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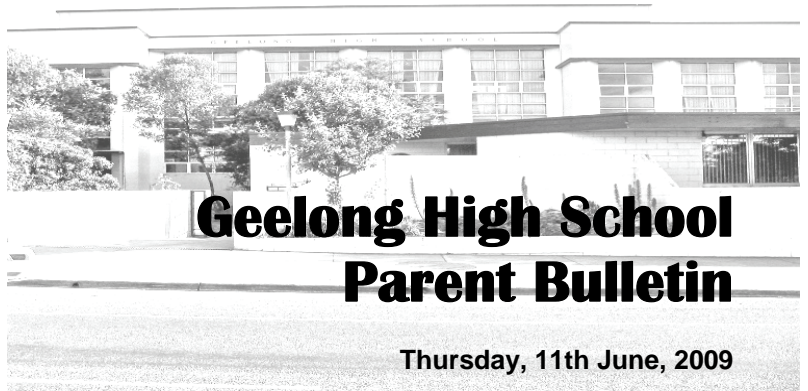
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# Geelong High School Parent Bulletin

Thursday, 11th June, 2009

## Principal's Report:

### Assessment and Reporting Day

Tomorrow Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June is a state-wide Assessment and Reporting day for primary and secondary schools. No students will be required at school on this day. School bus services have been cancelled for this day. Midyear reports will be distributed on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June (last day of term 2).

### Human Swine Flu

There has been a lot of information made available to parents through the media regarding the Human Swine Flu virus. As a school we have not been affected. Victoria is now in a modified 'Sustain' phase of its plan to manage the impact of H1N1 Influenza in our community. The virus has so far been mild and can be compared to our normal winter flu. The latest circular from DEECD states that there is no longer a need to quarantine everyone who has been in contact with a confirmed case of H1N1 Influenza. Only confirmed cases will need to be quarantined for three days and will all continue to be given the most appropriate treatment. Household members may continue to be provided with Tamiflu, but will not be quarantined. The Victorian Government will continue to focus on those most vulnerable to influenza: those in aged care facilities, special developmental schools and hospitals.

The best defence against the flu is maintaining good general hygiene. As per general health practices, students and staff who have flu-like symptoms should remain at home. Schools will be required, as is normal practice, to contact the parent of a student who is unwell and make arrangements for the child to be collected from school. This particularly applies to students that may have respiratory conditions or low immunity to illness. If the situation should alter at our school parents and students will be informed as required through the parent bulletin or a special notice.

### Level C/D exams concluded last week

This is a new initiative as part of the assessment review process introduced this year. I would like to compliment our students on the way they have adopted the exam week and for the way in which they conducted themselves throughout the exam week. This week we have conducted the year 11 and 12 exams including the GAT (today) for students doing year 12 subjects. Again I would like to compliment our students for the way in which they have conducted themselves during this time.

## Keys please - Year 10 and 11 students and parents

As part of the school's personal development program, a free forum for students and parents is to be held to help them make the learning to drive process easier and safe.

This program is for all year 10 students and parents, plus year 11's who did not attend last year.

The program is for those with or without their learner permit.

Program Features:

Secrets to safe and stress free learning to drive

Tips to satisfy the new L and P rules the first time

Tips for parents/guardians

Tips for learners

Free pizza, coke and giveaways

The evening will be held in the C A Love Hall on **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> August from 7pm.**

Please put this date in your diary. Further information will be distributed early in term 3.

## Uniform

With the cold weather suddenly arriving many students are wearing extra jumpers under their school jumper. The school has no issue with this as long as the extra garment is not a hooded top that is visible or interferes with the wearing of the school jumper. Students who wear hooded tops under their school jumper will be asked to remove them and they will be returned at the end of the day.

### Diary Term 2

Thursday, 11 June	GAT Year 11 & 12 Exams Conclude
Friday, 12 June	Report Writing Day
Monday, 15 June	VCE Units 2 and 4 begin
Wednesday, 24 June	Western Zone Cross Country—Ballarat
Friday, 26 June	Reports Distributed Year 10 Study Skills Day Last day Term 2

## WRITING IN JAPANESE ON YOUR HOME COMPUTER

Students in Japanese ILP A and B have recently been introduced to word-processing using the Hiragana and Katakana scripts. They have created some fabulous PowerPoint presentations on Japanese Food and Festivals. For anyone who would like access to this facility on their home computer the IT Support have forwarded the following information.

### Windows XP

You can only install the East Asian languages from the Windows XP CD.

1. On the Windows *Start* menu, point to *Control Panel*, and then click *Date, Time, Language, and Regional Options*.
2. Click the *Regional and Language Options* icon, and then click the *Languages* tab.
3. In the *Supplemental languages support* box, check the box for *Install East Asian Languages*.
4. Click *Apply* and OK.

### Windows Vista

The Vista East Asian languages comes as an update you can install.

K. Jacques

### Aladdin

*From June 20 - June 27 GSODA (Geelong Society of Dramatic Arts) will be staging Aladdin - The Rock Panto in the Ford Theatre of GPAC. GSODA stage two shows annually and as part of this year's production Geelong High School and Newcomb Secondary College music departments have collaborated together to provide a live orchestra for the show. They have been rehearsing together for the last term and attended weekend rehearsals in preparation for the show. Congratulations to the following students who are performing in the orchestra - Caylie South, Claire Miller, Luke Morrissy, Sam Morrissy, Ben Parker, Paige Rockliff and Stephanie Murdoch. Tickets can be purchased from GPAC.*



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Canteen	
Fri, 12 June	Report Writing Day
Mon, 15 June	J. Clarke, K. Walker
Tues, 16 June	A. Hunt, D. Hay
Wed, 17 June	S. Andrews, B. Mott, S. Smale
Thur, 18 June	A. Gaelotti
Friday, 19 June	K. McMahon, T. Fedley
Monday, 22 June	B. Hayward, K. Gooley
Tues, 23 June	C. Mengler
Wed, 24 June	J. Friend
Thurs, 25 June	J. Treble
Friday, 26 June	J. Whitten, L. Reinert

## Year 10 Study Skills Seminar 2009

The Year 10 Study Skills Seminar, *Shape Your Destiny*, will be held for all Year 10 students on Friday, 26 June 2009 at the Geelong Conference Centre, Adams Court, East Geelong. The program will run from 9am – 12:30pm. This is an important seminar which all Year 10 students are required to attend before they enter VCE studies. At the seminar, students will learn helpful strategies for study and choosing future pathways. They will also complete a Myers Briggs Personal Profile to assist them in choosing a pathway. The cost of the seminar will be covered by the Year 10 Study Skills Levy. Parents are asked to ensure that this levy has been paid before the seminar is undertaken. If payment has not yet been made, please contact the school's Business Manager. Further details and arrangements for the day have been distributed to students during Home Group.

# GEELONG HIGH SCHOOL

## 2009 HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY

### AGGREGATE

1ST	BARWON	558
2ND	CORIO	363
3RD	MOORABOOL	261
4TH	LEIGH	212

### INDIVIDUAL CHAMPION

<b>JUNIOR</b>	<b>Riley Patten</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>Zoe Farthing-Barrow</b>	<b>M</b>
<b>INTERMEDIATE</b>	<b>Jackson Hamill-Beach</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>Darci Rodgers</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>SENIOR</b>	<b>William Bennett</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>Isabella Cremonini</b>	<b>B</b>

### ITS YOUR MOVE – RESULTS

HOUSE	HANDICAP	2009 SCORE	FINAL SCORE
Barwon	0	558	558
Corio	275	363	638
Leigh	283.5	212	495.5
Moorabool	373.5	261	634.5

### FINAL PLACING

	HOUSE	POINTS
<b>1<sup>ST</sup></b>	Corio	638
<b>2<sup>ND</sup></b>	Moorabool	634.5
<b>3<sup>RD</sup></b>	Barwon	558
<b>4<sup>TH</sup></b>	Leigh	495.5

### **House Cross Country**

The 2009 house cross country was held around Eastern Park for all ages. The intermediate and senior boys did 5km course while the girls and the junior boys did the 3km course. All year 7s' competed while in the other age group it was only volunteers. Individual winners are shown below while in the team sections it was Corio in the senior boys but Barwon then went on to win all the other aggregates - junior, intermediate and senior girls and the junior and intermediate boys. When all the points were added up it was another victory for Barwon in the grand aggregate. This was a great effort for the house.

In the "Its Your Move" competition, which is a handicap based on last year performance, Corio was victorious. Trophies, pennants and medallions for the individual winners were presented at a recent school assembly.

### **GSSSA Cross Country**

As a result of the house competition, teams of 8 students per age group progressed to the interschool cross country again in Eastern Park. Good conditions prevailed and there was strong competition from the other 14 Geelong state secondary schools. The best result came from the boys 16 years age group where **Jackson Hamill-Beach** very easily won the 5km race. He also teamed with **Devon Smith** (3), **Mason Wood** (11) and **Nathan Cook** (12) to win the pennant. 13 years boys came 5<sup>th</sup> with **Nick Clissold** (4) and **Dylan McMahon** (6), 14 years came 8<sup>th</sup>, 15 year came 5<sup>th</sup>, 13 years girls came 4<sup>th</sup> with **Vanessa Sciarrone** (6) and **Grace Peel** (7), 14 years came 4<sup>th</sup> with **Zoe Farthing-Barrow** (9), 16 years came 4<sup>th</sup> with **Hayley Wray** (10) and in the senior girls it was a silver medal to **Isabella Cremonini** and **Erin Keating** (4).

### **Western Zone Cross Country**

Successful athletes now progress to the Western Zone cross country run at Ballarat University during the last week of the term. We wish them well competing at this testing venue against students from other country and western metro schools.

**Geelong High School CareerNews Ms Trudy Cameron**

**REMINDERS>>>>COMING SOON**  
**GEELONG CAREERS EXPO - DEAKIN WATERFRONT - WEDNESDAY 24<sup>th</sup> of JUNE.**  
 Every Year 10, 11 and 12 student should attend this free expo from 6.30 -9.00pm All University, TAFE, Apprenticeship Centres and Employers will be present. 'At Monash' Seminars to go: Nursing/midwifery/paramedics, Design, Medicine/biomedical science/nutrition/dietetics, Fine Art, Multimedia & digital art. Book/info: Ph 9903 4758 or [Valerie.foster@adm.monash.edu.au](mailto:Valerie.foster@adm.monash.edu.au)  
[www.monash.edu.au/study/events](http://www.monash.edu.au/study/events).  
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 Year 10's and Deakin: **11 June**; [www.deakin.edu.au/year10](http://www.deakin.edu.au/year10)  
 Swinburne parents/mature age Info Evening: 18 June, Wantirna; Alex Sims 8214 4427  
 Medical Lab visits: 6-10 July; [www.rmit.edu.au/medical-sciences/lab-visits](http://www.rmit.edu.au/medical-sciences/lab-visits)  
 Engineering at RMIT days: 30 June, 1 July, 9 July; [www.rmit.edu.au/sece/experience](http://www.rmit.edu.au/sece/experience);  
[www.rmit.edu.au/aero-mech](http://www.rmit.edu.au/aero-mech).  
 Folio help: [www.shortcourses.rmit.edu.au](http://www.shortcourses.rmit.edu.au);  
[www.latrobe.edu.au/visualarts/folioworkshop](http://www.latrobe.edu.au/visualarts/folioworkshop)  
 Circus Arts sessions: 29 June - 3 July; [www.nica.com.au](http://www.nica.com.au)  
 'Experience La Trobe': term holidays [www.latrobe.edu.au/experience](http://www.latrobe.edu.au/experience)

1. **LIKE TO 'ACCESS' MONASH BUT WORRIED ABOUT YOUR ENTRY ?**  
 'Access Monash' is a program of alternative entry pathways, special admissions schemes, scholarships and bursaries that can help gain entry to a degree. The program helps people of Australian indigenous descent, rural or isolated areas, having socio-economic difficulties, a disability or long-term medical condition, from non-English speaking backgrounds and those with long-term family difficulties. If studying at Monash is limited by financial, geographical, cultural or personal hardship you may qualify for a scholarship, bursary or alternate entry pathway. For info: [www.monash.edu/access](http://www.monash.edu/access); applications, later in the year, through VTAC ([www.vtac.edu.au](http://www.vtac.edu.au)). The **Diploma of Tertiary Studies** (at Gippsland/Berwick) is a one year program alternative for university study. It combines elective units from your chosen discipline with core units on learning, studying and communications skills. It allows you to complete units from your degree of interest including art and design, arts, business, education, IT, nursing and science. On successful completion you can apply for a related Monash course and get credit.

2. **UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE UPDATE:**  
 The University of Melbourne has indicated that the Bachelor of Oral Health is a continuing degree. It is not having it's last intake in 2010
3. **INTERESTED IN NIDA?** The National Institute of Dramatic Art in Sydney (NIDA) is holding an **information evening** about their full time courses in acting, design, production, production crafts (costume and properties), scenery construction and music theatre. **When:** 7.15 for 7.30pm to 9pm, Tues 9 June; **Where:** ACMI Federation Square, Melbourne, Cinema 2; **Register:** [marketing@nida.edu.au](mailto:marketing@nida.edu.au) or [www.nida.edu.au/info-evening](http://www.nida.edu.au/info-evening). NIDA is also conducting **Short Courses on Tour** in Melbourne and Ballarat in the school holidays (acting, music theatre, drama, directing, audition, and TV presenting). **When:** Ballarat 30 June-3 Jul & 4-5 July; Melbourne: 6-10 July & 11-12 July; **Where:** (Melb) Centrestage, 15 Albert St, Brunswick East; **Bookings/info:** NIDA ph 02 9697 7626 or [open@nida.edu.au](mailto:open@nida.edu.au); **Details/online bookings:** [www.nida.edu.au](http://www.nida.edu.au) (touring pages).
4. **INTERESTED IN PHOTOGRAPHY?**  
 Photography can be studied at university, TAFE or at independent colleges. For example, RMIT University has a Bachelor of Arts (Photography), Deakin Uni offers photography in their Arts and Media & Communications degrees and Swinburne Uni in the Communication Design degree. RMIT TAFE and NMIT also offer photography courses. Independent colleges such as Photographic Studies College (Southbank), International College of Creative Arts (South Melbourne) and the Photographic Imaging College (Hawthorn) offer diplomas in photography. Check out their websites at [www.psc.edu.au](http://www.psc.edu.au), [www.icpp.net](http://www.icpp.net) and [www.pic.org.au](http://www.pic.org.au).
5. **LA TROBE UNIVERSITY NEWS** (from a recent career counsellor conference)
  - The federal government is providing **\$123.7m** to La Trobe and it has received **\$97.9m** for the La Trobe Institute for Molecular Sciences (LIMS) which will include 200 research positions and **\$88.9m** for La Trobe Rural Health School at Bendigo.
  - La Trobe Uni is **top in Victoria for student satisfaction**. Students enjoy their experience, feel a sense of belonging and lecturers are friendly and approachable.
  - In 2010 the Faculty of Science, Technology and Engineering is introducing new double degrees: **Bachelor of Information Systems/Master of Health Information Management** and a **Bachelor of Science/Master of Nanotechnology**.
  - **\$230m Biosciences Research Centre:** due for completion 2011; honours/postgrad-uate students will be able to train in one of the world's best biosciences facilities.
  - The Faculty of Health Sciences is offering a new course in 2010: **Bachelor of Health Sciences/ Master of Paramedic Practice** at Bendigo;

Albury-Wodonga, Mildura and Shepparton campuses will also offer the first year of this course, with students completing the final three years at Bendigo. The **B. Health Sciences/Master of Podiatric Practice** and the **B. Health Sciences/Master of Speech Pathology** will be offered at Bendigo campus in 2010. Several other Health Science courses will be offered at Albury-Wodonga, Mildura and Shepparton.

- **French** will be offered as a major at beginner and advanced levels in 2010.

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## 6. **SOME COURSES AT LA TROBE UNIVERSITY**

- **Why an ARTS DEGREE?** Arts degrees provide students with broad options in the humanities area, allowing them to follow their own interest while working out what they really want to do; Arts teaches transferable skills (critical thinking, evaluation, interpreting, research, time management, teamwork, verbal and written). Possible careers: teaching, management & administration, communication industry, publishing, media, public relations, tourism, public service and social welfare, promotions, liaison, human resources. Careers depend on subjects studied eg cinema studies major: film & TV production, film and media policy, film and sound archives, media analysis, writing/publishing; language major: translating/interpreting, government, hospitality & tourism, community-based organisation and international business.
- **What is ORTHOPTICS?** Orthoptists specialise in disorders of vision and eye movements. They investigate and monitor eye disease, diagnose and provide non-surgical treatment of neurological eye problems and provide vision rehabilitation. They investigate and treat eye disease, screen for glaucoma, photography and imaging of the eye, visual field testing, work in refractive laser clinics, prescribe glasses for a range of treatment needs, provide rehabilitation for patients with low vision so they can remain independent. Orthoptists qualifying at La Trobe can register to work in Australia and are recognised around the world. Currently there is a shortage of orthoptists in Australia.
- **What is HEALTH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT?** It underpins the healthcare system. Eg: manage medical records and health information (hospitals, private GP/specialist practices), coded diagnoses and operations (for casemix-based funding for hospitals), coded and analysed clinical and demographic information (population health, state/national policy, funding/planning health services), patient clinical information (for research). HIM's analyse/interpret health information. Suits those wanting to work in healthcare, be at the edge in health

developments (eg electronic health records), are inquisitive, enjoy management and want very good options for career development and jobs. There is a massive shortage of HIM's across Australia

### **Student Exchange Australia**

In July 2009 Student Exchange Australia will welcome a new group of international exchange students to Australia. Our new arrivals will live with a host family and attend school for a semester or a year.

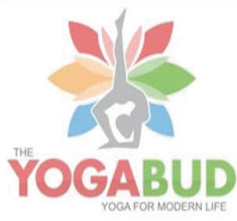
As we plan for their arrival, we are keen to hear from suitable families who might be interested to host a student. To this end, we would be grateful if you would place a notice below in your school newsletter/bulletin. Please note that all our host families are interviewed in their homes and carefully checked for suitability.

You can download the newsletter notice here in [Word format](#) or in [PDF format](#).

Student Exchange Australia is a not-for-profit secondary exchange organisation which is registered with education authorities in each State and Territory. You can find out more about our organisation by visiting [www.studentexchange.org.au](http://www.studentexchange.org.au). If you have any questions you can respond to this email or call 1300 135 331.

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# Community News



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## Bellarine Sharks Soccer

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Any interested players should contact Murray Hall. Ph: 52572106.



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