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16 March 2016 | Parent Teacher Interviews 2pm – 7pm
17 March 2016 | Multicultural Day
21 March 2016 | School Council Meeting

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22 March 2016 | Year 11 VCE Information Evening 6.00pm
22 March 2016 | Year 12 VCE Information Evening 7.00pm
24 March 2016 | Last day of Term

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

This is our last newsletter for the term. It has been a very busy term and I hope the new families have settled in well.

Farewell Ms Mikin
Ms Zo Mikin is retiring from the education system after approximately 17 years at Gilmore College for Girls providing support to students in the classroom. We wish her well as she embarks on the next chapter of her life pursuing art courses, relaxing and reading. On behalf of the college community I would like to thank Zo for the many years of service and support to students and families during her time here.

Parent teacher Interviews
Interviews will be held tomorrow; if you have not made an appointment it is not too late. Go online and make an appointment or just turn up. I hope everyone receives excellent feedback at our Parent Teacher Interviews this week.

Victoria University Scholarships
Each year Victoria University provides two scholarships for graduating Year 12 students. Congratulations to Phakmo Tso who received the HE Achievement Scholarship of $5000 per year, and Muthita Khwachai who received the General Achievement Scholarship of $2000 per year.

International Students Welcome.
Each year the Governor General in conjunction with the Minister for Victorian Education invite International Students to Government House for a welcome morning tea. The Governor welcomes the students to Victoria and to our education system.

International Women’s Day Breakfast
We celebrated International Women’s Day with the student leadership group at an early breakfast on the day. We were delighted to have Amanda Carlile, General Manager from Fitted for Work as our guest speaker.

Multi cultural Day
I am looking forward to our annual day of celebration. Both last week and this week students have been involved in an art project, auditions for the performance and the viewing of the film; Girl Rising in the lead up to our big day.

Parents are welcome to join us for the lunch and the performance. Check with your daughter as you may be asked to bring in their food contribution.

Open Day
On Wednesday and Thursday last week we welcomed prospective families to come into the classroom to see our students at work.

If you know people who have a daughter in Grade 6 they are still welcome to call the school and take a ‘talk and tour.’ They can call reception to make an appointment.

Victoria University student accommodation
Last week I was privileged to attend the opening of the new student accommodation building at Footscray Park. I was very impressed with the accommodation provided and can highly recommend it. There is a range of room options available. The students who showed us around are extremely happy and I toured the facility with the architects so gained an insight into the design.

School Council Elections
If you are interested in being on Council please contact myself or Maria Kitanovski to find out more about how Council operates. Nomination forms are available in the office. Your daughter can collect one and return it to the office.

Wishing you all a relaxing break.

Bette Prange
Principal

EDUCATION QUOTE: “People often ask me if I know the secret of success and if I could tell others how to make their dreams come true. My answer is, you do it by working.” Walt Disney
JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

With two weeks to go before the end of term it seems first term has just flown by. No doubt everyone is looking forward to the Easter break. It is really important that students realise that the term does not end until the 24th of March. The expectations are the same as if the term has just started. Students are expected to be on time to school, in uniform and willing to learn.

At the present time Circles teachers are writing reports and in particular, noting student absences. If a student is unable to attend school, parents can contact the school by phone or write a note in their daughter’s diary. Parents can also email the school on Compass. It is important all missed days from school are accounted for as soon as the student returns to school.

I feel that the attitude of students across the Junior School has been extremely positive in terms of being to school on time and being in uniform. I am very much appreciative of the efforts made by both parents and students to ensure students are in uniform and on time. A reminder, that the school expects all students to be in summer uniform up until the end of term. In second term students will be expected to be in winter uniform.

Students across the Junior School have been undertaking ‘on-demand’ literacy and numeracy assessments. This allows teachers to have a greater appreciation of student literacy and numeracy levels. It is expected that all students across the Junior School will be reading consistently at home during the week. It is important that parents support this process at home with their own daughters. It revolves around asking key questions about ‘what are you learning?’ and ‘how do you think you can improve?’

Ian Reilly  
Junior School Leader

SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

With less than two weeks left of Term 1 it is important for our senior girls and their parents to stop and reflect on the academic performance of each student. Parent/Teacher interviews are to be held on Wednesday 16th March to enable this reflection to occur. If parents are unable to attend on the night they can organize another time with me to discuss their daughter’s progress so far. It is particularly important for our Year 12 students to make appointments to gain a better insight into what work needs to be done of the first term holidays as the year will go by very quickly.

VCE Information Night has been organised for next Tuesday the 22nd of March commencing at 6.00p.m. for the Year 11 students and their parents in the LCC. Information about the camp early next term and our Year 11 Aspirations program will be distributed on this night so it is critical that parents/guardians attend with their daughter.

Year 12 students and their parents will also attend the VCE Information Night next Tuesday 22nd March, with their session commencing at 7.00p.m. Key dates and important information will be distributed and discussed about Year 12 so again it is critical that Year 12 parents/guardians attend with their daughter.

In the meantime our school captains Christine Urayenza and Faiso Mohamed have been busy attending the Rotary International Women’s Day Breakfast, being great ambassadors for the College. There has been intermediate sport, preparations for the Multicultural Day activities and of course many SAC’s and assessment tasks over the last two weeks.

Another reminder that senior students need to be at school by 8.40 a.m. each day to be ready and organised for the school day. They also need to be wearing the correct summer uniform. Correct winter uniform can be worn from the start of Term 2.

As this is the last newsletter for this term I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our senior students and their families a wonderful and safe break.

Helen Voidis  
Senior School Leader

Work Experience

YEAR 10 students need to secure their work place by the end of term one holidays. All Year 10 students are actively seeking work placements for June 20 - 24, 2016. If you are able to take a work experience student at your work place please email me goyne.leanne.l@edumalil.vic.gov.au

Leanne Goyne – Work Experience Coordinator

Homework Club

We have homework Club in the library each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday after school. There is a Homework Club coordinator and tutors available to support your daughter with their homework.

On Tuesday and Thursday Homework Club operates until 6.00 and on Wednesdays it is 5.00. Students sign in and sign out of Homework Club and they must be there to study.
International Women’s Day Celebrated at Gilmore College for Girls

All the SRC representatives and class captains were invited to attend the annual Gilmore International Women’s Day breakfast last Tuesday 8th March in the LCC. The guest speaker was Amanda Carlile, the General Manager of ‘Fitted for Work’, a not for profit organisation that helps women transition back into the workforce.

Amanda shared her life experiences with the group and talked up grabbing all opportunities that come your way and how life is full of many unexpected twists and turns. Ms. Warden served up a scrumptious feast of breakfast delights including baked eggs, hash browns and pancakes.

There were some parents who were able to attend and the feedback from them was very positive. It was a wonderful way to celebrate International Women’s Day indeed.

Ms Amanda Carlile with our School Captain and Vice Captain

OUR SCHOOL CAPTAINS ATTEND THE ROTARY ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL WOMEN’S DAY BREAKFAST

Christine Urayenza our School Captain and Faiso Mohamed our Vice-Captain were guests of Footscray Rotary for the annual International Women’s Day Breakfast held at Crown last Thursday 10th March 2016. Both students had to be at the venue by 7.00a.m. to enjoy a delicious breakfast and listen to a lively debate about equality in pay for women. The panel including Ahmed Fahour the current CEO of Australia Post. Both students were made to feel welcome by the Rotary members and enjoyed the event immensely.

Multicultural Day

March 17th

Join your daughter for lunch and the annual fashion performance and parade ‘We all have a Story’

Today is a day for the Gilmore Girls to celebrate their diverse culture and traditional communities with food, fashion and performances.

This year Gilmore Girls Multicultural day Celebration is

Thursday March 17th, period 3-5.
Lunch 1:00-2:00 in Quadrangle.
Celebration (2:00- 3:15) Gymnasium.

Families are welcome to join in on celebrations; Lunch, Fashion parade and cultural performances.

All Students come to school in full school uniform until celebration time.

Breakfast Club for 2016

Breakfast Club is off and running at the new time of 8:15am Tuesday mornings! Last week the courtyard was a happy meeting place as girls enjoyed pancakes, fruit and cheese toasties in the morning sun. We hope to have a new group of students step up, to cook and serve Breakfast each week. So don’t forget to come and eat together on Tuesdays. If you could help on the team … please speak to me.

Ms DeBarros

International Student Welcome.
Each year the Governor General of Victoria invites International Student representatives from each school to attend a morning tea at Government House.

**SINGLE PARENTS ACTIVE KIDS PROUDLY PRESENTS:**

FREE FAMILY FUN DAY
BRIMBANK PARK IN KEILOR EAST
SATURDAY 19TH OF MARCH
STARTING 12 Noon.
FREE BBQ, ACTIVITIES AS WELL AS:
MEMBERSHIP SPECIALS/RENEWALS AND MORE.
EVEN IF YOU CAN’T ATTEND THERE ARE PLENTY MORE OPPORTUNITIES, HERE IS A LINK TO OUR VERY ACTIVE WEBSITE http://www.singleparentsactivekids.org/ LIKE MINDED SINGLE PARENTS TO CHAT WITH, ACTIVE KIDS WANTING TO PLAY WITH YOUR ACTIVE KIDS, WIN WIN! “SINGLE DOES NOT MEAN ALONE” PLEASE RSVP TO info@singleparentsactivekids.org or call Moush on 0430 504 119.

Female Players wanted!

**Girls, play soccer at Yarraville Glory FC**

Yarraville Glory FC would like to welcome new players to join our rapidly growing Girls Junior football department.

Please contact our Technical Director, Henrik Steenberg at coaching@yarravilleglory.com.au or 0422 7 222 44 as soon as possible to discuss your interest.
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Whether you are new to the game or an experienced player, we would love you to come along to meet our coaches and current players.

We currently have vacancies in our under 9, 11 and 12 teams but girls all ages welcome!

The fees for girls have been reduced by a club grant to encourage female participation in the fastest growing sport for girls in Australia.

About our club
Yarraville Glory FC is a vibrant multicultural Community Soccer Club which is celebrating its 50th year anniversary in 2016. The club’s coaching philosophy is in line with the FFA National Curriculum and focus on creating a challenging but essentially fun environment.

Our home ground is situated at McIvor Reserve on Fogarty Avenue, Yarraville. If you are looking to join a strong community based football club for girl teams then we would love to hear from you!

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