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## 2017 STUDENT LEADERSHIP CAMP > Reaching New Heights!



Last Sunday morning, the 2017 Student Leadership Team commenced their Leadership Camp at the Adelaide Shores Caravan Park. We were accompanied by four amazing staff members who were dedicated to ensuring our safety, but more than anything, our fun!

We also had several teachers pop in to say hello and help supervise some of the activities that were being run over the two days. After dinner on Sunday night, the team came together for a relaxing sunset beach walk, where we had the opportunity to reflect on the work that has already been done, and also the work that is yet to come. Upon the end of our reflections, we dedicated some time with friends and created funny pictures (and memories) that will last a lifetime! On Sunday night we gathered as a group, dressed up in our best superhero and villain costumes, and settled in for a movie night watching *Big Hero 6*. We shared many laughs before going to rest in our dorms after a fun-filled, yet exhausting day.

On Monday morning, we rose early to prepare for the exciting time we were to have at the Mega Adventure Park. The walk to the venue was filled with chatter, with the newly-strengthened friendships proving valuable as some student's nerves were heightened! Upon arrival many of us realised we would be facing our fears that day, scaling the multiple story high structure with many suspended challenges along the way. The bonds which we had formed over our time so far came in handy, as we helped each other through the challenges. Together, some people managed to tackle their fear of heights and even going through some of the obstacles blindfolded in a true test of trust. After finishing our ascent to the top of the monolithic structure, there was only one way to get down - a 20 metre descent, jumping off the tower, to land the bottom!

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## 2017 Student Leaders Express Passion & Integrity

Student Leadership at Gleeson College is vibrant and strong, and testament to the high value placed on the qualities and skills of our young people. Visiting the Student Leadership Team at their annual Leadership Camp was a reminder of how powerful such opportunities are for our students.

I was inspired by the great sense of camaraderie and humbled by the integrity and passion expressed. Many students listed their most influential person as their Mum/Dad; others spoke of their ambition to work in areas such as the Defence Force, Zoology, Performing Arts, Special Needs Education, Physiotherapy, working for Disney; and all spoke of their desire to serve the community in some way. The whole Gleeson Community can be so very proud of our Student Leaders.

The camp was a wonderful experience and we thank the great team of Staff Leaders: Ms Kerri-Anne Freeth, Mrs Jessica McCarthy, Mr Shannon Bertram, and Mr Adam Cibich.

### Saturday Morning Sport

Saturday Morning Sport is back in action and we thank our 2017 Coaches for their energy and commitment to enable this opportunity to be offered. We give our heartfelt thanks to families who transport, spectate and support. Thanks also to Ms Rachel Staffin who coordinates it all!

### STEM Taskforce

This week a small task force has been established to review our current STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) practices. It was a robust and energetic meeting, and we are looking at ways to better embed these disciplines both in the curriculum (a particular focus is Year 7s for next year) and in the co-curricular opportunities offered in and outside of our College. A most exciting journey ahead. We thank Mr Nathan Ackan, Mr Tim Bond, Ms Denise Spiroulas, Mrs Susan Smith and Mr Richard Sellers for their commitment and passion in this area.

### Year 7 Parent Information Night

Another Year 7 Parent Information Night was held this week and what a wonderful turnout it was! Clearly families are thinking through all the factors and we



thank all the parents and families who attended and enjoyed a wine and cheese night with us. The planning and process for the transition of Year 7 into secondary school was shared, and, most importantly, the strategies we plan to adopt to ensure a smooth, inclusive and positive transition for all our new Year 7s in 2018. We continue to highly value parent input and feedback and see this as an integral part of walking the journey together. **Enrolment Applications for Year 7 2018 close on May 1.** We look forward to the journey continuing.

As we approach the holy season of Lent, we are reminded of the importance of reflection and hope. A time to be thankful and remember how blessed we truly are.

Dr Sue Knight,  
Acting Deputy Principal



## 2017 Gleeson Diary Dates



### TERM 1 2017

28 Feb	Shrove Tuesday
1 Mar	Ash Wednesday Mass
7	College Open Night > 4-8pm <i>*Early finish @ 1pm for students</i>
13	PUBLIC HOLIDAY > Adelaide Cup
17	Athletics Carnival
22	College Board Meeting
31	Year 8 HPV Immunisations 1
4 Apr	Parent Teacher Interviews
12	Parent Teacher Interviews
13	Final day of Term 1 > Student Reports distributed

### TERM 2 2017

1 May	First day of Term 2 for all students
3 - 5	Year 11 Retreat
6 - 7	2017 Relay for Life
12	Year 10 Meningococcal B Immunisation #1
17	College Board Meeting
12	Year 11 & Year 12 Meningococcal B Immunisation #1
24	STUDENT FREE DAY > Staff Professional Learning Day



Please exercise caution and check for pedestrians when pulling in and out of the College roadway, particularly at drop off and pick up times. Thank you.

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act of kindness

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**Gleeson College is an amazing community filled with wonderful students and staff!**

Gleeson offers so many ways to remain informed of the many amazing things our students do in our community to support each other. We would like to be more aware of the great things occurring at Gleeson College, and acknowledge these. We have created the 'Random Acts of Kindness' email address.

As a staff, we will now notify each other of those students offering kind acts to each other and staff. We would also like you to be able to inform us if someone is helpful to you.

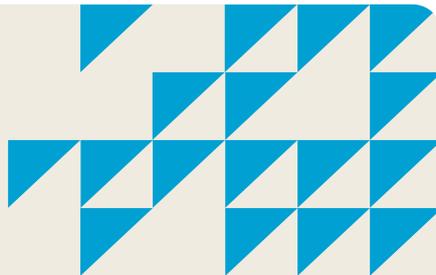
If a student completes an 'Act of Kindness' for you, please email the address below and we will acknowledge and reward that act. Small gestures can go a long way to increasing the great community feel we have here at Gleeson College.

'Random Acts of Kindness' Email Address:  
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I hope that together we can continue to make Gleeson College amazing!

**Mr Shannon Bertram,**  
Assistant Principal - Student Development

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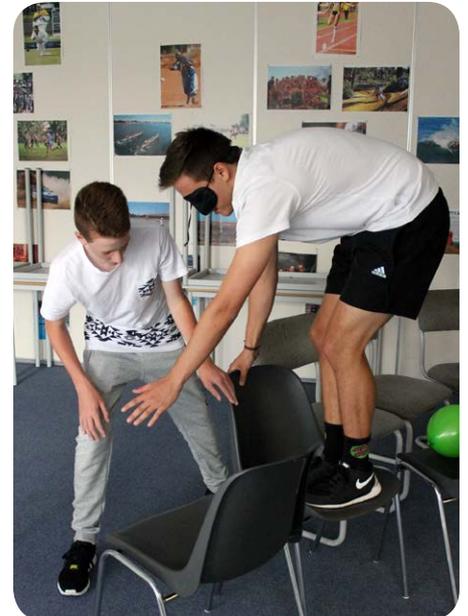
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In the afternoon, we started our walk back to the camp site where we would collect our bags and get on the bus to return home. As our adventure came to an end, we reflected on our time spent together over the two days, and wished the camp could go on for just one more day!

*Thank you to all Student Leaders and staff involved for a great 2017 Camp!*

**Britney Shorter, College President & Georgia Craggs & Tim Camilleri, College Vice Presidents**



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# GLEESON SOFTBALLERS PITCHING FOR ANOTHER PERFECT SEASON!



Our Gleeson Softball Girls have been back on the pitch in Saturday Morning Sport and they are ready to defend their perfect record from last season!

This year we welcome new Year 8 student, Amy Fredella (8 DMJEF), to the team and new Coach, GC Old Scholar and pitcher extraordinaire, Erica Greet (Class of 2016).

The girls took on St Ignatius in Round 1 and won convincingly 15-2. Whilst the team played well, I believe it was our very own cheer squad (see photo below) that encouraged and supported our girls over the line!

All the best for the season girls!

**Ms Candice Mitchell,**  
HPE Coordinator



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- Saturday, 25th February 9.30am - 10.30am
- Wednesday, 22nd March 4.30pm - 5.30pm
- Tuesday, 16th May 9.30am - 10.30am
- Saturday, 1st July 9.30am - 10.30am
- Monday, 14th August 9.30am - 10.30am
- Thursday, 21st September 4.30pm - 5.30pm
- Friday, 10th November 9.30am - 10.30am

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Saturday 25 March

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