



NEWSLETTER

19TH AUGUST 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ Monday 22nd August to Friday 26th August
Year 9 City Experience Group 1
- ◆ Monday 29th August to Friday 2nd September
Diversity Week
- ◆ Tuesday 30th August
Casual Clothes Day
- ◆ Tuesday 30th August to Friday 2nd September
Year 12 Ski Camp
- ◆ Wednesday 31st August
NMR Athletics
- ◆ Wednesday 7th September
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Principal's Update

Lynne Gutterson's Retirement

Lynne recently informed the school community that she is relinquishing her role as Principal and taking leave before retiring in 2024. I want to take this time to recognise Lynne's service and dedication to the school community over the past 16 years, the last 10 of which Lynne was Principal. Lynne has always held student need front-of-mind and has supported all staff in their work to get students where they need to be. Her work has supported students and staff to make this a proud, caring and ambitious school.



In her time at the school, Lynne has built the SEAL and Italian Immersion programs, and provided extra time and assistance for literacy enhancement for students. Lynne has initiated strong student leadership programs and fostered an extra-curricular program that has provided life-long memories for many students. Our community benefits from the many young adults who have been through the school and carry strong and positive values in their lives and work. Lynne has supported staff leadership and fostered the growth of many school leaders here and at other schools. Her genuine care for students, staff and the school was always visible.

Lynne has also been an incredible mentor and support for me throughout all my years at Gladstone Park. I am very honoured to have worked with and learned from her. On behalf of the school community, I wish her all the best in her retirement and rich times with family and friends.

End of Term Parent, Teacher, Student Conference Arrangements

The Parent Teacher Student Conferences we hold at the end of Term 3 are a significant way to report on student progress. They will be run on-line, just as we did in Term 1 after surveying parent opinion. We want to provide the opportunity for parents and students to meet with all their teachers – so have provided ample time slots for this to happen. Students are expected to attend the online conferences with their parents/carers. The benefit of student participation cannot be underestimated.

Term 3 Conferences will be held across Wednesday and Thursday of the last week of school.

- **Wednesday 14th September, classes will run periods 1-4, with Students dismissed at lunch time. Conferences will run from 1:30 to 7:30pm.**
- **Thursday 15th September, no classes will run and conferences will be held from 9:00am to 2:00pm.**

Details including the announcement of bookings opening will be made as a Compass announcement.

Principal's Update Continued...

Matilda the Musical

This year's show was great fun, and I hope you enjoy the photos in the following pages.

The performances were polished, timing was spot on, lighting, sets and costumes were at such a high standard. I was so proud of everyone involved and loved watching how much fun they were having. The time, effort and hard work certainly paid off. Well done to all involved.

I would particularly like to thank the following key staff for their tireless efforts in working with our students this year:

Wendy Van Dyk and Leah Kemp – Executive Producers

Tyson Richardson and Luke Condello – Directors

Omar Moustafa – Music Director

Stage Manager – Luke Condello

Props – Cassandra and Tyson Richardson

Jane Carfi – Choreographer

Con Zanetidis and Roger Centofanti – Set building and backstage crew

Subject Selection, VCE and VCAL Information Evenings

Thank you to the middle and senior schools, and curriculum leaders for their work in organising the many events associated with student subject selection. We had a good turnout of parents at the evening sessions and student were given valuable information to make their subject selections for years 10-12.

Awards

Mid-Year Awards ceremonies were held over the past weeks. It was lovely to see so many parents and student guests come out to celebrate the successes of the top 40 students in each year level. Thanks to the sub-schools and Lily Balzan for organising the events and to Bocca for their catering.

Lindsay Whitrod

We have received the sad news that Lindsay Whitrod, Principal of Gladstone Park from 1985-1988, passed away peacefully on Saturday 13 August.

Lindsay was 92 and remembered by his family as a wonderful man with a sharp wit who will be sadly missed. There are current members of staff and some parents who remember Lindsay well. In recent years, we enjoyed seeing Lindsay and catching up each year at the VIP night for the school musical production. Our sincere condolences go to his family.

Matilda The Musical JR - 2022

Phew! We finally made it to show night! The time in between shows usually feels so short, but we are sure you agree that it feels like an age has passed since the curtain went down in 2019 on 'Guys and Dolls.' After the disappointment of last year's *Shrek: The Musical*, the students and staff were grateful to have such wonderful audiences in attendance to witness their dedication and hard work.

Matilda The Musical Junior is the stage adaptation of Roald Dahl's beloved children's novel and the movie from the 90s. The music is composed by Tim Minchin an Aussie icon! The school setting is wonderfully familiar for our students and allowed for a range of fresh faces to take on the lead roles, and ensured our experienced students had key roles to suit their talent. This year we were able to go on our first musical camp since lockdown, and the team and students grew even closer after this fantastic experience.

This year our Co-Directors of Luke Condello and Tyson Richardson were finally able to show us the full extent of their talent. Thankfully, they were happy to undertake the task again even with the disappointment of last year, we and all the students, value their youth, creativity, and endless energy. Joining them in working tirelessly to create this show were Omar Moustafa, Jane Carfi, Glen Johnson, Con Zanetidis, Roger Centofanti, Sebastian Fiore and Georgia Stewart. We would also like to thank GSL Sound and Lighting who once again provided us with their expertise, which always contributes to the smooth running of the show and the parents and families of our talented cast for supporting them and the school during this production.

Award recipients –

The Kenny – Bienna Frenando - (Miss Trunchull)

People's Choice – Dylan Do - (Mr Wormwood)

Encouragement Awards – Marco Bazerghi - (Bruce)

– Anna Breen - (Amanda)

– Amber Mineo - (Big Kids Ensemble)

Rising Star Award – Atiana Sefo - (Little Kids Ensemble)

Directors Award – Stephen Borrelli - Nigel

Vocal Directors Award – Tahlia Herron - (Sergei & Big Kids Ensemble)

Choreographers Award – Elsa Hawes - (Lavendar)

All cast members were presented with a medallion as a memento of their participation in Matilda Jr.

Wendy Van Dyk and Leah Kemp – Executive Producers



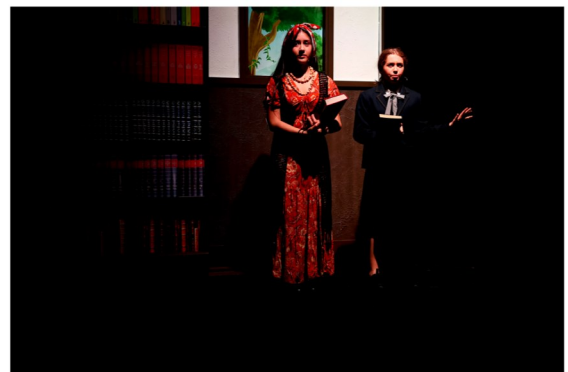
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Intermediate & Senior Badminton

On Thursday 4th August the intermediate Girls and Senior Boys and Girls competed in the NMR Badminton at Darebin Sports Centre. Though teams trained sometimes twice a week they didn't make it through to finals. Great effort just getting to regions. Thank you to the staff – Ms Paterson and Mr Janineh



University Open Days 2022

Institution Open Day	Date
RMIT University	August (Various Dates, Please Check RMIT Website)
Monash University	Sunday August 21 - Parkville
La Trobe University	Sunday August 21 - Albury Wodonga Sunday August 28 - Bendigo
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

VTAC University Applications Are Open!

For Year 12 VCE students, this is a crucial time where they have to enter their university course choices into the VTAC (Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre) portal. Students have the option to enter 8 choices.

The portal opened on 1 August 2022 and close 29 September 2022.

Course applications	Open	Close	Fee
Timely applications	1 August (9am)	29 September (5pm)	\$44.00
Late applications	29 September (5.15pm)	4 November (5pm)	\$126.00

Students will need to remember to apply for SEAS (Special Entry Access Schemes) as they can get special considerations for 4 categories to get their desired course.

- [Category 1: Personal information and location](#)
- [Category 2: Disadvantaged financial background](#)
- [Category 3: Disability or medical condition](#)
- [Category 4: Difficult circumstances](#)

Special Entry Access Schemes (SEAS)	Open	Close	Fee
SEAS applications and supporting documentation	1 August (9am)	7 October (5pm)	N/A

There is also a section for scholarships from select universities.

Scholarships applications	Open	Close
Scholarships applications and supporting documentation	1 August (9am)	7 October (5pm)

For more information and requirements for SEAS, Scholarships and dates, please go to the VTAC website.

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

2022 Important Dates

Friday 19th August	YEAR 9,10,11 & 12 Subject Selection Due
Friday 19th August	Gladly's Got Talent
Monday 22nd August to Friday 26th August	Year 9 City Experience - Group 1
Tuesday 23rd August	Year 7 Elephant Ed
Monday 29th August to Friday 2nd September	Diversity Week
Tuesday 30th August to Friday 2nd September	Year 12 Ski Camp
Wednesday 31st August	NMR Athletics
Wednesday 7th September	GAT
Wednesday 7th September	Vocal Soiree
Thursday 15th September	Year 7 - 12 Parent Teacher Interviews 9:00am - 2:00pm
Friday 16th September	End Term 3 - 2:30pm Finish

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.