Yr 9’s Investigate Forensic Science

The Year 9 Forensic Science trip to GTAC (the Gene Technology Access Centre) on Friday 14th June, was a great day! We learnt about different forensics and methods used to solve crimes. We also learnt about blood types and DNA. We went into small groups and we were all assigned a scientist each. We had to solve a mini crime. The crime was a murder and we had a few suspects to identify as the murderer. Each group had a different suspect in which we had to match their DNA with the blood at the murder scene. We looked at their blood types and learnt how real forensic scientists investigate and eventually solve a murder. It was interesting to ask the scientists lots of questions about the training they’ve had and what they are working on at the moment. Overall, I think everybody had fun, learnt a lot about forensics and investigations, and it was very interesting to ask questions and learn different things from the scientists. It was a very successful trip and a big thank you to Mrs Albertson, Mr Willet and Miss Evans for taking the Year 9 group!

Written by Elysha Colombara

Murray River Culinary Challenge

The Murray River Culinary Challenge was hailed as a great success by all who participated. The challenge including us students competing against each other by cooking a 3 course meal which the two winners then joining together to compete at the next level as a team. The entree was a delicate tomato tart and rocket, spanish onion and carrot salad, main was a crumbed pork cutlet with sauteed potatoes and apples with blanched greens and the day ended sweet with a dessert of bread and butter pudding with brandied sultanas and Chantilly cream. We had one and a half hours to prepare the entree, half an hour to prepare and serve the main as well as another half an hour for the dessert. The competition was a great experience for us to test our cooking techniques, time management, hygiene and presentation. All competitors plated up at a high standard and Mr Adam Pizzini, the owner/chef at Renaldo’s Wangaratta found it very challenging to judge. The day ran smoothly because of the organisation of people like Mr Shane Crispin from the Centre and Mrs Kittel from our school. All in all, the day was a great success and it would be a great experience for the many future VET Hospitality students to take part in and have the same great thrill as we did.

Written by Lauren Gilfius & Bedelia Flanagan (the two winners of the competition)

Lauren and Bedelia will now go onto the next stage of the Challenge; the Regional Finals which will be held from the 12th of August to the 16th August 2013. Good luck girls!
Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to second semester! And a particular welcome to new students and their families.

For most students, there will be changes of subjects, changes of timetables and even changes of teachers. For students in the Junior and Middle Schools this will be in the form of new electives; for Year 9s it will also include a change either into or out of the Discovery Program; for VCE and VCAL students the changes will take them into the next units of their chosen pathways.

**Staffing news**
Our condolences go to two staff members who suffered the loss of family members over the holidays. To Mrs Bernadette Albertson, we offer our sympathies on the sudden and unexpected loss of her father; to Mrs Annette Fletcher, we offer sympathies on the loss of her mother-in-law. Please keep the families of both staff members in your prayers.

We welcome the following new staff members:
- Mrs Bel Hovey who is replacing Mrs Leanne Carr while Leanne has this term on leave;
- Mr Renee Duursma, replacing Mr Jim Samon on long service leave for the start of this term.

And we welcome back from leave:
- Mr John McKenzie, Mrs Rachel Froude and Mr Peter Watson (long service leave);
- Mrs Kylie Girolami (maternity leave);
- Mr Peter Brien (sick leave)

**Year 8 Camp #1**
Half the Year 8 classes attended their annual camp at Anglesea last week under the direction of the Year 8 Co-ordinator, Ms Jess Clark. This is the first time the Year 8s have been to Anglesea for their camp and from the reports of the students it was a huge success. The reports from the teachers were also extremely positive, with plenty of praise for the attitude and behavior of the students. The second camp for the rest of the Year 8 classes will be in week 3.

**Works over the holidays**
There were several minor works programs undertaken over the term holidays as part of our commitment to continuous improvement.

- Concreting and some re-landscaping alongside the stadium;
- Drainage and regrading of the Park Lane carpark area;
- Various concrete and bitumen repairs in the main courtyard and beside the senior library;
- Installation of new water pipes from Phillipson Street through to the end of the junior Science labs.
- New shade-sails on the canteen umbrellas

**Information Nights for 2014**
There are two Information Nights coming up soon for 2014:
- VCE (2014) Information Night – Wednesday, July 24th

**Staff Professional Development / Spirituality Day**
Please note that as per the annual calendar, Monday August 12 will be a pupil-free day to allow for a full-day of professional development for all staff. The focus for the day will be around how Galen’s Catholic Identity is lived out and how it can be further enhanced.

Best wishes,

Bernard Neal
Principal
The following notice appeared in the Wangaratta Parishes bulletin last weekend.

“Many of Galen’s school families contributed to the Winter Appeal and their generosity has assisted many other local families. St Patrick’s and Our Lady's Conferences were overwhelmed by the generous support received from schools and parishioners in past weeks. The Fifth Sunday collections raised almost $2,500.00 across Wangaratta and Moyhu parishes. Our school families were also very generous in their donations of canned food and blankets. We thank you all for your support.” - The St. Vincent De Paul Society

A thank you from St. Vincent De Paul Society

CALLING FOR NEW CARD HOLDERS

If you have recently been deemed an eligible beneficiary of a Centrelink pension, allowance or Veterans Affairs (TPI) pensioner, or be a temporary foster parent and the card will be valid on the 15th of July 2013, you will need to complete an EMA form no later than the 2nd of August to receive the second installment of the EMA for 2013.

Payment Amounts for 2013 are:
Instalment Two: Year 7: $90 Year 8 – Age 16: $75

*Student year level (or age for ungraded and special school students) will determine the amount payable. Parents of students turning 16 years in 2013 are paid on a pro rata basis. Call into the Galen College Office or call (03) 5721 6322 for an EMA application form and to lodge your application. The closing date for the EMA application forms (for instalment two only) to be submitted to the school is 2nd August 2013.

Words from Wellbeing

The Power of Mental Stillness

Mental Stillness is the experience of inner silence, which brings a peaceful and clearer awareness. Modern medical science understands that our psychological and physical states interact in ways that have a direct effect on both our overall health, as well as our performance. Mental Silence activates the integrative power of the autonomic nervous system and related areas of the brain to increase potentials for wellbeing and performance. When activated, these systems can have a profound balancing effect on physical, mental and emotional dimensions of the students, reducing the effects of stress, enhancing both resilience and total wellbeing.

Meditation Monday is a program facilitated by Therese Rodway to enhance mental stillness for students. It is run every Monday from 1:15pm in the Drama Room. These are proven techniques that are easy to learn and, with regular practice, generate significant results quickly.

In the Classroom

Systems Technology and Engineering

Year 8 semester 1 Systems Technology and Engineering students are pictured testing the performance of their soccer robots. These were designed and constructed to move in all directions: forward, reverse, left and right. Giving you a clear advantage if you wished avoiding your opponent, as well as the need to keep an eye on the ball at all times, hands frantically push button and switch’s in an attempt to keep possession of the ball. Students thoroughly enjoyed seeing their robot creations come to life.

Written by Rob Parsons - Systems Technology Teacher

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Galen’s e-Safety committee is committed to produce good ethical digital citizens & support families to find a healthy balance within the digital world.

Things parents can do:

- Openly discuss topics of concern before feeling the issue has risen or intensified
- Commit to a family agreement contract written specifically for your families needs: http://bit.ly/15JS35g
- Continue to model & practice your core family values
- Encourage & support your children to speak up & report any illegal or inappropriate online behaviour

Building a positive image online:

- Don’t take (or allow) photo’s to be taken that might be seen as provocative poses &/or clothing
- Never post anything online before considering if it would be suitable to be shown at a school assembly
- Respect people’s privacy & only share people’s details with their permission
- Regularly check & update privacy settings on social networking sites

Feel free to email the e-Safety committee to share any tips, strategies or questions to: cybersafety@galen.vic.edu.au
Your advice may help other families.

Follow Galen online: @galencatholic
Journey To Country With Uncle Wally Cooper

This term of awareness and fund raising has already begun for the Santa Teresa Group of 2013. On the 16th of July the group ventured out to the Warby Ranges with local Aboriginal Elder, Uncle Wally Cooper and his manager/good friend Louise Levy (Aboriginal Liaison Officer from the Catholic Education Office).

With teachers Mrs. Primerano and Ms. Nixon coming along for the adventure, they certainly did experience just that… An adventure! Uncle Wally lead the bus through many winding, bumpy and tight dirt tracks, discovering 40,000 year old water springs and tracking mysterious animal footprints (turned out to be goats).

Uncle Wally spent a lot of his time walking us through the bush, using the day to immerse us in the Warby Ranges bush lands. He spoke about the traditional people of the land and how they would have used its creations to their advantage. For example, certain trees to make canoes and others to make weapons or tools. Uncle Wally’s overall message was very clear, we do not own this earth, we belong to it.

Many great questions were asked throughout the day and even some heartfelt moments were shared. In Uncle Wally’s presence, all felt at ease and amongst friends. One particular highlight was hearing about the trials and tribulations of his “stolen” story.

At the end of the day, all the members of the Santa Teresa group were officially commissioned as FIRE Carriers. They made a pledge to continue the plight of Aboriginal and Torre Straight Islander Reconciliation, to keep asking the big questions and striving for justice. As Uncle Wally and Mrs. Primerano warmed their hands by the fire, they gave the group a blessing and asked them to wear their new title with pride.

The Santa Teresa Group would like to thank everyone involved in organizing the day and making it happen, in particular Mrs. Petersen, the good people at Wangaratta Coach lines and Louise Levy. A very big thanks goes to Uncle Wally Cooper for sharing his very important time with the group, his wisdom, humour and leadership is a great gift to us all.

New Projectors

Thank you to the Galen Parents and Friends Association for our brand new projectors in Year 7. These new projectors have just been installed and are now in use enhancing our students learning. These state of art projectors include interactive board capabilities.

Charging facilities

We now have new charging stations which allow our students to securely recharge their computer as they see the need. These bays have digital locks and are located near the ICT office.

ICT Course for Adults

We are organizing an adult education computer course which we hope to start on the 29th of July. The course will go for 8 weeks and include the following topics:

1. Basic introduction
2. Using the ILIFE applications
3. Introduction to cloud technologies
4. Using Office on the Mac
5. Helping your kids at home
6. Cybersafety and digital literacy.

The course will be held at the ICT room and will run from 5:30 to 6:30 pm for eight weeks at a cost of $100.00. Coffee/tea will be provided every night.

Please book as soon as possible by emailing on: john.pasztor@galen.vic.edu.au
Hume Cross Country

Congratulations to our Hume cross country team who competed over a hilly 3km or 5km course in Broadford on June 19th. Year 7 students Jack Gerrish and Olivia Annett started off the day well, both running well to place second in their age groups. Ned Penny had a great run, winning the 14 year old boys age group in convincing style. Harry Condon and Mikhaila Lovett also ran well on the day, both finishing in the top 7 and qualifying for the State Cross Country Championships in July. Well done to all students who participated for their co-operative behavior and positive spirit on the day.

Yr 8 Upper Hume Football

Congratulations to the Year 8 boys football team who played on perfect conditions in the Upper Hume level of competition on the 25th of June.

The boys had a hugely successful day, winning the grand final and thus qualifying for the next round to be played in Term 3. In fact, only 7 points were kicked against Galen for the whole day!

The first game saw Galen take on Catholic College Wodonga. The boys played an exciting brand of football throughout the match, using their very good foot skills and speed across the ground. Galen won 46 to 7, with the best players being Lachie Bedendo, Brad Andison and Ned Penny.

In the second game of the day, the boys played against Victory Lutheran College. The boys were dominant, thrashing the opposition 90 to 0. The best players for this match were Jamie Walton, Jack O’Donovan and Jack Sloan.

The third match of the day saw Galen take on arch-rivals Wangaratta High. Once again, Galen were too strong, winning 77 to 0. The best players for this match were Joe Richards, Riley Petts and Jack Larkin.

In the grand final, Galen played against the winner of the other pool, Wodonga Middle Years College. It was a one-sided affair with Galen being victorious 73 to 0. Best players for this match were Frazer Judd, Tyler Spencer and Jordan Storer.

Congratulations go to all players who displayed respect to both their opponents and the umpires on the day. The VCFL medal for overall Best on Ground Player went to Ryley Patford for his hard work as rover. Congratulations Ryley!

Thanks to Tom Anson, Jacqui Pengelly and Tom Frawely who selected the team and who coached them on the day. We wish them all the best for the Hume Competition on 31st July.

Reunions

Class of 1993
GALEN CATHOLIC COLLEGE
20 Year Reunion

When: The weekend of the 10th & 11th August 2013.
Who: Any students of 1993 (regardless of how much of the journey you completed) and any staff who were employed between 1988 and 1993 are welcome to come along.
RSVP: There is a public Facebook event set up here: http://www.facebook.com/events/153929028122992

Otherwise people are welcome to get in touch with Gabriel Buckley via email: gb@gabrielbuckley.com or on 0423 847 372
FOCUS ON OPEN DAYS
Each year in August and September, tertiary institutions open their doors to the public to showcase the amazing and unique features they have to offer including courses, scholarships, student services, facilities, accommodation etc. Open days are a real buzz with lots of activities going on including live bands, BBQs, competitions, information sessions, art displays and drama performances.

Open Day Upsides! If you are in yrs 10 – 12, it is a great opportunity to be able to attend Open Days as you will be able to:
• Gain a better understanding about the courses or career areas you are interested in
• Compare facilities and services between institutions, which will help you during preference time
• Speak directly to a lecturer or current student in the faculty you wish to study with, and
• Find out about scholarships
• View on campus accommodation
Further, attending Open Days will prepare you for courses you may apply for that require you to undertake an interview as part of the selection process.

By now you should have identified institutions you would like to visit, found out their Open Day dates and downloaded their Open Day guides.

Once you have the guides, make a list of the information sessions you would like to attend; if you have time, try and attend information sessions on topics like pathways, VTAC, scholarships and overseas exchange programs.

If you are unsure what to ask on the day, Victoria University has listed some questions you can ask:
• Are there any prerequisite subjects I need to study for this course?
• What marks/ATAR do I need to get into this course?
• Do I need to audition, have an interview or present a folio as part of the selection process?

If you are unsure what to ask on the day, Victoria University has listed some questions you can ask:
• Are there any other ways into this course other than through a VTAC application?
• Can I do a vocational course first which might then lead into a university course?
• What is the different between TAFE and university study?
• If I can’t get into this course, is there a similar one at this institution I can study?
• What are the core subjects for this course and are there any electives?
• How many hours a week are spent in class and can I study part time or after hours?
• Can I defer the course?
• What kind of jobs do graduates of this course generally get?
• Are there any scholarships available?

All open days can be viewed on the VTAC website. www.vtac.edu.au

VOCATIONAL AND HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS
MBIT pathways to Deakin University: If you are concerned you might not receive the ATAR required to gain direct access to your desired course at Deakin, you can apply to undertake a related diploma program at MBIT. Successful completion of the diploma can guarantee you transfer into the second year of the related Bachelor Degree. For more information, go to http://www.mbit.vic.edu.au/

CAREERS IN AUTOMOTIVE: The automotive industry is currently experiencing a labour shortage - a shortfall of more than 35 000 positions nationally! There are many occupations within the automotive industry - not just mechanics. You can start an apprenticeship whilst you are still at school or full time when you finish. To find out about the industry, apprenticeships and the amazing occupations, go to MAAP My Future at http://maapmyfuture.com.au/

Short courses at Box Hill Institute and Centre for Adult Education: For a list of short work skills courses, please go to www.cae.edu.au

Interested in logistics? The Victorian Transport Association can assist you to secure a cadetship in logistics. ‘Logistics involves the integration of information, transport, and handling of these materials to meet customer needs’. You must be at least 18 years old, have completed Year 12 and either have or nearly have your drivers license. For more information, go to: www.vta.com.au

New careers: How to thrive in the 21st century! The editors of COSMOS have developed a guide for students covering a wide range of career areas. Kick Start Your Career shares inspiring career success stories from graduates, reviews major career growth areas for jobs that tomorrow and shows you how to gain critical skills to forge your pathway to the future. To download your free guide, go to www.cosmosmagazine.com/kickstart

Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery at Monash: Interviews for the 2014 intake will occur in January. Students will be invited for an interview based on UMAT results and the ATAR. Students will receive their email in December and interviews will take place between 3 – 10 January. For more information on the MBBS, go to: http://www.monash.edu/study/coursesfinder/ course/O040

New Simulated Teaching Laboratory at Monash University, Caulfield Campus: STARLab operates on Monash University’s Caulfield Campus and runs a suite of financial market simulation programs, for students studying accounting, finance, accounting information systems etc. The laboratory enhances the theoretical aspects of the degree. Monash are in the process of linking their STARLabs with the trading room developed at Monash University Malaysia so that students from Australia and Malaysia can trade against one another in real time. For more information on STARLab, go to: www.buseco.monash.edu.au/saf/research/starlab/

Master of Engineering (Mechatronics) at the University of Melbourne: ‘Mechatronics graduates work on the development of smart products and systems such as computer-controlled robots, washing machines, automotive equipment, medical imaging systems, wind and wave generators and hybrid and electric vehicles. Mechatronics has applications in a range of fields, including robotics, medical technology, human-machine interaction, manufacturing, unmanned aerial vehicles and education.’ To find out more about Mechatronics at the University of Melbourne, go to www.eng.unimelb.edu.au/study/graduate/master-eng-mechatronics

Outdoor Recreation at Australian Catholic University: ACU’s Bachelor of Exercise and Health Science degree provides an Outdoor Recreation Leadership stream. If a student chooses to undertake all eight units in Outdoor Recreation they can obtain Victorian Institute of Teaching accreditation for Outdoor Education as a Teaching Method. There is a strong body of knowledge that highlights the importance of natural environments and their contribution to health and wellbeing. For more information about the course, go to: www.acu.edu.au/courses/429142

JMC Academy teams up with Foodbank Victoria: JMC Academy teamed up with Foodbank Victoria to help launch their Warm Up Winter campaign, which aimed to raise $100,000 for the 500,000 Victorians struggling to meet the cost of living. Their students created four short films to illustrate how donated food is distributed and turned into a nutritious meal for Victorians living in crisis. Check out the videos and pictures at: http://www.jmcacademy.edu.au/


Are you indigenous and interested in teaching? Yunggorendi First Nations Centre has produced videos and stories to inspire young indigenous Australians to consider becoming teachers. To find out about Tellin’ the stories project, go to: http://www.finders.edu.au/tellinthestories/

UPCOMING EVENTS
Parent information evening at Deakin University: Parents are invited to attend the upcoming parent info evening at the Burwood Campus, Wednesday 24 July. Learn about courses, pathways, scholarships, accommodation and the admission process. For more information, go to: www.deakin.edu.au/parents

Student exchange: If you are interested in learning more about student exchange, you should consider attending an upcoming World Exchange Program information session. For a list of dates and venues, go to: www.wewp.org.au

Interested in Sports Journalism? The University of Canberra is hosting ‘Be a Sports Journalist for a Day’ on Tuesday 1 October. You must be in Years 10 – 12. Cost is $295. You’ll learn how to write a sports story, prepare an interview talent on camera in the studio and record some radio spots. You will also be able to take a copy of your work. For more info, go to: http://www.wep.org.au

Interested in physics? The Australasian College of Physical Scientists and Engineers in Medicine are offering 15 scholarships to students to enable them to learn about the profession of Atomic Physics by attending their annual conference. The Engineering and Physical Science in Medicine (EPSM) Conference will be held in Perth, WA from 5-7 November 2013. For more information and to apply, visit: http://acpsem.org.au/index.php/education/educational schizophrenia
Brydon Robins (Yr 10) recently travelled to Canberra on Wednesday 3rd to stay two nights at the AIS where he trained and did recovery sessions using their facilities. On the following Friday he travelled to Sydney and played his first game on Saturday against Western Australia. “We won by 14 points, Vic Country 11.13 (79) def West Australia 9.11 (65) at Black Town. Tuesday 10th was our next game at Skoda Stadium where we were leading by 7 goals at half time and went down by 2 points to Vic Metro, Vic Country 10.4 (64) def by Vic Metro 10.6 (66). Going into the third round versusing South Australia who had beat Vic Metro in round one by 20 goals we needed Western Australia to beat Vic Metro in the game before ours if we were to have any chance of winning the carnival”. Luckily enough they won by 15 points, which meant that Brydon and his team proceeded to play against SA. “We got off to a good start and held the lead all day to come home division 1 champions by 2 points, Vic Country 9.8 (62) defeated South Australia by 8.12 (60).” Brydon described his experience as “unreal”. “From using AIS facilities and playing on AFL grounds such as Skoda Stadium was amazing. To think I had no chance when I got asked to try out 12 weeks ago with a squad of 50 from around Country Victoria, and then to play against the best 16 year olds in a National Carnival was the best experience I could have ever asked for.”

Old Collegians

Are you a past student from Champagnat, St Joseph’s or Galen College? Let us know what you’re doing now. To find out more about Old Collegians, please email: malcolm.webster@galen.vic.edu.au

Marriage Encounter Weekend

Married couples, we encourage you to prioritise your relationship. It underpins your family life. Please join us for a Marriage Encounter weekend. Our weekend helps you to remember why you married and gives you skills to maintain your love for each other. Couples and a priest present the weekend. It is based around catholic values but you don’t need to be catholic to attend. There is no group sharing. Our next weekends in 2013 are on: 9-11 August and 18-20 October in Melbourne. For further information and bookings contact Marianne & Marcel Van den Bronk (03) 9733 0997 or Email vicbookings@wwme.org.au

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WANT TO LEARN HOW to assist young people experiencing mental health problems?

Attend a 14-hour Youth Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) Course

This course teaches first aid skills for adult members of the public to give initial help to adolescents experiencing mental health problems, in a mental health crisis situation, or in the early stages of a mental illness.

Where: Rivers Edge, 66-68 Faithful Street Wangaratta
When: 4 evening sessions- 5,12,19,26 August 2013. 6-9:30pm
Instructor(s): Renee Murtagh and Russell Maher
Cost: $50 per participant
If you’re interested in attending this 14-hour Youth MHFA course, please contact:
Contact: Renee Murtagh 57 222 677 or reneemurtagh@awh.org.au

Additional Information:

If you are a parent of teenagers or if you work with young people, this course will give you invaluable skills and knowledge of Youth Mental Health.

For further information about Mental Health First Aid Australia, please visit our website at: www.mhfa.com.au

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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
- Gerard Sullivan: Deputy Principal – Catholic Identity
- Dom Giannone: Business Manager
- Bern Albertson: Professional Development Co-ordinator
- Anthony Batters: Daily Organiser
- Mick Grogan: Senior School Director
- Keith Willett: Middle School Director
- Lauren Lee: Junior School Director

The best way to contact Galen staff members direct is by email. All staff have email addresses which follow the formula: firstname.surname@galen.vic.edu.au

Members of the Board and Parents Association can be contacted via the office on 03 5721 6322 or email: admin-enquiry@galen.vic.edu.au

School Board
- Father Mike Pullar: Parish Priest
- Tony Lane: Board Chair
- Bernard Neal: Principal
- Max Fletcher: CEO Sandhurst Representative
- John Byrne: Parent
- Suellen Loki: Parent
- Angie Semmens: Parent
- Mark Williams: Parent
- Darren Hovey: Staff Representative
- Elizabeth Holligan: Staff Representative

Parents Association Executive
- Allison King: President
- Di Crockett: Treasurer
- Angie Semmens: Secretary

Fundraising initiatives
We are looking for groups interested in fundraising by running hands-on, family friendly activities such as:
- Picture painting
- Paper aeroplane making and flying
- Kite building
- Juggling ball making
- Badge making
- Mask making
- Craft stalls

If you, or someone you know would like the opportunity to participate in this year’s festival through either Community Fundraising or Festival Busker, Registers are NOW OPEN – Register online today! www.applausefestival.com (click on performer registrations on the front page)

Don’t miss this opportunity to be a part of this local, home grown event!

Make sure you read the following important attachments in this issue of the newsletter:
- Galen Laptop Security Update - Info for Parents
- Updated PAM Instructions for Parents

Festival Busker registrations are now open
Date: Saturday 19th October 2012
Time: 11am – 5pm
Location: Dean Street and QEII Square ALBURY

If you can sing, dance play a musical instrument or simply entertain a crowd, then YOU can be part of the 12th annual Applause Festival. Visit the Applause Festival website www.applausefestival.com for all details and to register online.
LAPTOP SECURITY UPDATE
Information for Teachers and Parents

Over the Term 2 holidays Galen upgraded its laptop security procedures. A new program has been installed which allows for restriction of use and provides alerts for issues that may deemed inappropriate.

This program is called Netbox Blue and will hopefully address a number of concerns raised by teachers and parents since the introduction of laptops to all students.

*Netbox Blue* provides the following functions:

**AT SCHOOL**

1. **INTERNET ACCESS CONTROL** – Staff and students

2. **INTERNET FILTERING** for all our students which will deny access to ‘black-listed’ sites.
   The categories include:
   - Torrenting Sites
   - Pornography
   - Nudity
   - Hate speech
   - Alcohol
   - Tobacco
   - Gambling
   - Violence
   - Weapons
   - Criminal/Hacking skills
   - Anonymiser
   - Phishing / Fraud
   - Spyware / malicious

*Netbox Blue* now gives us more flexibility than our previous software with what and how we filter web content in the school

3. **QUOTA MANAGEMENT**
   *Netbox Blue* allows us to control the amount of student downloads
   The quotas are set as follows:
   - Years 7 & 8 1.5 Gigabytes per month
   - Years 9 & 10 2 Gigabytes per month
   - VCE 3 Gigabytes per month
AT HOME

‘The Agent @ Home’ is that part of Netbox Blue that is installed on all student laptops which can be activated to control and filter the use of the internet at home.

Blacklisted sites, as detailed above, are implemented for all students at school and at home. From now on the following time restrictions will apply at home for 7 days a week. These time restrictions are as follows:

• Years 7 & 8  The internet will be unavailable between the hours of 9pm and 7am
  Social networking will be unavailable at all times – at school and at home.
• Years 9 & 10  The internet will be unavailable between 10pm and 7am
• VCE        The internet will be unavailable between 12am and 7am

PARENTAL REQUESTS

If parents require further restrictions to be placed on their child’s computer or you have any comment regarding the above-mentioned restrictions please contact John Pasztor (letter or email) at Galen detailing your request.

Your requests and comments will be referred to the ICT reference Team and, if required, a response will be forthcoming as soon as possible.

N.B.  The application of Netbox Blue only relates to school laptops. If you find the conditions are too restrictive for your child they should come to some agreement with you regarding the use of your household computer.
Parent Access Module (Homework & Assessment)

Go to www.galen.vic.edu.au and click on Parent Access Module (PAM) in the quick links section.

Please remember
Your username and password is your Galen Billing Code
If you have forgotten your password follow the prompt or contact the school on 57 216322

To Access your child’s information
Double click on your son/daughters image. You will then see the links listed here.

To Access Mid and End of Semester Reports
GO TO Student Assessment and Reporting: Click the link to download the report. There are no comments on the report; they are in the learning areas.

To view live assessment updates, teacher comments and homework.

GO TO Learning Areas
Click on Display Learning Area Task Summary to see comments and marks.

Do you need further help:
We have produced some short videos on accessing PAM from home and accessing your reports.
Please go to the school web site and find the post on Parent Access Module Support. A quick link.
This year, St. Bernard’s celebrates its Golden Jubilee - fifty wonderful years of striving to achieve our vision of providing the best possible Catholic education for the children in our care. At St. Bernard’s we are proud of our past, because it is this journey that contributes to who we are today.

As part of our Jubilee celebrations, we are acknowledging this milestone, with the creation of a sculpture and Jubilee garden at the front of St. Bernard’s Hall on Williams Road.

Renowned and awarded artist, Malcolm Laurence, with the assistance of his sister, local artist Anita Laurence, have been commissioned to create the sculpture.

Anita worked with all the children in our school to capture the children’s artworks which are being used as the basis of the sculpture.

This sculpture will depict our Brigidine heritage, our Catholic Identity and the very reason for our existence, the children! We hope to acknowledge all past and present associations of St. Bernard’s in this sculpture - a visual alumni that will be viewed by future generations.

The sculpture and garden will be the ONLY form of momento or souvenir for our Jubilee.

The cost of the sculpture, creation of the garden and the engraving of names will be met by the donations made on the accompanying form. This is a unique opportunity to have your association with St. Bernard’s acknowledged with your name recorded in the Jubilee and sculpture garden.

We ask that you pass this invitation on to any people you know who may have had associations with our school in the past, so that they too can be a part of this history making and recording venture. The order form for names being engraved is overleaf.

We look forward to creating this sculpture in our school, representing life at St. Bernard’s.

For further details please contact the office on 57214431
Jubilee Sculpture and Garden Order form

Name:__________________________________________
Address:________________________________________
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Phone Number:________________________________________
Email:__________________________________________

Payment Method:_________________________________________
(Direct Deposit, Cheque, EFTPOS)
If paying by direct deposit, please quote your ‘Name’ and ‘Jubilee’ in your remittance:
National Australia Bank
BSB 083-543
Account 457 810 898

Donation ($50 per line):$___________________________

Name/s to be engraved:
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For further information please contact the school on 0357 214431 or email 50years@sbwangaratta.catholic.edu.au
The Tertiary Enabling Program (TEP) is an opportunity to create choices about your future. Established by La Trobe University in 1990, the TEP is an award-winning tertiary preparation program, offered in Albury-Wodonga in the second half of the year.

By completing this program you will gain:

- Specific academic skills that will help you successfully complete university or TAFE study
- Confidence in your abilities
- The ability to make informed choices about future learning and develop pathways to continuing education

The program is taught across seventeen weeks and is structured around four key subjects that give students a strong foundation of skills including in academic writing and critical enquiry.

This is not an English language or introductory literacy program.

Students who have completed the program say they would give the following advice to people thinking about studying TEP:

“Just do it”, “Go for it”, “Be organised”, “Be prepared for a lot of hard work”, “Best thing you could ever do”, “Enjoy the experience”.

In order to apply for a place in the Tertiary Enabling Program you will need to complete an Application Form and Personal Information Statement. Please contact the TEP team to request the application information.

Applicants may be invited to an individual, informal interview as part of the application process. An interview will be an essential requirement for applicants under 21.

Costs

There are no enrolment or course fees for this program. Students will need to purchase supplementary resources at a small cost.

General Enquiries

We are very happy to answer any questions you have:

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Senior Coordinator
Enabling & Pathways Programs
(02) 6024 9784

Carolyn O’Dwyer
Academic Coordinator
P: (02) 6024 9772

E: tep@latrobe.edu.au
W: www.latrobe.edu.au
WHAT ARE THE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS?

The TEP is designed for students who are:

- Keen and willing to learn
- Prepared to dedicate the necessary time and effort to the program
- May or may not have completed secondary schooling
- Minimum 18 years of age
- An interview will form an essential part of selection for applicants under 21 years of age
- Able to demonstrate suitable English language & literacy proficiency
- Australian citizens, New Zealand citizens permanent visa holders

WHEN IS THE COURSE OFFERED?

In 2013 the Tertiary Enabling Program will be offered as follows in second semester 2013:

Start Date: Tuesday 23 July, 2013
End Date: Friday 29 November, 2013
Mid Semester Break: 23 September - 4 October

Classes will be conducted each week on Tuesday and Friday from 9:30am – 2:30pm. This includes a lunch break from 11:30am—12:30pm.

On Tuesday and Friday each week a tutorial class will also be offered from 2:30 - 3:30pm. Tutorial classes provide an opportunity for students to ask questions and seek additional support and guidance.

Classes are held at the La Trobe Albury-Wodonga campus.

WHAT WILL I LEARN?

The four TEP subjects have been developed so that they interrelate. Through the four subjects the students learn necessary academic skills and learning strategies for university study. The four subjects are:

1. Introduction to Adult Learning
2. Introduction to Social Science
3. Introduction to Maths
4. Introduction to Science

There is generally a two hour lecture per week for each of these subjects.

HOW MUCH WORK IS INVOLVED?

The Tertiary Enabling Program makes every effort to provide students with adequate preparation for the potential years of study ahead of them. Therefore a realistic teaching and learning environment is created. Regular assignments will be set and students should be prepared to spend a minimum of four hours per week on homework for each enrolled subject. This time may vary however, according to the nature and due dates of assessment tasks.

WHAT SUPPORT SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE?

Student Support Services:
A range of support services are available including an indigenous liaison officer, counselling, and assistance for students from refugee backgrounds or with disabilities and/or special needs.

Academic Services –

Library:
Enrolled students will be issued with an ID card providing access to the library. Students are encouraged to use the library resources.

Student Association:
Students undertaking the Tertiary Enabling Program have the opportunity to participate in activities organised by the Student Association.

Childcare:
There is a childcare centre on campus although places may be limited. Please contact the centre directly on (02) 6055 6653.

Where can I park?
Free parking is available on the campus.