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### Principal's Message

Thank you to our school community, staff and students for all their hard work this term. The two week holiday break will give us all a chance to rest and refresh before a very busy Term 4. This holiday period also now includes two Public Holidays, one to enable people to mourn the passing of the Queen at the time of her funeral and one for AFL Grand Final.

Term 4 commences at 9.00am on Monday 3 October.

This term finishes at the earlier time of 2.30pm on Friday 16 September. After school care is available from 2.30pm with Camp Australia which can be booked online via their website.

**Congratulations** to our Robo-Cup competitors and our VEX Robotics team on all their recent achievements. There is more information later in this newsletter detailing their performances.



**Congratulations** to Tenara, in Year 6, who completed the Micro Mathematicians extension program with Melbourne University in July this year. Well done Tenara.

#### State School Spectacular 'Time to Shine'

The annual Victorian State School Spectacular was held this weekend at the John Cain Arena.

This program showcases, and provides the opportunity for, government school students to perform at the highest level of achievement in the Arts.

We were very proud to have some of our Year 5 and 6 students performing in this year's magnificent production.

Our fabulous Year 5 students were Sahasra, Varshna, Tanya, Thenara, Rishika, Deekshithaa, Aanya, Mahi, Baveshka , Karis and Sehr.

Our amazing Year 6 students were Saanvi, Anvi, Hesara, Kathryn and Simarjeet.

A big thank you to Miss Dance and Mrs Fornaro for their hard work with preparing the students during school and hub rehearsals, and also on the performance day.

Deborah Grossek Principal

### What's On...

| September    |                       |
|--------------|-----------------------|
| Friday 16    | 2:30pm Term 3 Ends    |
| October      | <b>T 1 C 1</b>        |
| Monday 3     | Term 4 Starts         |
| Wednesday 5  | Division Athletics –  |
|              | qualifying students   |
| Friday 7     | 2:00pm Foundation     |
|              | Brainstorm Production |
|              | in-school visit       |
| Monday 10    | Foundation            |
|              | Chesterfield          |
|              | Farm Excursion        |
|              | 2:45pm Senior         |
|              | Assembly              |
| Monday 17    | 9:00am Year 6         |
|              | Graduation Photos –   |
|              | absent students       |
|              | 2:45pm Middle         |
|              | Assembly              |
| Tuesday 18   | Foundation Swimming   |
| Wednesday 19 | Foundation Swimming   |
| Thursday 20  | Foundation Swimming   |
|              | 9:00-11:00am 5J/5N    |
|              | We Can ROAR in-       |
|              | school visit          |
| Friday 21    | Foundation Swimming   |
|              | 11:30am-1:00pm        |
|              | 5K/5M We Can ROAR     |
|              | in-school visit       |
|              | 11:30am - 1:          |
| Monday 24    | 2:45pm Junior         |
|              | Assembly              |
| Tuesday 25   | Foundation Swimming   |
| Wednesday 26 | Foundation Swimming   |
| Thursday 27  | Foundation Swimming   |
| Friday 28    | Foundation Swimming   |
| Monday 31    | Curriculum Day        |
|              | Pupil Free Day        |
| November     |                       |
| Tuesday 1    | Melbourne Cup Day     |
|              | Public Holiday        |
| Wednesday 2  | Year 6 Metro Trains   |
|              | in-school visit       |
|              |                       |

**Please Remember** Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September Term 3 finishes at 2:30pm

#### **Term Dates**

Term 3, 2022 – 11 July – 16 September Term 4, 2022 - 3 October – 20 December

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### Principal's Report



















### School Hours



School commences at 9:00am & concludes at 3:30pm. The arrival of children at school will be supervised from 8:45am. Children will also be supervised while they are leaving school until 3:45pm.

Please ensure your child arrives with enough time to get to their class. Late arrivals are a disruption to everyone.

### Attendance



Parents are requested to use the Compass Parent Portal to notify of any child absences, preferably on the day before 9:30am or prior to the day/s.

### New Address



如果您的住址和联系电话有变,

### 请告知我校办公室。

Have your circumstances changed? Update your contact details at the School Office as soon as possible. Please ensure you let the school office know if you have changed address or updated mobile phones with new numbers.

This information alleviates stressful situations on students when they are ill and we cannot contact parents.

#### COVID19

Please remember to practise social distancing when in the school grounds.

If you wish to talk with a teacher, please make an appointment via Compass, the school email or call the office.

Thank you.



It is NOT great to be LATE.

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Matt Fregon (MP) and School Council President, Jana Ratnasabapathy, seeing some of our student off at the station.

### Glendal Community News



### **ROBOTICS AT GLENDAL**

#### **VEX Robotics**

On Monday 5 September our Glendal VEX team competed in a second Regional Competition at Templestowe College.

Our two teams were Vincent, Lene and Harry – 5010 A, and Emily, Samuel and Frank – 5010 B. They competed with 29 teams, the majority being Year 7 and 8 secondary school students.

There were three parts to the competition:

- 1. A teamwork challenge match consisting of a driving skill match, which is entirely driver controlled in 60 seconds.
- 2. A robot skills challenge where one robot takes the field to score as many points as possible, entirely driver controlled in 60 seconds.
- 3. A teamwork challenge match using an autonomous robot to score as many points as possible in 60 seconds.

The object of the game was to score as many points as possible, by scoring discs in goal domes, removing discs and touching contact zones at the end of the match.

The two teams had six driving matches, three robot skills challenges and three driving matches using an autonomous robot.

The scores were cumulative.

Our teams achieved a second and fourth place in the finals. There were eight teams in the finals. It was a knock-out final. Teams 1/2 and 3/4 and 5/6 and 7/8 work collaboratively to achieve the highest score.



Congratulations to our two amazing teams! They won:

5010 A – Excellence Award – the overall championship award.

5010 B – Design Award – robot design, strategies used in game-play, teamwork and log book presentation.

5010 B – Skills Award – driving skills.

5010 A – Teamwork Challenge – achieved the highest score in the finals.

They have gained an invitation to the national competition in Sydney in December.

#### **RoboCup Robotics**

On Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September, our Glendal RoboCup team competed in the State Robo-Cup competition at Genazanno FCJ College in Kew.

Our teams are: Vivan – Fleshbenders Seth – Dragonfly Yeva – Snowstorm Nethma and Connor – Glug! Glug! Glug! Ganith, Amy and Cian – Theoretically Senuja – Firebreathers

The Challenge – Robots compete by following a winding black line on a series of tiles to a designated rescue area. On the way the robot encounters obstacles, bridges and short cut opportunities that will challenge. The robot arrives at a green coloured area which indicates a chemical spill. While the clock is still ticking the robot must find 'the victim' before pushing it out of the chemical spill to safety and then the robot has to leave this area following the black line. The competition time is two minutes. Each tile achieved holds a score.

The scores were cumulative.

There were five rounds with increasing difficulty.

Our teams Vivan – Fleshbenders and Yeva – Snowstorm achieved a place in the finals. There were three teams in a knock out final.

Congratulations to our two amazing teams. They won:

1<sup>st</sup> place – Yeva

3<sup>rd</sup> place – Vivan

These students are competing in the RoboCup national competition in October in Adelaide.



An apology:

These RoboCup teams competed in the Regional competition at St Michael's Grammar on Saturday August 13<sup>th</sup>. Unfortunately, I omitted that Yeva gained 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the finals. Congratulations Yeva!

Chris Gilligan

### **YEAR 4 - CAMP REFLECTION**

Wow! What a camp we had at Arrabri Lodge this year. After missing out on camp last year, the Year 4 students were VERY excited to be going off to camp this year!



The bus drive was fun, and we even got to watch a movie! On the bus we also kept looking over our great camp booklets that explained our cabin and activity groups. You can just imagine when we arrived at Arrabri how excited we all were, and we couldn't wait to get off the bus!

As soon as we got off, the owners (who were very friendly) guided us around for a tour of the grounds. The owners showed us the entire campground, from the meeting point to the basketball court. After the tour we got to see our cabins which were amazing! As soon as we raced into our cabins, immediately we ran to choose our bunks. Some people chose the top bunks and some people chose the bottom ones.

As for our activities, everyone loved THE GIANT SWING, although it was TERRIFYING (well, for some people)! We got to do SO MANY other activities including archery, mini golf and the flying fox, and we also got to make a damper. Sadly, we missed out on the river walk, but it was still really fun because instead we got to go to the games room. The games room had lots of games, like air hockey and table tennis.



On the last day we got to see some amazing reptiles and other animals at the reptile show done by Black snake productions. We all got to see lizards, possums, frogs, snakes and owls. Even better, we got to touch them! And we all loved the disco we had on our last night. We got to dance and sing, and the best part was that after we watched a movie. After a vote, we decided to watch Lion King. We all loved it!



On the way back to school, we stopped at Mary Wallace Park. We ate our lunch and after that we got to play in the massive playground. All the Year 4 students were excited to see their parents and get back home, tired but happy.

We really loved our camp. We got to meet new people from Year 4, and be with our friends too. We wanted to say thanks to the teachers for taking us and looking after us and to the parent helpers for giving up their time to make our camp experience amazing.

By Eshan 4J, Tenuli 4M and Jasen 4N

### **GLENDAL SPELLING BEE**

The Student Representative Council (SRC) was very excited to host Glendal Primary School's first ever Spelling Bee this term. Starting last week, children from Year 1 to 6 were given the opportunity to compete firstly in an 'in-class challenge' to determine our top finalists for each sub school – Junior (Year 1 and 2), Middle (Year 3 and 4) and Senior (Years 5 and 6). Then, on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> of September, the SRC reps ran a round of finals to determine the winner for each sub school. Congratulations to the following students for being Glendal's super spellers in 2022!



In order of first, second and third place respectively:

Junior – Charlie (2M), Vishan (1L) and Jayden (1M)





Middle – Ethan (3L), Daniel (3K) and Ryan (3K)



Senior – Shrikar (5L), Chelsea (5K) and Yash (5L)



The SRC Team



### **CHESS NEWS AUGUST 2022**

On the 23<sup>rd</sup> of August, 15 students from Glendal Primary School participated in the Chess Victoria Secondary Open tournament held at Scotch College. It was amazing to watch our students competing against more than 100 secondary school students. Glendal was the only primary school, among 25 secondary school teams. The Glendal team showed great resilience; as many players have just started their chess journey this year. We would like to thank all the parents for encouraging their children to compete. All of our players have made valuable contributions, resulting in our Glendal team qualifying for the **CV Primary Open Super Finals, CV Primary Girls Finals and CV Secondary Open Finals** (due to our team's strong performance, we were granted an exception to participate in **CV Secondary Open Finals**). Our Glendal team gained 12<sup>th</sup> place.



Year 6: Darline 3.5 points, Vincent 3 points, Nethum 2.5 points, Connor 2 points, Cian 2 points and Hesara 1 point.

- Year 5: Deethya 5 points, Radheesh 3 points and Seyon 2 points.
- Year 4: Ricky 5.5 points, Max 3 points and Sophia 3 points.
- Year 3: Gautam 2 points.
- Year 2: Toby 3 points and William 2 points.

On the 26th of August, seven students gained second place, in the qualifying tournament of NSC Junior Primary Final.



Year 3: Gautam, qualified for the NSC Junior Primary State Final.

Year 2: William 9th place, Grade-2 Bronze Medal, qualified for NSC Junior Primary State Final and Toby, qualified for NSC Junior Primary State Final.

Year 1: Aadhya Grade-1 Bronze Medal, qualified for NSC Junior Primary State Final and Dheera.

Foundation: Bianca Prep Gold Medal, qualified for NSC Junior Primary State Final and Kylian Prep Silver Medal, qualified for NSC Junior Primary State Final.

Then on the 30th August, two students participated in the NSC Primary Open tournament and gained 5th place. Year 4: Sophia 9th place, received a medal and qualified for NSC Primary Open Semi-finals and NSC Primary Girls Final.

Year 2: Toby 11th place, received a medal and qualified for NSC Primary Open Semi-finals.



Well done and congratulations to all of our Glendal players, the whole school community is proud of you!

### **CHINESE MOON FESTIVAL GALAS**







### STUDENTS' REFLECTIONS OF THE CHINESE MOON FESTIVAL GALA PERFORMANCES

I learnt that there are a lot of ways to celebrate the Moon Festival. I learnt that other people have their own stories and ideas about the Moon Festival. I learnt that people admire and worship the moon in many unique ways. I had a great time at our class Chinese Moon Festival Gala. - Jeffrey 3J

I liked how we had the freedom to be able to sing and to be able to act. I really liked watching everybody else's and it made me feel less nervous. - Rayyan 6J

I learnt about the Chinese Moon Festival and Chang er. I enjoyed working with my team. We worked well together in the group and practised a lot. - Snigdha 6J

I learnt the full story of the festival. Everyone performed different items and learnt to sing in front of the class. This has increased our confidence level. - Lene 6J

I learnt a lot about the myths and poems that relate to the Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival and how they reflect on Chinese culture. I also got inspired by my performance partner and other people's creativity. - Ryan 6L

I learnt a new poem and I really enjoyed watching the other people in my class present their performances. I also enjoyed learning more about the Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival. The experience was very fun and I loved the performances from my classmates. - Shunya 6L

From the research that I did for the Gala project, I learnt about the story behind the Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival. I also learnt about a few old original Chinese poems. - Amalie 6L

Through participating in the Chinese Moon Festival Gala project, I have learnt that teamwork is very important, working with different people is not scary, and props and costumes help bring plays to life. – Shiwei 3N

I liked the creative performances. I also liked how some groups engaged the audience by giving out prizes to people who were listening and paid full attention to the show. – Seneli 3N

I have learnt many things during the Chinese Moon Festival Gala project. I have enjoyed listening to stories although I know them all well. It was amazing to watch the performances and learn new facts about the moon. – Hailey 3M

The Chinese Moon Festival Gala was fun, and I learnt a lot more about the moon. I also learnt how to make mooncakes and how we celebrate this traditional festival. I really enjoyed this gala because it was fun and creative. I think we should do this again. – Kyra 3M

I enjoyed seeing the iconic culture of the Chinese Moon Festival /Mid-Autumn Festival in action and how lanterns can be used in all cultures. From the stories to the creativity, everyone was amazing. It was exquisite! WOW! – Aadit 4N

I really liked all the shows because they were so different<sup>©</sup> I learned awesome facts about the Moon Festival. I also really loved all the efforts the performers put into the shows. – Maiken 4N

From my own performance, I learnt lots more interesting facts about the moon, and I learnt 'why' we celebrate the Moon Festival and the story of Chang e. I also learnt that I can work really well in a group. – Mabel 4N

I learnt how to make this amazing 'mooncake' from cardboard. I originally thought that it was impossible, but when I got a chance, I told my dad that I wanted to do this. So, I tried my best and made something incredible. – Aden 4J

I enjoyed the Gala Project. I loved watching new performances and listening to interesting poems. The props and the costumes were outstanding. This was overall an amazing experience. – Benjamin 4J I enjoyed the Gala Project because lots of people had very cool things to present and interesting speeches about the moon. – Katherine 4J

We enjoyed making props, costumes, poems and posters for the Chinese Moon Festival Gala. We would also like to thank Mrs. Davies for creating a great task. – Yuvraj 4K

I really enjoyed the Gala Project because it gave me a chance to learn more about the Mid-Autumn Festival through the story and poems. It helped me build resilience, respect and creativity. It would be great if we could have another one next year. – Aimee 4K

This was a fun activity because you could express your knowledge about the moon. Listening to other people's projects helped me learn more about the moon and Mid-Autumn Festival. I also enjoyed making the poster. – Shiney 4K

I extremely enjoyed our Mid-Autumn Festival Gala. I learnt about this festival and became more confident by rehearsing my performance item. I thought that people were really creative and I absolutely loved watching them present their amazing performances. – Claire 4K





## Kids Self Defence & Fitness Classes

Glendal PS Wednesdays

3:45-4:45pm

Boys & Girls Ages 6- 12

Register now to

start in Term 4





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