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COMING EVENTS 2012

Tuesday 20 th November	Parents & Friends Meeting, 7.30pm Campus Staffroom
Monday 26 th to Wednesday 28 th November	Year 10 exams
Thursday 29 th November	Year 10 Formal
Wednesday 5 th to Thursday 13 th December	Headstart begins – Year 10's begin Monday 3 rd November with GEP classes
Tuesday 11 th December	Orientation Day for 2013 Year 7's & Year 11's
Wednesday 19 th December	Awards Day

Hello Everyone,

I hope you backed a winner on the Melbourne Cup and that the day off was an enjoyable one. I know of at least one teacher with a bigger smile than normal after the race.

If you are driving down Switchback Road towards Churchill Campus, I'm sure you will have seen the new electronic sign that was put in place last week. This new sign will display important news or events as well as significant days on the College calendar.

Exams

This week I spoke to the Year 10 students about preparing for the exams that are quickly approaching. I will be giving the same message to the Year 9 students next week. The Year 10 exams are on 26th, 27th and 28th of November and Year 9 exams are on the 19th November. There is a lot to be done before these exams that will affect the results. Serious revision and a homework timetable are crucial to success in preparing for exams. Please remind, encourage and assist your Year 9 or 10 child to prepare for their exams and not just hope for the best on the day.

Campus Nurse

Last week the new nurse, Kim Mihai started work at Churchill Campus. Kim is a very experienced nurse who until this posting, was at Leongatha Hospital. Kim will be at Churchill Campus every Monday and Tuesday till the end of the year. It was great to see her jump right into the Year 9 sex education program and field some interesting questions by the Year 9 students. If you would like to speak to Kim please contact her through the General Office.

Staff Car park

Just a reminder to parents, please **DO NOT** drop off or pick up your child in the staff car park. It makes it dangerous for staff that are entering or leaving the car park.

Nello Carbone

Campus Principal



MAGPIE SEASON

Magpie season is upon us and we would like to remind students to be very careful of swooping magpies and try to avoid their nesting areas as much as possible, especially around the lake. If you can't avoid the areas, protect your head and eyes, with a hat or umbrella & move past quickly & calmly. Cyclists should dismount & walk. The Department of Sustainability & Environment has set up a website that allows Victorians to report swooping magpies as well as post their own photos & videos. Also on this website you can download large eyes to cut out and stick to the back of hats & helmets to try to ward off attacks from behind.

OUT OF UNIFORM DAYS – THE RULES

- No thongs, sandals – open –toed shoes – footwear needs to be appropriate
- No singlet's or "short" shorts.

Students should aim when they are dressing in the morning, to be able to wear it to a part time job....at McDonald's or Coles etc... if they cannot, then do not wear it to school.

If students are wearing inappropriate footwear/clothing they will be either given some other pieces of school uniform OR sent home...

UPCOMING EXCURSIONS / CAMPS

To ensure the smooth organization and running of camps and excursions we request that permission forms and payments be returned to the school by the due date on the permission form. This enables the purchase of train tickets, food and venue tickets etc in a timely manner.

MUSIC – On the Road Again	Monday 12 th , Friday 16 th & Monday 19 th November	NIL	Permission forms are due Friday 9 th November
Action Squad Yinnar Primary	Tuesday 13 th November	NIL	Permission forms are due in now.
Year 10 Outdoor Ed Life Saving Skills	Tuesday 13 th November	\$28.00	Permission forms & money are overdue
Year 7 Morwell Park Poverty	Thursday 15 th November	NIL	Permission forms due back 14 th November
Veterinary Practices	Tuesday 20 th November	NIL	Permission forms due back 16 th November
MIX IT UP	23 rd October – 26 th November -Tuesdays	\$40.00	Permission forms & money are now overdue
Year 9 Action & Adventure	Friday 16 th & 30 th November	\$50.00	Permission forms & money are now overdue
Year 9/10 Strength & Conditioning	Tuesdays 13 th , 20 th & 27 th November	\$46.00	Permission forms & money now overdue
Year 7/8/9/101 Music One the road again	Friday 9 th November & Thursday 15 th November	NIL	Permission forms due back Wednesday 31 st October
Year 10 Outdoor Ed Surf Camp	Wednesday 14 th November to Friday 16 th November	\$226.00	Permission forms & money due back 31 st October
Year 9 The Edge Surf Camp	Thursday 22 nd to Friday 23 rd November	\$54.00	Permission forms & money due back 8 th November
Year 9 Peer Support Camp	Monday 26 th November to Wednesday 28 th November	\$205.00	Permission forms & money due back 12 th November

BUSES

ANTICIPATED COUNTRY BUS LOADINGS FOR 2013- (BOOLARRA, WHITELAWS TRACK, JEERALANG, HAZELWOOD NORTH, HAZELWOOD SOUTH AND YINNAR BUS SERVICES)

Over the next month we are analysing student numbers on various bus routes to ascertain the best outcome for our families to get to school. This review will incorporate current students and new Year 7 and Prep students within the Morwell Bus Network. Students who are currently using our contracted school buses must maintain a minimum of 50% travel to be eligible to remain on our bus rolls for 2013.

Parents who have students who will be commencing Prep in 2013 and need to travel on a contracted school bus need to complete a TR701 "Application for Permission to Travel on a Contract School Bus" immediately. This form is available from your Primary School General Office.

All current grade 6 students who wish to catch a bus in 2013 should have completed a TR701 "Application for Permission to Travel on a Contract School Bus" with their "Student Placement Form". If you have not done this please contact your school's General Office immediately.



Leonie Mackie
Morwell Bus Network Coordinator

ALPS

ALPs students' reflections on living in poverty:

Statistics given – in 2001, 1.1 billion people lived on less than \$1 a day; 2.7 billion lived on less than \$ 2 a day.

Mirrin McKay: "It makes me think how lucky I am to have a home, access to clean water and proper health and education. I think that if I lived in poverty I would not be the person I am today. I would be unhappy, scared, not be able to pick myself up out of depression. I feel so spoiled in life to live in a house with a television, computers, beds and cars I wonder if the world will ever change so that poverty ends".

Maddison Schneider: "I wonder why it is that so many people in so many countries suffer and die due to poverty. Why, why, why??? How do lots of people make it so far on \$1-\$2 a day? I really admire those brave people that know they live in poverty but still fight so hard for survival!

Lucy Sevenson: "It makes me wonder why the country I live in is so lucky to have all of these resources, when other countries have none. Sometimes kids get angry when their parents say, "No, you can't have coke; have a glass of water," when other kids in the world don't even have the option of drinkable water."

Carly Pettigrew: "I wonder sometimes if they were born into poverty or if it happened over time. I should really go to the community to support the people who live in absolute poverty".

Aidan Quigley: "I wonder how these people could be helped and if there is anything that could be done. I can buy a lolly for \$1 and that's how much money they get in one day".

Jaryd Downes-Smith: "I feel sad because they suffer through everyday wondering if they're going to survive or die. It makes me wonder what my life would be like if I had to live under these circumstances or if I would be alive at all".

Bonnie Kearns: "Just because they are living in relative or absolute poverty, it doesn't mean things won't change. The world can change the state of poverty. The governments can change poverty. If poverty upsets so many people why don't they start helping out? Nobody should have to live on less than \$2 a day. It's just not fair."



COLLEGE MUSIC
Advocates for Music Making



Up and Coming Performances:

The **On The Road Again** Primary Schools tour.
From Thurs 1st Nov through till Monday 19th Nov.

Fundraising... Drink Cans

@ Churchill Campus – Bags can be left outside the Music Complex anytime in the bin provided.

Want to go interstate or overseas 2013?

Any interested students wanting to experience local/regional/interstate/overseas opportunities can do so by joining the College Big Band.

Must be committed to attend weekly rehearsals on Thursdays from 3pm- 4pm;

Students must have some knowledge in reading music & can hire an instrument if you haven't got one.

Instrument players looking for include: **Saxophone, Trumpet, Trombone, Piano**

If interested, fill in and return bottom slip to front office. Not for hire

Student Name: _____ Year level: _____

Parent Name: _____

Contact Tel Number/email: _____

Instrument: _____ Own Inst: Yes / No Hiring an Inst: Yes / No

Music instruments and classes are available for:

FLUTE, CLARINET, SAXOPHONE, TRUMPET, TROMBONE and TUBA

Never played an instrument before but interested? For rest of Term 3 ONLY, learn an instrument for FREE. That's right FREE! Take it home and practise it... and attend scheduled music classes. GET THE MUSIC EXPRESSION FORM FROM THE GENERAL OFFICE NOW. Offer is only available for instruments mentioned above. If students are interested in continuing on with the instruments for Term 4, then the fees for enrolment and hire must be finalised.

YEAR 8 NEWS

As we move into the last few weeks of 2012 it will continue to be a busy year with students making their course selections for Year 9 and completing unfinished work for final assessment.

Students have recently completed their studies on the Asia Pacific and are now studying Civics and Citizenship in Humanities, Biology and Geology in Science, the film Bend It Like Beckham in English and in Maths Linear Equations.

Students recently attended the Schools Access Monash to get a feel for University life and the pathways available to them and as always were a credit to Kurnai College with their exemplary behaviour.

The focus of the Year 8 team continues to be the use of Restorative Conversations and has resulted in closer relationships between staff and students and a united cohort.

Student Voice continues to be important to us and we have run several focus groups with students and some Year 8 teachers to better understand the needs of students and to direct us into the future.

The Year 8 students participated in the play Peter Pan, which was a brilliant quirky adaptation of the classic children's fable. They presented the play to a full house that thoroughly enjoyed the range of puppetry and shadow play. The age old myth of infinite youth plays out nicely when driven by excited young people.

In Humanities the students are getting ready for an election and are advertising and promoting their policies to each other.

In science, the Year 8's continue to explore the body systems and classes have dissected hearts for a hands on approach to real science and the way our bodies work.

If you have anything to discuss about your child's learning you can contact any of their teachers on 5132 3700 or the year 8 team leader, Bernadette Cropper or assistant Kline.

Bernadette Cropper
Year 8 Team Leader

COMMUNITY NEWS

JUNIOR PROGRAMS AVAILABLE



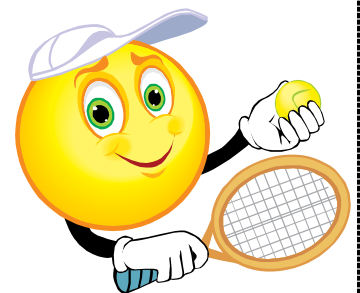
MLC Tennis Australia Hotshots for ages 5-12
FREE trial lessons available, **FREE** tennis racquet & t-shirt upon enrolment in term program
LET'S PLAY TENNIS – For ages 12 & above
FREE trial lessons available

MUM' & DAD'S PROGRAM

Ladies & Men's groups (beginners or experienced)

CALL GLEN: 51762678 OR SALLY: 51749661

PHONE NOW TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE



CHURCHILL CRICKET CLUB

Junior Cricket 2012/2013

U/11's & U/15's Monday nights

U/13's Wednesday nights

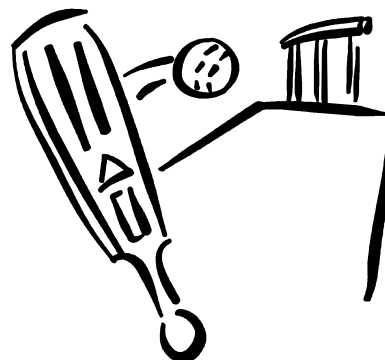
Milo In2Cricket is also available for U/10's

WHERE: Andrews Park, cnr Birch Dve & Acacia Way, Churchill

TRAINING STARTS: Tuesday 9th October, 2012

All enquiries please call Wayne on 0438 571 682 or email

churchillcc@hotmail.com



YEAR 10 2012 DATES TO REMEMBER



PUT ME ON YOUR FRIDGE.....

THERE IS MUCH GOING ON FOR YEAR 10 STUDENTS OVER THE ONCOMING WEEKS...

NOVEMBER

CAMPS ETC

- **Wednesday 14 November – 16 November** – Year 10 Outdoor Ed. Camp
- **Wednesday 14 Thursday - 15 November** – Year 10 Drama production

EXAM WEEK

- **Monday 26 November** 8.45am Maths Churchill Campus
 11.00am Humanities
- **Tuesday 27 November** 8.30am Year 11 Exam GEP
Campus
 11.30am Science Churchill
- **Wednesday 28 November** 8.45am English exam Churchill
Campus

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YEAR 10 FORMAL

- **Thursday 29 November** – 6.30pm – Traralgon Conference Centre
(next door to Traralgon Golf Club)

DECEMBER

- **Monday 3 December** – Headstart begins. All students to begin their Year 11 program at the Precinct Campus.
- **Wednesday 19 December** - Awards afternoon - 1.30pm – Monash Uni

THE ARTS ARE ALIVE AT KURNAI CHURCHILL

The 2012 drama season finishes with two smashing projects!

On Thursday, November 15 @7pm

The Year 9 and 10 theatre class presents

BRIDGET JONES' DIARY

This is a heart-warming adaptation of the film classic about love and identity.

The senior class has done several great shows during its time at Kurnai
Churchill,

And this promises to be one of the best.

TICKETS are \$5 for adults, students are free

Available at the door

On Wednesday and Thursday, November 21 and 22 @ 7pm

The ENTIRE Year 7 cohort presents

GENERATIONS

This is an original story of five generations of an Australian family.

It's wildly creative, and sure to make us all proud.

Tickets are a gold donation, students free

Be sure to reserve tickets for the night of your choice!