Hello Everyone.

Last night Nello and I attended a performance by Theatre Studies students; a dress rehearsal for the monologues they will present to examiners at Kernot Hall next Tuesday. It was a timely reminder of just how quickly the exam period is approaching. All who attended were very impressed with the caliber of the students that performed their individual skit as well as the teachers who took them to this very impressive point.

This will be the last newsletter before the VCE exams begin. We would like to remind all students and their families that teachers are available and willing to help during the exam period. Later in this newsletter you will read about revision lectures available at Monash and there is a list of tips to help with your exam preparation and performance. It is important that you do everything you can in the next month to make the most of the work you have put in over the past two years. You have no control over what questions examiners will write but you have complete control over how you prepare and respond to them.

On behalf of the staff at Kurnai we would like to wish all students well as they continue on their individual pathways to success whether that is exams and university, an apprentice or further vocational training or employment. We look forward to seeing all students and their families at the Graduation Dinner on November 26.
Year 12 Graduation Dinner

Event date: Tuesday November 26, 2013
Cost: $50 per person.
Students may purchase 1 ticket for themselves, plus two additional tickets.
Available from Georgina at the general office.

New Students 2014 Bus Travel
Contracted Services

Kurnai College is in the process of completing student loadings for bus travel on the Contracted School Bus Services in your area for the 2014 school year. This process is so we can evaluate what services are needed to get as many students to school with the services we have available. These services are for the following buses: -
- Boolarra Bus
- Hazelwood North Bus
- Hazelwood South Bus
- Yinnar Bus
- Whitelaws Track Bus
- Jeeralang Bus

If you have a child who will be in Grade Prep or who will be moving from primary to secondary school wishing to access these bus services in 2014, please ensure that you have submitted the appropriate bus form (TR701) to Kurnai College immediately. If you are unsure of this process, please contact Leonie Mackie or Fiona Fraser on 5132 3700 or email mackie.leonie.f@edumail.vic.gov.au.

To be eligible for free bus travel you must attend your closest government/denomination school and live more than 4.8km from your school.

Celebration Day For Year 12s

As the schooling year wraps up Year 12s get to celebrate their final day of school. This year students are heading off for a day at the beach. Students will board a bus at 8.45am and make their way to Sandy Point where they can lie about, kick a footy, have a swim, play unlimited mini golf and generally relax. The café will be open for fish and chips, pizzas, ice-creams, etc. The bus will return to the Precinct Campus at approx.. 5pm.

We hope to see all of our Year 12s there to finish their schooling together as a group. Cost of the day is only $5. Students have been given excursion forms, however if they have been lost they can pick up another from the General Office. Returned forms and money needs to be in by Thursday 18th October (but ASAP is better).

Important note: For safety reasons we are NOT permitting students to be driven to or from the beach. All students attending will need to leave and return by bus. We thank the students and families for supporting the school with this. Any questions related to the day please contact David Shields on 51323800.
Congratulations to the following students who have received postcards in the last two weeks:

**Excellence**
- Jennifer Kilpatrick
- Hayley Beyer
- Amber Stevenson
- Jade Howell
- Toby Richards
- Zac Cassidy
- Jake Nolder
- Jason Rowe
- Jordan Diaz
- Joel Berend
- Tim Dowe
- Nathan Respondino
- Maddy Zebergs
- Nikita Hall
- Rhys Hooimeyer
- Zoe Hibbert
- Bethany Leek
- Melissa Bruerton
- Bailey Mangano
- Kaitlyn Turner
- Toby Richards
- Tiffany Harvey
- Jasmine Kennedy
- Ramayer Gourley
- Tiarne Pendlebury
- Nikki Hentscel
- James Schultz

**Relationships**
- Chloe Ratcliffe
- Zach Dore
- Jessica Smart
- Nyabhan Jiath
- Lachlan Tactor
- Sarah Darling
- Dylan Day
- Jade Howell
- Jed Mudge
- Rosie Twomey
- Jesse Berryman-Lambert
- Sam French
- Emily Ferguson
- Nick Smith
- Annie Reggardo
- Dean Linton
- Michael Boyes
- Eli Van Rhine
- Ebony Kootstra-Denton
- James Toth
- Holly Campbell
- Nicole Hoogendorn-Hudson

**Work Ethic**
- Tiffany Harvey
- David Shugg
- Melissa Bruerton
- Jessica Bailey
- Leigh Lethaby
- Wei-Han Chang

**Engagement**
- Sam Linton
- Laura Stratford

The PBS team are excited to announce that in week 4 of this term we are relaunching the matrix. The matrix outlines the expected behaviours of students at the Precinct Campus. It will be launched at an assembly and new colour posters will be placed around the school to help remind students of their responsibilities as members of our learning community. We look forward to our current Year 11 students demonstrating these positive behaviours as they move towards becoming the leaders of the Precinct Campus. Samples of the matrix will be published in the newsletter after the launch. Watch this space!
Exam Revision Lectures

Access Education Exam Revision Lectures will be running this weekend (19th and 20th October) at Monash University. These lectures continue to be extremely important for students undertaking exams in the coming weeks. The lectures, which run for 2 ½ hours, provide content specific information that relates directly to the exam. They are therefore the perfect preparation for our students.

The lectures are:
Tickets are only $10 each. Order forms are still available from the general office. Please see David Shields on Friday to ensure a place.

Exam Skills Talks

Tuesday saw the first of two talks given by Monash University lecturers on how to best prepare for the upcoming exams. The hour long session discussed studying, preparation and organisation, whilst also delving into what to expect on the day of an exam. The Precinct teachers and managers continue to be impressed by this group of students and will continue to provide essential supports through this revision period as they lead into exams. Teachers remain available to students for extra support and Performance Class teachers are also talking with year 12’s in both VCE and VCAL to see how their preparations are going for 2014. A second talk will be happening period 2 on Tuesday, any student on a spare at this time should see David Shields to organise a place in the talk.

Student Accident Insurance and Ambulance Cover

Parents are reminded that the Department of Education does not provide personal accident insurance for students.

Parents and guardians are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs.

These costs may be recovered where an injury is caused by the negligence (carelessness) of the Department, a school council or their employees or volunteers.

Student Accident Insurance policies are available from some commercial insurers.

These cover a range of medical expenses not covered by Medicare or Private Health Insurance.
2014 Scholarships For Commencing Undergraduate Students – Monash University

The Sir John Monash Scholarship Program offers some of the most valuable scholarships for undergraduate study in Australia. Some of the benefits include payment for study and living costs, course fee subsidies, accommodation and travel allowances. There are scholarships offering one-off payments, and others that pay students every year for the length of their course.

The aim of the scholarship is to reward excellence and to provide opportunities for students whose financial and personal circumstances might otherwise restrict their ability to participate in Monash education.

If you require further information please see Brian Watts (Careers) or Ms. Cropper (VCE Coordinator).

TIPS FOR VCE SUCCESS

- To be the best, you have to be the best prepared, and the only way to achieve this is to work hard
- Top students study for two to five hours on a week night and three to six hours a day at weekends
- Put distractions (magazines, games, TV) away
- Turn off the mobile phone
- Make a list of deadlines
- Try using earplugs, and listen to music only when doing undemanding work
- Consider studying in a library where there are fewer distractions
- Find study buddies for sharing notes and discussing ideas
- Consider a tutor, because they force you to work and can change your attitude to a subject
- Get help from your teacher
- Get family members to test you before exams
- Plan your week ahead
- Remember to take breaks
- Get a copy of the course syllabus as it is a guide as to what should be in your study notes
- Write brief notes and review them immediately. Review them again after 24 hours and then twice a week thereafter
- Use colour to highlight important headings. Subheadings act as memory triggers
- Do lots of practice papers. Research show top students do a lot more practice tests
- Read extra material, making notes of relevant information and then refer to it in your exam essay
- Look for a unique angle. Demonstrate that you understand opposing opinions and then explain why you believe one argument is more correct
- Avoid stressed people and those who speculate about what it is in an exam on the day. Aim to stay calm
- It takes students about ten minutes to focus in the exam room. Start mentally rehearsing what you are going to do before the examiner says you may start
- Check how many marks have been allocated to each part of an exam question
- Read and re-read the questions
- Spend five minutes planning your essay
- Learn from your mistakes
- Twenty minute power naps can help
- Keep things in perspective

Source: Science of Student Success by Doug Barton, Edward Seung and Dorjee Sun.
Introducing Federation University Australia

The State Government has launched a new university called Federation University Australia.

The new university will amalgamate the University of Ballarat and Monash University’s Gippsland campus to provide greater educational opportunities to the communities of regional Victoria.

What this means for the Monash University Gippsland courses.

Some of the courses currently under the Monash University Gippsland campus banner will move across to the new Federation University Australia (FedUni) banner.

For a short period of time, these courses will be cancelled, before being reactivated on your course application under the new FedUni banner.

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This course has been cancelled. Please select another course.
What is a School-Based Traineeship?

School-based traineeships combine secondary school study, paid work and training in your chosen field. Young people employed as school-based trainees develop workplace skills, knowledge, confidence and a competitive edge when applying for jobs. Once you successfully complete your traineeship, you will be competent in a Nationally Recognised Qualification that can lead to any career opportunity in that field.

Certificate III in Children's Services

As a School Based Trainee in Children's Services, you will need to commit to 13 hours per week over a 33 week period. This equates to seven hours per week paid employment in a host placement, four hours per week in a classroom workshop and a further two hours per week study time.

Your host placement could be in a kindergarten, day care or childcare centre and it is here that you will gain experience working within a team, providing care for babies, learning how to plan activities and provide care to children; including catering to their nutritional needs, facilitate their leisure and play and assist in enabling them to achieve their developmental outcomes.

Cost to students

A minimum enrolment fee of $260 applies and will need to be paid to the training provider prior to the commencement of your training.

Additional cost

It may be necessary for you to obtain a Working With Children's Check or Police Check as part of your employment requirement. In this instance, you will be fully reimbursed by AGA.

Outcome

Upon completion of your traineeship, you will gain:

- Certificate III in Children's Services
- Articulation into the Diploma of Children's Services
- A career path into the Community Services sector

Employment opportunities

Employment opportunities include:

- Early childhood educator
- Outside school hours care assistant
- Playgroup supervisor
- Recreation assistant
- Family day care worker
- Nanny
- Childhood Educator
- Mobile assistant
- Childhood educator

What is my next step?

Register your expression of interest by contacting your Careers teacher or contact an AGA field officer on 5132 1772 then apply online at www.agaustralia.com.au
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Thank you to everyone who has sent their photos.

If you haven’t forwarded yet, please send to me
as soon as possible – this includes; baby photos and
any photos taken at school or school events.

Thank you
Kallista

***Attention all Year 12 students***
PHOTOS REQUIRED!

A special DVD presentation that features the class of 2013 is being put
together by Kallista Yiannacou. Please email her:

- 1 x Baby photo and
- photos of your time at school.

Digital images only. Photos that are not digital can be scanned in the library.

BABY PHOTO
Photos that work best are those in which you are facing the
camera with your eyes open. It is also better if there are
no obstructions in front of your face e.g. a dummy, a hand,
etc.! Suitable age is 0–6 yrs.

SCHOOL DAYS PHOTOS
Any photos of you and your friends from years 7-12.
Examples can include, class activities, camps, excursions,
formals, deb, school sports, just fun photos taken in the school yard.
If you attended a different school before coming to Kurnai, that’s okay, send in a photo
that has just yourself in it. NO PHOTOS FROM PRIVATE FUNCTIONS please.

Kallista is aiming to have at least 1 photo of each student. The making of this DVD is
extensive and time consuming, please stick to the deadlines listed below.

Baby photos due: Friday 9 August 2013.
Other photos due: Friday 20 September 2013

Please email Kallista on:
kalleopi.yiannacou.k@edumail.vic.gov.au
Uncollected Term 3 Progress Reports

Uncollected Term 3 Progress reports will be available from the General Office until Friday 25 October.

Year 12 school netbooks

All Year 12 students who received netbooks through the school in 2010 or 2011, need to bring this netbook into the school’s computer technician so that it can be setup for home use after finishing school. This will also apply to any Year 11 students with school netbooks who are finishing school this year.

This netbook is currently setup to connect to the school network, uses a range of school software and authenticates Windows and other programs via the Kurnai College network. When you are away from the school network, the authentication of programs like Windows will stop working and you will have great troubles using the netbook.

Netbooks can be brought in from the beginning of term 4 until the end of November 2013, but if you are still using your netbook for classes or exam preparation bring it after your last class or last exam.

All year 12 school netbook users will need to:

- Sign up using the sign-up sheets outside the computer technician’s office.
- Make a backup of all wanted data, since a new image will put into your netbook and all data on the netbook will be lost.
- On the given day bring your netbook, AC charger and netbook bag to the computer technician.
- During the day the computer technician will place a new version of Windows home edition onto the netbook.
- Pick up the netbook the following school day (from this point the netbook will work from home and not connect to the school network).

About 20 students have not paid all of the payments required to retain their netbook and these netbooks need to be returned to the school. If you are one of these students this netbook along with AC charger and bag needs to be returned to the computer technician by Monday 18th November. If you wish to keep your netbook, the outstanding payments will need to be made.
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.

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Kurnai College Four Pillars

**Engagement:** We actively participate in our own learning

**Excellence:** We do the best that we can do

**Work Ethic:** We are committed to working hard

**Relationships:** We value and respect each other

Receive your Kurnai Newsletter by email

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STUDENT SUPPORT: TEACHER AVAILABILITY 2013

ALL TEACHERS ARE AVAILABLE BY APPOINTMENT DURING THE WEEK
WELCOME TO
LOWES SCHOOLWEAR

Riggall’s Schoolwear
will now be available from
Lowes Morwell
Mid Valley Shopping Centre
(Opposite Millers)
Commencing
Wednesday 2nd October 2013

Full Eftpos, Lay-by Facilities Available

Lowes Morwell
Mid Valley Shopping Centre (Opposite Millers)
Corner Centre Valley Road & Princes Drive, Morwell,
Victoria

TRADING HOURS
Monday - Wednesday 9am-5.30pm, Thurs-9am-6pm
Fri 9am-9.00pm, Sat 9am-5pm, Sun 10am-4pm.

Can you open your heart & home to a child today?
Berry Street is looking for families like yours who can provide emergency, respite, short
and long term care for vulnerable children.
If you have room in your heart and home for a child then we want to speak with you.
Call today to discuss about becoming a foster care on 1800 U FOSTER (1800 896 783) or
visit www.berrystreet.org.au

Making it Possible!
A WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN 0-18 YEARS OLD

Learn how you can think, plan and achieve goals for your child and family

Gippsland Region:
Bairnsdale
Date: Wednesday 16th October 2013
Time: 4.30pm - 6.00pm
Venue: Bairnsdale Neighborhood House
20 Cavanagh Street
Bairnsdale 3875
To Book: http://www.trybooking.com/20561
or contact our office

Traralgon
Date: Thursday 2nd October 2013
Time: 4.30pm - 6.00pm
Venue: GippsTAFE Academy Conference Centre
Princes Highway, Traralgon 3844
To Book: http://www.trybooking.com/20567
or contact our office

Cost: $20 per person - members*
$30 per person - non-members
Morning tea & light lunch included
*Membership fee for the first 12 months.
Our presenters are parents themselves, so they understand the issues families face.

Association for Children with a Disability
For more information phone 9618 5200 or 1300 465 013 (out of hours)
Email mail2@acdw.org.au or visit our website www.acdw.org.au

Murder, A Minor Problem
A WALHALLA GOLDFIELDS MYSTERY

Location
Latrobe Performing Arts Centre
Grey St, Traralgon
P.O. Box 1406
9618 2566
Fax: 03 5177 4074
Pricing
Adults $18.50
Students $12

Show Dates
Friday 11th & 18th October 8pm
Saturday 12th & 19th October 5pm
Saturday 19th & 26th October 8pm

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