

## Principal's Update



### REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY

The three campus schools came together on Friday 9 November to commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the cessation of hostilities on the Western Front in 1918. Well over 2000 students, 200 staff and many parents gathered on Gleeson College's oval to pay their respects to the sacrifice of those men and women who died or suffered in the Great War and all conflicts since. We were very fortunate to receive outstanding support from our local defence force personnel who provided a Catafalque Party for the service featuring current Defence Force members and local cadets. Squadron Leader Kevin Corney from the RAAF Base at Edinburgh was our special guest speaker and also invited the Principals and student leaders from each of the three schools to lay a wreath as a traditional symbol of remembrance for those who have fallen. The Ode of Remembrance was read by Cadet Lance Corporal James Attick before Able Seaman Sergey Grynchuk played the Last Post on his bugle. A minute silence followed before Bugler Grynchuk played the Rouse as the Australian flag was raised by Cadet Corporal Kelly Parkin and Leading Cadet Jade Curwood. The ceremony concluded with the singing of the Australian National Anthem, led by the Combined Schools Vocal Ensemble.

It was an extremely moving service and I was immensely proud of our students who displayed amazing respect and reverence. A massive thank you to Linda DeBoer, Meg Fay and Mike Meredith for volunteering a great deal of their personal time and energy as part of the organising committee. The event was a magnificent success.







### **DANNI YANG – WINNER OF EdTechSA LEADING LIGHT AWARD**

It is with a great deal of pride we share with the school community that our IT Teacher, Danni Yang recently received a Leading Light Award at the EdTechSA Awards Ceremony. Danni has been one of our IT teachers for 8 years and the following text is an excerpt from Danni's bio from the EdTechSA website:

'Danni has designed Year 9 and Year 10 course outlines, assessment plans, assessment tasks and grading rubrics based on the Digital Technologies Curriculum and also designed and wrote the school Digital Technologies curriculum handbook for all year levels.

Danni shares her professional skills and resources with colleagues both at Golden Grove and other schools and works collaboratively with colleagues across school faculties. She is also a member of the new SACE Stage 1 Digital Technologies online discussion group.

As an active Digital Technologies teacher, Danni wants her students to challenge themselves and broaden their learning experience. She has organised their participation in ICAS Digital Technologies and Unleashed Digital Technologies competitions which has provided them with opportunities to use their knowledge to solve real-world problems.'

We are fortunate to have many high quality teachers on staff and Danni is certainly one of them.

Peter Kuss  
Principal

