

**PARENT BULLETIN**  
**KURNAI COLLEGE – PRECINCT CAMPUS**  
**THURSDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2012**

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

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DATE	EVENT
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> & Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2012	1st day of VET classes—Check notice in the foyer for your start date & time
<b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>School Photos—Money in envelope to be handed to photographer on the day</b>
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	Swim testing for Surf awareness for surf camp
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> —Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	Year 12 Outdoor Ed Surf Camp @ Wilson's Prom
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	Year 11 Students attend the Summit @ Delhuntie Park
<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February</b>	<b>Kurnai College Swim Sports @ Moe Swimming Pool—all students to attend</b>
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> March—Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Year 11 Surf Camp @ Phillip Island

*“The price of success is hard work, dedication to the job at hand, and the determination that whether we win or lose, we have applied the best of ourselves to the task at hand.” Vince Lombardi*

**WELCOME BACK**

Classes are back in action and both staff and students are already busy delving into the learning for the year. We hope everyone has had a restful and enjoyable break and are excited and ready for the challenges of the year ahead.

We would especially like to welcome all new students and their families joining the Kurnai Learning community for the first time. We hope you enjoy the learning environment at the GEP and find the outcome personally rewarding. The last few years of secondary schooling are usually the most interesting and challenging as students prepare for life beyond Year 12. We are confident that the combination of effort from the students and the support from the staff this year will be very productive and successful and we look forward to the journey together.

We are continuing to receive enrolment enquiries and have added more than 15 students to our cohort since our year has begun. If families are aware of any other students considering the GEP in 2012 we ask you to encourage them to contact us sooner rather than later so they don't miss out on a place and may still be eligible to complete first semester units.

### **STAFF UPDATE**

This year we welcome the following staff to the GEP campus. Trevor Chandler from Churchill campus will lead our Science faculty and also teach Maths. David Shields from Morwell campus has joined our Leading Teacher team as a Student Manager and will teach in the Art faculty. Dan Swallow also from Morwell campus has joined our Advocacy team and will teach Theatre Studies and English. We also have two new cross-campus teachers with Ros Porter teaching English and Ben Swift teaching VET Building and Construction, both based at Churchill campus. The addition of these experienced and enthusiastic staff will further contribute to our successful learning community at the GEP campus in 2012.

Out Student Management team for 2012 is Sandra Flake and David Shields as Student Managers with the Advocate team comprising Zoe Burney, Jonas Anderberg , Heather Ernst, and Dan Swallow. Michelle Moore will be the Year 10 Advocate for the Morwell and Churchill students studying a GEP class.

### **SCHOOL PHOTOS**

Photos will be taken on the morning of Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February. Students will receive their photo information pack soon via their English class and need to bring it back on the day with correct payment to give to the photographer on the day. All students need to be in attendance from 8.30am and if they have a study period they need to locate themselves in or near the library so they are available for their photo.

### **YEAR 11 VISIT THE SUMMIT**

The Advocates are in the process of finalising plans for all students in Year 11 to visit 'The Summit' on the 21<sup>st</sup> February. This day is significant in that it will provide strategies for taking on challenges in a successful way, and then allow the students to put the strategies into practice in activities that are a mix of fun, fear and adventure. The day is a key part of developing the supportive relationships between students as well as with staff that is critical to achieving success together throughout the year. The day will be heavily subsidised and will only cost students \$10 which includes transport, all activities and a BBQ lunch. Payment can be made before the day or alternatively it will be added to the invoice sent by the College for materials charges and can be paid at a later date.

### **NEWSLETTERS**

In a few weeks 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.

### **LOST PROPERTY FROM HEADSTART**

If any students are missing any items of clothing, shoes, watches etc please go to Student Services and have a look to see if any of the items there belong to you.