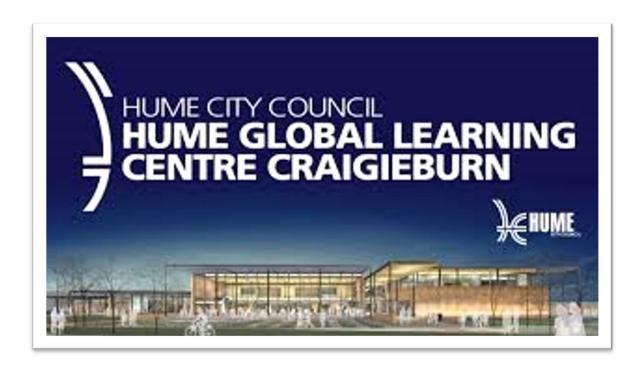
Free Parent/Carer Seminar

Hume City Council is hosting a parent and carer seminar on "Healthy Relating: Sexuality, Respectful Relationships & Consent". This is a free seminar on 17th May 7:30pm-9pm at the Hume Global Learning Centre – Craigieburn, 75-95 Central Park Avenue, Craigieburn 3064.

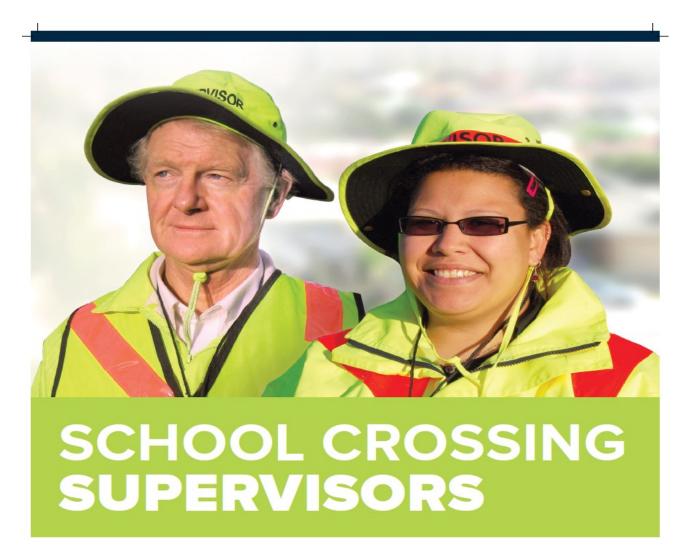
Join Vanessa Hamilton, of Talking the Talk Sex Ed, for an informative evening for parents and carers. The inclusive education presentations will help you understand more about sexuality in children and young people; alongside how to support your child to form respectful, healthy relationships.

For more details and registration link see:

<u>Healthy Relating: Sexuality, Respectful Relationships & Consent Seminar - Hume City Council</u>



School Crossing Supervisors Needed



RECRUITING NOW

Play an important role in your community. Ensure the safety of children and pedestrians and be a friendly face. Multiple opportunities available in a range of locations.

Flexible work options. Support your community between 8:00am to 9:00am and 3:00pm to 4:00pm Monday to Friday.

If you or someone you know is interested in these roles, call us today!

Call HOBAN Recruitment on 9325 3200

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Monday 23rd May to Friday 27th May	NAPLAN Year 7 & Year 9
Monday 30th May to Thursday 9th June	Year 10 & Year 11 Exams
Monday 6th June	Year 8 Interschool Sport
Tuesday 7th June	VCE Recital/Performing Arts Concert 7:00pm
Thursday 9th June	Interschool Sport
Friday 10th June	Report Writing Day - Student Free Day

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.