

veritas



Grade 1 and Prep 1971

Celebrating
our History



1961

Garnsey Campus is
50 years old.



Form 6 1971



1971

Celebrating 40 years of
amalgamation.



P3 Official opening
of the James Beard
Centre



P4 DUX 2010
James Gray



P7 Join our
celebrations

From the Head of School

As a teacher of History, I have always believed passionately that the study of the past is an essential element of any well-rounded education, and a Google search of the reasons for the study of history reveals some 410 million sites, which might help explain why an understanding of the past is important to all societies and institutions. As we publish this edition of Veritas, we begin our 2011 celebrations of the past – fifty years since the boys' Gippsland Grammar commenced building on the current Garnsey campus and forty years since the amalgamation of the boys' and girls' schools to commence as St. Anne's and Gippsland Grammar School. At this time, I am reminded of the importance of reflecting on our history in order to celebrate who we are as a School; merely defining a school such as ours in the present diminishes the opportunities evident in celebrating an identity based on a rich past. A sharing and emphasis on distinctive stories in our School's past can assist to develop an understanding of the values that are significant in our community, and which survive the passage of time. This was no more evident than in the opening of the James Beard Centre, incorporating the Garry Gray library, at the Bairnsdale Campus in March – the contribution of these men recognised in a building which offers



> Jan Henry

so much to present and future students of the Campus. I encourage all those who have been part of our rich past to join in the celebrations in 2011 and I look forward to sharing their stories throughout this time.

A school cannot rest on its past, however, and we are also reminded in this edition of the great promise of the future which our students reveal. I congratulate all students who successfully completed the VCE and VCAL in 2010. We are pleased with the VCE results for the Class of 2010. James Gray of Tinamba was Dux, gaining an

ATAR ranking of 99.9, with two other students, Agnik Sarkar and Sarah Christie, also gaining ATAR rankings above 99. All 98 students who applied for further study received an offer: 93% of applicants received a first round offer, and of these 66% received their first preference.

Of course, beyond our School community, we have all been shocked by the ferocity of nature during the first part of this year. Floods, earthquakes and tsunamis have devastated communities across our nation and the Pacific. It has been unbelievable to watch these natural and subsequent human disasters unfold. Through our language programs and Sister School relationship with Hikarigaoka Girls High School, we have strong connections with Japan, and I am pleased to reassure you that staff and students there are safe. It is pleasing that our students have responded generously to these disasters, raising over \$3000 for flood victims. They have commenced their fundraising for Japan with cake stalls and a 'red and white' casual day at St Anne's.

I hope that you enjoy this edition of Veritas and are able to reflect on the ways in which our past and present help to reveal our identity as a School preparing young people for the future.

Jan Henry

You're invited to the Holey Plain Soiree

Come along to the School Foundation's major fundraiser and social event for 2011.

**Friday 14 October
8:00pm until midnight
Tickets \$80 (inc. food, drinks and transport)**

Guests will arrive at the homestead by bus and enjoy great food, wine and musical entertainment. There will be Lucky Door prizes and fundraising games throughout the evening. Parents and friends of the School are urged to book early, as tickets are limited.

For tickets and further information, please phone Meredith Lynch at the Development Office on 5143 6315.

Please note: Buses will leave from Sale (pick-up at Longford Hall). Maffra and Bairnsdale buses will operate if sufficient bookings are received.





> Back Row (L to R): Michael Beard (1981), Jonathan Beard (1979), Bev Beard.
Front (L to R): Flynn Martin, Jim Beard, Penny Martin (Beard – 1991).



> Garry Gray was joined in the new library, named in his honour, by old scholar Marie Potter (Lang – 1947) and students from the Bairnsdale Campus.

Bairnsdale Campus Celebrates

Gippsland Grammar Bairnsdale Campus recently passed another milestone with the official opening of the James Beard Centre by The Right Reverend John McIntyre, Bishop of Gippsland. Staff, students, parents and Old Scholars were invited to the School on this special occasion, which also celebrated the opening of the Garry Gray Library. As well as the Library, the facility also houses a new art room, multi-purpose Hall, music rooms, a canteen and change rooms.

The James Beard Centre

In deciding to name the building in honour of James Beard, School Principal (1975 – 1989), the School recognised the contribution of a man who oversaw the growth of the School from fewer than 500 students in 1975 to 950 students before he left. This was at a time when the School was still coming to terms with the amalgamation of the St Anne's girls school and the Gippsland Grammar boys school just four

years before Mr Beard began. Mr Beard attended the opening ceremony with his wife Bev and three of his children, Old Scholars Jonathan, Michael and Penny. Penny's son, Flynn Martin, was also in attendance.

The Bairnsdale Campus has gone from strength to strength since its opening in 2006 with just 46 foundation students. Garry Gray, Head of Junior School (1996 – 2008), made a significant contribution to

the planning of the Bairnsdale Campus and to commemorate his commitment to the School, the new Library was named in his honour. Garry's wife, Vere, attended the opening ceremony with Garry, where he addressed the assembled students and encouraged them to bring their dreams to reality.

The Bairnsdale Campus now boasts state of the art facilities, a strong parent community, over 130 students from Prep – Year 6 and over 30 enrolled at the ELC.



> Standing (L to R): Reverend Jon Taylor (School Chaplain), Allison Prandolini (Head of Bairnsdale Campus), Jan Henry (Head of School), Garry Gray, Mike Clapper (Executive Principal), The Right Reverend John McIntyre (Bishop of Gippsland). Seated: Jim Beard.

Students who received an ATAR of 90 or above – 2010



Ryan Leyden	94.85	Caroline Severs	94.55	Lucy Andrew	92.35	Derek Mwagiru	90.80
Claire Jennings	94.65	Lauren Pollock	94.10	Kyna Vandenberg	92.35	Emma Hoch	90.25
Jenny Hwang	94.60	Jasper Kline	92.95	Lawrence Rowland	90.85		

VCE Results

The 2010 results are another strong performance for the School. The School's mean ATAR (formerly ENTER) score was 75.4, well up with the average over the last 10 years. 21% of students obtained an ATAR score of over 90, putting them in the top 10% of the state, whilst 64% obtained an ATAR score in excess of 70, placing them in the top 30%. 95% of the students placed in the top 50%. In terms of study scores in individual subjects, we were delighted that 74% of the scores were above the state average of 30, whilst 13 % of the scores were over 40 and hence will be published on the VCE High Achiever's list.

The boys did particularly well this year, with six in the top ten placings.

These excellent results in VCE courses were backed up by some very strong results in university enhancement courses in Mathematics, Biology and Media/Communication. Both of the students who sat the Mathematics exam obtained a High Distinction as did the student who sat Biology. Six students also

took the Media/Communication exam, with four achieving High Distinctions and two Distinctions. Once again, it was a Gippsland Grammar student, James Gray, who topped this course.

The Dux of the School was James Gray from Tinamba, with an ATAR of 99.9. Close behind were Agnik Sarkar from Sale (99.4) and Sarah Christie from Bushy Park (99.1). Other very high achievers included April Rowe from Sale (98), Hayden Meade, also from Sale (97.9), Clare Chapman from Bairnsdale (97), Daniel Woo, an overseas student (97) and Tom Sellings from Lakes Entrance (95.75). James Gray obtained a perfect 50 in International Studies, to match the one he obtained last year in Media Studies, whilst two students obtained scores of 50 in English, Sarah Christie and Isobelle Hangar. Very close behind with scores of 49 were Jenny Hwang (English-ESL) and April Rowe (History-Revolutions).

The list of high achieving students continues to show an impressive geographical diversity, reflecting the School's large catchment.

Individual Study scores 40 and above – 2010

(Studies undertaken in 2009 which received 40 or above have not been reported again in this list except in special circumstances as denoted by the asterisks *)

YEAR 11

Jenessa Carvolth
Business Management 40
Anna Dyer
Music Styles 41
Nicholas Ellen
Business Management 41
Lachlan Evans
Biology 46
Amy Harrison
Business Management 41
Meg Hinkley
Business Management 43
Brittany Jeffs
International Studies 42
Rhys Kelly
Business Management 44
Angus Lade
Hospitality 40
Jackson Lamin
Biology 40
Lauren Lowe
Health and Human Development 44

Sarah Luke
Business Management 40
Jakob Malouf
LOTE:French 47
Physical Education 40
Eli Minter
Business Management 41
Elizabeth Newton
Art 45
Jemma Stewart
Media 44
Sam Vuillermin
Psychology 42
Renae Walker
Health and Human Development 40
Emma Zagami
Business Management 41

YEAR 12

Lucy Andrew
English Language 41
Legal Studies 40
Georgia Banks
English Language 40

Ryan Boulton
Visual Communication and Design 47
Prudence Cartledge
English language 40
Clare Chapman
English Language 43
Legal Studies 40
Further Mathematics 44
Sarah Christie
English 50
History: Revolutions 44
International Studies 40
Amelia Douglas
English 47
Jayden Elsworthy
Further Mathematics 41
Bernice Emms
English 41
Kate Fox
Further Mathematics 40
Lester Goold
Visual Communication and Design 44

James Gray
English 47
International Studies 50
LOTE: French 40
*Media 50 (2009)
Isobelle Hanger
English 50
Literature 41
Sarah Heath
Business Management 41
Madeleine Hillsley
English 40
Emma Hoch
English 41
Further Mathematics 40
Jenny Hwang
English as a Second Language 49
Annabelle Ishmakovich
English 44
Claire Jennings
English 44
Psychology 41
Jasper Kline
English 42

Ryan Lleyden
English 44
Physical Education 41
Pippa Magnuson
Physical Education 40
Hayden Meade
Specialist Mathematics 42
Mathematical Methods 46
Physics 45
Lauren Pollock
English 43
History: Revolutions 40
Legal Studies 42
Emily Renalson-O'Kane
English 42
April Rowe
History: Revolutions 49
Studio Arts 40
Sarah Ryan
Business Management 42
Agnik Sarkar
Chemistry 41
English 48
LOTE: French 45

Thomas Sellings
English Language 40
Further Mathematics 41
Outdoor and Environmental Studies 42
Physical Education 46
Caroline Severs
English Language 41
Annabel Smith
Geography 40
Tara Snelling
English Language 41
Sian Toney
English 42
Kyna Vandenberg
English Language 42
Terence Wheeler
Business Management 41
Daniel Woo
English as a Second Language 42
Further Mathematics 47
Isaac Woodhouse
Biology 41
English Language 41

Scholarship News

2010 Dux of the School, James Gray has received a National Scholarship from the University of Melbourne. These scholarships are offered to the best and brightest Australian students who not only apply for the scholarship but achieve the requisite tertiary entrance rank, and who have put a University of Melbourne

course as a first preference. Each recipient receives a HECS exempt Commonwealth supported place at the University and an annual allowance for the normal duration of their undergraduate degree. James, who is studying Commerce, also received a place in The Copland Scholars Program through the Faculty of Business and

Economics at the University of Melbourne. This program is for high achieving students and offers unique learning opportunities to the recipients. James also received a Partnership Schools Scholarship from St Hilda's College and is participating in his third year of the Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars Program. Congratulations, James!

Destinations

LUCY ANDREW
Commerce/Law
Deakin University/Melbourne

ROBYN AU
Science
Monash University/Clayton

GEORGIA BANKS
Environments
University Of Melbourne (The)/Parkville

AIDEN BEAUGLEHOLE
Science
University Of Melbourne (The)/Parkville

LINLEY BERTACCHINI
Physical and Outdoor Education
La Trobe University/Bendigo

RYAN BOULTON
Digital Art
RMIT University/City

AMANDA BUGBIRD
Arts (Psychology)
Australian Catholic University/Melbourne

ELIZABETH CAMERON
Nursing
Deakin University/Melbourne

PRUDENCE CARTLEDGE
Arts
University Of Melbourne (The)/Parkville

CLARE CHAPMAN
Arts
University Of Melbourne (The)/Parkville

SARAH CHRISTIE
Arts/Law
Monash University/Clayton

AIDEN COMMINS
Science
University Of Melbourne (The)/Parkville

SHONA CONNLEY
Business
RMIT University/City

MOLLY CONNOLLY
Health Sciences
Deakin University/Geelong

NAOMI DAVIDSON
Nursing Practice
Monash University/Gippsland

ZULAICHA DE SOUZA
Exercise and Sport Science
Victoria University/Footscray Park

TAHLIA DESCHAPPER
Information Technology and Systems (Business Systems)
Monash University/Gippsland

AMELIA DOUGLAS
Engineering-Aerospace/Management
RMIT University/City/Bundoora

JAYDEN ELSWORTHY
Science
University Of Melbourne (The)/Parkville

BERNICE EMMS
Arts
University Of Melbourne (The)/Parkville

SAMUEL FERNANDEZ
Sport Management/Business
University Of Ballarat/Mount Helen

SAMUEL FINK
Electronics
Chisholm Institute/Frankston

ALEXANDER FORD
Media and Communications
Swinburne University of Technology/Hawthorn

JESSICA FOX
Exercise Science and Human Movement/Sport and Rec. Management
Victoria University/Footscray Park

KATE FOX
Accounting
La Trobe University/Bundoora

GEORGE GOOCH-ANDREW
Environmental Management
Deakin University/Geelong

MICHAEL GOODISON
Professional and Creative Writing
Deakin University/Geelong

LESTER GOOLD
Environments
University Of Melbourne (The)/Parkville

JAMES GRAY
Commerce
University Of Melbourne (The)/Parkville

DENNY GRMUSA
Engineering-Mechanical Engineering
Victoria University/Footscray Park

HANNAH GRZENTIC
Physical Education (Secondary)
Deakin University/Melbourne

SARAH GRZENTIC
Arts
Deakin University/Geelong

STEVE GRZENTIC
Human Services/Social Work
La Trobe University/Bundoora

BREANNA HANEY
Education (Diploma of Tertiary Studies)
Monash University/Gippsland

ISOBELLE HANGER
Journalism
RMIT University/City

SARAH HEATH
Commerce (on-campus)
Deakin University/Melbourne

NIKITA HIGGINS
Occupational Therapy
Deakin University/Geelong Waterfront

MADELEINE HILLSLEY
Music
University Of Melbourne (The)/Parkville

EMMA HOCH
Arts
University Of Melbourne (The)/Parkville

JENNY HWANG
Arts
University Of Melbourne (The)/Parkville

ANNABELLE ISHMAKOVICH
Psychology
Deakin University/Melbourne

CLAIRE JENNINGS
Science
University Of Melbourne (The)/Parkville

PETER JOHNSTON
Teaching-Primary
Deakin University/Geelong

JACK JOYCE
Engineering/Commerce
Deakin University/Geelong

JACOB JOYCE
Screen and Media
Swinburne TAFE/Prahan

JASPER KLINE
Arts
University Of Melbourne (The)/Parkville

LAURA LARSEN
Arts
Victoria University/Footscray Park

THEA LARSEN
Tourism Management/Event Management
Victoria University/Footscray Park

RYAN LEYDEN
Biomedicine
University Of Melbourne (The)/Parkville

CAMERON LUCAS
Commerce
Swinburne University of Technology/Hawthorn

CLAIRE MACKENZIE
Health Sciences
La Trobe University/Bendigo

PIPPA MAGNUSON
Environments
University Of Melbourne (The)/Parkville

VICTORIA MARTIN
Arts
Deakin University/Warrnambool

JORDAN MCCULLOUGH
Nursing
Monash University/Peninsula

DAYNE MCMAHON
Product Design
RMIT University TAFE/City

WILLIAM MCMAHON
Engineering-Civil, Civil/Commerce
Swinburne University of Technology/Hawthorn

RUBY MCMILLAN
Landscape Architecture/Urban Design
RMIT University/City

HAYDEN MEADE
Commerce/Engineering
Monash University/Clayton

ALEXANDER MILLS
Environment
RMIT University/City

DEREK MWAGIRU
Biomedicine
University Of Melbourne (The)/Parkville

JADE OLIVER
Business
Monash University/Caulfield

EMILY PAPE
Health Science-Community Health
Swinburne University of Technology/Hawthorn

TONILEE PELZ
Biomedical Sciences
Victoria University/St Albans

LAUREN POLLOCK
Arts (Global)
Monash University/Clayton

SALLY PRICE
Education (P-6) or (P-10)
University Of Ballarat/Mount Helen

EMILY RENALSON O'KANE
Arts
University Of Melbourne (The)/Parkville

CHARLES RIED
Exercise and Sport Science
University Of Ballarat/Mount Helen

APRIL ROWE
Arts
University Of Melbourne (The)/Parkville

LAWRENCE ROWLAND
Information Technology and Systems (General)
Monash University/Gippsland

SARAH RYAN
Management (On-campus)
Deakin University/Geelong

AGNIK SARKAR
Clinical Sciences/Medicine
Flinders University/SA

DENIELLE SAUNDERS
Animal Care and Management (Animal Technology)
Victoria University TAFE/Werribee

LUKE SCHUMANN
Surveying
RMIT University TAFE/City

TOM SELLINGS
Arts/Geography
ADFA Canberra

CAROLINE SEVERS
Medicine/Surgery (CSP Extended Rural Cohort)
Monash University/Clayton

ANNABEL SMITH
Arts
University Of Melbourne (The)/Parkville

PATRICK SMITH
Teaching-Secondary/Arts
Deakin University/Melbourne

TARA SNELLING
Criminal Justice Administration
RMIT University/City

LUCY STANBURY
Commerce (on-campus)
Deakin University/Melbourne

SIAN TONEY
Psychology
Deakin University/Geelong

CAMERON VALE
Engineering-Electrical and Electronic
RMIT University/City

TABITHA VERSPAANDONK
Science (Veterinary Bioscience)
Monash University/Gippsland

MEGAN VOS
Nursing Practice/Midwifery
Monash University/Gippsland

GABRIELLE WALKER
Arts/Commerce
Deakin University/Geelong

KATE WALKERDEN
Nursing/Psychology
Deakin University/Warrnambool

MICHAEL WALSH
Electrical Apprenticeship
Apprenticeships Group Australia

TERENCE WHEELER
Business and Commerce/Sport and Outdoor Recreation
Monash University/Peninsula

ALISON WILLIAMS
Social Sciences
La Trobe University/Bundoora

OLIVER WILSON
GAP year

DANIEL WOO
Aviation
RMIT University/City

ISAAC WOODHOUSE
Science Advanced with Honours



Prefects 2011

> **Gippsland Grammar announced its Prefects for 2011 at the Prefect Induction held on Monday 7 February at Garnsey Campus.**

Standing (L to R): Mr Mike Clapper (Executive Principal), Bonnie Anderson of Boisdale (School Captain), Lachlan Evans of Bairnsdale (School Captain), Jarred Ciavarella of Paynesville, Elli Minter of Sale, Angus Lade of Flynn's Creek, Jakob Malouf of Coongulla, Steve Zaal of Sale, Amy Harrison of Longford, Ellen Robinson of Glengarry, Christopher Prendergast of Swifts Creek (School Vice-Captain), Claire Jarvis of Longford (School Vice-Captain) and Ms Jan Henry (Head of School). **Seated (L to R):** Maddie Walker of Tinamba, Elizabeth Newton of Bairnsdale, Sam Vuillermin of Cowwarr, Ella Worboys of Wy Yung and Adam Gilding of Paynesville.



> **2011 St Anne's Campus House Captains with their Year 6 teachers. (L to R):** Mrs S O'Reilly, Emma Beadle and Tom Anderson (Blundell Bogong), Jeremy Todd and Claudia Klose (Cranswick Dargo), Matthew Woodward and Chloe Haylock (Tisdall Hotham), Kate Hamilton and Matthew Trask (Wellington Binks), Mrs Wendy Johnson.



> **2011 Bairnsdale House Captains (Left to Right):** Ms Jan Henry (Head of School), Bryce Worboys, Adam Gilding (Year 12), Rhiannon Sadler (Wellington Binks), Caitlyn Hack (Year 12), Aaron Barling, Felicity Ried (Cranswick Dargo), Mrs Allison Prandolini (Head of Bairnsdale Campus), Ella Anderson, Christopher Prendergast (Year 12), Brad Carroll (Blundell Bogong), Fletcher Stubbs, Prudence Wyndham-Martin (Year 12), Kartia Crane-Taylor (Tisdall Hotham).



Science News

Congratulations to Sam Vuillermin (Year 12) who was selected to attend the 2011 National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) in WA. The NYSF is a twelve day program for students moving into Year 12 who are thinking about a career

in science, engineering and technology. It gives students the opportunity to 'test drive' a wide range of science careers, so that they can make informed choices about what they want to do when they leave School.

Not surprisingly, selection

for the NYSF is highly competitive. In any one year, as many as 2000 students apply for around 430 places. Selection is coordinated by Rotary International, which has been in partnership with the NYSF since 1984. Applicants are nominated by their local Rotary Club and places are allocated by a selection committee.



SRC 1971

2011 – A Year of Celebration

This year, the School celebrates 40 years since the amalgamation of St Anne's Church of England Girls' Grammar School with Gippsland Grammar School. It is also 50 years since the Gippsland Grammar School commenced building on the site now known as Garnsey Campus. To celebrate these wonderful milestones, the School will hold a Commemoration Day Service and Luncheon on Sunday 7 August at the Chapel of St Anne at Garnsey Campus.

In remembrance of the two original schools, an open invitation is extended to former students of the original boys' school, Gippsland Grammar School, and of St Anne's Church of England Girls' Grammar School to attend this special occasion.

And in celebration of 40 years since the amalgamation of the two schools, we would like to invite all students who attended during the 'first year' of St Anne's and Gippsland Grammar School (STAGGS). You may have been in Prep, Grade 5 or Form 6 in 1971 – this invitation is for you!

For further details or to RSVP, please phone Meredith Lynch at the Development Office on (03) 5143 6315 or email your name and details to meredith.lynnch@gippslandgs.vic.edu.au

We look forward to hearing from you.

St Anne's and Gippsland Grammar (STAGGS) – The Beginning

In 1971 when St Anne's Church of England Girls' Grammar School amalgamated with the Gippsland Grammar School, they were the first Anglican schools in Victoria to do so. Both schools were already committed to providing top quality facilities but could see the benefits of working together to maximise the use of facilities and resources, especially staff. Bishop David Garnsey had initiated the establishment of the Gippsland Grammar School and was pleased that the historic merge would provide an outstanding school for Gippsland's boys and girls.

Mr Charles Sligo was appointed principal of the new school with Miss Lorna Sparrow, as vice-principal and headmistress. Their vision and leadership enabled the school to grow and

develop a new identity, based upon the spirit and traditions of the past, whilst being conscious of the needs of the future. Mr Tom Binks was appointed headmaster of the Junior School and the combined School Council decided on the badge and motto and the name of the school, St Anne's and Gippsland Grammar School (STAGGS).

The first School Captains were Janette Ingram and Russell Needham and over the years, the School continued to grow, enjoying steady enrolments. In the first ten years, STAGGS became a school of considerable eminence and the foundation was firmly laid for a promising future.

Information source: *Life at St Anne's, Gippsland Grammar and STAGGS* by Ann Andrew (1996).



> Olympic Rower, Drew Ginn (OAM) with the Year 8 Boys crew. (L to R): Ross Anderson, James Gerrard, Will Connolly, Sam Jarvis and Matthew Patterson (in front).

An 'oarsome' evening for Rowers

Gippsland Grammar rowers celebrated the end of another successful season with the annual Rowing Dinner, held at the Tinamba Tavern on Friday 25 March.

Crew reports were presented, coaches thanked and medals awarded for most improved and

most successful crews, followed by a power-point presentation featuring highlights from the season.

It was a pleasure to welcome Olympic rower and triple gold medallist, Drew Ginn (OAM) as guest speaker on the night. Drew delivered

an engaging speech which outlined his introduction to rowing, inclusion in the 'Oarsome Foursome' at the Atlanta Olympics, his struggle with a debilitating back injury, followed by a triumphant return to the sport which now sees him training for the London Olympics in 2012.

Drew made a mock presentation of his gold medals to three lucky rowers and posed happily for photographs with all the crews. It would be safe to say that everyone left the dinner with a new outlook on the sport and a huge amount of inspiration to draw on in the future.

Kids – 'Go for your Life'



St Anne's Campus in Sale has recently been named a Kids – 'Go for your Life' School. The campus successfully obtained the award with the support of Linde Coggan (Central Gippsland Health Services) and physical education teacher, Amy Lobb.

The Kids – 'Go for your Life' award program is free and provides a comprehensive, yet simple, guide on how to create a healthier environment for children by promoting six healthy messages - *Tap into Water Every Day, Plant Fruit and Veg*

> Back Row (L to R): Mr Greg Thomson, Tom Anderson, Matthew Woodward, Meghann Gordyn. Front Row: Emma Beadle, Ali Taylor, Chloe Haylock, Miss Amy Lobb.

in Your Lunchbox, Limit 'Sometimes' Foods, Move, Play and Go, Turn Off, Switch to Play and Stride and Ride.

Head of St Anne's Campus, Mr Greg Thomson said, "We're delighted to have achieved this award. Physical activity and healthy eating are priorities at our School and this award is recognition of our commitment to our students' health and wellbeing."

There have been several changes to the Health and Physical Education policy, including participation in a 'Stride and Ride' activity each term, designated fruit breaks with apple 'slinky' makers installed in every classroom, new water taps installed for filling drink bottles, presentations and health messages at weekly fellowship from Year 6 leaders, approved canteen menu and an increase in physical activity time for Years Prep – 2.



> LOTE teacher, Jan Chalmer with students at St. Anne's Campus.

LOTE teacher recognised

Recently, the Gippsland branch of the Australian College of Educators recognised the achievements of teachers from across Gippsland who have made a fine contribution to teaching LOTE in schools.

This year, Jan Chalmer was honoured with an award, presented by Professor Joe Lo Bianco of the Melbourne Graduate School of Education. The award recognised Jan's dedication and work teaching at both primary and secondary levels at Gippsland Grammar for more than 20 years. Most recently she has been the Junior School Japanese Co-ordinator and Teacher for both of Gippsland Grammar's junior campuses, teaching approximately 360 students from Prep to Year 6.

Jan passionately inculcates a love of

Japanese in all students. She spends many hours researching the latest educational trends and in 2010 and 2011 has been focussed particularly on the use of information technology to improve student engagement.

Jan has a strong association with the culture and history of Japan, having visited the country many times. She works tirelessly to ensure students gain an understanding of this culture and history through her class programs but also through bi-annual trips to Japan for students in Years 5 and 6.

Jan is a leading teacher in our School community, and we thank the Gippsland branch of the Australian College of Educators for recognising and honouring her contribution to teaching Japanese at Gippsland Grammar.

Junior Ambassador



Congratulations to Nichil Nowrungsah (Year 6) who has been selected to attend the 23rd Asian Pacific Children's Convention in July. For 21 years the Australian Japan Society of Victoria has sent a group of children, accompanied by chaperones, to participate in the conference held in Fukuoka, Japan. The event allows 300 eleven-year-old children from the Asian-Pacific area to share in an international exchange. The children and their chaperones attend a camp with all participants before going to stay with a Japanese host family.

Nichil's selection is quite an achievement. All nominees endured a rigorous selection process, which in the end determined the top six children from across the State. To be eligible for selection, children must be confident and independent enough to stay alone with a host family in Japan. They must also be able to attend all orientation sessions and interviews. All Nichil's travel and living expenses will be covered by the convention committee, with further expenses met by his family.

Jumpstart Japanese

Gippsland Grammar is among a select group of schools to win funding to promote Asian languages and culture within their classrooms and school communities.

As part of the national *Becoming Asia Literate: Grants to Schools* (BALGS) initiative, Gippsland Grammar will receive a \$30,000 Federal Government grant.

The funding will go towards 'Jumpstart Japanese'.

This is part of the \$62.4 million National Asian Languages and Studies in Schools Program (NALSSP) to support Asia literacy. Minister for Education, the Hon. Peter Garrett MP, announced

the new funding in November last year.

Executive Principal Mike Clapper welcomed the announcement, saying that the grant will extend the learning possibilities across the curriculum. "We are living in an increasingly globalised world," Mr Clapper said. "It is more and more vital to promote Asian languages and culture in our schools, so that our students have a better understanding and knowledge of our near neighbours."

NALSSP aims to promote understanding among young Australians of the cultures and languages of the target countries: Japan, China, Indonesia and Korea.



JJAJJGAN Group

> (L to R): Maxine Mathieson, Ailsa Dawkins, Joey Chomley, Nan Sargood, Jo Kent and Val Morrison presented a LCD television to the Music Department on behalf of the JJAJJGAN group.

The JJAJJGAN group of ladies got together in the late 1960s to help raise funds for the School. The members were parents and friends of the School and organised functions such as golf days, picnics, movie nights and garden and bus tours. The unusual name of the group is made up of the first initial of their names: Jean Ashton, Jill McKinnon, Ailsa Dawkins, Jo Kent, Joey Chomley, Gwen Dumaresq, Audrey Davis and Nan Sargood, and pronounced jay-gan. Over the years many new members have joined the group and worked alongside those original members who remain.

The JJAJJGANs are still actively involved in the School and were honoured when the new theatre at Garnsey Campus was named in recognition of their ongoing support of the School. In October last year, the group donated an LCD television to the Music Department at Garnsey Campus. This new piece of equipment will be utilised during music classes for demonstrations and for viewing items straight from computer and internet links.

It is with deep regret that we note the passing of JJAJJGAN member, Mrs Joey Chomley. Mrs Chomley was tragically killed whilst working on her Glenmaggie farm in November last year. She was 77 years old. Mrs Chomley and her friends had attended the presentation of the new television and we are pleased to have this photo (left), which was taken on the day. Mrs Chomley is survived by her three children, Sally, Michael and Alistair.

STAGGFAIR Success!

Beautiful weather and a carnival-like atmosphere contributed to a hugely successful Stagfair 2011. The quadrangle at Garnsey Campus was transformed with a variety of stalls including fine food and wine, fresh cakes and produce and the traditional spinning wheel operated by the Prefects. Guests also enjoyed musical entertainment by a variety of ensembles, including the senior jazz group, 'JIG' (see photograph).

All funds from the Stagfair are donated to the P&F 'Wish List' which provides many 'extra' items for our three campuses.



Martin Bean (1982) has moved on from his position as General Manager of Microsoft's Worldwide Education Products Group to become the fifth Vice-Chancellor of The Open University in the UK. The Open University is the largest university in the UK and is a world leader in modern distance learning. Launched in 1969, it has over 250,000 students and more than 11,000 tutors, academic staff and support staff. Martin currently lives in Buckinghamshire with his wife and three daughters.

Nick Holloway (1993) and **Amy Escott (1993)** were married in 2003. They moved to Palm Cove in FNQ in 2004 to open their flagship restaurant, Nu Nu, and welcomed their first daughter, Bea, in December 2005. In late 2007 Nu Nu was named Regional Restaurant of the Year and at the same time, baby No 2, Luis, was born. In April 2009 Nick and Amy opened another business on the esplanade of Palm Cove, Numi Ice cream and Pantry. This business is an off shoot of Nu Nu and sells their muesli, jams and house made ice cream as well as some fresh produce. In July 2010, Nick and Amy welcomed baby No 3, Harvey, and also opened business No 3! They now own and operate The Rising Sun Bistro and Bar, which is a relaxed pub style venue. Last August, Nick was named as a finalist for the 'Young Restaurateur of the Year' Award and Nu Nu was named Regional Restaurant of the Year 2011 in the Courier Mail Restaurant Guide.



> Abbey and Mark Trethowan

Abbey Hughes (2005) and **Mark Trethowan (2005)** were married in March at St Ignatius Catholic Church in Richmond. The bridal party included two past students, Elese Cartledge (2005) and Jake Hughes (2006). Abbey's sister, Elani (Year 7) was junior bridesmaid. The reception was held in the grand ballroom at the Hotel Windsor in Melbourne.



> Aaron and Louise Mawhinney

Aaron Mawhinney (1995) married Louise Abey from Myrniong at her family property last year. Old Scholar Andrew McInnes was best man and Aaron's brother Hugh was groomsman. Aaron and Lou met through polocrosse competitions and now compete regularly for Sunbury. Aaron has always been a keen horseman and competed in School Equestrian teams. Aaron has a busy fencing and agricultural contracting business and the couple also run the family property.

Claire Stevenson (2006)

recently graduated with a Bachelor of Physiotherapy from Monash University. The final 18 months of the course was 'on the job', with Claire completing placements at Monash Medical Centre, Bairnsdale, Traralgon, Dandenong and Casey Hospitals, as well as time at rehabilitation centres at Frankston and Aspendale. During her placements, Claire developed a great interest in rehabilitation and now works at St. John of God Rehabilitation Hospital in Frankston.

Hugh Williams (1986)

has also moved on from the Microsoft Corporation to take up the role of Vice-President of eBay, managing the software and engineering teams. His teams build most of the software that we use on eBay, including the search engine, home page, merchandising and selling tools. Hugh lives with his wife and two daughters in Saratoga, which is 45 minutes south of San Francisco. In his spare time, he is often found enjoying California's mountain and road biking trails.

VALE

Margaret (Meg) Bosenberg (nee Law) 1971

Joey Chomley (JJAJJGAN Group)

Judith Dodds (nee Hibbins) 1958

Glenys Goddard (nee Wilson) 1969

Brian Mwagiru 2008



Our School community was saddened earlier this term by the tragic and sudden death of Brian Mwagiru (Class of 2008.) Brian was studying Medical Science at Adelaide University. Brian, from Bairnsdale, commenced at Gippsland Grammar in Year 8 and completed a successful VCE in 2008. Brian made many friends amongst students past and present. At a Memorial Service held on Saturday 2 April, Brian was remembered as a friendly student who enjoyed the company of others. He was particularly involved in dance during his time at the School, laying the foundations for boys to become involved in this program. He was also active in a variety of sports and musical activities. Brian's friends especially remembered his beaming and mischievous smile. Brian's parents, Ann Mwagiru and Bob Mwagiru-Irungu, and his brothers, Derek (Class of 2010) and William (Year 3), remain in our thoughts and prayers.

Reunion News

10 Year Reunion Class of 2001

Plans have commenced for a reunion of the Class of 2001. Former School Captains, Naomi Smith and Simon Tilleard are both overseas at present, but have indicated that a reunion will most likely be held in September. For further details, please email: naomiksmith@gmail.com or tilleard.simon@gmail.com.

20 Year Reunion Class of 1991

1991 School Captain, Julie Page would like to hear from classmates interested in having a reunion later this year. In particular she would like to hear from fellow School Captain, Hayden Jones and Vice-Captains Alex Campbell and Peter Shepard. Please get in touch if you can help organise this very special occasion. Please contact Julie at: julespage@gmail.com.

30 Year Reunion Class of 1981

The Class of 1981 will celebrate their 30 Year reunion on Saturday 15 October 2011. The reunion will commence with welcome drinks in the Chapel from 4pm, followed by a tour of the School. A reunion dinner will be held on Saturday night. For those staying overnight, a casual reunion breakfast will be held on Sunday morning. For further details or to RSVP, please email Steven Scott at: steven.scott58@bigpond.com.



Form 4 1971



Primary Athletics 1971

Notice the
Notice that the *b* is not
be written.
ake *b* away from brush. What word have you?
ities is the plural of *city*; *factories* is the plural
story.
not forget to add words to My Own Words list.

REVIEW WORDS
be

passionate
inspired
challenged
independent
creative
curious
committed



Gippsland Grammar
PO Box 465, Sale Victoria 3853
Telephone (03) 5143 6388 Facsimile (03) 5143 6347

www.gippslandgs.vic.edu.au