Dear Parents

Opening of the New Buildings
An assembly to celebrate the official opening of our new buildings will be held next Monday 4 June at 2:30pm in the Library / Performing Arts building. A number of invited guests from DEECD, the project team that supported the development of the project and members of the local community will attend to view the facilities and participate in opening celebration. The assembly will feature performances by the Choir, some guitarists and a digital presentation of the building works (before, during and after). Parents from our school community are welcome to come to the assembly and join the invited guests for afternoon tea following the assembly.

Pupil Free Day
Yesterday was an Assessment and Reporting Curriculum Day for our school. Teachers worked to prepare students’ written reports that will be distributed later in the term.

Stopwork Action
As reported in the media, there is possible stop work action proposed by the Australian Education Union which could affect student attendance at school on Thursday 7 June. Once the action is confirmed, families will be advised if their children’s classes are affected.

District Cross Country
Congratulations to all students who competed in the District Cross Country last week. Our school was placed fifth overall. Now, eight students continue to the Boroondara Division Cross Country next week. Congratulations to Isabella, Lia, Sophie, Ila, Laura, Daniel, Jensen and Anton.

School Review Progress
Work is continuing on the development of our school’s Self Evaluation report as part of the School Review. Parents may recall in Term 1 there were several opportunities for parents, students and staff to present their views on the achievements of the school and areas for further improvement. That input, together with a wide range of school performance data, is now being shaped into a report for the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development. It will be made available to the school community upon completion and will lead to the development of our next four year Strategic Plan in Term 3. Thanks to the many families who took the time to participate in the surveys and workshop.

Trivia Night
On Saturday 16 June, the Parents’ Association are holding their main fundraising event for the year, a Trivia Night for parents and friends. Already quite an impressive number of tickets have been sold and I know the teachers have formed tables and are brushing up on their musical knowledge. If you haven’t made plans yet, please show your support by coming along. It is always a great night.

Yours Sincerely, Meredith Carracher
French Day Activities: June 15

To celebrate la journée française at GIPS, all students are encouraged to participate by dressing up in a French-themed outfit. Some of the possible ideas include:

famous French or francophone people such as: King Louis XIV, Queen Marie-Antoinette, Monsieur Guillotin, Gustave Eiffel, Joan of Arc, Napoléon, Jacques Cousteau, Jacques Cartier, Jules Verne, Céline Dion, Jacques Villeneuve, Marcel Marceau, Édith Piaf, World Cup soccer players, Tour de France cyclists, Grand Prix drivers, French Open tennis players, ballet dancers, skiers, fashion designers, filmmakers, artists and chefs.

French characters such as: Tintin, Babar the Elephant, Madeline, Astérix, Pépé le Peu, Hunchback of Notre Dame characters and musketeers.

French items such as: snails, frogs, French monuments, items of food and the French colours (blue, white and red).

There will also be a French-themed Special Lunch, which will include a variety of delicious French inspired foods, and a bilingual puppet show of the tale “Le chat botte” (“Puss in Boots”). The puppet show incursion form has been sent out and is available for download on the website.

Merci!
Mademoiselle Carolyn Garneau
French Coordinator

Performing Arts Incursion
‘Dance Around the World’

Grades 3 - 6
### SPECIAL LUNCH ORDERS
Just a reminder that orders for the French Special Lunch must be in by Monday 4 June.

### TO A GOOD HOME
7yo loving Black Labrador free to a good home.
Call Susan 0411 793 826

### PARKING
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### TODAY’S NOTICES
- Gr.3 City Excursion - white, return slip
- Trivia Night Hamper Request - white, eldest
- Official Opening help request - yellow, eldest, return slip
- Soiree notice - music students

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### 2012 TERM DATES
- **Term 1**: 3 February to 30 March
- **Term 2**: 16 April to 29 June
- **Term 3**: 16 July to 21 September
- **Term 4**: 8 October to 21 December

### 2013 TERM DATES
- **Term 1**: 30 January to 28 March
- **Term 2**: 15 April to 28 June
- **Term 3**: 15 July to 20 September
- **Term 4**: 7 October to 20 December

### STUDENT BANKING
The last day for banking this term will be Monday 4 June.

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COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD
Copies of this information are available at the office:

- Players wanted for U12 Girls basketball - the Glen Iris Scorpions are in need of 1 - 2 extra girls to join the U12 team(s). It’s a great game, played indoors, provides a terrific form of exercise and opportunity for your daughter to be part of a team. It’s also fun to watch as a parent and a chance to extend your networks within the local community. Please email: glenirisdistrict@gmail.com or contact Mark Toner 0438 808 265.

- Victorian Sports Camps - football, netball & hockey - during the July school holidays. For information ph. 1300 914 368 or visit www.australianssportsamps.com.au

- Stage Left Performing Arts School - for 4 - 16yr olds. Holiday workshops (July 9 - 13) and Weekly

Term Classes in East Malvern. For enquiries and enrolments ph. 1300 369 443 or www.stageleft.com.au

- Good Shepherd Youth & Family Service Buying Service - for concession card holders & community organizations - white goods, air con & heating & other appliances. For more information ph. 9495 9655.

- Children’s Performing Company of Australia - for children aged 5 - 18. Classes starting in July - August Ph. 9384 1644 or visit www.cpca.com.au

- CSIRO Double Helix Holiday Science Activities at Kew for 5 - 13yrs old. To make a booking visit: www.csiro.au/VicHolidays

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FROM PRIMARY SCHOOL TO SECONDARY
HOW CAN I HELP MY CHILD?

A FREE SESSION FOR PARENTS

What’s it about?
Your child’s successful transition from primary to secondary school is critical to their future.

YOU can make a real difference!

This session will present practical tips, advice and information to help you prepare and support your child.

Who should attend?
The session is aimed at parents or guardians with children in Years 5, 6 or 7.

Who will be speaking?
Angie Wilcock, a specialist in the area of parental support and transitions, will present the session.

Angie’s work takes her around Australia, addressing parents, teachers and students.

She is the author of the soon-to-be-published book ‘The Transition Tightrope’.

Is there any charge?
No. The session is free. It is made possible by the Inner Eastern Local Learning Employment Network (IELLEN), a non-profit government funded organisation.

This session is run in partnership with Hawthorn Secondary College. It is open to any parent who wants to attend. Your child doesn’t have to be enrolled in any particular school.

What are the details?
DATE: Monday 4th June
TIME: 6.30pm to 8pm
VENUE: Hawthorn Secondary College, in the VCE Learning Common Room, Burgess Street, Hawthorn East (enter from Burgess Street).

Refreshments provided.

www.iellen.org.au
Tables are filling fast. I'd better hurry up and book!

Trivia Night

A HAIR-RAISING ADVENTURE IN ALL THINGS IMPORTANT

Q. When is it?
A. Saturday, 16th June @ 7.30pm

Q. Where is it?
A. Camberwell High School Hall

Q. What else?
A. Tickets $20, organise your table of 10
   BYO food, drinks @ bar prices

Q. What’s all this about hair-raising?
A. Dress up your hair – give it a night out and raise money for library books too!

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