

**PARENT BULLETIN**  
**KURNAI COLLEGE – PRECINCT CAMPUS**  
**THURSDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH 2012**

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**SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS:** 8.00AM—4.00PM

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DATE	EVENT
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> —Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Year 12 Legal Studies Canberra Excursion
<b>Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Parent / Teacher Interviews—3.30pm—6.00 pm</b>
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Biology / Psychology Excursion to Melbourne Zoo
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Last day of Term 1—2.00pm finish
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	First day of Term 2

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*"Many of life's failures are people who did not realize how close they were to success when they gave up." Thomas Edison*

**PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS**

Our first Parent/Teacher interviews for 2012 will be held next week on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March from 3.30pm till 6.00pm. The interviews provide a valuable opportunity to discuss progress and strategies for improvement. Progress reports will be available in the foyer from 3.15pm and will form the basis for the interview discussion. Any parents who are unable to attend are encouraged to contact the school to discuss any concerns relating to the progress report with the relevant teacher. Any general queries can be directed toward the Student Management Team.

**NEWSLETTERS**

Please note that from the beginning of Term 2 we will begin distributing the Campus Newsletter electronically and in preparation we ask all families to ensure they have supplied the school with a current email address. We have many addresses from the enrolment forms however it is not a complete list at this stage. There will still be some hardcopies of the newsletter available from the General Office for students to collect if emailing is not convenient.

**STUDENT ABSENCES**

If your child is absent from school for any reason please contact us **24 hours a day** via the 'Absence Hotline' (5132 3843). **ONLY** parents/carers can notify the school of a students' absence. If you are unable to phone then a signed note explaining the absence can be sent to the school's reception.

**THE NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE FORUM**

The National Youth Science Forum is targeted to the needs of students with a keen interest and ambitions in the field of science and who seek the opportunity to experience at first-hand the vast range of opportunities and pathways in science actually happening in leading universities, national research institutions and take part in the laboratories and fieldwork of major industries.

Through their participation (with 150 like-minded young people from all parts of the country who become part of their continuing friendship and support networks) in one of the three residential sessions of the January program - and a variety of further events through the year – they develop an informed understanding that helps shape decisions about year 12 studies, their preferred University and its course options – and the ways in which those tertiary studies will open up desired career opportunities.

Each year since 1984, the National Youth Science Forum has provided a catalyst into science, engineering and technology for hundreds of young Australians, and our now 8,000 alumni can be found significant contributions in every field of science all over Australia – and around the globe.

So in March we start the search for the next 450. Every Class 11 student with a deep-seated interest in science should really think hard and positively about lodging an Application by the closing date – 31 May 2012.

The first step is to head to the NYSF website: [www.nysf.edu.au](http://www.nysf.edu.au), That'll tell you all about the interview process and getting in touch with your Rotary group. Our Rotary Clubs were brilliant at not only providing financial support, but also being really excited about seeing us develop through the program.



## COLLEGE MUSIC



### **Kurnai Idol Auditions: For all students!**

Get those vocal cords warmed up because it is audition time. Auditions will occur in the Music/Theatre Studies area (Hexagon) during lunchtime, **on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March**. Part of song only required without accompaniment. If successful, competitors will participate in knockout heats in term two. You must be in it to win it.

### **Fundraising**

**Drink cans** – being collected. Bag of cans can be placed in the Can Bin located at the front office at Churchill Campus OR taken to the Hexagon on a Tuesday morning OR Morwell campus on Wednesday and Thursday mornings.

### **Vehicle Battery drive:**

**Churchill campus:** *Last 2 weeks* of term 1 on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays;

Drop-off point at front of school – see Music Trailer.

**Morwell campus:** Last week of term 1 (Wed 28<sup>th</sup> and Thur 29<sup>th</sup> March)

Drop-off point at rear of school (Technology Side) – see Music Trailer.

Drop-off times are from 7:45am til 12 noon

### **Public Performances**

Rhythm and Roses Festival @ Rose Garden, Morwell

On Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March Starts 1:30pm

Featuring Latrobe City Brass Band (Morwell), South Gippsland Brass Band (Leongatha) Caledonian Pipe Band and

**Kurnai College Big Band**

Generations In Jazz Festival @ Mt Gambier, South Australia

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May til Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May

College Big Band performing

### **Performance Review**

Kurnai College Music recently participated in the Multicultural Festival schools concert at Kernot Hall. This year, the College Big Band presented an early-mid 1900s top-tapping tune “One O’Clock Jump” written by the Afro-American Count Bassie. The performance featured soloists and improvisations from Luke Cassidy on Trombone, Vanessa Gillett on Trumpet, Daniel Gill on Alto Sax and Hayden May on Electric Guitar.

### **Concert Review**

Students from the VCE Music Performance class attended over the weekend the Top Acts concert at the Melbourne Recital Centre. The concert showcased performances by last year’s year 12 group and solo students. The venue was spectacular, however the calibre of the performances was one that had to be seen and be believed. Another concert will be held on Friday May 25.



## WHERE CAN I FIND OUT ABOUT COURSES AND CAREERS?

The **Careers Centre** is the obvious starting point, however, there are many other places to obtain information. There are **CAREER EXPOS**, university and TAFE **OPEN DAYS**, **CAREER EVENTS** held during the year, and **WEBSITES** to check.



**Wed 25 July - UMAT  
TEST**

**Thurs 17 & Frid 18 May  
-Yr 12 Melbourne  
Universities Tour**

**(register your interest  
at the careers room)**

### **CAREER EXPOS:**

Why attend? Career Expos are a great opportunity to collect information and to talk to staff from a wide variety of education and training providers at the one time and location. They are an excellent starting point in your exploration. Coming up (dates for your diary):

- The **Age VCE and Careers Expo** is from Thurs 3 to Sun 6 May at the Caulfield Race Course
- The **National Careers and Employment Expo:** 18/19 May at Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre
- The **Herald Sun Career Expo** is on 27 – 29 July
- **Engineering Careers Expo** is 2-7pm, Thurs 29 Mar, Etihad Stadium; [www.engineeringexpo.org.au](http://www.engineeringexpo.org.au)

### **OPEN DAYS:**

University and TAFE Open Days are a great source of information as attendance at these provides the opportunity to speak to staff and see facilities. (If you plan to apply for a course requiring an interview, folio presentation or audition as part of the application process, attending really is essential). Generally 10am-4pm:

- Sat 23 June – **Holmesglen**
- Sun 24 June – **Victoria** Uni
- Sat 4 Aug – **Monash Uni** (Berwick, Gippsland, Peninsula)
- Sun 5 Aug – **La Trobe** (Albury Wodonga); **Monash** (Caulfield, Clayton, Parkville)
- Sun 12 Aug – **Australian Catholic Uni** (Melbourne); **Deakin** (Warrnambool); **Melbourne** (Parkville & Southbank); **RMIT** (Uni and TAFE)
- Sun 19 Aug – **Deakin** (Geelong campuses); **La Trobe** (Bendigo); **Swinburne** (Uni & TAFE)
- Sun 26 Aug – **Australian Catholic Uni** (Ballarat); **Ballarat** Uni; **Box Hill** Institute; **Deakin** (Melbourne Burwood); **La Trobe** (Melbourne Bundoora)

## FOCUS ON A CAREER – I WANT TO BE A NURSE

If so, you have many study options and combinations to consider:



- The **Bachelor of Nursing** (a 3-year undergraduate degree for registration as a Division 1 nurse) is taught at many universities (ACU, Ballarat, Deakin, La Trobe, Monash, RMIT and VU). It is also taught at some TAFE Institutes (eg Holmesglen)
- A number of universities such as ACU and Monash offer a **Bachelor of Midwifery** (for those who wish to work with mothers)
- Some offer a double degree in **Nursing/Midwifery**, where students complete both qualifications in four years (eg Deakin, La Trobe and Monash - Gippsland)
- A number of universities offer other combinations of double degrees such **Nursing/Business Administration** (ACU), **Nursing/Paramedics** (ACU – Ballarat, Monash), **Nursing/Psychology** and **Nursing/Public Health and Health Promotion** at Deakin
- Melbourne university has a post-graduate nursing degree (**Master of Nursing Science**)
- Specialisations: Nursing (**Community Health** – Monash Berwick), Nursing (**Mental Health**) ACU and Nursing (**Practice Leadership**) ACU
- In addition, many institutions offer the **Diploma of Nursing** (Division 2), for example, Holmesglen (Moorabbin) Swinburne (Lilydale), and also a number of independent providers. It is sometimes possible to up-grade this qualification to Division 1.

## WOULD YOU LIKE A CAREER IN LEGAL SERVICES



Are you aware of the jobs available in the legal sector apart for becoming a solicitor or barrister? **Law clerks, paralegals and legal executives** may be employed by law firms, government departments, legal aid organisations, financial institutions, corporations and court registries. They perform legal work on behalf of clients under the supervision of a lawyer and can specialise in areas such as litigation, conveyancing, personal injury compensation, criminal law, family law, probate or corporate law. **More about courses/careers:** [www.rmit.edu.au/programs/ad015](http://www.rmit.edu.au/programs/ad015). **NOTE:** Undergraduate law degrees can be studied at Australian Catholic (from 2013), Deakin, La Trobe, Monash and Victoria universities. Postgraduate studies in law can be taken at Melbourne and RMIT universities.

## Field Hockey

- Where:** Churchill synthetic hockey field, Northway's Road Churchill, Monash Uni
- When:** Saturdays and Sundays 14<sup>th</sup> April - September
- Age groups:** Juniors (U11), Intermediates (U15), Women's (16 and older to any age) and Men's (16 and older to any age)
- Clubs:** Churchill, Moe, Traralgon, Yallourn and Rovers
- What you do:** You get a team to play with for a season, you play full field, make new friends and have lots of fun in the process. It is very active but worth every step
- Times:** U11 Saturday 9-10am, U15 Saturday 10-1pm, Women's afternoons and Sundays and Men's Saturdays and Sundays at allocated times
- Who is it for?** Anyone willing to try out a new sport and make new friends
- What you need:** shin pads, sneakers (NO SHOES WITH STOPS!!), Mouth guard, FIELD hockey stick, drink bottle and a positive attitude

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