

GYC



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Dates to remember

APRIL

- 6 Final Day of Term 1
- 25 ANZAC Day Public Holiday
- 26 Term 2 Commences

MAY

- 2 Information Evening - Glenorchy Campus
- 4 Information Evening - Hobart Campus
- 19 Southern Catholic Colleges Careers Expo

INFO FOR STUDENTS AND FAMILIES

REASONABLE ADJUSTMENTS FOR EXTERNAL EXAMINATIONS: APPLICATIONS OPEN

The Office of Tasmanian Assessment, Standards and Certification (TASC) provides Reasonable Adjustments for students who are deemed to be eligible due to particular circumstances. Further details around the TASC Reasonable Adjustment Policy can be found at: <https://www.tasc.tas.gov.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/TASC-Reasonable-Adjustments-Policy.v3-Mar-22.pdf>

Students are able to apply NOW for Reasonable Adjustments by seeing the College Counsellor, Learning Support Coordinator or Director of Curriculum at their Campus. If a student has already seen one of these people, an application package can be collected from the Campus office. Applications must be returned to GYC by Friday 26 May.

Formal notification will be received from TASC to advise if the Reasonable Adjustments have been granted. These will be applied to mid-year and end-of-year examinations.

Please also note that Year 12 students who had Reasonable Adjustments granted in 2022 will not have to complete a full application. We will be speaking to each of these students to advise if any further documentation is required to confirm their adjustments for 2023.

NEW UTAS CAREERS SITE

UTAS have launched a new careers site that may be helpful for parents to read. Click [here](#) to find out more!

LATE FOR CLASS NOTICE

GYC administration will be sending a Late for Class text at the same time as Student Absence texts are sent at each session.



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Alison Savage at Hobart (asavage@gyc.tas.edu.au)

Lisa Herd at Glenorchy (lherd@gyc.tas.edu.au)

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Ministry

HOLY WEEK

This week is known as Holy Week when Christians around the world recount and remember the last days of Jesus' life prior to his unjust trial and crucifixion. The Gospel for last Sunday recounts Jesus being hailed as a hero to the Jewish people as he entered Jerusalem. Within a few short days he will have been arrested, put on trial, illegally tortured and executed. We all experience small betrayals and sometimes large betrayals in our lives - it is part of the human condition to know suffering and loss. We follow the events of Holy Week and pray particularly for the health of Pope Francis.

To celebrate Easter and the last week of term, Sarah Young and the Social Justice Leaders at Hobart (Ebony and Ruby) held a 'Caritas Easter Egg Auction' during Monday tutor in the amphitheatre in beautiful weather conditions. There were delicious Easter Chocolate prizes, pastries and cakes up for grabs for the highest bidder. We also had the charismatic Mark Beck as Head Auctioneer ably assisted by Mike Gowans. The event was a great community builder and \$313.00 was raised for Caritas. We continue to encourage final donations to Caritas Australia's Project Compassion appeal.

Over the last week Religious Education classes have been prepared for the Easter rituals and at Hobart Campus students were introduced to the Hobart Campus Chaplain, Fr Paschal. We thank him for sharing his life story and vocation journey with our students.

Meals on Wheels were delighted to receive over 707 Easter Eggs and cards prepared by Faith in Action classes. Easter Eggs were also provided to the residents of Bethlehem House once again wrapped by Faith in Action classes. Once again a big thank you to the generous discount from West Hobart Hill Street.

On Wednesday in extended tutor there were Holy Week liturgies and gatherings on each campus. We joined with millions of Christians around the world who remember Jesus' journey to Calvary Hill for crucifixion.

There can be no Easter Sunday without Good Friday so Christians enter into a time of solemnity and reflect on the events that mark the final hours and days of Jesus' life, crucifixion and death. Students and staff were able to reflect on Last Supper and in particular the humble act of servant leadership by Christ in washing the feet of his disciples. In Religious Education classes we have discussed the origins of Easter and respect for the symbols of Easter which we encounter - be it hot cross buns or the Easter Egg we reminded students that historically they are actually a symbol of new life and for Christians a belief in the resurrection.

We commend all our student leaders for their respectful support of the liturgical events in the Christian calendar, for their sense of leadership in our College community and for a very successful Term 1.



BIOTA Conference

March 24 at the Don Bosco Creative Arts Centre (Glenorchy Campus)

The Biology, Environmental Science and Society Teachers Association of Tasmania (BIOTA) is an organisation that was founded in the late 1980's by visionary Biology teachers who felt the need to support Biology teachers across the state with curriculum matters, resource sharing and keeping abreast of the latest biotechnologies. I joined BIOTA in 1992 and have been a member ever since.

It was a pleasure this year, as Secretary of BIOTA, to organise the 2023 BIOTA Conference. After several years of restrictions and lock downs it was wonderful to have twenty-four Biology teachers from across Tasmania back together for a face-to-face conference enabling them to participate in a professional learning opportunity and to collaborate with their colleagues about their potential teaching practices required for the new Biology 3 course. The new Biology 3 course has been accredited by TASC and will be introduced to all Tasmanian schools offering Year 11 and 12 courses in 2024. I have been one of several critical friends working with Curriculum Services to develop the new Biology 3 course and GYC has been a sponsor. The aim of the BIOTA Conference 2023 was to invite scientists, experts in their field, to inform and enlighten our teachers with some of the new course content.

Presenters at the conference were: Peter Wright from Curriculum Services as Leader for Science explaining his role in future provision of professional learning; Rosemary Beswick from Hobart College and critical friend delivering a first glimpse at some of the new content; Dr Louise Roddam – Senior Lecturer for biochemistry and molecular genetics at UTAS discussing gene regulation and expression; Bec Clifford, GYC, modelling gene expression in bacteria; Dr James Crane, Senior Lecturer in anatomy at UTAS engaging us in neuroscience and neurotransmission; Fay Power, Forensic Scientist at FSST opening up our minds about the latest biotechnology required for her work; Kirsten Fairfax, the Alex Gadomski Fellow and Senior Lecturer in biochemistry and molecular genetics and researcher at Menzies Institute and Ariel Simpson, inaugural Alex Gadomski Postgraduate Scholarship recipient in Medical Research at Menzies Institute (and past GYC Biology student), explaining the importance of CRISPR gene editing technology for their research into rare bone marrow diseases; and finally Christopher Ray, a PhD Candidate at UTAS also working with CRISPR in the area of plant science delivering an incredibly engaging lecture. As many of you would be aware, Alex Gadomski was also a former student of GYC. He sadly lost his life at age 21 to a rare bone marrow cancer and it was wonderful to see his legacy live on through Kirsten and Ariel. It was an action-packed day. The guest speakers from UTAS were so generous with their time and their lectures prompted many questions and a great deal of discussion from the audience. On behalf of BIOTA I would like to say a huge thank you to all involved.

We are so fortunate to have so many specialist scientists in Tasmania to address our teachers. Biology is a subject that is constantly evolving, particularly in the area of biotechnology and it is incredibly important for our Tasmanian teachers to keep pace with such changes. I would like to acknowledge the support of our GYC Laboratory Manager, Mel King, for her assistance with preparation for the conference, Morgan Lunn and her team for their smooth running of the day and the GYC Leadership team for supporting BIOTA by providing the use of the wonderful Don Bosco Arts Centre for the Conference.

Bec Clifford

Head of Faculty – Science and Digital Technology, and Secretary of BIOTA

Shelbi Berechree Award

In 2020, the inaugural Shelbi Berechree Award was presented at the GYC Commendation Ceremony. This award is a Bursary for students studying Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care.

The award is named after Shelbi Berechree, a former student at Guilford Young College, who passed away as the result of a tragic accident in December 2018. At the time Shelbi was studying the Certificate III in Early Education and Care whilst working in a Long Day Care Centre.

After her passing, Shelbi's fellow educators at Glenorchy City Council's Child Care Connections wanted to ensure that her dedication and contributions to children and educators were recognised. The educators commenced the 'Go Casual for Shelbi' fundraiser in her memory. This initially involved designing a t-shirt, with the children's artistic assistance and casual dressing one day a week and contributing a gold coin donation to raise funds and awareness of Organ Donation for Donate Life. This evolved further with the idea to support students studying or wishing to enter the education and care sector. 'Shelbi's dream job'. Through generous donations and support of many businesses and individuals as well as fundraising events in Shelbi's memory, the Bursary has now been made possible.

The monies received through the weekly GYC Playgroup are collected and donated to the 'Go Casual for Shelbi' fund along with other fundraisers delivered by the VET Early Childhood Education and care class.

The Bursary is to provide financial support to a student who shares a passion for children, has a desire to develop relationships with others and to work collaboratively to achieve best outcomes for children. The recipient is a student who also demonstrates an intended career pathway in the education and care sector.

The recipients of the Shelbi Berechree Award, Bursary for Early Childhood Education and Care over the past 4 years have been:

2020 - Kiarna Nibbs

2021 - Amelia Hill Mundy

2022 - Amalia Clifford & Hannah Davis

2023 - Charlotte Howells

Each of these students have demonstrated a passion for and desire to improve the education of young children. The support provided through the Bursary recognises this and encourages them to pursue their pathway.



Outdoor Education

Outdoor Leadership trip to Walls of Jerusalem

On Thursday 23 March, the Glenorchy Outdoor Leadership 3 class travelled to the Walls of Jerusalem National Park to undertake a 3 day / 2 night hike.

The class had undertaken careful planning for the trip, including logistics, route planning, food preparation and safety considerations, with the view that they operate as leaders on the trip.

On day 1, students practiced navigation skills as they ascended the steep track into the national park. Once within the park, students were rewarded with glimpses of highland tarns and peaks as they journeyed to their first campsite.

During the day their leadership capacity was tested with a suspected anaphylactic medical emergency involving a member of the group. All members of the class assisted in treating and stabilising their classmate before moving the group to the safety of the first camp as darkness descended.

We would like to congratulate the girls on their quick thinking and timely actions in dealing with the emergency. It was a true test of their leadership and they rose to the challenge. Well done girls!

After the events of day 1, the outdoor leadership class demonstrated their adaptability by varying plans to accommodate all participants, and to take into account the delay to their original itinerary. Hiking to Solomons Throne, they ascended a steep rocky trail through a narrow gulch to be rewarded with spectacular views of Mt Jerusalem, Mt Ossa and surrounds.

After a relaxing lunch at the top the class descended through pencil pines and mountain lakes to their campsite.

On the last morning, students awoke to sparkling frost covering their tents and the surrounding scenery; beautiful but cold! They packed up their tents and hiked out of the national park before driving back to college.

The trip overall was a success, made possible by a massive team effort. It should be stressed that throughout the camp the safety of all students was paramount, and there is no doubt that each student has grown from this experience.

Tim Hargrave and Jane Stephenson





School-Based Apprenticeships

My name is Zoe Jestrinski and I am a Year 11 student at GYC, I am currently undertaking a School-Based Apprenticeship with Tassal. In Year 10 I also did my Cert I in Maritime Operations, this was great as I gained my Coxswains Grade 2 Near Coastal, which helped to set me up with skills that would help me in other careers on the water. After school finishes, I am hoping to go down the Maritime pathway and get a job working on the water.

I work at Tassal's Channel zone every Tuesday, the day starts at 6.30 am, and this takes a bit of getting used to. On a day-to-day basis, I assist with many different jobs. Some of them have included tying up boats to moorings, pens and jetties and assisting with getting the soft net in a pen and as well as back out for bathing the fish. I have also helped with getting both birds and seals out of the fish pens, as well as dropping the weights on the new pens. I like the variety of tasks I get to do, and not knowing what each day is going to bring.

I like doing my School-Based Apprenticeship because it creates a break in my week and gives me the ability to learn heaps of new skills to get me ready for life outside of school. I enjoy going down to Tassal on a Tuesday because being on the water is something I have loved since I was little, and now getting paid to do that is something I never thought I would get the opportunity to do.

Zoe Jestrinski

Year 11 Student



ARC NEWS

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Last week we began the first of our University of Tasmania study sessions for the year, with Ms Manners' English Literature class. Students were welcomed on to campus and given a tour of the Morris Miller Library, which included a presentation on how to search for Library resources by UTAS librarian Ruairi Murphy. Students then had the opportunity to enjoy some lunch on campus before browsing the shelves for resources to support their Independent Projects.

One of the strengths of this program is getting students to re-engage with print resources, which many students still claim to prefer engaging with rather than online resources, it is wonderful to see our students get a sense of the breadth of their topics by losing themselves in amongst the library's print collection.

To cap off the session, we were lucky enough to have a Q&A with Dr Naomi Milthorpe – Senior Lecturer in English and the Course Coordinator for the Bachelor of Arts – who discussed the benefits of Humanities study at University and answered student questions about future pathways.

Demelza Hall

ARC Leader





Sports News

IMPORTANT DATES

- Basketball State Finals: Term 2, Week 3 (date tbc), Hobart
- Term 2 Sports start Week 1 and Week 2
- Equestrian One Day Event Sunday 7 May, Huntingfield
- Tasmanian Schools Surfing Competition, Friday 12 May, Scamander
- SSATIS Cross Country Wednesday 24 May, Domain, Hobart
- Boys Football State Finals Saturday 17 June
- Girls Football State Final Tuesday 13 June, Campbell Town
- Tasmanian All Schools Cross Country Tuesday 20 June, Symmons Plains

ATHLETICS

During the past 2 weeks, the GYC Athletics Team participated in the Southern and State SATIS Carnivals. The College would like to thank the students who participated in these events. There were some amazing performances and many students stepped up and filled a gap where there was an injury or illness. There were many outstanding achievements with students achieving personal bests. Jess Bray breaking the Open Discus and Javelin records at the Southern Carnival and backed it up with also breaking the Discus at the State Carnival. Thank you to Kylie Sullivan, Peter Di Venuto, Gabriele Edgar, Mel Brown and Max Brideson for managing and coaching the team.

SSATIS Results (placings)

Open Girls

- Ella Coad: 2nd 100m
- Cate Clingeffer: 2nd 1500m, 3rd 3000m

- Ashlee Crick, Nyah Hall, Lola Lester and Ella Coad: 3rd Relay

- Nyah Hall: 2nd High Jump, 2nd Triple Jump

- Jess Bray: 1st Shot Put, 1st Discus Throw (Record 38.28m) & 1st Javelin Throw (Record 40.20m)

- Shelby Leonard: 3rd Discus Throw

- Michaela White: 3rd Javelin Throw

Open Boys

- Frank Villapana, Harry McLeod, Oliver Taylor and Xavier Connor: 2nd Relay

- Ollie Kelly: 1st Shot Put, 1st Javelin Throw, 3rd High Jump

- Harry McLeod: 3rd Long Jump

- Jake Fehlberg: 2nd Shot Put

- Hugh Sansom: 1st Discus Throw

- Joe McGann: 3rd Discus Throw

- Jamerson Arnold: 2nd Javelin Throw

Shields

1st College Co-Education shield 1st, 2nd College Boys 2nd and 3rd College Girls.

State SATIS results (placings)

- Cate Clingeffer: 1st 1500m, 1st 3000m

- Nyha Hall: 2nd High Jump, 1st Triple

- Jess Bray: 1st Shot Put, 1st Javelin, 1st Discus (Record 38.95m)

Open Boys

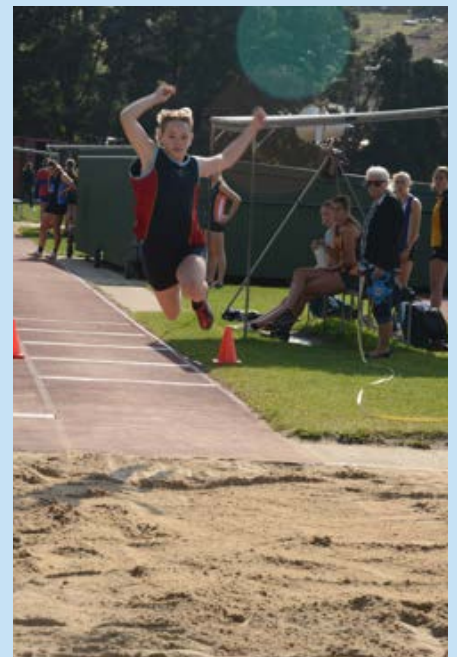
- Oliver Kelly: 1st Javelin, 3rd Shot Put

- Frank Villapana, Harry McLeod, Oliver Taylor and Xavier Connor: 2nd Relay

- Alexander Haigh: 3rd 100m Ambulatory Para



Sports News





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VOLLEYBALL

The last round of Volleyball saw GYC having another successful round with the following results with GYC Red defeated Friends' Red 2/56, 0/50, GYC Gold defeated Dominic 2/50, 0/19, GYC Blue defeated Friends' White 2/51,0/46 and GYC Navy defeated SMC 10 2/50, 0/28. There were 18 teams in the two Senior Volleyball Rosters. All four of the GYC teams had an outstanding season with the Blue Team and Navy Teams finishing in the top two places in their roster while the Gold Team also finished on top of their roster with the Red Team third. The Southern Final saw the Blue and Gold Team play each other in an exciting and well contested match. The Gold Team after winning the game will now play in the State Final later in the year.



TENNIS

The Girls Tennis Team wrapped up their season playing against St Mary's College. After winning the 2nd Grade competition last year it was a tough season being upgraded to play in the Division 1 competition this year. The player's should feel very proud of their efforts. The Boys 2nd Tennis played their Semi Finals against St Virgil's College and convincingly won 5,30 0,12, they now face Hutchins in the Southern Final which will be played Wednesday 5 April.





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BASKETBALL

The Girls Basketball Team played their Semi-finals against Friends' on March 29 and won 17 to 93. They will now play against Collegiate today in the Southern Final. The Boys 1st Grade played their Semi Finals on March 30. Two of the three GYC teams who played in Division 1 finished in the top two places on the ladder. GYC Gold coached by Izach Collins once again played well and defeated Hutchins 71 to 55. GYC Red coached by Mr Ramon Jacobs played in a close game and lost by three points to Sacred Heart College. The Gold Team looks forward to playing against Sacred Heart in the Southern Grand Final on Thursday 6 April.

In the Boys 2nd Grade competition, the GYC Maroon coached by Mr Pete Taylor played St Virgil's College Blue in the Semi Final. This was another very close game with SVC taking the game 57 to 53.



TERM 2 SPORT

The Sport Department has been organising teams for the various sports and look forward to the rosters starting weeks 1 and 2.

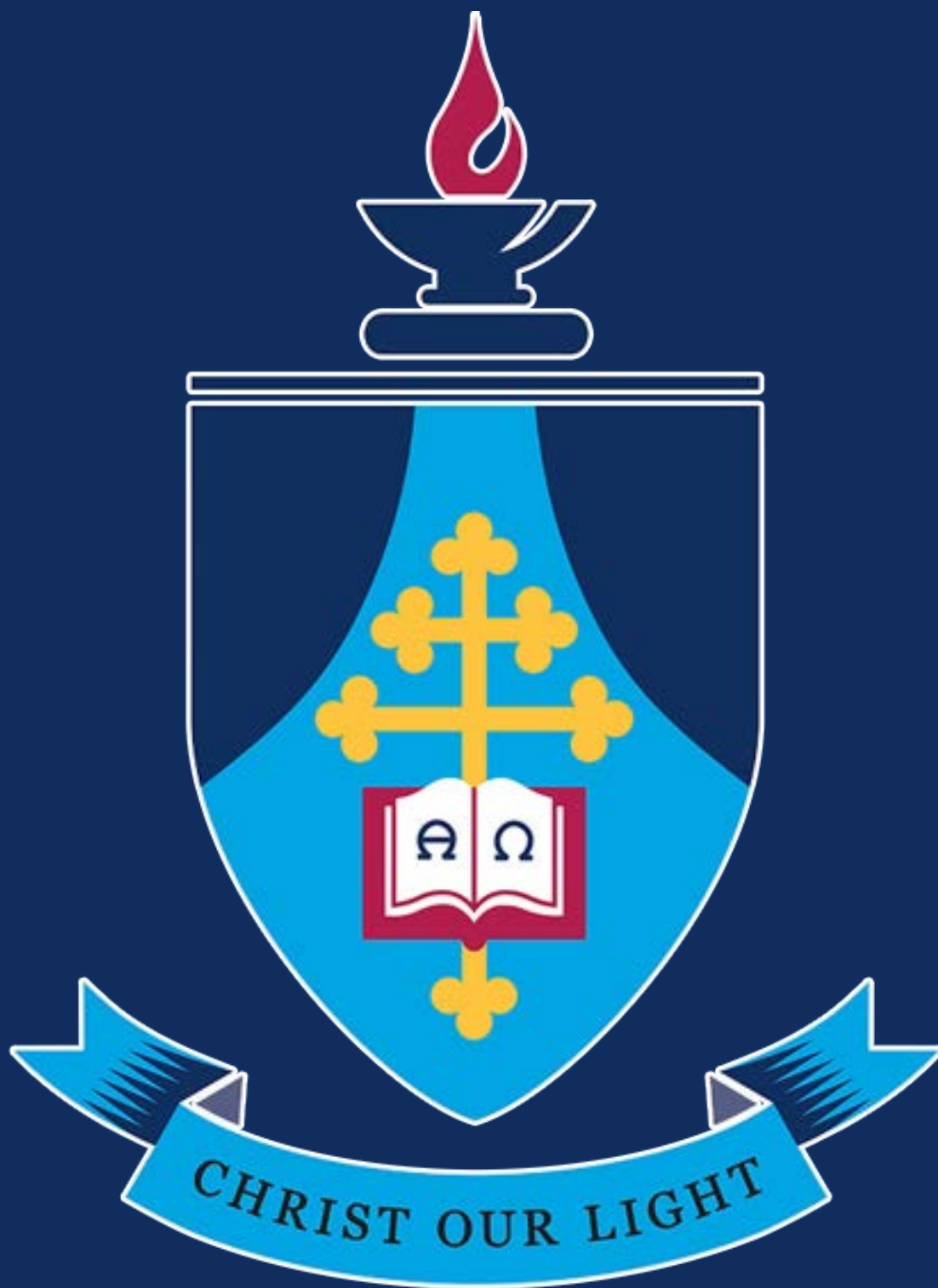
CONGRATULATIONS

Abbey Geappen and Jess Owen will be participating in the 17 and Under National Netball Championships in Darwin next week. It's also good to see last years students, Georgia Pyke, Ash Turner and Hannah Brereton continue their journey's with netball in the 19 and Under Netball team.

Mel Brown

Sport Coordinator





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