



NEWSLETTER

22ND JULY 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Principal's Update

International Success – Sarah Portlock, Year 10

Sarah has recently been selected in the National U17 women's basketball team, the Sapphires. She has just finished competing in the World Championships in Hungary where the Sapphires came 5th. Sarah qualified for the National U17 team while competing in the FIBA Asia U16 Championships. Sarah is a member in the Broadmeadows Basketball Association and the Basketball Victoria State Performance Program.



Sarah has accepted a scholarship offer from the Basketball Australia Centre of Excellence and will commence her time in Canberra once she completes commitments with the Australian U17W Sapphires.

We are so proud of this incredible achievement – the product of many, many hours of dedicated work. Well done, Sarah.

Matilda The Musical

This year's school production opened last night and is looking great! There is still an opportunity to see it if you have not yet booked tickets. Tickets are available for Friday night, Saturday matinee and Saturday night tickets available. The links for booking are on the school website - <http://www.gladstoneparksc.vic.edu.au/matilda-the-musical-jr-tickets/>. Tickets can be purchased through Trybooking.com up until 2hrs before the start of the scheduled performance or can be purchased at the door.

I Guarantee you will not be disappointed.

An Active School

I hope you enjoy all the reports in this Newsletter. It is such a positive feeling to see students going out on sports, excursions and important programs such as work experience. Thank you to all the staff who put the time in to organise these events, and thank you to the students for their active participation and for representing the school so well.

NAIDOC week occurred in the holidays, and we have celebrated it at school in week one of term. All Year 7 students went on excursion to the Melbourne Museum's First People's exhibition. This is an annual Year 7 event, and very soon all our students will have had this valuable learning experience. We also had a lunchtime concert and arranged for the bell music for the week to be 100% Indigenous artists.

Principal's Update Continued...

University Open Days

August is the season for University Open Days. I encourage students from year 9 up to visit. Students from different year levels will gain different insights from the experience. Year 9 students will gain great insight into what is available at university, and this will help their long-term thinking about subject selection. Year 10 students are at an important stage of choosing their senior subjects – and this could influence what courses are available. Year 11 and 12 students are at a point of really focusing in on specific universities and courses – needing to know details so their preferences are in order. Visit <https://www.vtac.edu.au/opendays.html> for details.

Parent Information Evening

I am looking forward to seeing many families at our Parent Subject Selection Information sessions in the PAC on Wednesday next week (27th July).

Information for Parents of Year 9 students, about Year 10, will start at 6pm.

Information for Parents of Year 10 students, about the VCE and the VCE Vocational Major (VCAL), will start at 7pm.

Farewell

Maurizio Corso, teacher of Italian and Mathematics, is moving to teach at Virtual School Victoria, and we wish him well in his next career phase. This year, Maurizio took on the role of Learning Area Leader for Italian and Immersion. Jayne Carfi, one of our Leading Teachers, will now move into this role. She brings a wealth of curriculum and leadership experience with her. We know the Virtual school will value Maurizio's high-level curriculum and technology skills and we wish him well.

Emergency management

Thank you to parents, students and staff for their patience and calm on Friday 15th July. We learned of a nearby chemical spill and had advice from DET emergency management that people should not enter the area, and if in the area should remain inside. That advice was changed, and we were told that the area was completely safe.

Thankfully, through Compass, we were able to communicate easily with the school community. By period 2, we had all classes running according to the normal schedule. With high absences in senior years, we decided to run those classes through MS Teams. For years 7 – 10, work was provided to those students at school and to those at home.

Let's hope this is the last of the random surprises for the year.

Year 9 La Trobe University Excursion

Year 9 La Trobe Excursion and Careers Talks

The Year 9s went on the La Trobe University Excursion in Term 2, Week 8, where students were given an introduction to university life, which included a visit to the Microbiology labs (where the students tried their hands at using the microscopes), attended talks on Enterprise Skills and Career Conversations. Students also engaged in an exciting Race Around La Trobe (aka Amazing Race).

On Friday, the students were educated on their future with talks from Kangan (on TAFE education), The Australian Defence Force (where the students learned about being in the military), Fulton-Hogan (understanding what it takes to work in construction – both the front end and back office roles), and finally, Victoria Police (who talked about a career in the police force). The students had a lots of questions, asking about future careers and prospects. Some students also won prizes for asking the best questions.

Fulton-Hogan even offered five students a visit to one of their work sites in Term 3!

Samuel Yip

Careers Advisor



Year 9 La Trobe University Excursion



Cinderella The Musical

Year 9 Dance excursion.

On Wednesday 22nd June our Year 9 Dance class attended a matinee performance of Cinderella. The show was performed at the Regent theatre in the city. For many of our students this was the first time they had been to a professional musical. The show was bright, fun and spectacular with wonderful singing, acting, costumes and dancing. In Year 9 Dance we have been studying Dance in Musical theatre so this was a perfect opportunity to see a live performance with wonderful choreography and dancers. All students were very well behaved and had a wonderful day at the theatre.

The Cinderella experience was incredible. I'm very grateful that I was given the opportunity to attend the performance especially with my amazing dance class and teachers. Even though our original plans fell apart (due to the entire cast being struck by Covid) it could not have been better. The talented cast, props, music really made the day. The opportunity to go into the city was like a small city experience in itself. The chance to watch my first musical with my friends was amazing. It is definitely one of my most treasured memories. The whole experience was surreal especially the theatre.

Not only was it an exciting experience, it was really educational too, especially for students interested in performing arts. I would like to thank our teachers who got the whole experience arranged for us despite of the initial hiccups.

Maanya Menon, Year 9 student.



Year 10 Work Experience is Back!

After 2 years of Covid interruptions, our Year 10 Work Experience kicked off on 20 June 2022. For the next 5 days, students got a taste of what it took to work and the mental discipline and resilience they needed to cultivate in order to be successful.

While there were challenges, as not everything was fun, students were put through their paces to help their supervisors achieve tasks and ensure that every learning opportunity was taken.

Our students got their work experience from all over Victoria, the closest was Gladstone Park Primary School, while the furthest was in Maldon and Torquay.

In the photos are three of our Year 10 students:

Taylan Demir – working at Elite Training and Sports Medicine

Alexis Massmann – working at Abrasive Sand Blasting Equipment, Parts & Service

Trung Huynh – working at NPT Security Doors

Emre Kurnaz – working at Vision Australia

Samuel Yip

Careers Advisor



Northern Metro Regional Cross Country

On the 15th July a squad of very brave students weathered the cold/wet and wind and competed in NMR Cross Country at Bundoora Park. Every athlete raced well but the following students made it through to State on the 14th July in term 3.

Congratulations

Kathryn Myers
Abbey Pantelidis
Isabelle Miller
Taylah Miller
Xavier Curtolo
Matthew Curtolo
Cody Leirsch



Special thank you to Mitchell Moore for handing out medals on such a cold and wet day.



Senior Boys Football

On Wednesday 13th July senior boys won their way through to the NMR finals against Thornbury. Unfortunately, they did not win but we are so proud of their skill, sportsmanship, and behaviour.

Thanks to the coaches Ms Hickling and Mr Puxley.

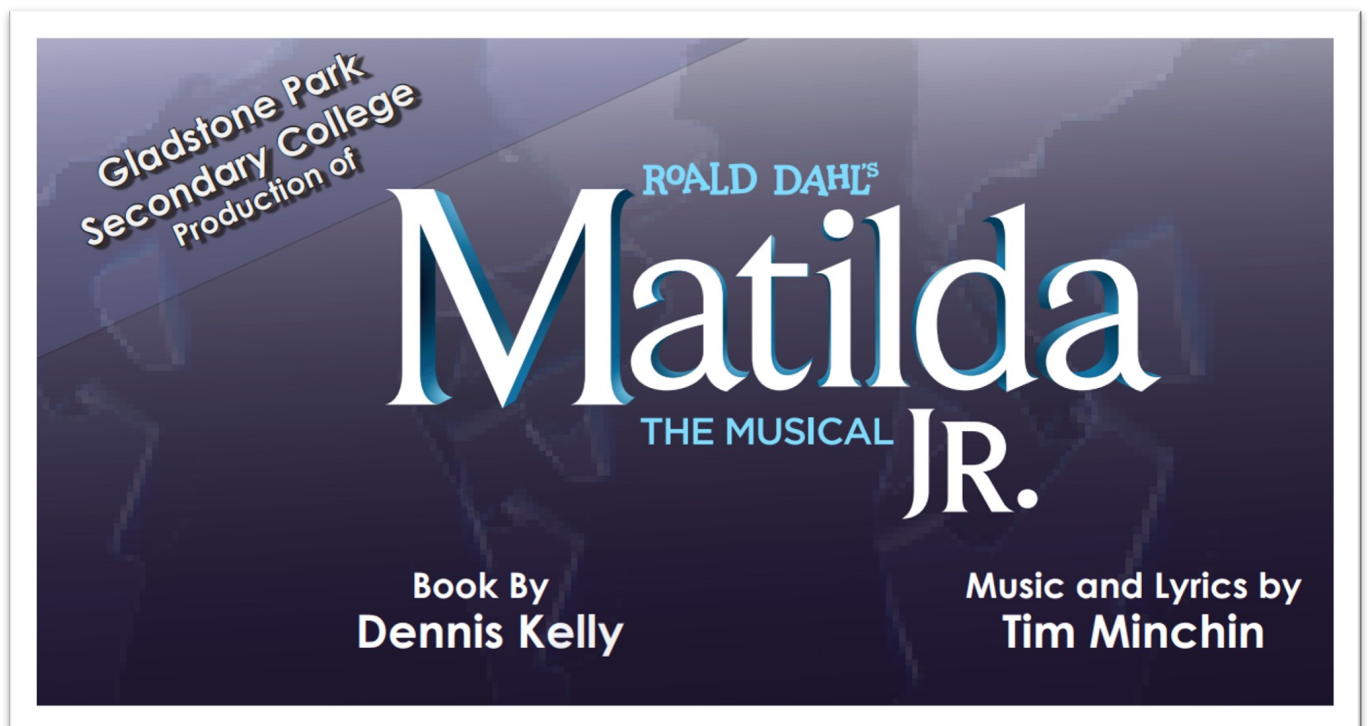


GPSC Musical Production 2022

Tickets Are still Available !!!!!

Do not miss this amazing production performed by GPSC's very own talented students.

Tickets can be purchased through [Trybooking.com](https://www.trybooking.com) up until 2hrs before the start of the scheduled performance or can be purchased at the door.



GPSC Career Expo 2022

The Career Expo brought over 15 organisations to the school to help students understand their educational pathways and find careers that will help benefit them in the future.

We had tertiary education providers such as Deakin, La Trobe, Melbourne University, RMIT, Swinburne, and Victoria University, along with Kangan Institute which provided information to Year 10-12 students on their future education opportunities.

We also had organisations such as Head Start and MAS Experience that help VCAL students to find apprenticeships and traineeships during and after school. Students that loved dance were also able to enquire about further training courses with Spectrum Dance,

Lastly, we had the Australian Defence Force and Victoria Police represent the government sector in employment. Students got to learn about what it took to take up a role with the police, and also the benefits of doing an ADF Gap Year.

Students are encouraged to keep researching and exploring various careers and universities. Look out for University Open Days in July and August!



University Open Days 2022

Institution Open Day	Date
Swinburne University of Technology	Sunday July 31
RMIT University	August (Various Dates, Please Check RMIT Website)
Torrens University	Saturday August 6 (Virtual)
Monash University	Saturday August 6 - Peninsula Sunday August 7 - Caulfield Sunday August 7 - Clayton Sunday August 21 - Parkville
Australian Catholic University	Sunday August 7 - Melbourne Sunday August 14 - Ballarat
La Trobe University	Sunday August 7 - Melbourne Sunday August 7 - Online/Virtual Wednesday August 10 - Mildura Saturday August 13 - Shepparton Sunday August 21 - Albury Wodonga Sunday August 28 - Bendigo
SAE QANTM	Saturday August 13
Federation University	Sunday August 14
University of Melbourne	Sunday August 21
Victoria University	Sunday August 21
Charles Sturt University	Sunday August 21 - Albury Wodonga
COLLARTS	Saturday August 27
CQ University	Saturday August 27 - Virtual Open Day TBC - Melbourne Information Session
Australian College of Applied Professionals	TBC
AIT	TBC

Foster Carers Needed



Foster carers play an incredible community service by providing temporary care in safe and nurturing homes for children and young people not able to live safely in their own homes.

Being able to support a child remain in their local community and to continue in their same school and social network is a really important consideration when looking to place children and young people into out of home care and for that reason, the best foster care home is one already in a child's community.

We run monthly information sessions for members of the community who might be interested in exploring foster care .

The need for community based foster carers is great and we would be very appreciative if the school was interested in promoting awareness of our program within its own school community.

Thank you very much for your time and kind regards,

Kate Paterson & Jo Poulsen



FOSTER CARE INFORMATION SESSION

TUESDAY, 23 AUGUST 2022 | North West Region
6:30pm – 7:30pm (via ZOOM)

Now more than ever, foster carers are needed for children & young people across Victoria.

REGISTER NOW!

Online Information Presentations available during COVID-19



9301 5200 | Carer.Info@anglicarevic.org.au | anglicarevic.org.au

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Wednesday 27th July	Year 9 & 10 Subject Expo
Wednesday 27th July	Year 10 - 2023 Parent Information Night 6:00pm - 7:00pm
Wednesday 27th July	Year VCE/VCAL 2023 Parent Information Night 7:00pm - 8:00pm
Thursday 28th July	Year 10 Awards
Friday 29th July	Year 11 Awards
Monday 1st August	Year 9 Party Safe
Wednesday 3rd August	Year 7 Interschool Sport
Wednesday 3rd August	Piano Show 4:00pm - 9:00pm
Thursday 4th August	Year 7 Awards
Friday 5th August	Year 8 Awards
Friday 5th August	Year 11 Social
Saturday 6th August	SEAL Testing
Monday 8th August to Friday 12th August	Morrisby Interviews

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.