On Wednesday 20th of August Galen Catholic College celebrated its past traditions as we focused upon the life and person of Saint Marcellin Champagnat, the founder of the Marist Brothers. The land that Galen Catholic College now stands upon was originally founded as a school by the Marist Brothers and opened as Champagnat College in 1955 as a request by the Sandhurst Diocese. Before the brothers withdrew in 1982, they also purchased a further 27 acres in their time as educators in our parish. This land and Champagnat College was returned to the parish. As we focused upon our Marist traditions this year, we recognise their legacy and are very thankful for their contribution to Catholic Regional Education Wangaratta (CREW).

As our student numbers continue to grow the Founders’ Day Assembly is now celebrated in two separate assemblies for a student body of nearly 1100 students.

This year’s assemblies focused upon the five Marist Core Values; Presence, Simplicity, Family Spirit, A Love Of Our Work and In the Way Of Mary, Mother of Jesus Christ. These values epitomise what our community of parents, students and staff do for each other daily. These qualities were demonstrated by our MCs for the day, Annie Brien and Lachlan McKellar for the Senior Assembly, and Emma Gamble and Jaymz Bright for the Junior Assembly. They loved the work and each brought an individual presence to the day. This was mirrored in the brilliant performances of the Senior Galen Band, the Galen Choir and the Senior VCE Music class, conducted admirably by Mr David Ashfield and Miss Beth Code. The family spirit was on show with a welcomed increased presence of parents that accepted the invitation to celebrate the awards ceremony with the students and staff. Their numbers were in excess of 70 or 80 over the two assemblies. We value walking together in partnership with parents at Galen Catholic College.

Mr Neal gave a thought-provoking Principal’s Address that really captured the importance of celebrating the history, tradition and growth of Galen Catholic College over the decades. The historical research work of Mrs Joan Ellis has proved invaluable in allowing the story of our college to continue to grow and become richer. Mr Neal effectively shared this knowledge with our community and gave us all something to reflect upon.

Reflecting on life is important if one is to realise their potential. This takes place in the classroom, in our relationships, in our celebrations as Galen Catholic College community and in our ever-deepening relationship with our God. Thank you to all those involved in Founders’ Day to allow us all to reflect on how we can continue to flourish as people.

Written by Gerard Sullivan
Deputy Principal - Catholic Identity
Dear Parents and Guardians,

There are several important announcements regarding some changes in senior leadership at Galen Catholic College.

The first and most significant of these announcements is that Mr Geoff Welch has announced his intention to retire at the end of this term. Geoff has been at Galen for 17 years, the last 12 of which have been as Deputy Principal. Geoff is currently on sick leave as he recovers from a knee replacement but he will be around the school a little later in term. Geoff will be irreplaceable at Galen. He is one of the most loved and respected people I have ever encountered in any school and will be sorely missed.

The second announcement is that Ms Kirsty Woods and Mr Gary Watson have assumed the role of co-Year 11 Co-ordinators following Mr Edwin Evans’ request to step down from the position. I would like to thank Mr Evans for his work in this role over the past two and a half years. I would also like to thank Ms Woods and Mr Watson for stepping to this role at short notice.

The third announcement is that I will be on long service leave for all of fourth term. For five weeks of this leave I will be walking an ancient Christian pilgrimage route known as the Camino de Santiago, or more commonly known as the Camino Trail. In my absence, Mr Gerard Sullivan will be the Acting Principal.

Junior Production
Well done to all students involved in the junior production of “Nemo’s Adventures”. Congratulations also to the extraordinary production team led by Ms Julie Nolan and Mr David Ashfield. The productions last week were another example of the great opportunities provided to our students by this incredible production team.

Best wishes,
Bernard Neal - Principal

What’s On

• Wed Sep 3 - Yr 12 OES River Enviro Day
• Sat Sep 6-7: OEd Expedition Snowy River
• Tues Sep 9 - Year 10 Formal
• Wed Sep 10 - 9-10 Basketball
• Thurs Sep 11 - Parent Teacher Evening
• Fri Sep 12 - Parent Teacher Morning
• Mon Sep 15 - Bands Showcase at WPAC
• Mon Sep 15 - Murray River Culinary Challenge
• Tues Sep 16-17: Yr 10 OEd Walk Group 1
• Wed Sep 17-19: Italian Camp
• Fri Sep 19 - End of Term 3: 2.30pm finish

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

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

Youth Council Event

Environment Conversation
Are you interested in our local environment?

This Youth Council Forum will examine environmental issues and proposed actions around the following themes:

• Water Security & Agribusiness
• Resilient Growth & Development
• Community Wellbeing
• Natural Environment
• Sustainable Resource Use
• Mobility, Access & Peak Oil
• Alternative Energy & Greenhouse Reduction

The participation & discussion at the forums is designed to help people examine & contribute to the draft Environmental Sustainability Strategy

Wednesday 10th September
Council Offices, Wangaratta 3pm—4pm
(Council Chambers)
Food included!
Further information please call 5722 0709
The brown and gold banner, made in the uniform colours of the senior Galen College at the time, is approximately 8.7 metres long and a metre wide. It was sewn from material sourced from Brucks Factory Outlet, Wangaratta and the heavy cotton fabric lettering was sewn in gold thread with a zigzag stitch.

The banner comprises several panels stitched together so each person could attach one letter at a time. It has ten lots of ties that were used to attach it to the fence at football matches.

The banner was made in the fourth year of Galen College, 1979, when the College entered a team in the Amco Herald Shield Competition in Melbourne. The games were played at the now defunct V.F.L. Park, Waverly. Mr Tony Hannon was coach, Mr Paul Lewis was the team manager and Mr Mac Hill, Deputy Principal, was the chief organiser. According to Mr Brian Carr, the banner was used until there were complaints that it was covering the advertising.

The rookie team from the new college eventually won the series and the school was immensely proud.

According to the Galen magazine of 1979, ‘the sewing girls made the banner and did a fantastic job’. Mrs Margaret Pullen, a part time staff member, remembers sewing some of the banner at her home and thinks the rest may have been done in the Activities Class on Friday afternoons. This was a time when all senior students could choose from a variety of different activities for the two periods.

Margaret cannot remember who was responsible for making a template for the letters or the original Galen logo in the centre of the banner.

In later years the banner was used for the whole school Mass when it could be hung from the side of a building – Mass was outdoors then. Photographs from these years indicate that the staff and students were very proud to stand behind the banner to proclaim their allegiance to the very new co-educational regional Catholic school for senior students.

The last photo showing the banner intact is dated 1991. Sometime after that the word ‘Galen’ and the Galen logo were separated from the word ‘college’ and the use of the banner ceased. This coincided with the phased introduction of new school uniform colours in 1994/1995. It was close to 20 years after the initial Galen Catholic College had been opened and there was agreement among the college community that it was time for a change. However, the College would love to know what happened to the missing piece and to have the complete banner restored.

What remains of the original banner is now part of the College archives and will be displayed on special occasions.

Written by Joan Ellis, 14.08.2014
Parent teacher interviews can again be booked electronically but this time we are using PAM. On September 3rd you will be able to book your appointment through the Parent Access Portal.

Please login to PAM as normal and you will immediately see a screen including the Parent Interview shortcut as seen here.

Once you click on the window you will be given the chance to select your child. The screen would be similar to the one below.

You select your child one at a time

You select your child and a screen similar to the one below appears

You then select the subject you require the interview for and an availability schedule appears. This provides you with the teachers name and available times a booking can be made. When you have completed your bookings a summary will appear on the bottom of the page.

*Please contact the school if you have any difficulties logging into PAM at all. If you would like the school to make the bookings for you please contact the front office on 57 216322.*
Pre-testing for Year 7 (2015) students

On Wednesday the 27th of August, Galen’s Junior School welcomed 215 Grade 6 students who will be commencing Year 7 at Galen in 2015. The students (from approximately 29 schools around the area) all took part in a pre-commencement testing session. This testing session is a new addition to Galen’s pre-commencement program, which also includes a Transition Day for all new students in Term 4.

The purpose of pre-testing current Grade 6 children is to see where the students are at academically before they commence at Galen. This new program allows Galen teachers to cater to individual learning needs and also helps staff to identify strengths and weaknesses within the cohort.

The Junior School looks forward to catching up with the Year 7 (2015) group again in Term 4.

FlyBz share refugee experience through rap

Fablicle and G Storm, also known as rappers FlyBz, are two remarkable young men from Burundi in central Africa, who recently visited Galen. They told their story of been orphaned, forced into a life as boy soldiers, escaping and then coming to Australia as refugees.

Talking about their experiences and using music as a way of story telling they kept Galen students captivated. Social Justice and R.E. classes from Years 8-11 had the opportunity to hear about their tragic early life in war torn Burundi. As refugees in Melbourne and with the support of the Jesuit Social Justice commission, they have a new life and opportunities have opened up for them.

A lunchtime concert was an opportunity for all students to see them and hear their rap style music that has enabled them to perform with the likes of Australian music icon, Paul Kelly.

And what did the students think?
“great rapping and fabulous stories”
“a real eye opener”
“experience was fantastic, to hear what these guys have gone through to get where they are”
“best day of my life meeting the boys...”

Organizing FlyBz to come to Galen was a great initiative by Year 11 student Thomas King and we thank the King family for hosting their visit.

Important Senior School Dates:
• Trial Unit 4 Exams English, Literature, Further Maths, Oct 2
• Arts/Technology Exhibition, Tuesday Oct 14 – Friday Oct 17
• Year 12 Last day, Tuesday Oct 21
• Year 12 Unit 4 Written Exams begin Wednesday Oct 29
• Year 12 Graduation Evening Thursday Nov 20
### Founders’ Day Academic Awards

#### Year 7 Distinction students
- Emma Gillies
- Alessandro Belci
- Olivia Gamble
- Charlotte Green
- Sophie Nolan
- Ella Spackman
- Emma Walton
- Amy Ashton
- Cooper Elliott
- Chloe Gibson
- Chloe Hutchinson
- Katelyn Papakostas
- Kie Sunderland
- Zara Wicks
- Madalynn Baumanis
- Jordan Eyers
- Lilly Gracie
- Rebecca Lewis
- Jorja Reidy
- Olivia Walker

#### Year 7 High Distinction students
- Casey Allan
- Nathan Chadban
- Macey Gillman
- Alexander McQuade
- Gabe Watson
- Samuel Allen
- Sarah Dellicastelli
- Sumiri Kamiyama
- Imogen Quilty

#### Year 7 Distinction students
- Year 7 High Distinction students
- Emma Gillies
- Alessandro Belci
- Olivia Gamble
- Charlotte Green
- Sophie Nolan
- Ella Spackman
- Emma Walton
- Amy Ashton
- Cooper Elliott
- Chloe Gibson
- Chloe Hutchinson
- Katelyn Papakostas
- Kie Sunderland
- Zara Wicks
- Madalynn Baumanis
- Jordan Eyers
- Lilly Gracie
- Rebecca Lewis
- Jorja Reidy
- Olivia Walker

#### Year 7 High Distinction students
- Casey Allan
- Nathan Chadban
- Macey Gillman
- Alexander McQuade
- Gabe Watson
- Samuel Allen
- Sarah Dellicastelli
- Sumiri Kamiyama
- Imogen Quilty

#### Year 8 Distinction students
- Sarah Ashton
- Jasmine Carboon
- Juliette Howard
- Ella McCarthy
- Elaina Pearson
- Amy Twyford
- Ashlee Aylward
- Chelsea Goebey
- Isobelle Lackner
- Siobhan McMahon
- Felicity Rees
- Kate Whitten
- Tahni Binko
- Stephanie Hester
- Jessica Lewis
- Bridie Nixon
- Shania Roberts
- Oliver Willett

#### Year 8 High Distinction students
- Louise Box
- Georgia O’Keefe
- Sarah Lyons
- Billie Taylor

#### Year 9 Distinction students
- Ainslie Bear
- Rachel Kelly
- Jack Larkin
- Sam Paterson
- Frances Watter
- India Dalzotto
- Patrick Knowles
- Bianca Mulqueen
- Paul Sanderson
- Adele Fletcher
- Claire Knox
- Ben Nolan
- Maddison Talarico

#### Year 9 High Distinction students
- Lucy Lee
- Jaymz Bright
- Sarah Maher
- Oliver Biddulph
- Emma Gamble
Founders’ Day Academic Awards

Year 11 VCE Distinction
Caelan Anderson
Thomas McDonald
Jessica Spencer

Year 11 VCE High Distinction
Olivia Storer

Year 10 Distinction students
Caelan Anderson
Thomas McDonald
Jessica Spencer

Year 10 High Distinction students
Lucy Tharratt
Ben Lyons
Jesse Gardner-Russell

Year 10 Distinction students
Jade Gibson
Chloe Mitchell

Year 10 High Distinction students
Zoe Stinson
Jake Leavett-Brown
Ian Christy

Year 12 VCE Distinction
Demi Shale
Benji Taylor

Year 12 VCAL Distinction
Isabel West

Year 11 VCE Distinction
Jack Allan, Ryley Pasquali, Aaron Taylor

Year 11 VCE High Distinction
Olivia Storer

Galen Catholic College
Arts & Technology Exhibition
14 - 17 Oct 2014
Opening Night Tuesday
14th Oct 7.00pm
at the Galen Auditorium

www.galen.vic.edu.au
Macquarie Perch Release
Schools Education Session

On Friday 15th August, 15 eager Year 9 and 10 students travelled to Tarrawinge as part of the Macquarie Perch Release Program. Students learnt about the habitats the native fish requires and that over the years many native populations in the state have been diminishing because of loss of habitat. Students completed a quiz about what they believe is needed to improve awareness and understanding of our river habitat and steps needed to rectify the problem.

Students were then fortunate enough to be involved in the release of tagged Macquarie Perch into the Ovens River. Following this release, the project will extend to lower reaches of the Ovens near Galen Catholic College next year.

Yr 11 HHD students study
child development

The Year 11 Health and Human Development classes are currently studying child development. In order to be able to understand the milestones of development, we invited parents to bring in their children so our students could observe and play with babies and children from a wide range of ages.

The students enjoyed going back to their childhood and entertained babies as young as 4 months up to children aged 5. There were students playing with play dough, stacker cups, kicking balls and reading books.

I’m sure they benefitted from actually mixing with real live children and we appreciated the parents giving up their time to make our students’ learning more hands on and tangible.

Alison Evans and Helen Faithfull - Teachers of Yr 11 HHD

Reflections - Issue 14
For the past few weeks, Galen has been hosting Aziz and Fadly who hail from Southern Sumatra, Indonesia. They have been involved with the Year 9 program and have been enjoying lots of new experiences with their host families (the Amery and Christy families) as well as making lifelong friends. Here are a few things Fadly would like to share about his experience:

I got a lot of experience while I’m staying in Australia because I got a very kind host family that often to take me to a trip on the weekends. They took me to Melbourne to watch footy game for the last 2 weeks it’s a really wonderful memories. My favorite experience in Australia is when they took me to the farm to do work with the sheep, like giving them a vaccine, making them run and weighing them. It’s very quality time for me because in Indonesia I can’t do that such thing.

I really like to enjoy the sunset view when I already done doing the sheep work. Or usually my sibling brother, sometimes he took me to the farm and we goes up to the hill just to watch the sunset and then we go home.

In Galen, I feel very welcome. Everyone here makes me comfortable. The students here are very friendly. They always greet me every time I met them and the teachers are very kind and discipline. They really care with me if there is something wrong they always help me to make it right. I love all the foods in canteen. Its taste way better than Indonesian canteen but the price is different too. In Indonesia, just for 1 dollar we got a lot of foods.

The first time I studied in Galen I don’t expect there is Indonesian class here. Then, when I looked into my timetable I was really excited about it. When I get into Indonesian class what I think is “What a cool class!”. It’s very good class with good and fun students also they had a very great teacher. Once more I am surprised because I don’t expect that Indonesian teacher, which is Mrs. Webster know very much detail about Indonesia. She knew a lot about foods in Indonesia, tradition and the others.

I decided to come in Australia because I wanted to improve my English. I travelled for 24 hours to reach this country and after two months that I am here I can finally talk about all my impressions. I am living in Wangaratta where there are several families of Italian origin. Generally speaking I can say the Australians (or Aussies) are friendly and likeable, but here in Wangaratta they are also really interested in their origins and in yours. I have had a lot of interesting conversations and comparisons with the other students at school and with my Host Family. I will probably never forget my Host Mum’s amazement when, the first day I was here, I told her I use to eat pasta every day for lunch and biscuits for breakfast.

Italians are also famous for their ability to gesticulate - communicate a message through gestures. Try to learn this art to our schoolmates hasn’t been easy but it has been definitely fun. At the same time I have learnt a bit of ‘Australian slang’.

What I miss from Italy is the good quality of the food, but I know, when I will come back home, I will miss Australia’s mood, especially the good atmosphere at school between students and teachers, who seem so young-looking, and also between all the students. I think there are less prejudices here than in Italy and people have an approach to you really simple, genuine and spontaneous. I completely admire them!

Written by Laura Bruscia
On Thursday August 14, 37 students travelled to Echuca to take part in the Annual Zone School Students Trap Championships organized by the Victorian Clay Target Association. Participants had an enjoyable and successful day at the shoot. Congratulations to those who took part on both their behaviour and performance, especially to Rhys McGauran, who came second in the junior boy division and to one of our teams: Murcus Hines, Daniel Hines, Brianna Grassi, Bryan Green and Rhys McGauran, who won the team comp. Thanks also to the four dads who came along to support our students: Peter Sandral, Steve Wozniak, Dave Cole and Angelo Grassi. Our winning participants have qualified to travel to Bendigo on September 8th to compete in the regional finals.

National Reading Hour
National Reading Hour happened on Tuesday 19th August across Australia. The Galen Junior Library celebrated with 18 students enjoying a delicious High Tea and an hour of reading in the lovely reading room.

Year 8 Reader’s Cup
8/2 wins the 2014 Reader’s Cup with their entertaining trailer of The Bad Beginning, the 1st book in the Series of Unfortunate Events by Lemony Snicket. This was a tightly contested competition. All entries can be viewed at the Galen Virtual Library page / Junior Library / 2014 Reader’s Cup.

This years entries were of a high quality, with the judges being put through their paces to identify an overall winner. In fact there had to be replays before the eventual winner was announced. Each homeroom put together a team, decided on a book which they read before putting together a book trailer to ‘sell’ the book to their peers. The audience was treated to a wide range of books from classics to futuristic. It was delightful to have a strong judging panel which included Julie Nolan, Peter Hill and Pat Arcuri.

As a reward all the participants were treated to a pizza luncheon in the Junior Library. This is a tradition which began 5 years ago when the Reader’s Cup was introduced to the interhomeroom competition in 2010.

We look forward to the Year 7s competition early next term.
Well done to all those Year 9 students on submitting their subject selection forms on the due date. This is very important to get these in on time to assure you get the majority of your subjects chosen.

Well done to all those students who were presented Distinction and High Distinction awards at the Founders Day Assembly.

**Year 9 Distinction students**
Ainslie Bear, India Dalzotto, Adele Fletcher, Rachel Kelly, Patrick Knowles, Claire Knox, Jack Larkin, Bianca Mulqueen, Ben Nolan, Sam Paterson, Paul Sanderson, Maddison Talarico, Frances Watter.

**Year 9 High Distinction students**
Lucy Lee, Oliver Biddulph, Jaymz Bright, Emma Gamble, Sarah Maher.

**Year 10 Distinction students**
Caelan Anderson, Jade Gibson, Thomas McDonald, Chloe Mitchell, Jessica Spencer.

**Year 10 High Distinction students**
Lucy Tharratt, Zoe Stinson, Ben Lyons, Jake Leavett-Brown, Jesse Gardner-Russell, Ian Christy.

Thank you to all the students and parents who attended the Year 10 recommitted interviews. This very important step helps ensure your career pathways. It was great to see so many parents supporting their sons and daughter with this very important process.

On August 13 Year 10 had a great day on the tertiary trip. This excursion is yet another way we help prepare students for life after Galen. The visit to Charles Sturt University and Latrobe University was a great way for students to experience university life. The students visited the campuses, listened to presentations on courses and met with university students.

I can’t finish without congratulating homerooms 10.5, 10.6 & 10.7 for their cooperation and reliability on the Year 10 camp. This was the first of the Year 10 camps and it was such a pleasure to be on. All staff who were on the camp found it so enjoyable and fun to spend time with these Year 10 students. It’s the cooperative and pleasant nature of these students that motivates staff to do so many of these types of activities.

**Reminder of upcoming dates:**
- Aug 28/29: Year 10 Camp 10.1, 10.2, 10.3, 10.4
- Sep 9: Year 10 Formal
- Sep 11/12: Parent Teacher Interviews
- Sep 17-19: Italian Camp
- Sep 19: 2.30pm Finish

---

**Year 7 Basketball**

Congratulations to the year 7 basketball teams who recently played in the Upper Hume Championships on 25th August.

The girls had a great day and won their first two matches against Marian College by 12 points and then against Wodonga Middle years by a whopping 47 points to play in the final. The girls were once again too strong and easily overcame Catholic College Wodonga in the final, winning 35 to 11. Well done to Jorja Reidy and Ellie Laffy who were the top two players on the day. Thanks to Isaac Smith who coached the girls on the day. We wish them well in the Hume Region competition in October.

The boys were in a tough pool, but won their first three matches by 24 points, 16 points and 17 points to reach the final. In a very close contest, Catholic College Wodonga were unfortunately too strong for our boys and we went down by 2 points to come runners up. Congratulations to Mitchell Holt & Joshua Smart who were the best players on the day. Thanks to Cody Schutt who coached the team on the day and also to Jacqui Pengelly who convened the day.
Table Tennis

On Monday the 25th of August selected Year 7 to 10 students represented Galen at round 1 of the Upper Hume Boys and Girls Inter-school Table Tennis Competition. On the day we had 2 successful teams to progress to the next round. The Year 7 girls team represented by Jess Vincent, Molly Shanley, Keely Tua, Kendall White and Ebony Donald came out on top not dropping a match to move on to round 2.

The Year 8 boys team of Oliver Willett, Michael Sundblom, Adam Enever, Jayden Oates and Declan Joyce Lawford also won their pool and then went onto win the grand final. Good luck to all these students advancing to the next stage which will be in October.

A big congratulations to the representatives of the Year 7 boys, Year 8 girls and Year 9/10 boys who all played great matches and all came in at second place in their respective pools.

Congratulations to all students on their great behavior and outstanding sportsmanship. Thanks to Tess and Jonathon for also assisting with scoring, umpiring and coaching the teams taking the students on the day.

Who’s Who at Galen

Leadership Team
- Bernard Neal: Principal
- Patrick Arcuri: Deputy Principal—Staff & Students
- Shaun Mason: Deputy Principal – Teaching & Learning
- Gerard Sullivan: Deputy Principal – Catholic Identity
- Geoff Welch: Deputy Principal (presently on leave)
- Dom Giannone: Business Manager
- Bern Albertson: Professional Development Co-ordinator
- Anthony Batters: Daily Organiser
- Mick Grogan: Senior School Director
- Lauren Lee: Junior School Director
- Mark Williams: interim Board Chair

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

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

School Board
- Father Mike Pullar: Parish Priest
- Mark Williams: interim Board Chair
- Bernard Neal: Principal
- Phil Bretherton: CEO Representative
- Patrick Arcuri: DP - Staff Representative
- Anthony Batters: Staff Representative
- Suellen Loki: Parent
- Mark Williams: Parent
- Liz Nelson: Parent

Parents Association Executive
- President: Vacant
- Angie Semmens / Karyn Howard: Secretary
- Karen Archer: Treasurer
- Angie Semmens: Board Liaison

Want to be involved at a deeper level with Galen?

There will be an information evening for all parents who might be interested in having a deeper involvement with the direction and focus of the college on Wednesday September 10 at 7pm in the Max Fletcher Auditorium. This Information Night will provide an insight into the role and purpose of the Galen Catholic College Board and the ways in which parents might join either the Board or one of its working sub-committees.

The Galen Board is an important part of the governance structure at Galen Catholic College. It has primary responsibility for the strategic direction and policies of the college.

Interested parents are asked to contact Ms Tess Barnard, at the college to receive more details.

On Monday the 25th of August selected Year 7 to 10 students represented Galen at round 1 of the Upper Hume Boys and Girls Inter-school Table Tennis Competition. On the day we had 2 successful teams to progress to the next round. The Year 7 girls team represented by Jess Vincent, Molly Shanley, Keely Tua, Kendall White and Ebony Donald came out on top not dropping a match to move on to round 2.

The Year 8 boys team of Oliver Willett, Michael Sundblom, Adam Enever, Jayden Oates and Declan Joyce Lawford also won their pool and then went onto win the grand final. Good luck to all these students advancing to the next stage which will be in October.

A big congratulations to the representatives of the Year 7 boys, Year 8 girls and Year 9/10 boys who all played great matches and all came in at second place in their respective pools.

Congratulations to all students on their great behavior and outstanding sportsmanship. Thanks to Tess and Jonathon for also assisting with scoring, umpiring and coaching the teams taking the students on the day.

Year 10 students at Southbank on one of the recent Melbourne Camps.