The Wangaratta Performing Arts Centre was transformed into the Land of Oz on Thursday April 26th when Galen performed in the production of *The Wizard of Oz*. A total of 209 Galen College students and Catholic Primary students were involved in the performance. After several weeks of auditions, practice performances, the preparation of sets and learning musical scores, this year’s performers, backstage crew and musicians took part in a total of four performances.

As indicated by Galen drama teacher and Arts leader Julie Nolan, coordinating such a performance is no easy feat and couldn’t come to fruition without the wonderful support of many Galen teachers, parents and community members. In the days leading up to opening night, students began to set up and rehearse at WPAC. There was a great sense of excitement as students prepared for opening night and the many hours and weeks of preparation paid-off in what was a thoroughly enjoyable and entertaining production.

Performance students portrayed their characters wonderfully, and the backstage crew worked extremely well as a team to deliver a seamless and professional show. Musicians were led by David Ashfield and their excellent renditions of key musical pieces such as ‘We’re off to see the Wizard’ and ‘Over the Rainbow’ truly brought the production to life.

Julie Nolan would like to acknowledge the wonderful words of encouragement and praise that the production team have received after the Production from both parents and staff. “Though we acknowledge it is a great amount of work, we all experience the wonderful reward of knowing we have provided all of the students involved from backstage, make-up, set building, set painting, sound, lighting, musicians and actors with a wonderful experience and a lifetime memory. We are truly blessed to witness over 180 teenagers (and many Primary students) brimming with confidence and having a ball. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all involved. There is a very strong team of people behind us, continually providing support in many and varied ways. With this in mind I would like to thank the following people who were directly involved in the production team: Paul Walker, Jeff Faithfull, David Ashfield, Beth Code, Christine Duff and Bridie Scarce.

Thank you also to the following staff members who contributed behind the scenes: Alicia Leonard, Helen Faithfull, Liz Cox, Barbara Burns and Mal Webster. We had a blast following the yellow brick road to see the Wizard.”
Dear Parents and Guardians,

On Saturday night I had the privilege of attending the first Presentation Ball for Galen Catholic College. There will be two such balls this year for the students of Year 11.

The theme for the night was “A Night in Paris” and the St Patrick’s hall was beautifully decorated to reflect this theme. Twenty seven students were presented to myself and my wife, Fiona, all of them beautifully attired and in happy spirits. The level of natural enjoyment was obvious in each facet of the night: the individual and group presentations, the formal dancing, the inclusion of a visit to the parents’ tables as part of the presentation, the dance with the parents and the informal dancing afterwards.

The decision to change the format of the balls from the traditional debutante ball was a controversial one, but the success of Saturday’s first Presentation Ball overshadows the controversy. It was a night of dignified elegance, great fun and a glimpse of those presented as adults-in-making. As any of the students who were there on Saturday night will attest, whether as part of the presentation set, or as friends there to support their school mates, Saturday night’s ball was a raging success for all who were involved.

Congratulations to the students involved, to the dance instructor, Clint Leys, and to the Parents Association president, Mrs Allison King, for the hard work on so many levels to make the ball a wonderful exhibition of grace and youthful exuberance.

2013 Year 7 Information Night
As advertised in previous newsletters and in the local press, our major Information Night for Year 7 (2013) will be on Wednesday May 9. We are expecting another large cohort of students in 2013 so I urge parents with children currently in Grade 6 to make sure they come to the information night to hear about the process of applying for enrolment.

An important part of the process will be the provision of guided tours of the college. These tours will commence in the days following the information night and will be held at set times on set dates. The format of the tours will be explained at the information night, but in essence, they will involve a small group tour led by current Year 8 students, and culminating in a morning or afternoon tea at which the Principal, Junior School Director, Year 7 Co-ordinator and other senior staff will be present and available for one-to-one discussion.

The Wizard of Oz
Congratulations to Mrs Julie Nolan, Mr David Ashfield and the host of support staff for the production of Wizard of Oz. Although I saw the performance of only one of the two casts, I was impressed with the depth and spread of talent that was on display from our students. This impression is magnified greatly when you consider that there was another entire cast with the same depth.

As a production, I thought there was great evenness at a high standard across all areas: costumes, make-up, set design, acting, accents, stage management, lighting, dancing, singing and, of course, the production band. There was a wonderful liveliness and joyful energy from the cast who were so obviously enjoying themselves thoroughly throughout.

What a terrific experience for our students - your children - to see such a big project come together with the co-operation of so many people from different schools, of such a spread of ages, and with so many production elements having to fit together.

As Mr Geoff Welch indicated at the end of the Anzac Day ceremony, these experiences reinforce what a great environment Galen produces and make it very easy for us all to “be proud to be Galen”.

Sandhurst Diocesan Conference
Parents are reminded that Thursday May 24 and Friday May 25 will be school closure days. All staff will be attending the Sandhurst Diocesan Conference along with 2,000 other staff from Catholic schools across the diocese.

Bernard Neal
Principal
Italian Exchange
By Andrew Spence - Year 12

Cuneo is the name of the town in the Piemonte (Piedmont) region of Italy where I stayed for 2 months over the 2011-12 summer holidays. I had a very generous and welcoming host family including a Mum, Dad and one brother who is my age. I went to a Classical High School with my host brother, but fortunately I didn’t have to study Latin or Greek like the other students. During the Christmas and New Year’s holidays in Italy I was lucky enough to travel to Rome with my host family and see many of the sights. I also enjoyed a traditional Christmas lunch with extended family, I ate delicious Italian cuisine and I also experienced the night life at the discos some Saturday nights. The experience helped me a lot in my comprehension and understanding of the language but all areas of my Italian study have improved as a result of my stay in Italy.

I recommend the experience for anyone studying Italian and who is daring enough to step out of their comfort zone to learn more about themselves and other people. I highly recommend undertaking an exchange to the beautiful country of Italy.

Galen Host Family Needed!

Galen is looking for a host family in Wangaratta or outskirts for an Italian girl arriving 5th of July for 3 months. Her name is Elena Forapani. She is involved in Scouts and enjoys playing sport, particularly volleyball. Elena also enjoys reading. She currently studies Italian, History, Geography, English, Information Technology, Biology, Physics, Mathematics, Chemistry, Art History and Philosophy. Her mother is a teacher and her dad works as an agronomist. Elena is a non-smoker. Elena would attend Year 11 classes. If anyone is interested please contact Mr Franco Cudini at Galen or email: franco.cudini@galen.vic.edu.au

Senior School News
Mick Grogan - Senior School Director

Student Achievements
At the recent Senior School assembly, the Age Champions for Athletics were presented with their medals.

Congratulations to:
• Georgie Waite - 17 year old female
• Kayla Grassi - 20 year old female
• Adam Evans and Harrison Berenger – joint 17 year old males
• James Smith 20 years old male

Presentation Balls
The second last Presentation Ball for Year 11 students will take place this Saturday. We wish the students involved all the best as they showcase their dancing skills.

Exams and Outcomes
The end of Semester 1 is fast approaching and it is timely to remind students to ensure that they are abreast of their work. If there are any issues please make time to communicate with your subject teachers. Year 11 exams: June 7 - 15. Year 12 exams: June 12,13, GAT: June 14.

Junior School News
Lauren Lee - Junior School Director

It has been a very busy couple of weeks in the Junior school. A number of Year 7 students have been involved in assisting with either producing the new Year 7 2013 brochure or visiting their old primary schools to talk to the Grade 6 students about their transition and experience so far at Galen College.

Year 7 students have been participating in the Inter home room volley ball competition this week and many students have been involved which is great. A number of students were also involved in the Year 7 and 8 short story competition on Wednesday last week.

A huge congratulations must go to Julie Nolan and all of her team on the amazing amount of time and effort that was put into the production of The Wizard of Oz. As always the production proved to be a hit with all who were lucky enough to see it and without the huge efforts of both staff and students, events like these could not be so successful.

Congratulations to both the Year 7 boys and girls soccer teams who progressed to the Hume level on Wednesday after winning all of their matches in Wodonga. It was fantastic to see everyone supporting each other and helping each other to achieve their best.

A quick reminder that last week has been “Keep Galen Beautiful” week and students have been reminded of the importance of putting their rubbish in the bin and making sure that their classrooms are kept clean and tidy. We hope that this message will not just be remembered this week but that everyone remains focused on keeping their school beautiful.

This week we will be busy preparing for the Year 7 2013 Information Night and we look forward to conducting tours over 4 days that will be led by Year 7 and 8 students. We are lucky to have so many fantastic students to represent Galen.
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Mountain Cycling

During the last school holidays, Thomas McDonald (8.2) won the gold medal for the Australian Junior Mountain Time Trial U15 men and the bronze in the Australian Junior Mountain Road Race U15 at Mount Buffalo. He put in a supreme effort winning the Alp d’Buffalo Tour U15 overall by nearly a minute and getting the polka dot jersey. All of Thomas’s early 5am morning training sessions paid off. Congratulations Thomas!

NAPLAN Testing

NAPLAN testing across both literacy and numeracy will occur between Tuesday 15th May and Thursday 17th May 2012. All students in Years 7 and 9 will participate in the testing; except those who are eligible for exemption. As is the case for all students with a disability, identified learning difficulty or diagnosed social/emotional condition you may seek an exemption from the testing for your child. Please read the paragraph below from the National Assessment Program website.

Students can be exempted from one or more NAPLAN tests if they have significant or complex disability, or if they are from a non-English-speaking background. However, this is not automatic and parents may choose for their child to participate. Signed parent/carer consent forms are required for students to be exempted from the tests. All Australian governments have committed to promoting maximum participation of students in the national assessment process. Support can be provided for students with disability to participate in the NAPLAN tests.

Staff from the G.P.C. have handed out letters to the students who are eligible for exemptions. If your child did not bring a letter home, or if you are unsure as to whether your child is eligible for exemption, please contact Maree Timms or Darren Hovey.

Advance Notice

This year sees the celebration of Monsignor John White’s Golden Jubilee on Saturday 21 July.

The Catholic parishes of Wanganalla and Moyhu are planning to prepare a power point presentation. They are asking for photo contributions from parishioners (or others) featuring Monsignor White over the years. These can be emailed/handed in to St Patrick’s parish office clearly labeled with the details of the photos. Please indicate the owners of the photos on the envelope so they can be returned after scanning (all care will be taken). The last date for acceptance will need to be 1 JULY 2012. Please email: stpatspresp@iprimus.com.au or for further information contact Joan Ellis at Galen College.

Middle School News

The Term 2 calendar is already filling up with lots of activities, excursions and events for our Middle School students at Galen Catholic College. School-life certainly has started with a buzz of activity in Term 2; students working on forensic experiments, Volleyball, Tennis, Discovery excursions, outdoor education trips, the list continues!

However, Term 2 is also known as the testing term for Year 9’s. Alongside the Year 9 VCAA Literacy and Numeracy Testing in class, the Year 9 National NAPLAN Literacy and Numeracy testing also starts in Week 5. Both these tests are conducted to allow students, their families, the school and our Government to access data on the student’s ongoing progress.

Attached in this newsletter is a copy of the Year 10 Exam Timetable for Week 8. This is the first introduction to a more formal exam setting in preparation for future studies. At school we will do our best to support all students with their preparation and information will be sent home closer to the date on how you can best support your son/daughter at home. Please ensure that you have a conversation with your son/daughter this week regarding the completion of their safe@work modules and the organization of their paper work.

The Middle School SRC are meeting on a regular basis and are enjoying spending time with Laurie Burt (Student Leadership).

Tickets for the Mother’s Day Raffle are available from Reception or the Middle School SRC. The Raffle will be drawn on Friday 11th May. Thank you to those families who contributed items to the Hamper. The Middle School staff would like to commend the way all students have started their schooling in Term 2, and encourage them to get involved in as many facets of school-life as they can at Galen College.

Middle School News

Liz Morrow & James Bourke - Middle School Directors
Yr 11 Immersion Timor Leste

At the end of Term 1 a group of 25 Year 11 students met to find out about the proposed Immersion trip to Timor Leste and to express their interest. This group of students has been impressive with their ongoing interest in an Immersion to Timor Leste and have shown genuine commitment to supporting our neighbours there. Although, we were hopeful that we might have been able to initiate a trip in Term 3 this year with the Marist Solidarity program in Bacau, we have been advised to wait until 2013. This has been disappointing news for this Year 11 group even though we knew from the outset it was only a 50/50 chance. We will now begin our planning for a 2013 trip for students who will be in Year 11 in 2013.

For any further information please contact Jim Samon - Heritage Coordinator.

The Hunger Games

WINNING WILL MAKE YOU FAMOUS, LOSING MEANS CERTAIN DEATH!

The Hunger Games is a young adult novel, written by Suzanne Collins. Katniss Everdeen, a 16 year old who lives in a post-apocalyptic world in the country of Panem tells her story. She becomes involved in The Hunger Games, an annual event in which one boy and one girl aged 12-18, from each of the 12 districts surrounding the Capitol, compete in a televised battle until only one person is left.

AVAILABLE IN THE SENIOR LIBRARY NOW!

Calling all Artists

St Bernards Primary ART SHOW 18-20 May

If you or anyone you know might be interested in exhibiting work in the St Bernards Art Show, entry forms can be collected from the St Bernards school office. Great prizes are on offer, not to mention the opportunity to exhibit your work!

OPENING NIGHT: Friday 18th from 7.30pm

Join us and meet the artists to share an evening of fine local wine and fingerfood. Tickets are $20.00 and can be purchased by contacting Julie Lewis on 0411 807 356.
Focus on Careers in the Health and  
Community Services Industry (HCS)  
Why work in the HCS industry?  
• It’s one of the most diverse industry groups in the Australian workforce. There are over 500 different occupations (not just doctors, nurses and paramedics).  
• It’s tipped to be the fastest growing industry in Australia over the next 5 years due to our ageing population, demand for children’s services and skill shortages.  
• As technology develops, so do the jobs (ie: medical engineering, nuclear therapies, dental prosthetics).  
• Many new jobs are yet to be invented over the next 10 yrs (ie: work and research with stem cells).  
• You can work here or overseas and in many occupations. You can work flexible hours and travel and also open your own business (ie: Massage).  
• If you don’t want to work directly with people, there are many occupations where you can work ‘behind the scenes’ in research, policy development, health information management and information technologies

There are 500+ occupations in the HCS sector.  
• Community care in various occupations such as Youth Work, Mental Health, Juvenile Justice, Alcohol and Other Drugs Work, Child Protection, Disability Work, Child Care and Aged Care.  
• Health occupations include Nursing, Speech Pathology, Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy, Medicine, Dietetics, Podiatry, Prosthetics, Medical Imaging and Radiology etc.

Education:  
Choosing the right subjects at school that will support further education and training pathways will depend on what HCS occupation you would like to pursue. See your career adviser for up to date advice.

Employment Prospects:  
Currently there is a shortage of skilled workers in many HCS occupations, such as nursing, child care, medical specialists, and health technicians. There is also an ageing workforce, which will create many jobs for young people over the next 5 – 10 years when many skilled workers will retire.

Expanding is anticipated in diagnostic services, allied health, complementary and alternative health services, childcare, aged and community support services. Taken from: http://hcs.careers.vic.edu.au

Pathways into HCS careers:  
Depending on what occupation you would like to pursue, you can undertake study through vocational education, University or through a traineeship.  
You can study HCS courses at the majority of TAFE and University institutes and also private colleges like the Southern School of Natural Therapies and the Endeavour College of Natural Health. Go to www.careersatmatter.com.au/ to find out more.

Fill out the online Career Map quiz at www.careergov.com.au/careermatch to work out which HCS jobs you would be suited to.  
Also, undertake the online career quiz at http://hcs.careers.vic.edu.au/careerquiz.php and compare your results

Check out health occupation videos on Youtube at http://hcscareers.vic.edu.au/careermapcsh

Vocational and Higher Education News  
• Interested in Film and Digital Media? The Motion Lab at Deakin University recently assisted Alt.vfx to develop the Deer Motion Capture Ad for Tooheys Extra Dry. The Lab at Deakin University recently assisted Alt.vfx to develop the Deer Motion Capture Ad for Tooheys Extra Dry. The Motion Lab developed the ad, go to http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tbdIz129yqA&list=PL4B908BEEC66467FE&feature=plcp

• Interested in Aerospace or Environmental Engineering? Two of RMIT’s recent graduates will present the case for engineering that are offered at RMIT whilst emphasising their chosen fields of Aerospace and Environmental Engineering at the 2012 Engineering Expo, 29 March. You will be able to

Speak to the students between 2.30 – 3.15pm and 4.30 - 5.15pm at the Crest Lounge, Eildon Stadium. For more information, go to www.engineeringexpo.org.au

• Interested in teaching? It is important for teachers to be able to use this in the classroom. Deakin University has developed a subject where students will learn how to:  
• Make stop-motion animation movies.  
• Use interactive whiteboards.  
• Develop teaching and learning tools using Web 2.0 technologies such as blogs, wikis and You Tube movies.  
• Learn about cyber safety and cyber bullying.  
The subject is run at their Warnambool and Burwood campuses.

• International volunteer opportunities: ‘International Student Volunteers’ are currently accepting applications from students aged 15 years and over who would like to undertake a volunteer or cultural/adventure program in Costa Rica, Thailand or New Zealand. Projects include sea turtle egg collections; hunting and research programs; teaching children English; orphanage programs; and environmental conservation and land management. To find out more, go to www.isvvolunteers.org or phone 02 9369 5556

• VCE Exam Revision Lectures: Access Education are running ‘linking Units’ revision lectures at University and TAFE campuses across Victoria in May and June. Cost is $40 per lecture or $33 if booking for 5 or more. For more information and to book a place, go to www.accesseducation.com.au

Upcoming Events  
• Vmit environmental science, planning and engineering day. You will be able to participate in a range of workshops in  
  • Environmental engineering  
  • Environmental science  
  • Urban and environmental planning  
  • Social science  
  • Geospatial science and surveying  
This day will be held Thursday 5 May at the City Campus. Register early at www.vmit.edu.au/experiencedays

• Have you considered a career in Forensic Science?  
Then you should attend the next Forensic Science Careers Information Day on Friday 13 May, 12.30 – 4.00pm at the Victorian Institute of Forensic Medicine (VIFM), Southbank. Work at the VIFM includes  
• Forensic pathology  
• Clinical forensic medicine  
• Medical-legal and criminal investigation  
• Paternity testing  
• Forensic science services  
• Preparing coroners reports  
Offering expert opinions on a range of issues  
You will receive information on careers in the industry, but you will not be able to participate in a tour of the Building. There are only 70 spaces available so you will need to register for more information and to register, go to www.vifm.org/events/16/vifm-careers-information-affernon

• Careers in Sports Medicine Evening: Wednesday 23rd May. The careers in sports medicine evening aims to build awareness of health professionals involved in caring for athletes, whether they compete for Australia or exercise for fitness. Time 6.30pm -7pm Registration 7.30-9pm talks. Registration http://www.trybooking.com/BH7KV Venue AAMI Park Stadium 60 Olympic Blvd, Entrance F, Corporate Entrance Olympic Room 3. Cost $25 per student no charge for parents. For further information visit www.opsmc.com.au

• The Age VCE and Careers Expo: This event is for students in Years 10-12 and their parents. They will be able to speak to representatives from over 190 organisations and you will be able to participate in a choice of 115 workshops related to VCE subjects; gap year opportunities; vocational and higher education courses; career pathways; and VCE study skills. Cost is $10 per student and schools have been sent free passes.

The event is being held at Caulfield Racecourse between Thursday 3 to Sunday 6 May. To find out more, phone 03 9599 8800, or go to www.vceandcareers.com.au

• Do you love Gaming? The Academy of Interactive Entertainment (AIE), specialist educator in games, film and 3D animation, are attempting to break the Guinness World Record™ for Largest Crowd dressed as Video Game Characters on May 5, 2012, from 11am to 2pm at Federation Square, Melbourne. If you would like to be part of this event, please register at www.cosgame2012.eventbrite.com

• Jmc Academy Open Day: The day will be run on Saturday 12 May, 10.30am and 2.30pm at the South Melbourne Campus. You will be able to learn about career options and courses available in the following areas: audio engineering; film & television production; music; entertainment business management; animation, and game design. You will also be able to listen to live music, view student projects, watch live studio recordings and undertake an introduction to interactive games design. To register, go to: www.jmcacademy.edu.au

At Monash Seminar Series: The seminars provide an opportunity for you and your parents to gain an insight into courses and careers in a broad range of fields across the faculties and campuses of Monash University. Dates for May are as follows Science (8), Performing Arts (15), Law (17), Berwick Campus Showcase (25), and Gippsland Campus Showcase (30). For more information and to register, go to http://events.monash.edu/study/options/schools/at-monash.html

Girls in IT Day at Swinburne University: If you are a girl in years 7 –10 and love information technology, you should consider attending the Girls in IT Day on Tuesday 29 May. You can participate in interactive programming/storytelling workshops, interface design workshops using mobile applications, hear from inspiring girls working in the IT industry and studying at Swinburne. You will also participate in an exciting Astro Tour! For more information, please go to www.swinburne.edu.au/ict/schools/visit-us/girls-in-it-day/

May Events

At Monash Seminar Series, Science (8), and Performing Arts (15), Law (17), Berwick Campus Showcase (25), Gippsland Campus Showcase (30), go to www.monash.edu/au/study/options/schools/at-monash.html

My Day Events, Charles Sturt University, Nursing/Paramedicine, Bathurst Campus (15), Health Sciences, Wagga Wagga Campus (22), Education, Albury-Wodonga Campus (27), Wagga Wagga Campus (29), www.vcc.org.au


12: Jmc Academy Open Day: www.jmcacademy.edu.au

• 15, 16, 17: Optometry Information Evenings, Deakin University, Geelong (15), Ballarat (16), Burwood (17).

Email: health-enquire@deakin.edu.au


http://www.swinburne.edu.au/ict/schools/visit-us/girls-in-it-day/


Scholarships

• Marcus Oldham College offer courses in Horse Business Management, Agribusiness and Farm Business Management. It is located at Geelong, Victoria and is a private college. The College have just released the list of scholarships available for the 2013 intake. For a list of the scholarships, closing dates and interview times, please go to www.marcusoldham.vic.edu.au

• The International College of Hotel Management (ICHM) offer courses in International Hotel Management and Hospitality Management. Applications for their 2013 scholarships are now open and close on Monday 8 October. To download the application form, go to http://www.ichm.edu.au/admissions/scholarships
Relay For Life

Relay For Life is an annual, not for profit event run by the Cancer Council. As a national event, Relay For Life raises money for those suffering from cancer and for funding in the hope of finding a cure for this awful disease.

Each year in Wangaratta we run a relay, which this year, will be on the 6th and 7th of October. It’s a great event, and for those of you who have attended before, we have refreshed our look this year.

Come along to our launch on Saturday the 12th of May at the King George Gardens to find out what’s happening and for an opportunity to register your team early. Early applicants will go into the running to win a special prize. There will also be a sausage sizzle and games for the younger kids. So come along and enjoy the fun.

Corinne Antonoff - Member of the 2012 Committee for Relay For Life (WHS).

High Achievers in Science

Two Year 12 Galen College students have been selected to represent Australia at International Youth Science Conferences. Michael Naughtin has been accepted into the Stockholm International Youth Science Seminar in Sweden, from the 24th November to the 21st of December this year. Only two students from Australia are accepted each year. The program includes attending the Nobel Prize Awards, attending the ball, meeting the Nobel Laureates themselves and meeting the King of Sweden as well as an intense two weeks of science related talks and research. Michael also has to present an 8 minute talk on his own research. The last two weeks will be spent touring Europe by train with our second high achieving student, Fletcher Barnes. Fletcher will travel to Pretoria in South Africa on the 20th June for an International Youth Science Forum with 5 other Australians. The program showcases top science and engineering career paths ranging from nuclear physics to aeronautical and automotive engineering. While at the forum he will mix with 100 of Africa’s brightest minds, and participate in an intense week of discussion and research. Following the forum, he will go on a 10-day guided safari that begins in Johannesburg and ends at the spectacular Victoria Falls in Zambia.

The cost for each trip is $10200. Much of this we hope will be raised by the Australian National Youth Science Forum through sponsorship, but the boys will need to raise between $2000 and $3000 each. A Trivia Night will be held on Friday June 1st to assist in raising funds for both students. See below for details.

Junior Science Quiz

QUIZ 5 - ANSWER

Gunther Von Hagens was born in which country? Answer: Poland

What is he famous for?

Gunther Von Hagens is famous for creating the process called plastination. Plastination is the process by which fats and water are replaced by plastics. Plastination is used to preserve bodies or body parts.

Congratulations to Brandon Mays of 7.4 for winning this weeks science quiz.

For the fifth week in a row, Mrs Faithfull’s 7.4 homeroom has had the most entrants.

Galen Trivia Night!

Fundraiser for Michael Naughtin & Fletcher Barnes

Put your thinking caps on! Come and enjoy the fun!

1st June 2012  Time: 7.30pm
Place: Galen Auditorium
$10.00 per person
Bring your own drinks and nibbles
Supper Provided
Book your table now! - 8 - 10 per table
Tickets can be purchased from the Galen Office
Or call Leanne on 5721 4520

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Senior Golf

Congratulations to Drew Hiskins, Greg Allan, Mitch Coonan and Dylan Syres who came 3rd in the teams event at the Hume Region Senior Golf event in Myrtleford on the 20th of April. Greg also came 7th overall in the Handicap event and has qualified to play in the State finals in Melbourne in May. Well done Greg!

Upper Hume Senior Football

On 18th April, the senior boys and senior girls footy teams headed to Wodonga to play against Wodonga Senior Secondary College and Wangaratta High School. The boys played Wodonga in the first round and won 5.3.33 to 3.1.19. Best players in this match were James McClounan, Dylan Wilson, Cody Schutt, Mitch Horwood, Matt Hedin and James Smith.

In the 2nd round, the boys played their nemesis, Wangaratta High School. It was a very close match and it was unfortunate that the boys went down by only 3 points, with WHS 6.3.39 defeating Galen 5.6.36. Best players in this round were Cody Schutt, Dylan Wilson, James Smith, Jay Nykvist and Rob Carnovale.

The girls played Wodonga in their first match which, although very close, the girls lost by a mere 9 points. Wangaratta High School had a big win over the girls in the second match. Best players on the day were Shivonne Watson, Breta Alstrom and Issy Byrne. Well done to all players, and thanks to Rob Walker and Jacqui Pengelly who provided expert coaching on the day.

Year 7 Boys Soccer

The next generation of Galen soccer stars took to the La Trobe University Wodonga soccer fields on Wednesday 2nd of May. The students were competing in the Upper Hume soccer competition.

In their first match, Galen easily accounted for WMYC Felltimber 5-1 followed by a 11-0 rout of traditional rivals, Wangaratta High School. In their third and final game, Galen played WMYC Huon who had also won their first two matches. However, Houn were no match for the well disciplined and skilful Galen boys who won in style 6-1 and progressed through to the next stage of the state wide competition.

Seb Pasquali showed why he is rated one of Australia’s brightest soccer talents by totally dominating every match. Seb was clearly in a class of his own and his presence will be pivotal to Galen’s chances of progressing deep into the final stages of this competition.

Another player to impress was midfielder Connor Delany, who worked tirelessly all day and made several important tackles. Matt Jordan was a steady influence in defence, Joe Richards showed that he has all the attributes to be a fine soccer player and Lachie Austin showed plenty of dash in a wide midfield role.

Ryan ‘Southampton’ McNeilly responded well to being benched in the second game by scoring two excellent early goals to get Galen away to a flying start in the final. Isaac Wolff led the pack down back playing particularly well in the final and our goalie James ‘Bruce’ Duncan played very well, only conceding 2 goals for the whole day.

Zac Lea, Pat Knowles, Josh Kemp, Dan Murphy, Brannon Duffy and Xavier Wales also contributed to the team’s success at various times during the day. A big thank you to Year 9 student Ryley Pasquali who did a great job coaching the team, Lachlan Busk who was our expert linesman and Michael McKenzie who was brilliant at squeezing the oranges!

Written by Peter Hill

All Ability Netball

• Do you have a disability?
• Are you interested in playing netball?
• Come and join the fun, meet new people & make new friends!

Saturday 12th May
11am - 1pm
HP Barr Reserve, Wang Netball Courts
Free BBQ & Netball Vic give aways
Register: 5722 4214 or 5721 0249
• Guest appearance from Melbourne Vixens player
• Free netball skills clinic
• Exhibition match: Parkville vs Shepp
Fresh Water Research Camp

Written by Shane Allan (Year 11)

During the last week of the holidays I attended a fresh water research camp in Albury. The course was for students in Year 11 that live in the Murray Darling Basin.

Over the duration of the week we did a lot of research at Wonga Wetlands in Albury. We collected a number of fish species, insect species and bat species. We also took water samples, recorded the vegetation around the lagoons and looked at the species of birds on the wetland. Once we had collected all our information we began making a presentation on our results. We then presented our findings to all the other students on the camp, the Rotarians and the scientist who helped us do our research.

Through the week we also had a tour of Norske Skog paper mill, Charles Sturt University and La Trobe University. At Charles Sturt University they showed us all the features they had added to make the University really sustainable. At Norske Skog they showed us the methods that they go through to recycle the water that they are given.

Although I did learn a lot we also spent time playing games and having fun. We played lots of team activities, watched movies and went canoeing in the Murray River. One of the main things I have gained from doing the course is friends that I will stay in touch with for a very long time.

The camp was sponsored by the Rotary Club and they payed for the cost of the accommodation at Scots School, our meals and the course itself. It was also sponsored by La Trobe University and the Murray Darling Fresh Water Research Centre.

I have gained so much from doing this course and I would definitely recommend it for anyone else who is interested in the environment or science. I also recommend that you make the most of any opportunities that you get because you never know where they might take you.

Hume Tennis

On Fri 27th April, Ben Morrow, Jacob Reidy, Ryley Pasquali and Daniel Banister competed in the Hume region tennis at the lawn tennis courts in Wangaratta.

A very even team performance saw Galen take out the Hume region tennis, winning all 3 matches convincingly. All players contributed to the team’s success with everyone having a positive win/loss record on the day. A special mention should go to Ryley Pasquali who won all six of his sets for the day.

Also thanks to Matt Spence who was unable to play due to Production commitments, but who was an important part of the teams earlier success in winning through to the regional final.

The boys now travel to Melbourne for the state final on Friday 25th of May. We wish them all the best as they try and become the state champions!

Thanks to John McKenzie who accompanied the boys on the day.

Final scores were:
1. Galen (4 sets 28 games) Defeated Yarrawonga (2 sets 18 games)
2. Galen (4 sets 29 games) Defeated Notre Dame (2 sets 15 games)
3. Galen (6 sets 36 Games) Defeated Euroa (0 sets 10 games)

Australian Air Force Cadets

420 Squadron Benalla, Australian Air Force Cadets is now recruiting males and females aged between 13-18 years.

Where: Benalla Drill Hall Community Activity Centre, corner of Bridge St West and Arundel St Benalla. Parading Friday nights: 6.30pm - 9.30pm.

Activities include: powered flying, gliding, fieldcraft training camps, firearms training, drill & ceremonial, promotion courses, and much more.

Contact Flight Lieutenant John Currie on 0447 676 095 for more information.

WANTED!

Empty ice cream containers and Milo tins. To be used in a fundraising event for the children of Santa Teresa. If you have any, please hand them in to the front office.

Thank you, Marisa Cudini.
Santa Teresa Organiser
Cycles in Life – A Look at Families
by Therese Rodway

There is increased interest in the role the life cycle plays in families. Stages like courting and marriage, birth of first child, stopping work, returning to work, birth of subsequent children, first child attending school, last child attending school, losing a job, changing a job, first child reaching puberty, illness of a family member, illness of a grandparent/s, first child leaving home, last child leaving home, menopause, retirement etcetera. Less typical life stages include severe financial stress, homelessness, unemployment, migration, or life threatening illness, divorce or separation.

In order to know where we are at as individuals in a family, it helps to know where you are right now.

Sometimes unexpected events in our lives cause the balance in our family to go out of whack, and we go through a period of upheaval. Sometimes you might seek help because of the imbalance. When you seek assistance, ideally getting back on track means that you will have a better grasp of identifying and understanding transition points/stages, engaging family members to work together, exploring the values and beliefs families hold, allowing time, working with overwhelming emotions.

In time a new normal finds its way and before too long we’re moving onto the next stage of life.

Adapted from Betty Carter & Monica McGoldrick Overview: The Changing Family Life Cycle: A Framework for Family Therapy

Wellbeing Team
Therese Rodway, Neville Webster & Geoff Welch DP of Students and Staff Wellbeing.

Year 7 Girls Soccer

On Wednesday 3rd May, the Year 7s travelled to Wodonga for the Upper Hume soccer. The girls convincingly won both of their matches: 4-1 against Wodonga Middle Years College and 3-0 against Wangaratta High School.

The team of Emma Ackerly, Emma Collett, Emily Thiele, Bethany Hamer, Shaniel Dyer, Gemma Tua, Madeleine Bartlett, Chloe Elliot, Kate Marshall, Bianca Mulqueen, Ainslie Bear showed great skills and sportsmanship. Although it was a team effort, a few of the girls were exceptional. Emma Ackerly kept us alive with her excellent goal keeping skills. Bianca Mulqueen showed off some of her amazing skills and more importantly that she was a team player by getting everyone involved. Ainslie Bear kept cool and calm in the defence, and assisted her less experienced team mates to understand the rules of the game and how they could help the team more.

Gemma Tua starred in the last game by not only learning the off side rule but also showing great speed and determination and contributing 2 goals. Shaniel Dyer started off a little quiet in defence but she was willing to listen to instructions from her team mates and in the end did not let any ball or player get past her.

We wish the girls all the best when they play in the Hume region finals in August. Thanks to super-coaches Lauren Lee and Lucy Walch who took the team on the day.

Year 7 (2013) Info Night

Information for parents of current Year 6 students.

Galen Catholic College would like to announce the following important dates in regard to enrolments for students going in to Year 7 in 2013:

DON’T MISS the May 9: Information Evening 7.30pm in the Max Fletcher Auditorium (enter off Phillipson Street).

Applications open May 9, Enrolment Forms available at the Information Night or from the College Main Office and Catholic Primary Schools.

May 10, 11, 14 & 15: School Tours available at 9.15am and 1.45pm. Please contact the College for appointments

May 23: ENROLMENT APPLICATIONS DUE

May 28: Interviews commence: for all families who have submitted enrolment applications.

Please contact the College for more information regarding enrolments and tours.

Telephone: (03) 5721 6322
Email: admin@galen.vic.edu.au
Yr 10 Outdoor Ed - Mt Feathertop Bushwalk

Written by Adrienne Murphy - Year 10

Our bushwalk started at Diamatinia Hut and headed along Razorback Track. Many jokes were made along the way, with Bas Howard leading the way. The scenery was very impressive and we also had the experience of snow surrounding the track that we followed. The boys decided it would be a good idea to have a snowball fight, which ended up with numb fingers and wet clothes.

When we came to camp there was a flat area for the tents to be set up on. It took a fair effort with every teacher and student pitching in to help out. Once set up, the group split in two. One group was to collect the water from the stream, while the others stayed at camp. It seemed like hours before the other group showed up again which had Miss McKeown on her toes worried of their return. While we waited, the clouds began to swirl around the mountains and it became chilly in a hurry. Once the water collecting group had made their return and were applauded for their efforts we began to set up our cooking stoves, by the time it was ready to eat, it was dark.

After dinner, we had to clean and wash up. Once our stoves were packed away we all huddled in a circle to keep warm while the 'Bazman' told a few stories and Johnno cracked a few jokes. Throughout the night we heard a few screams, as the other group from another school left their tents open during their cooking time and they had little visitors...Bush rats!

The following day our packs became a lot lighter as we didn’t have to carry so much food. We were glad about this as our hips and shoulders were aching. The early rise gave us enough time to see the sun seep through the mountains and heat up the ground. Once everyone was ready, we followed the track down the mountain. The scenery was breath taking, the area surrounding us was icy and damp underfoot. Ferns were everywhere and the smell of eucalyptus filled the air. We were lucky to encounter a Bush Rat, (mistaken for a Pygmy Possum at the time) laying on a branch in the early morning sun. There was a lot of trees that had fallen down due to weather conditions and the area was fairly slippery.

Towards the end, when everyone was eager to get home, there was a waterfall passing through. It was absolutely amazing, such a different climate and completely different vegetation. The wildlife and views were incredible. They were definitely ‘had to be there’ moments. Once we made it to the bottom, Eliza and Mr Samon had the buses there ready for us to unpack, sort out equipment, load it up and leave. The bushwalk was a great experience and I would like to thank Miss McKeown, Mr Samon, Michael McKenzie and Eliza McMonigle for taking us on the trip.

Galen Band Marches on ANZAC Day

Ten students from the Galen Senior Band along with their teacher Mr Ashfield joined the Wangaratta City Band to participate in the Wangaratta Anzac Parade. This was the first year the two bands had combined which was a huge success. The students found playing and marching at the same time a challenge but enjoyed the experience, most saying they would be back to do it again next year. The combined band also provided the music for the Wangaratta service at the Cenotaph. Students who participated were Del Flanagan, Tamara Russo and Naomi Jones – flute, Amy Faithfull, Hannah McLeod and Erin Connor – clarinet, Caitlin O’Callaghan – saxophone, Jacob Trethowan and Xavier Murray – trumpet, Matthew Spence – trombone and Mr Ashfield played the tuba.

All Galen College students attended a moving Anzac Day assembly on the 24th April. Many Galen staff quoted this ceremony as being one of the best they have attended in recent years, as the students were so respectful. Staff and students remembered the sacrifice made 97 years ago when almost 8,000 Australian soldiers laid down their lives for the ideals of freedom for their young nation. Special guests were also present at the ceremony including: Mr. Norm Fearn (President of Wangaratta RSL), Mr. Arthur Bretherton (Anzac Coordinator and Vice-President of Wangaratta RSL), and Mr Kevin Howard (Secretary of the Wangaratta RSL).
We don’t believe everything we hear, read or see. Do we?

Our lives are bombarded with all kinds of information through various forms of media (e.g. digital, print, websites, radio, TV & video). Some of the material is accurate and some parts are questionable. We can support our children to think critically about media by encouraging them to ask a few simple questions.

- **Who wrote this?** Check to make sure the author or organization is credible by looking at their title, expertise, and background.

- **Logical structure of argument** - Does the author’s reasoning make sense? Are all aspects of the subject covered fairly? What assumptions does the author make?

- **What evidence does the author provide?** Does the author indicate where they acquired the evidence? Is the evidence from credible sources?

- **What is this linked to?** Is the information linked to trusted sources? Compare the author’s view, across several different forms of media to help determine if the piece of information is fact or fiction.

- **Advertisements** – Observe how advertisers are trying to target their audience. Question their intentions if it is felt they could be misleading.

- **What senses and feelings are heightened?** Is it a positive or negative experience?

- **How does it make you feel?** Can the sounds, moving pictures, pace of editing and/or special effects be attributed to influence thinking and affect viewing?

We encourage all within our school community to share any cyber knowledge, tips and suggestions with us.

Email us at: cybersafety@galen.vic.edu.au

You may have a piece of advice that could make a positive difference in another family’s life.

Take a look at some of our handy links:
- [http://www.commonsensemedia.org/videos/tips-ad-proofing-your-kids](http://www.commonsensemedia.org/videos/tips-ad-proofing-your-kids)
- [http://www.commonsensemedia.org/educators/blog/teaching-credibility-age-internet-hoax-or-how-not-be-april-fool](http://www.commonsensemedia.org/educators/blog/teaching-credibility-age-internet-hoax-or-how-not-be-april-fool)

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- 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
- Gary Watson: Timetable/Daily Organiser
- Mick Grogan: Senior School Director
- Keith Willett: Middle School Director
- Lauren Lee: Junior School Director
- Marlene Kittel: Staff member

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@galen.vic.edu.au

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- Cameron Butler: Community Representative
- John Byrne: Parent
- Suellen Loki: Parent
- Angie Semmens: Parent
- Mark Williams: Parent
- Darren Hovey: Staff Representative
- Mick Grogan: Staff Representative
- Elizabeth Holligan: Staff Representative
- John Pasztor: Staff Representative

**Parents Association Executive**
- Allison King: President
- Graham Spence: Treasurer
- Trish Impink: Secretary

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*Newsletter enquiries can be emailed directly to the Publications & Promotions Officer: malcolm.webster@galen.vic.edu.au*

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**Woolworths Earn & Learn**

Woolworths are again conducting this program but it will work a little differently this year. When you shop at Woolworths, the checkout operator will give you stickers, 1 sticker for every $10 spent (excludes liquor, cigarettes and gift cards). Galen have the sticker sheets which will be given to the students to take home. We would really appreciate your participation in this scheme and ask if you could please put your stickers on the sheet and return to Galen College by June 25th. In 2011 we were able to select some items from Modern Teaching Aids with the points we received from the dockets. We would greatly appreciate your assistance with this initiative again this year!
INFORMATION REQUIRED TO HELP DETERMINE FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS FOR NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS

PRIVACY NOTICE

This notice is from the Australian Government Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR), to advise you that DEEWR has requested your child’s school to provide the following three pieces of information to DEEWR:

- Students’ residential addresses (not student names)
- Students’ level of education (primary or secondary)
- Students’ boarding school status (boarders or day students)

DEEWR is bound by the provisions of the Privacy Act 1988 (the Privacy Act). Section 14 of the Privacy Act contains the Information Privacy Principles, which prescribe the rules for handling personal information about individuals. DEEWR will not use or disclose the information provided by your child’s school other than in accordance with the Privacy Act.

Purpose of collection

DEEWR is collecting this personal information for the purpose of administering funding to non-government schools, and to determine payments of Australian Government assistance to non-government schools, including under relevant legislation such as the Schools Assistance Act 2008 (Cth). DEEWR will only use this information for this specific purpose.

Disclosure of information

The information provided by your child’s school may be disclosed by DEEWR to contractors working for DEEWR for the purposes of verifying the information. The contractors will not use the information for any other purpose.

DEEWR may also provide this information to the Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA). ACARA will use this information in developing and evaluating Index of Community Socio-Educational Advantage (ICSEA) formulas and school values.

In other instances the information will not be disclosed without your consent, unless where authorised or required by law.

Contact

If you have any questions regarding this Privacy Notice please phone the DEEWR SES Funding helpline on 1800 677 027 (free call) or send an e-mail to: SAAMailbox@deewr.gov.au.
**YEAR 10 MID YEAR EXAMS**

NOTE: Year 10 Exam week is Week 8 of Term 2. Monday 4th June - will be normal classes. Exams are scheduled as outlined below. Friday 8th June is Correction Day a Student free day. (Exam Duration: 95 minutes – Exam: 90 min, Reading Time: 5 min)

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