Students in Year 10 at Galen College enjoyed an Emergency Response First Aid Seminar Day organised by the Personal Development Department on Friday 25th March.

Presentations throughout the day included an Ambulance Officer Risk Assessment, Management & Response, a session about Aquatic Environments & Career Pathways, an informative session on Anaphylaxis & a scenario set up where students were to use their knowledge in a practical environment. Highlights included students seeing a defibrillator & having the opportunity to see a victim on a spinal board.

Throughout this Term the Year 10 students have been given the opportunity to complete their Bronze Medallion & or CPR Level 1 certificate. All students were recently informed of the Australian Resuscitation Councils endorsement of revised guidelines for Basic Life Support (see table). Changes to the guidelines include: Commencement of Resuscitation 30 Chest Compressions are provided before giving 2 initial rescue breaths. Ratio remains 30:2. Steps in Resuscitation is now DRSABCD – ‘S’ has been included to send for assistance/help.

Our thanks to the presenters from our local community who were involved on the day: Maree Warnett/Kathryn Surance – YMCA/ Barr Reserve – Aquatic Environments/ Career Pathways, Helen Berry – Anaphylaxis & Ambulance Victoria presenter Michael Atkinson.

Images clockwise from left: Verity Hancock, Tayla Borschmann & Georgie Fisher practicing scenarios. Georgia Callahan & Maika Kamiyama learning how to put a person on a Spinal Board with Maree Warnett & Kathryn Surance from the YMCA. Tayla Ward learning CPR. Sarah Lockwood & Jacob Ham during the Ambulance Session.

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Continue CPR until responsiveness or normal breathing return.
Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are approaching one of the most sacred times on the Christian calendar – Easter – with all its resonance of hope, forgiveness, renewal and salvation. This is the perfect time to remind ourselves of God’s promise – his covenant – to us and to consciously turn back towards this boundless love. It is the perfect time to take stock of our lives and reflect on the choices we make, the actions we take and the attitudes we allow to form in ourselves. Through this reflection we can “be more” as human beings and can move closer to being the people God intended us to be.

Let us resist the temptation of the secular world to simply “holiday” over the Easter period. Let us remember truly the reason we commemorate and celebrate Easter: the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus. The central message of Christianity is that we – all of us, saints and sinners alike - are saved as a result of the sacrifices Jesus made on our behalf. Take time this Easter to recall the gospel accounts of the passion, death and resurrection – perhaps even re-read them as a family – and give thanks for the overwhelmingly good news brought to us by Jesus.

Further feedback on school visits

As part of our whole staff reflection on the school visits held earlier this term we have identified five major themes emerging from what people saw in other schools:

- Open learning spaces and team teaching
- Teacher mentor / teacher adviser systems
- The length of teaching periods and how much time is allocated to each subject area
- Different styles of learning communities
- Sustainability: learning and practices

Staff will continue to explore these themes and the range of possibilities they provide for enhancing the learning experiences and outcomes for all Galen students. This process will continue over the course of second term and will assist us in making decisions about the directions we wish our learning and teaching to take in the coming years.

Staffing

Since our last newsletter went to print, Mr John McKenzie has commenced a short period of long service leave. He will return to Galen at the start of the fourth week next term. John’s classes are being taken by Ms Sylvia Worboys while he is away.

Meanwhile, Mr Bruce Friswell commences a period of extended long service leave from the start of next term. Bruce will be on leave until the end of October and his classes will be taken by Mr David Morris while Bruce is away.

Mrs Sue Gibson from the front office also starts five weeks of long service leave from the beginning of next term.

We wish all the above staff members well on their leave.

Starting date for second term

Please note that the starting date for second term is Wednesday 27 April. This late start is because the public holidays for Easter Monday and ANZAC Day occur on the Monday and Tuesday of that week. Enjoy the holidays with your sons and daughters around you!
**DECA Camps**  
**Mick Grogan**

Year 11 students had a terrific time improving both their knowledge of cars and their driving skills on the recently completed DECA camps. Their general cooperation and enthusiasm was appreciated by the staff at the driver training complex (who said that Galen students are always fantastic) and by the accompanying teachers.

Thanks to Paul Carson for coordinating the five camps and to the teachers who supported this opportunity.

Additionally, special thanks to Julie Brown our coach driver who not only drove professionally but did so in her usual friendly and accommodating manner.

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**A Little Act of Kindness...**

It’s the little things that make a difference

*Thanks to all the families of students in 7/3 who donated prizes for their Caritas raffle.

*Thanks to Tom Wright (VCE 2) who gave up his free time to help set up the audio for the Caritas Guest Speaker.

*During last week’s DECA camp, Steven Ramsden – year 11 went beyond the call of duty and did the dirty dishes that were left in his sleeping cabin. Thanks Steven!

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**Defence Force Presentation**

On 31st March Jarrod Murfett, a marine technician spoke to Galen students regarding careers in the ADF. Jarrod discussed the vast employment opportunities in the three forces Navy, Army and Air Force. These included Aviation, Business Management, Combat, Communications, Engineering, Health, Logistics and Trades. Selection for potential recruits is based on education (minimum of year ten), fitness, psychological assessment and general health. Those interested in the Air Force require year twelve

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**Can you help out Nikola Esders?**

We are seeking a host family for Nikola Esders, a 15 year-old German exchange student here with Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. She is enthusiastic about being in Australia. “I love it here”, she says. She has already gotten involved here at Galen, where she is in year 10.

Nikola has been in Australia since February, and has experienced Sydney during a 3 day intensive culture immersion course. She has been living in Glenrowan since February, but her host family unfortunately can no longer host her.

If you have considered hosting, now is the time. Nikola is a bright student, and is interested in music and sport, especially horseback riding. She is the eldest of four children in Germany, and loves spending time with kids. She hopes to go into a science-related career one day. She is here for another 8 months, until November 2011.

The exchange agency will be responsible for all of her travel expenses and insurance. Nikola herself provides her own spending money, and is responsible for any school costs.

If you are interested in more information about Nikola, please contact Keith Willett or Franco Cudini at Galen.

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**Thank you for the Past Uniform Items**

Recently a request was put out for items of uniform from Champagnat College, St. Joseph’s College or the original Galen College brown and white uniforms. Thanks to the generosity of past students we now have gloves, ties and a badge from St. Joseph’s and blazers, ties, jumpers and caps from Champagnat College. We still need blazers, hats, jumpers or tunics from St. Joseph’s, badges from Champagnat and any items of the original Galen uniform.

The aim is to have 2 uniform sets for occasional display in the College libraries.

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**WANGARATTA COOL HEADS**

**Driver Awareness**

*This event is a must for all parents and young people who are learning to drive or are on their P’s*

**Speakers:**
- David Kille - Essendon Football Club
- Regional Magistrate
- Highway Patrol
- Victim of Road Trauma

**When:** 16th April 2011
**Where:** Auditorium, Wangaratta Performing Arts Centre, Ford St.
**Time:** 7pm – 9pm
**More Info:** Wangaratta Police on 5723 9958

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**Reflections, page 3**
In the coming weeks the enrolment process for Year 7, 2012 will begin. An information evening for prospective students and their parents will be held in the Max Fletcher Auditorium at 7.30pm on Wednesday the 18th May. Enrolment applications also open on this date. Enrolment forms and information packages will be made available from all regional Catholic primary schools, the Galen main office and at the Information Evening. Because of the anticipated high demand for positions in Year 7, 2012, it is vital for families to adhere to the timetable below:

**May 18th, Information Evening** 7.30pm in the Max Fletcher Auditorium. Enter off Phillipson Street. Applications open. Enrolment Forms available at the Information Night or from the College Main Office and Catholic Primary Schools.

May 19th – May 31st, School Tours available. Please contact the main office for appointments. Telephone 5721 6322

June 10: APPLICATIONS CLOSE

June 14 – July 1: Interviews for all families who have submitted enrolment applications.

July 29: Offers mailed to successful applicants.

Shortly, students in Year 7 will sit the national tests in Literacy and Numeracy. One of the purposes of these tests is to ease the gathering of data and monitoring of student achievement nationally. The format for tests conducted in secondary schools is as follows:

- **Literacy**: Language Conventions 45 minutes, Writing 40 minutes, Reading 65 minutes.
- **Numeracy**: Numeracy without a calculator 40 minutes, Numeracy with a calculator 40 minutes.

Dates: Mornings of the 10th, 11th and 12th May.

Students will receive further details closer to these dates. Later in the year parents will receive a report indicating the student’s level of achievement.

Last Wednesday the Year 7 Spelling Bee final resulted in some fantastic spelling. At the end of 50 words Marcel Tonini (7/6) was crowned the winner. Ethan Rimmer (7/2) also finished in a highly commendable second position followed by Harry Condon (7/3), Jayden Bear (7/1) and Sophie Archer (7/7) in equal third position. In forth position was Brendan Wallis (7/4) in fifth was Darcy Laffy (7/8) and sixth Ayden Hansen (7/5).

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Tasted above right: Year 7 spelling bee in action.

# April Fools!

Young Shelby Collins of 9.4 got Ms Timms with an April Fools joke. She attached a $5 note to some fishing line. Then she made it look like it had fallen out of her pocket. When Ms Timms went to pick it up and hand it back to her the $5 note flew away!!

This is the first time that someone has got Ms Timms in the 5 years she has been at Galen…Mr Arcuri has always threatened to get her…but to no avail! Well done Shelby!

# Caritas K’s and Easter

**Paul Mahr, Deputy Principal – Catholic Identity**

As this newsletter arrives home, the students will have completed the 2011 Caritas K’s event. The response to this year’s walk has been very positive and we are hoping to raise considerable funds for the various Caritas initiatives that we educate the students about during Lent.

Prior to holding the Caritas K’s walk, all students would also have participated in a reflection on the final moments of Jesus life with us. We used music and commentary from Jesus Christ Superstar to engage the students and to also make the link between what we are doing in our Social Justice work here at Galen College and our calling to ‘love our neighbour’ and to give of ourselves so that others may have life.

I’d like to wish you all a very happy and holy Easter. Jesus came in peace but was crucified as a common criminal. For three years, Jesus had been in public ministry and during that time he had numerous confrontations with the religious leaders where he challenged injustice and questioned authority. In his great love for all people he showed forgiveness while dying on the cross; ‘Forgive them Lord, for they know not what they do.’

And this Easter, and forever more, so should we:

Forgive as completely as you are able to forgive.

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 Forgiveness! Without any reservation.

Truly forgive, enabling every chance for the best can always happen, and:

“Forgive others their faults, your heavenly Father will also forgive you yours.”

Matthew 6:14

# Retail/hospitality Opportunity

Retail/hospitality opportunity available at the Beechworth Pantry for a student in year 10 or 11. Work on Saturday or Sunday and school holiday periods. Phone all enquiries to Ian or Robyn 57282456

# HELPERS NEEDED

- in the Uniform Shop either Tues 10.30 – 2.30 or Thurs 10.00 – 5.00.
- in the 2nd hand bookshop at the end of the year
- in the tuckshop

Please phone Alison on 03 5723 8320 if you can help in either shop.

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Life on Exchange in Austria
Compiled by Liz Morrow, Year 10 Co-ordinator

James Oddie (10.4) is living in Ternitz, in lower Austria on a 6 month exchange. James will be returning to Galen for Semester 2. Here is an extract from recent correspondence from James:

My host family are great, my host parents are Petra and Thomas and I also have two host siblings Yvonne and Dominik.

School is different compared to Galen. The most obvious difference has been learning another language. School also starts earlier, at 8 o’clock. In Australia I usually get up for school at this time! I get to wear casual clothes and school shoes are not allowed so we wear socks or slippers – this is heaven!!

Lessons are a similar time but we don’t have recess and our lunch break is only 15 minutes long. The day finishes at 1.30. I don’t understand all that much but I do school work in English and am also learning Spanish in German which is really strange.

What I like about Austria is that it is a really beautiful country with the mountains and snow. Even though it is hard I really like talking in a different language and I hope I can continue to speak and study it when I come home. I like having new friends and meeting lots of new people from all over the world – in fact my neighbor is an exchange student from Venezuela.

So far I have done heaps of stuff – skiing, snowboarding, hiking, bobsledding, go karting and downhill bike riding. My trip to Venice has been a highlight although it was only for a day. Seeing St Marks Square with all the pigeons, eating real Italian Pizza and of course the Gondola ride – it was magical. I’m lovin’ it! If you get the opportunity to go on Exchange, do it!

Certificate II Engineering Studies
Rob Walker

Our first year Engineering students have had a very productive term. Ian Waldron has been extremely happy with the way the students have embraced the subject. This nationally accredited course will provides many opportunities in the future. Industry demand for new apprentices is very high and over one third of all job vacancies in manufacturing are for trade qualified people. Completion of an apprenticeship also opens up another world of highly rewarding opportunities in Technician, Sales and Engineering Management careers. This course prepares students for employment in Sheet metal (Fabrication), Welding, Fitting & machining (Mechanical), Roller making (Heavy Fabrication) and Toolmaking.

Top left: Josh Bonacci hard at work with teacher Ian Waldron. Top right: Jacob Carter proudly displays his hand-made masterpiece. Centre: Adam Evans and Nic Romanello.

Words From Wellbeing
Therese Rodway

Evolve at Typo
A great day out was had on the 24th March as students engaged with acts of service at Evolve at Typo Station Rose River. Students got active cleaning boots; cleaning windows and packing hike food for the program. Typo Staff were impressed with the enthusiasm and interest shown by students. More trips will run in terms to come. See Therese if you are interested!

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ABCD Parenting Young Adolescents (10yrs – 15yrs)
The ABCD program aims to promote happy and healthy relationships within families. It runs over four weeks and covers communication; adolescent development; problem solving and negotiation and building positive relationships. The program is aimed at parents of young people in upper primary and lower secondary school levels and focuses on transition years from primary to secondary. Where: Wangaratta High Country Library, 21 Docker St. Wangaratta. When: 4th, 11th, 18th, & 25th MAY (WEDNESDAYS) Time: 10.30am – 12.30pm Cost: $25.00 RSVP by APRIL 22nd by Phoning Ovens and King CHS on 5723 2000.

Survey on Cyber Safety

Digital TV
The analog TV network is going to be switched off in regional Victoria in 2011. In order to watch free TV you will need a digital TV or a digital set top box. This may prove financially difficult for some families. Thus the Digital Switchover Household Assistance Scheme is in place. Who is eligible? Households where one resident is in receipt of the maximum rate of an eligible Centrelink payment and they do not have access to digital TV on any of the TVs that they own (if they can watch ABC 2 or SBS TWO then they probable have access to digital TV). Contact Sarah Moloney by phoning 1800 20 10 13 or for more information visit www.digitaltvready.gov.au.

Bingo Volunteers
• Do you like Bingo?
• Are you free for 1½ hours on a Thursday night in May or June?
• Why not call Di Crockett on 5721 9149 and volunteer to help out at Bingo?
• Go on, it’ll be great fun!
**Careers News**

from Rob Walker

THE AGE VCE AND CAREERS EXPO - collect information, ask questions, explore options at one location; 10am-4pm, Fri 6, Sat 7 and Sun 8 May; Caulfield Racecourse

UMAT 2011 – The Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admissions Test (UMAT) is a 2 hour and 45 minute multiple-choice test used to assist with selection of students into medicine and health science degree programs. It is required for Year 12 applicants for Monash University’s Medicine/Surgery, Physiotherapy, Pharmacy and Pharmacy/Commerce degrees (La Trobe Uni also uses it for non-Year 12 applicants for Dentistry and Oral Health Science). Registrations are online and are now open and must be completed by 5.00pm AEST on Friday 3 June. The test date is Wed 27 July 2011. Before registering for the test you should read the UMAT2011 Information Booklet which is available at http://umat.acer.edu.au. Candidates must be in at least their final year of secondary schooling or above to be eligible to sit UMAT. UMAT Practice Test 1 and 2 are electronic books currently available for sale at the UMAT website.

I WANT TO BE A PHYSIOTHERAPIST - The popularity of courses to train physiotherapists means that ATAR required has risen to exceptional levels. It can be studied at La Trobe University (Bundoora and some rural campuses) where the Bundoora ATAR last year was 96.40, at Monash Uni (Peninsula campus) where the ATAR is not published because students must also complete the UMAT as part of the selection process (see item 3 above), at Melbourne Uni where an undergraduate degree in biosciences must first be completed (eg Melbourne’s B. Biomedicine or B. Science), and at Charles Sturt Uni (Albury/Wodonga) where last year’s ATAR was 91.00. Some students who consider studying physiotherapy also consider becoming Myotherapists. This can be studied at Chisholm, Kangar and RMIT TAFE’s.

NURSING AND OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY AT DEAKIN – Deakin University has announced a change in the pre-requisites for both nursing single and combined degrees (eg Nursing/Midwifery, Nursing/Psychology) and for occupational therapy for 2012. Applicants now require VCE units 3 and 4 – a study score of at least 30 in English (ESL) or 25 in any other English.

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Who’s Who at Galen...

Leadership Team
- Bernard Neal: Principal
- Geoff Welch: Deputy Principal—Staff & Students
- Darren Hovey: Deputy Principal – Teaching & Learning
- Paul Maher: Deputy Principal – Catholic Identity
- Dom Giannone: Business Manager
- Bern Albertson: Professional Development Co-ordinator
- Paul Carson: Senior School Director
- Keith Willett: Middle School Director
- Pat Arcuri: Junior School Director
- Marlene Kittel: Staff member
- Gary Watson: Timetable/Daily Organiser

Parents Association Executive
- Meg Paino: President
- Ailsa Box: Treasurer
- Di Crockett: Secretary

School Board
- Monsignor John White: Parish Priest
- Tony Lane: President
- Bernard Neal: President
- Geoff Welch: Deputy Principal - Staff & Students
- Max Fletcher: CEO Sandhurst Representative
- Cameron Butler: Parent and Community seat holder
- John Byrne: Parent
- Joanne Ryan: Parent
- Angie Semmens: Parent
- Mick Grogan: Teaching Staff
- Terry Magree: Teaching Staff
- John Pasztor: Teaching Staff
- Paul Walker: Teaching Staff

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
Thursday April 28th
Second Day of Term 2
Whole school event
Families & friends welcome!
9am—3.15pm at  Galen College
This is a compulsory school day for all students, including competitors and spectators.

Exciting Events Coming Soon...

Galen College Presents
Alice in Wonderland
At The Wangaratta Performing Arts Centre
Tuesday 3rd of May
7 pm
Wednesday 4th of May
10 am
1 pm
7 pm

Tickets
Adult: $17.50
Child: $12.50
Concession: $15.50

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