

Reflections



Galen Catholic College Newsletter

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Issue 9

Galen Presentation Balls



Back: Finn McKenzie-McHarg, Bradley Gregory, Thomas King, Michael Poole, Kobi Irvine, Callum McMahon, Liam Byrne, Samuel Dummler, Zachary Wingrave.

Front: Kate Smith, Sarah Clohessy, Maicee Harrison, Sarah Northey, Rebecca Impink, Lily-May Harding (flowergirl), Emily Campbell, Kerrie-Anne Forge, Shivonne Watson, Layla McKenzie-McHarg. **Trainers:** Dominic & Debbie Ravida.

Guests entered through the lavishly decorated foyer to begin their "Moroccan Nights" adventure, the whole of St. Patrick's Hall was filled with the sweet spicy smells of Morocco for our Presentation Balls this year. The stage was decorated with twinkling lamps and Bedouin tents hanging from the roof. Participants made their way to the front of the stage along a red carpet under a Moroccan style archway. The walls of the hall were adorned with beautiful rich red and gold Moroccan rugs, and the sparkling chandelier and lights added to the elegant feel that St. Pat's Hall always provides.

Participants were presented to Darren Hovey, Gerard Sullivan and Gerard's daughter Lucy for the first ball and Bernard and Fiona Neal for the second ball. The participants were transformed from clumping, uncoordinated creatures to graceful, elegant and charismatic budding Ginger Rogers and Fred Astaire's over weeks of practice. They will be eternally grateful (as I am) to Deb and Dom Ravida for equipping them with the dance moves they will now keep with them for life.



Back: Frazer Woodhead, Bradley Gregory, Ben Hourigan, Finn McKenzie-McHarg, Zachary Wingrave, Samuel Dummler, Ben Keane, Ben Creed, Logan Parisi, Callum McMahon, Reuben Corrigan, Sam Walsh, Hayden Clark.

Front: Demi Shale, Naomi Jones, Lillian Day, Ruby Gardner-Russell, Monique Semmens, Bekki Hoppach, Bedelia Flanagan, Lily-May Harding (flowergirl), Beth Hoffman, Erin Connor, Emma Brown, Eliza Pittaway, Kate Barrie, Peyton Taylor. **Trainers:** Debbie & Dominic Ravida.

After the Presentation and Formal dance part of the evening had wowed the family and friends of those participating, the students busted out the moves to the less graceful but highly entertaining Cha Cha Slide. All the guests joined the students on the dance floor for an evening of smooth moves, to the ever amazing sounds of perennial crowd favourites Scott and Amanda.

A huge thank you to my family, Peter, Bec and Tom for all their hard work in the lead up, on the nights and in the clean/pack up of St. Patrick's Hall. Thank you to the families and Hospitality student volunteers for waiting on the guests at both nights, and thank you to those Galen staff members who supported the Presentation Balls in an official capacity.

Written by Allison King

What's On

- Tue June 4-6: Yr 10 Exams
- Thu June 6 - Yr 7 Kyabram
- Thu June 6 - Yr 11 Exams
- Fri June 7 - Correction Day - Student Free
- Mon June 10 - Queen's Birthday
- Tue June 11-13: Yr 10 Work Experience
- Tue June 11-14: Yr 11 Exams
- Thu June 13 - Yr 7 Kyabram
- Mon June 17 - Report Writing Day
- Tue June 18 - VCE: Semester 2
- Wed June 26 - Yr 9 'Circus Oz'
- Fri June 28 - Last Day Term 2

For the latest 'What's On' visit:
www.galen.vic.edu.au



ONLY THREE DAYS LEFT!

Help support our school!

Remember to collect Earn & Learn Points stickers when you shop at Woolies. The more we collect, the more our school will benefit.

The Woolworths Earn & Learn program ends on Sunday 9th June.

Thank you for your support.

Police warning

The residential side of Phillipson Street and the bus zones are no stopping areas between the hours of 8.00am - 4.00pm. Stopping in this area to drop off or pick up children from school can result in a **\$141.00 fine**. Wangaratta Police have the safety of students in mind and will be enforcing this road law to minimise congestion in this area.



Uniform Shop

Opening Hours

Tuesday: 10.30am - 2.30pm

Thursday: 1.00pm - 5.00pm

Direct Line: 03 5723 8320
uniform.shop@galen.vic.edu.au

From the Principal

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Students in Year 9 had a wonderful array of experiences last week. From the REACH self esteem program, to the North East Cultural tour and the most impressive "Night of the Notables", these young people took up with both hands the opportunities provided to them.

It was great to see so many parents and other family members attending the "Night of the Notables" on Thursday evening. We were treated to "interviews" with such diverse characters from Australian sport, science and social history as John Coleman, Margaret Court, Jimmy Stynes, Don Bradman, Victor Chang, Howard Florey, Mary Mackillop and Edith Cowan.

Costumes, props, presentations and research were all impressive and the students had a great grasp of the significance and life stories of their chosen "notable".

2014 Year 7 interviews

Over the next three weeks we will be interviewing students and their parents for places at Year 7 next year. We expect to make offers of places before the start of next semester. It is a terrific privilege to speak with these young people and to hear of their aspirations and inspirations.

Year 10, 11, 12 exams

Exams for students in Years 10 and 11 will take place over the next two weeks. All the best to the students in these year levels – this is where your hard work (or otherwise) during the term will show through.

Good luck to all the Year 10 students who will be taking Work Experience in the week of the Queen's Birthday public holiday. It is always fascinating to see the range of experiences our students have sought out for themselves.

Correction Day

Please note that Friday 7 June is a pupil-free day, as indicated on the annual calendar. Teaching staff will be spending the day working through and assessing the projects, assignments, assessment tasks and other work completed by your children. The result of this assessment will appear in the reports and online via PAM (Parent Access Module).

Best wishes,
Bernard Neal - Principal

Education Maintenance Allowance

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 - 2013

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.

Honouring Champagnat

Feast of St. Marcellin Champagnat, Founder of the Marist Brothers

On Thursday June 6, we honour St. Marcellin Champagnat, the founder of the Marist Brothers who began Champagnat College here in Wangaratta in 1955, one of the three schools that combined to form Galen Catholic College.

The newly ordained priest Marcellin Champagnat arrived at the village of La Valla with a dream. He dreamt of a mission of educating the young country children. The authorities had reported "The young are living in the most profound ignorance and are given to the most alarming dissipation." Education had improved and the time was ripe for Marcellin to move forward and begin his mission to the young.



The catalyst that drove his determination was his experience with a seventeen-year-old boy, Jean-Baptiste Montagne. The desperately ill boy was entirely ignorant of matters of faith and Marcellin endeavoured to prepare him for death in the knowledge of God's love. This encounter with this adolescent boy transformed Marcellin and pushed his determination to find a group of brothers to evangelise the young, particularly those most neglected.

Marcellin was not simply concerned about providing better educational opportunities for young people. He was also preoccupied with helping to foster their religious development and their experience of God's love. He saw education as a means for integrating faith and culture.

'We want to educate the children, to instruct them in their duty, to teach them to practice it, to give them a Christian spirit and attitude and to form them to religious habits and the virtues possessed by a good Christian and a good citizen.'

Our Marcellin inspired schools have the mission in this Year of Faith to stand by what he believed in. We have much to offer in this Christian mission. As Pope Francis reminds us, "If we do not confess to Christ, what would we be? We would end up as a compassionate NGO." On the feast of St Marcellin Champagnat it is good to ponder what we believe, and to recognise our Catholic school as that dimension of confessing Christ.

Written by Jennifer Bromley

Top Arts & Top Designs

Senior Art, Studio Art and Visual Communication Design students recently viewed top VCE folios at the annual Top Arts and Top Designs exhibitions in Melbourne. This valuable excursion inspired our creative students and they returned to Galen with renewed energy to explore further ideas and experiment with a broad range of media through their own folio work. Several Year 12 students commented that seeing the work of top students from across the state gave them a much stronger sense of direction to pursue their own work. Whilst students benefited greatly from seeing the folios of other top VCE students, the definite highlight of the day was having the opportunity to see Monet's Garden at the National Gallery of Victoria. Claude Monet once stated that, 'My garden is my most beautiful masterpiece.' This statement resonated through the work on display. Viewing the way in which Monet captured the effects of light through his artwork was a remarkable experience.



Year 10 Drama - Commedia Dell'Arte

The Year 10 Pathway Drama class recently participated in an intensive 'Commedia Dell'Arte' performance/workshop titled 'The Other side of the Mask'. The workshop was delivered by Creative Anthropologist and Commedia Dell'Arte performer, Marco Pisano. Marco has studied and performed in this area of theatre throughout Europe. This unique and very challenging opportunity assisted the students to understand performance 'behind the mask' along with the demands of this historical and theatrical 'street-style' form of comedy. Students were challenged to take part and explore aspects of Commedia Dell'Arte including the study of space, mask, movement, expression, voice and interaction. The students will be performing their own versions of this very physical comedy style that incorporates much improvisation and exaggeration as their major performance assessment task. This was a collaboration between the Drama and LOTE departments. Thank you to Franco Cudini for his support.



Santa Teresa 2013

Galen Catholic College proudly introduces to the community this year's Santa Teresa Immersion group. This impressive group are already actively planning and preparing for all the exciting activities that take place when raising much needed funds and awareness for Santa Teresa Community School, Ltyentye Apurte.

Ltyentye Apurte is 82 kms south east of Alice Springs and forms part of the Rodinga Ward. It was established as a Catholic Mission and housed people from Alice Springs who had resided in two different locations, including Arltunga, where a lack of water forced closure of this mission after only ten years.

Santa Teresa came into being in 1952 following granting of a lease by the Commonwealth Government of 124,000 hectares of land. The current estimated population is 643 residents. Santa Teresa is a dry community which means alcohol is prohibited within its perimeters. The indigenous residents of Santa Teresa are practicing Catholics, as well as practicing their own culture and traditions.

Ltyentye Apurte is known for its beautiful setting, its sacred spring, the horsemanship of locals and their football prowess. The team has even played in Melbourne at the MCG.

This year's group is made up of a great mix of students, demonstrating many different skills and strengths. Welcome to the community: Olivia Storer, Tristan Lenaz, Peyton Taylor, Blake Nixon, Rebecca Morris, Thomas Noble, Paige Culhane, Samuel Adams and Dane Levesque.

Of course, this trip would not be able to happen if it weren't for the tremendous efforts and supervision of their accompanying teachers Mr. Peter Brian, Ms. Nicole Nixon and Mrs. Marisa Primerano.

The group departs on the 13th of October this year for seven days of hard work and community involvement. Please wish them the best as they set off on their journey for reconciliation and commitment to justice.



Above: The 2013 Santa Teresa group

Below: Photos from the 2012 Santa Teresa Immersion in Central Australia last year.



Words from Wellbeing

Therese Rodway - Wellbeing & Pastoral Care

We have access to some fantastic resources to assist parents raising teens. By going to our Galen website you will find the first of these resources at: <http://www.galen.vic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/ParentInsights1.pdf>

This week we feature what to do when kids 'catastrophise'. This information will help kids to manage negative and positive outcomes to the challenges they encounter in life! We'll be sharing more of these helpful resources during the year.

Be well, and be happy! - *from the Wellbeing Team*

Senior School News

Mick Grogan - Senior School Director

A copy of the VCE Exam timetable is included in this newsletter and has been forwarded to students. Students who are running late for an exam or who are unable to make it to an exam need to communicate with Mrs. O'Dwyer, Mr. Evans or Mr. Grogan. Please note VCAL classes and associated work placements will operate as normal.

Year 11 students who wish to change subjects for semester 2 need to discuss this with their parents/guardians and teachers, fill out a form, ensure that it is signed and submit it to Mr. Grogan by June 11.

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.

Yr 11 1981/Yr 12 1982 GALEN CATHOLIC COLLEGE Wangaratta Reunion

WHEN: Saturday November 30 2013

TIME: 6.00pm onwards at North Eastern Hotel Beer Garden

WHO: Past students and teachers and their families are most welcome.

RSVP: Please email Lyndel Petersen (nee Annett) lyndel.petersen@galen.vic.edu.au
by the beginning of November

The Global Poverty Walk

Matt Napier

Guest Speaker Year 7 & 8 Assembly 29th May

Matt and Wendy Napier have a passion to see an end to extreme poverty within the next generation. In early February last year they joined forces with the MAKE POVERTY HISTORY campaign and Matt rode his bicycle from Perth to Canberra to raise awareness of world poverty. In early February 2013 Matt commenced the Global Poverty Walk and has travelled across the Nullarbor, through Adelaide, Melbourne and Wangaratta where he spoke at our Year 7 & 8 assembly on the 29th of May. He will continue his journey on to Canberra before finishing in Sydney in late June. A Global Poverty Ambassador and mad AFL fan, Matt has walked the route, approximately 4,400km, bouncing an AFL football – something that has never been done before. Since 1990, the number of people living in extreme poverty has been halved and the number of children dying from preventable deaths has dropped by 41%. Through effective foreign aid, Australia is helping to save the lives of more than 15,000 children every day. But there is still much more to be done.

<http://www.theglobalpovertywalk.com.au>



Defence Force Presentation

Sergeant Roger Derrick from Defence Force Recruiting recently gave an intriguing presentation on the life and times of a reconnaissance and surveillance patrolman within the infantry. Roger showed students camouflage suits, equipment harnesses, training rifles, patrol backpacks and talked about occupational opportunities within the Australian Defence Force.



Year 11 PARTY Program

A group of Year 11 students recently attended the Alfred Hospital's PARTY program (Prevent Alcohol and Risk-related Trauma in Youth). This program exposed students to an experience of life post-trauma with the view to altering their perceptions of risk-related activities such as drink-driving. The facilitators of the day were a mixture of professionals from the Wangaratta community and the Trauma team from The Alfred Hospital in Melbourne. Students participated in a number of hands on sessions where they explored realistic experiences relating to party planning, looking after mates, CPR, what happens when a trauma patient is in ICU and rehabilitation after a serious injury. A number of students reflected on the day:

There were various activities and groups that we went to, explaining dangers at underage parties, binge drinking and what happens if you get to hospital with a serious injury. We heard a story from a man named Anthony who got run over by a car at the age of 6 and now has a full time carer.

- Lisa

My day at P.A.R.T.Y was a really good experience. I learnt some new things, it was a fun practical day, we got to wear neck braces, back braces and got bandaged up to see what it was really like being in those situations. We also got to know what consequences could come with alcohol and drugs.

- Carly

I really enjoyed the P.A.R.T.Y program, I gained lots of new knowledge about consequences of your own actions. The program really helped open my eyes to how fast things can change and what others have to go through due to one little mistake that could have been avoided.

- Tegan

The P.A.R.T.Y program was a very informative event about the consequences of alcohol and risk-taking. I received lots of information, both horrifying and sad that was very relevant to my age group and the social activities I engage in. This program made me very aware and think twice about the risks I put myself through.

- Jamie

I thought that the P.A.R.T.Y program was a really good day to learn about the results of risky behaviour and alcohol. After surgery to try and fix young people, they end up hooked up to monitors, and even life support because they can't do things for themselves, and need machines to help them. It really hit home when they informed us, that many parents make the hard decision to turn off their son/daughters life support after they have encountered a traumatic accident

- Louise

My day at the P.A.R.T.Y program was such a great experience. I learnt just how quickly, and how one simple decision or choice can change the rest of your life for the worst. We constantly hear stories about how tragedies happen due to drug, alcohol and reckless driving incidents, although you never think that the person ending up in critical condition in hospital could be you. The P.A.R.T.Y program identified how it could be either one of us, at any moment and it really made me stop and think about how careful you need to be. I hope many others get the chance to go to the program because all youth need to hear and become aware to this.

- Demi

I really enjoyed this experience, it opened my eyes to that fact the one silly decision can completely change your life for the worst. The one thing that has remained in my head since was when we were told that, "statistically two of you in this room of 15 will end up in intensive care fighting for life before the age of 24, just because of one really foolish choice".

- Grace O'H



Careers News

Rob Walker - Work & Further Education Coordinator

Year 10 Work Experience June 11-14

- Students need to contact the employer this week or next to confirm their placement.
- Students need to take an evaluation form to the work placement for the employer to fill out at the end of the placement. This needs to be sent to Mr Walker.
- NO YEAR 10 CLASSES run from June 11-14.
- All forms can be downloaded from the Simon website.

VOCATIONAL AND HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS

La Trobe University- disciplines in the top 100: In the latest 'QS World University Rankings by Subject', La Trobe was placed in the world's top 50 most elite institutions in the area of sociology and the top 100 in communications and media, history, education and linguistics.

New branding for Swinburne University: Swinburne has launched a new theme and branding called 'Think Forward'. To find out about this exciting initiative, go to <http://www.thinkforward.com.au/>

Learn about La Trobe: The University has developed several videos to assist you in learning about their accommodation, applying to courses, campus life and why you should study at La Trobe. To view the videos, go to <http://www.latrobe.edu.au/career-practitioners/resources/videos>

New Bachelor of Accounting and Finance at Australian Catholic University: This degree will be available in 2014 and can lead to a career in banking, financial consulting and planning, funds management, merchant banking, stockbroking and treasury. This new degree meets the accreditation requirements of the CPA Australia, the ICAA, IPA plus the training standards in the Australian Securities and Investments Commission, ANZIF and FINSIA. www.acu.edu.au

Interested in film and television? RMIT have just launched a new Associate Degree in Screen and Media Production. This is 2-year course will assist you to "build valuable screen industry skills and knowledge in the key areas of concept development, storytelling, pre-production, production and post-production for single and multi-camera production". For more information, go to <http://www.rmit.edu.au/programs/ad017>

Develop skills in management through Ducere: You can study a Diploma of Management through this company online whilst you work, study or travel. You will receive your qualification from Holmesglen Institute. For more information, go to <http://ducere.co/>

Thinking of taking a gap year? If you are interested in studying at university in the future and would like to take a gap year, you may be interested to read the following article in The Age Newspaper- <http://www.theage.com.au/victoria/defer-and-prosper-20130523-2k3vt.html>

Applying for a university course? You should consider applying for the Ernst & Young Cadet Program. If successful, you will have the opportunity to combine on the job training at Ernst & Young in Melbourne, Sydney or Brisbane with part time university studies in one of the following courses:

- Accounting
- Commerce
- Business
- Information technology
- Information systems, and
- Computer science

Applications are now open- for more information, go to <http://www.ey.com/AU/en/Careers/Students/Your-role-here/Students---Programs#fragment-4-na>

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mid Year Expo, Swinburne University: The Mid Year Expo will be held on Wednesday 12 June, 4.30pm – 7pm at the Hawthorn Campus. The Expo is targeted to

people looking to start a course mid year, but it is still a great forum for Year 12 students to get information about courses, scholarships, accommodation etc. at Swinburne. To register, go to <http://www.swinburne.edu.au/midyear/events-advice/>

MyDay Creative Industries: Charles Sturt University, Wagga Wagga Campus, is hosting a MyDay on Tuesday 25 June to showcase the following courses:

- Acting for Stage and Screen
- Fine Arts
- Animation & Visual Effects
- Design for Theatre & Television
- Graphic Design
- Photography
- Television Production

To register, go to www.csu.edu.au/go/myday

Victorian College of the Arts and Music July Workshops:

- 1 – 5: Pop Song Writing Bootcamp
- 2: VCE Analysis Workshop
- 6: Music Theatre Audition Workshop
- 8 – 12: Secondary Students Acting Week-long Workshop
- 8 – 12: Life of a VCA Dance Student

For more information, contact Danielle Boardman, Program Coordinator, VCA@commercial.unimelb.edu.au

MyDay Community Health & Nursing: Charles Sturt University, Albury-Wodonga Campus, is hosting a MyDay on Tuesday 25 June to showcase the following courses:

- Speech Pathology
- Health & Rehabilitation Science
- Physiotherapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Podiatry
- Nursing

To register, go to www.csu.edu.au/go/myday

UniExperience Melbourne: If you are in Year 11 and fall into at least one of the following categories, you are eligible to apply for the two-day UniExperience program at the University of Melbourne.

- Live in a rural area of Victoria or on the Vic/NSW border
- First in the family to attend university
- Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander student (Year 11 or 12)

You will have the opportunity to take part in a range of sessions and activities covering all aspects of tertiary study as well as stay at a residential college on the Parkville campus. The program runs on 11 and 12 July. Places are limited- to apply, fill out the online application form by Friday 21 June at www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/uniexp

Aviation Expo: Students are invited to attend Swinburne's Aviation Expo on Thursday 11 July. You can meet with representatives from some of Australia's top aviation organisations, including major airlines and airports. The event is ideal for students interested in the Bachelor of Aviation or the Bachelor of Aviation (Management). To register, go to <http://www.swinburne.edu.au/engineering/aviation/events/>

Zoos Victoria July School Holiday Programs 2013

Healesville Sanctuary: Vet for a Day Grades 9-12 3, 4, 10, 11 July
Interested in becoming a vet?

Our Australian Wildlife Health Centre receives over 1,500 injured and orphaned wild animals each year. Come and work alongside our vets in a unique program on real life cases involving Healesville Sanctuary's animal collection, including endangered species, as well as injured wildlife brought to the hospital.

Healesville Sanctuary: Keeper for a Day Grades 7-12 2, 3, 9, 10 July

Do you want to help save endangered animals?

Come and work as a keeper at Healesville Sanctuary next school holidays and get up close to some of our most precious and endangered Australian animals. Be

the first to go behind the scenes and meet our amazing keepers looking after threatened species including Tasmanian Devils and Mountain Pygmy Possums.

Werribee Open Range Zoo: Keeper for a Day Grades 7-12 2, 4, 8, 10 July

Are you interested in working with animals?

If you are keen to find out what it takes to work in a zoo, caring for the amazing array of different animals, then come out to Werribee Open Range Zoo next school holidays. Come and discover what a keeper's day really involves! Keeper for a Day allows participants to work in the Zoo for the day, helping out our keepers and learning about one of the most rewarding jobs at a zoo!

Bookings: 92859406

Victoria University's Bachelor of Arts (Kyninadoo): is delivered in a space created by Indigenous students that welcomes all students to learn about Indigenous peoples of Australia – and the world. Students develop skills to take into the workplace; whether it be with a local Aboriginal community-based organisation, a service provider, a government department or the United Nations. For more information, go to <http://www.vu.edu.au/courses/bachelor-of-arts-kyninadoo-hbhc>

JMC Academy Information Session: This session is for Year 11 and 12 students and will give you an opportunity to ask about their courses in animation, film & TV, music, game design, entertainment management, and audio engineering. The session will be held on Wednesday 26 June, starting at 6.30pm at the Melbourne campus. Please RSVP at <http://www.jmccademy.edu.au/>

Mid year workshops at JMC Academy: The Academy is running intensive workshops for students in Years 10 – 12. You will be able to undertake workshops in the following courses (dates are for 5 and 8 July):

- 5: Audio Engineering
 - 5: Film & TV Production
 - 5: Music
 - 8: Animation
 - 8: Game Design
 - 8: Entertainment Management
- To book your place, go to <http://www.jmccademy.edu.au/>



MAY EVENTS

- 30: Meet Melbourne University, Warrnambool, www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/mm2013
- 30: At Monash Seminar Series, Engineering, www.monash.edu.au/study/life/student/seminars/

JUNE EVENTS

- 1 – 2: Biomechanics Workshop, Victorian College of the Arts, <http://www.commercial.unimelb.edu.au/biomechanicsworkshop/>
- 5: Indigenous Student Experience Monash Day, Monash University, kristel.keleher@monash.edu.au
- 6: MyDay Education & Teaching: Charles Sturt University, Albury Wodonga, <http://www.csu.edu.au/go/myday>
- 11, 25: Information Sessions, University of Technology Sydney, IT Undergraduate Courses & Scholarships (11), Engineering Undergraduate Courses (25), www.uts.edu.au
- 12: Mid Year Expo, Swinburne University, Hawthorn, <http://www.swinburne.edu.au/midyear/events-advice/>
- 21: UniExperience Melbourne, Applications due by eligible Year 11 students, www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/uniexp
- 25: MyDay Creative Industries, Charles Sturt University, Wagga Wagga Campus, www.csu.edu.au/go/myday
- 25: MyDay Community Health & Nursing, Charles Sturt University, Albury-Wodonga Campus, www.csu.edu.au/go/myday
- 26: JMC Academy, Information Session, Melbourne Campus, <http://www.jmccademy.edu.au/>

Girls Interleague Football

Congratulations to all girls who played against Wodonga in the Girls Interleague football match held on Sunday 26th March at the Wangaratta Showgrounds. The team of Kate Brown, Georgie Waite, Alex Shanley, Christinia Shanley, Mikaela Ellis, Chloe Sloan, Anna Walliss, Taylor Russo and Baylee Holland were very unlucky to be pipped at the post in the last 20 seconds to go down by 4 points. Well done to Year 12 student Georgie Waite who was the best player on the ground.



Year 9 & 10 Upper Hume Football

The Year 9 & 10 boys football team played in the Upper Hume Division. They played 2 preliminary games at Wareena Park against Catholic College Wodonga and Wodonga Secondary College and a final game at the Barr Reserve against Wangaratta High School.

• **Game 1** Galen 4 – 8 – 32 defeated Catholic College Wodonga 1 - 3 - 9
This was a very hard and fast contest with both teams displaying good skills. Excellent defensive work by the Galen backline prevented Catholic College from scoring. When Galen went forward strong overhead marking and good crumbing goals resulted in a solid win for the Galen team.

• **Game 2** Galen 9 – 7 – 61 defeated Wodonga Secondary College 1 – 1 – 7
A very good team effort by all the boys contributed to a rewarding victory. Players were prepared to go and get the hard ball and then to handball and deliver well to their forwards. There were some excellent play and once the Galen team combined well to score a very deserving win.

• **Game 3** Grand Final Galen 6 – 3 – 39 def Wang High School 3 – 2 – 20
A very fast Wangaratta outfit put pressure on our resolute defence and after a lot of desperate and determined efforts Galen was able to peg back the opposition and be on even terms at half time. In the second half Galen's tall timber brigade came to the party and marked strongly and converted their opportunities very well.
A very good team performance by all of the boys that contributed on the day. Thanks to Laurie Burt, Tom Frawley and Jack Wilson for their assistance and their organizational skills on the day.

The boys will now progress further to the next round on Tuesday 6th August. The girls also played in the Upper Hume Division. They lost their first match against Catholic College Wodonga 24 to 12. The girls were much improved in their second match for the day, winning convincingly against Wodonga Middle Years College, 64 to 8. Unfortunately Wangaratta High School were too strong in the last match of the day, and Galen went down 22 to 7. Congratulations to Bianca Mulqueen, Ellie Hourigan, Kate Reiter and Alysha Ismale who were the best players on the day. Many thanks to Jess Clarke and Lauren Parker who coached the girls on the day.

Galen Equestrian Team

On Saturday 18th May, the Galen Equestrian Team competed at Albury Equestrian Centre. The following students gained places in Dressage, Equitation and Show Jumping: Amie Hourigan, Hailey Silva, Sarah Berry, Hayley Berry, Sarah Horne, Bree Ramsay, Shane Allan, Chloe Allan, Annabelle Creed (Glenrowan Primary) and Matilda Bedendo (St Patrick's Primary). Overall, the students representing Galen came 6th out of the 32 schools that competed.

School Sport Vic State Swimming Team

Congratulations to Kate Brown and Elli Warren who have been selected in the SSV Victorian swim team which will swim in Adelaide in September. Kate has qualified to swim in the 100 and 200m Breaststroke, the 50, 100 and 200m Butterfly, the 200 and 400m Individual Medley and 2 relays. Elli has qualified to swim in the 100, 200 and 400m Freestyle, 200m Butterfly, 400 Individual Medley and 3 relays.

Yr 7 Boys' Soccer

Galen's Year 7 boys' soccer team enjoyed a successful day at the Upper Hume competition held at La Trobe, Wodonga on a magnificent autumn day.

Galen started the day with a 7-2 win over Wodonga Felltimber, in what was a high scoring and entertaining game. In their second match Galen overcame some anxious moments to secure their passage to the Grand final, winning 4-2 against Victory Lutheran College, Wodonga.

In the Grand Final against Wodonga's Huon College, Galen conceded 2 early goals, and despite trying their best, they could only peg one back, losing 1-2. The leading goal scorer and one of the better players for the day was Joe Curcio with 7 goals over the three games. Other good players for Galen were midfielders, Thomas Paztor, Matthew Tanner and Mark Verdon. Defender, Cooper Verdon was the standout player in the final and goalkeeper, Hugh Tharratt made many fine saves in games two and three.

Thanks to Tom 'Call me the gaffer' Frawley, for his excellent coaching of the team and to Mr Hill for driving the bus and being our linesman.



Sandhurst Switches Off

On Wednesday, May 29th, during Catholic Education Week, all Catholic Schools in the Sandhurst Diocese were invited to turn off their lights for the whole school day as an act of solidarity and a sign of our commitment to lessening our ecological footprint on the earth. In this act, schools saved an estimated total of 15.3 tonnes of Greenhouse Gas emissions! This is the fourth year Sandhurst Switches Off has run in the diocese. It is hoped that by flicking the switch in our classrooms the younger generation will be encouraged to do the same in their homes, thereby creating a more sustainable lifestyle in the future.

State Tennis Finals

Congratulations to the senior boys and girls tennis team who competed at the State Tennis Championships on Monday 20th May in Melbourne.

The boys team of Ben Morrow, Matt Adamo, Matt Fetherstonhaugh, Tim Judd and Greg Allan all played well to make the semi-final against Maribyrnong Sports Academy. Maribyrnong were too strong for Galen in the end, but it was a great effort for the boys to finish second in their pool.

The girls team of Maggie Snowdon, Ruby Gardner-Russell, Tegan Chambeyron, Bree Chambeyron and Shelby Collins found the cold and wet conditions trying, but played well to finish fourth in their pool.

Thanks to Nicole Nixon who took the teams on the day.

Congratulations are also in order for the intermediate boys tennis team who also competed at the State Tennis Championships on Friday 24th May in Melbourne.

The team of Matt Wilson, Zac Sullivan, Sam Harvey, Daniel Lloyd and Daniel Bannister were in a tough pool and played against Melbourne High, Viewbank College and Warrnambool College. The boys played to the best of their ability to finish 4th in their section. Thanks to Stephen Rosicka who took the boys on the day.



Upper Hume Cross Country

Congratulations to all students who participated in the Upper Hume Cross Country Championships held in Myrtleford on the Monday 27th May. Students ran either a 3km or 5km course depending on their age group.

Year 8 student Ned Penny, and year 7 student Jack Gerish had great runs in the 3km event, both convincingly winning their age groups. Year 12 student Mikhaila Lovett also ran well, finishing 3rd in the 20 year old age group.

The first 15 place-getters in each age group have qualified to compete at the next level which will be held in Broadford on the 19th June. 19 out of the 23 students who ran at Upper Hume have automatically qualified for the next round, a fantastic effort. We wish them all the best at the Hume Championships.

Thanks to Irene Apostolopoulos and Lauren Parker who took the team on the day.



Herald Sun Football Shield

On Tuesday 28th May The Year 11 & 12 senior boys football team played in the Herald Sun Shield at Mooroopna. Despite being in a winning position to win in both games the boys put up a gallant and determined effort and went down to both Notre Dame Catholic College and Wanganui Secondary College.

Game 1

Notre Dame 6 – 6- 42 def Galen 3 – 2 – 20

The Galen boys started off the game in good style and broke to lead early. Some very tenacious and spirited performances by our on ball brigade who continually pushed the ball forward. On many occasions the Notre Dame defence stood tall and prevented us from scoring. In the second half Notre Dame displayed some excellent high marking skills and then were able to convert their opportunities which brought them out victors.

Game 2

Wanganui Secondary College 6 – 9 - 45 def Galen 5 – 5 – 35

Galen got off to slow and sluggish start and watched their opponents score 5 relatively goals. Wanganui were moving the ball well and scored from all their forward thrusts. At half time the boys the boys made a commitment to put up a better showing and rallied with some good team football to get within a couple of points. However time ran out and with a bit of an injury list the Galen boys weren't able to make up the difference.

Pat Eefting was determined the best player for Galen. Matt Hedin and James McClounan were also prominent in both games.

A big thank you to the 19 boys who made themselves available to represent their school on the day. They played very well together and enjoyed the experience of football at this level.

Thanks to trainee teacher Scott Peebles as well as our bus driver, Phil Waite who was runner, boundary and water boy all in the one day and also Ron Laffy who assisted with boundary line duties.



Upper Hume Badminton

Congratulations to the 6 teams who played in the Upper Hume Badminton Competition on 30th May at the Barr Reserve. Galen had a great day out, with 3 teams winning and qualifying for the Hume Region Badminton to be held in term 3.

The year 7 boys team of Edward Dayman, Tom Young, Jack Gerrish, Harrison Smart, Oliver Willett and Connor Goodison beat Wangaratta High School in their final. The year 7 girls team of Grace Bishop, Georgia Mahoney, Kate Whitten and Danielle French won against Wodonga Middle Years College, and the year 8 girls team of Bianca Mulqueen, Lucy Lee, Kotone Kamiyama, Chloe Chamberlain, Kelsey Woods and Alannah Kelly beat Mt Carmel Christian College in their final.



The year 9/10 girls and year 9/10 boys teams were unfortunately beaten in their finals to be runners up for the day. Thanks to Amanda White and Chris Parsons who took the teams on the day.

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Wallis Islanders Immerse in English Language

For two weeks at the end of May Galen hosted students and teachers from Wallis Island, a small French dominion just north of Fiji in the Pacific with a population of around 15,000.

The twelve French-speaking students were aged around 17-18 years and are part of the literature stream in their school 'Lycee de Wallis et Fortuna'. For many it was their first trip away from their island. As each was studying English the trip was planned as a 'Linguistic Immersion' where the students would become exposed to an English speaking community as well as enjoy the cultural differences.

This inaugural visit of students from this school was initiated by former Wangaratta resident, Jo Kanimoa, daughter of Alan and Ros White, who now works at the Wallis Island school. The students were billeted by Galen families including a number of members of staff. Language was sometimes an issue, but to the credit of all

concerned, perseverance augmented communication.

The young visitors spent much time in Year 11 classes and involved themselves in extra-curricular activities such as a Melbourne trip to see the Monet Exhibition, a visit to Catholic College Bendigo to be involved with French classes and the Year 9 Cultural and History trip to Benalla. They were also involved with visits to local Catholic Primary Schools and GO TAFE, Benalla.

A farewell BBQ was conducted for the visitors and to thank hosts. All were entertained by traditional dancing and singing. Galen has a well-developed cross-cultural immersion program which includes visits to Santa Teresa aboriginal community in the Northern Territory, East Timor, Italy and Indonesia. We can now add Wallis Island to that program which endeavours to broaden our understanding of national and international communities different to our own, and in some cases, with special needs.





Reconciliation Week

May 27 – June 3



As we gather on this sacred land, let us acknowledge that we are standing on Pangerang country, for which the members and elders of the local Aboriginal community and their forebearers have been custodians for thousands of years. In the spirit of reconciliation we commit to walk together in truth and justice. Though change has occurred the song & the spirit of the Pangerang people will always be written in this land. Let our voices join theirs. It takes a thousand voices to tell a single story.



Above: The 2012 Santa Teresa Immersion in Central Australia last year.

"It's about Recognition" www.reconciliation.org.au

A call to be in Solidarity with those less fortunate in our community
During the month of May and June 2013



Every year The St Vincent de Paul Society amongst many other benevolent organisations clothe, feed and accommodate the people most vulnerable in our community. As winter sets in and we feel the cold we are called to be mindful of those who are in need.

The Galen Social Justice Committee invites you to join with us in contributing blankets and non-perishables

to those in need in the Wangaratta area.
Please give generously
 any blankets and non-perishable foods.
 Any offering is most welcome.

Items can be brought to the Galen reception from week 4 Term 2 (Monday 6th May)

These items will then be donated to the St Vincent de Paul Society and offered at the Solidarity mass at the end of June in thanks giving of your generosity. During Term 2 please get behind this most essential need during winter.



Students sleep rough for those in need

On Friday May 31st, 12 students from Year 12 to Year 7, participated in the St Vinnie's Winter Sleepout in the auditorium. We would like to thank Bec from NESAY and Bill Daunt from St Vinnie's, who came to speak to us about Homelessness on the night. The students enjoyed some basic soup and bread and slept in boxes in an attempt to simulate what homelessness may look and feel like. Money raised will go to St Vincent de Paul's Winter Appeal. Thanks also to Mrs Deb Doyle for her contribution of soup and wisdom, braving the 'elements' to stay the night. Also to Therese Rodway for organising the guest speakers. Any donations of blankets and non-perishable goods can be donated to the Winter Appeal and left at the Galen Office.

Lyndel Petersen - Social Justice Coordinator.



Short Story Writers at Galen

Recently students across the school entered Forming Circles Short Story Writing Competition with the theme: Portraits at Home. The winner in each category will receive \$500 and Galen will receive \$5000 towards its literacy programs.

We are very much hoping for a winning entrant! The entrants came from Years 9 and 11 and have been busy creating their works and editing their pieces having received feedback from various teachers and other editors. The winning entries together with other selected submission will be published in an anthology.

The entrants were lucky enough to have a workshop with the celebrated author Michael Gerard Bauer who was at Galen for the Year 8 English workshops and presentation on Don't Call Me Ishmael.

Congratulations to those who entered the competition and thank you to the teachers,

parents and students who took the time to read and provide feedback for the students; in particular Mrs Wendy Chuck, Mr Keith Willett, Ms Christine Duff and Ms Hannah Banks. A big thank you to Ms Hannah Banks, Mrs Annette Fletcher and Mr Laurie Burt for attending the lunch time writing sessions.



The Sound of a Monster

Below is an extract from Briellen Ramsey's (Year 9) story, THE SOUND OF A MONSTER

The monster was always lurking about in my house. It didn't make me feel safe or secure. It could spot out its pray and devour it in minutes. The noise sounded like bottles smashing, like yelling and crying, like the scraping of metal against concrete. It is the sort of sound like a fingernail scraping down a blackboard. It makes me shiver! I don't like the sound of the monster.

My cold hands cupped my own ears in an effort to block out the sounds. Wet droplets sometimes slide down my face. I can't stop this! I feel helpless! I don't like the sound of a monster.

It was never really my home; it was just where I lived... a dark cold uninviting place. The monster mostly came late at night, while other children slept soundly in their beds. Sometimes the monster was contained (just for me, I think.). But if it thought I wasn't around it would escape.

I ran one day, I ran from the sound of the monster. Out the window and into the darkness that swooped me up and carried me away. As I ran, the moons lantern followed me, watching, it seemed with interest. The moon as least was my friend. The moon seemed to care. There was no sign of other houses around, just endless open paddocks. The ground was damp and for the first time I realized I was not wearing any shoes. My feet felt suddenly very cold and they started tingling. I started running, in hope of warming my feet up. It felt good, like I was escaping jail and finally on my run to freedom.

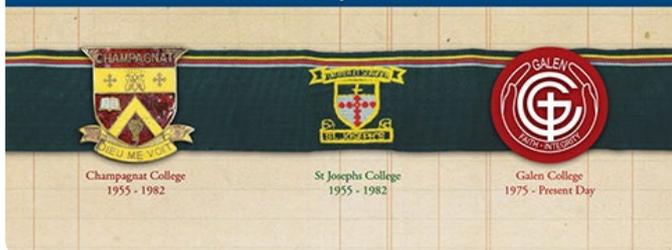
I reached a barbed wire fence and started clambering through. My cotton shirt got caught on the barb, but I didn't stop. A tearing, ripping sound echoed as my shirt tore, leaving a piece of cloth fabric on the barb. The moon gazed at me and the grass started to get thicker and longer. Suddenly I was falling down. My knees hit the ground first, followed by my hands and soon my whole body was on the ground. The ground was moist from last night's rain, and the fallen grass under me made me feel like I was in a nest. I turned my body over so my chest was facing the sky. There were so many stars that night. It almost looked like a child had taken too much joy by sprinkling too much glitter on the black canvas that was the sky. It was beautiful!

Cicadas rattled and coarsely chirped. A soft breeze rustled the grass around me. Peace. I tilted my head back. In the middle of the paddock stood an old oak tree. A smile curved over my face and I brought myself to feet. It was like fate - the grass appeared to make a path leading me directly to the oak. Its inviting trunk base allowed me to clamber up into its safety. Its strong outstretched branches made it comfortable to be seated just so. From there I could see the surrounds far into the distance. I could see the lights of my house where the monster crouched. I rested my head against the trunk, staring constantly at the house. I wondered if the monster was still there, angrily fighting and growling.

Old Collegians

Champagnat College • St Joseph's College • Galen Catholic College

Issue 1 - June 2013



A new Galen publication called 'Old Collegians' is on the way. Old Collegians has been created especially for ex-students who attended Champagnat, St Josphe's and Galen College. Content in the first issue will include updates on what some of our Old Collegians are up to now and a history of our Colleges.

If you'd like to contribute to this publication, and let your fellow old collegians know what you're doing now, please email: malcolm.webster@galen.vic.edu.au

A melting pot of amazing authors

Most Students at Galen College have had the opportunity to listen to and work with an Australian author this semester. Each author has given a presentation and then delivered a practical workshop with the various year levels.

Alice Pung was a delightful presenter who spoke about her experiences as an Asian Australian to the Year 11s. She spoke about her parents and the difficulties she had with communication when growing up. Her workshops were based around writing stories around dialogue and empathy with the characters in conversation.



Mandy Ord is a graphic artist who has always been interested in drawing. She self-published for many years and has stayed true to the art that she enjoys. Mandy encouraged the Year 10 students to draw simple caricatures and symbols to produce tiny snapshots of life. Telling stories in pictures is a popular literature form and gives visual learners a different medium to use in their interpretation of storyline.



Michael Gerard Bauer is the author of the Year 8 class novel "Don't Call Me Ishmael." He came to us from Brisbane and gave the students background to his story and associated experiences he used to drive the characters and plot. Michael has a quiet approach and talked about aspects of bullying and schoolyard friendship, which have become the themes of his novels.



Scot Gardner, author of *The Dead I Know*, the Year 9 class novel kept the troops entertained in his presentation and workshops. He suggested that the students write what they know; to not try to be something they are not and write to the ordinary experiences of life. His novel is centered on a teenager's first job in a funeral parlor. Scot's sense of humour was very appealing and had much of his audience eager to stay for more.



John Larkin helped the Year 7s to produce some great writing. He emphasized that it is important to SHOW NOT TELL and to K.I.S.S (Keep it simple stupid!). He gave them the opportunity to practice their skills and come up with some terrific descriptive pieces.



What a great experience! Galen is very privileged to have had these great authors at our school.

Vic Uni Visit

On Monday 27th May Year 12 Chemistry students participated in a workshop provided by Victoria University. The students prepared samples of different brands of aspirin and analysed these using UV-Visible Spectroscopy. They also investigated the components present in Honey by completing a High Performance Liquid Chromatography activity. We would like to thank Dom, Ray and Aida from Vic Uni for bringing this expensive equipment to us and assisting in our understanding of these techniques. Overall a very worthwhile experience for all involved.

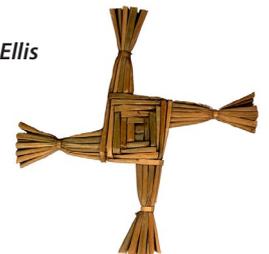


Brigidine Symbols

If you are visiting the school to pay an account or pick up your student you might notice that a large Brigidine Cross has now been hung in the front foyer, near the statue of St. Brigid. Barbara Corish generously made the cross for the school. Legend has it that Brigid wove a cross from the reeds on the floor of a Chieftain's house as he lay dying, explaining the life and death of Jesus as she worked. After he listened to her story, the Chieftain asked to be baptised. Brigidine Sisters use the cross as their emblem. The nearby statue of St. Brigid now has a plaque recording her dates (circa 451 - Feb.1, 525 AD) and acknowledges that it was gifted by the community of St. Brigid's Church, Greta which closed in 2010. The statue and cross present another opportunity to share our joint Brigidine/Marist charisms with students and the whole school community. If you would like to try your hand at making a Brigidine Cross or learn more about the Brigidine symbols, go to: <http://www.brigidine.org.au/about-us/index.cfm?loadref=12>



Written by Mrs Joan Ellis



Who's Who at Galen

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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
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VCE YEAR 11&12 EXAMINATION TIMETABLE SEMESTER ONE - 2013

	Session 1 9:00am to 10:40am	Session 2 11:10am to 12:50pm	Session 3 1:45pm to 3:25 pm
Thursday 6 th June	Studio Art – General (10) Studio Art – Photography (17) Geography (11) Auditorium	English* (140)- 2hr exam <i>(11:00am-1:10pm)</i> Room 1-2-3 Evans, Banks Room 6-7-8 Rispin, Harmer, Brien (Douglass)	General Maths Tertiary (9) Biology (42) Accounting (6) Catch Up Exam 1 Auditorium
Tuesday 11 th June	General Maths (83) Auditorium Byrne, Cobain Room 6-7-8 Round <i>8.45am – 10.30am Unit 3 Biology (33)</i> <i>Unit 3 Physics (13)</i>	Physics (16) Health and Human Development (44) Auditorium <i>11.15am-1.00pm Unit 3 Psychology</i> <i>(54)</i>	Math Methods CAS* (44) – 2hr exam <i>(1:15pm-3:25pm)</i> Catch Up Exam 2 Auditorium <i>1.45pm-3.30pm Unit 3 Accounting (6)</i> <i>Unit 3 Chemistry (22)</i>
Wednesday 12 th June	General Achievement Test 10:00am – 1:15pm – All students doing a Unit 3 /4 <i>Rm 1-2-3, 6-7-8, Auditorium, students allocated according to student number.</i>		All Unit 1 RE Exams (<i>Not Unit 3</i>) (137) Catch Up Exam 3 Room 1-2-3 Holligan, Sullivan, Ellis, Brien Room 6-7-8 Samon, Cudini
Thursday 13 th June	Business Management (22) Art (12) Auditorium	Legal Studies (28) Visual Communications (17) Auditorium	Italian (16) Foundation Maths (11) Outdoor Education (12) Catch Up Exam 4 Auditorium
Friday 14 th June	Literature (18) Design and Technology (10) Psychology (39) Auditorium	Physical Education (31) History (18) Auditorium	Chemistry (36) Catch Up Exam 5 Auditorium

Clashes – Student Alternate Times

Thursday 6th Session 3	Tuesday 11th Session 3	Wednesday 12th Session 3	Thursday 13th Session 3	Friday 14th Session 3
Catch Up Exam 1	Catch Up Exam 2	Catch Up Exam 3	Catch Up Exam 4	Catch Up Exam 5

Note: All Year 12 Practice Exams are in Room 1-2-3

* - NOTE different start times for Maths Methods and English