Hello Everyone

Last Friday, a group of one hundred Year 11 students, and staff, attended The Age Careers Expo held at Caulfield Racecourse. A traffic jam just outside Morwell (the result of an altercation between a cow and a car) meant that the time spent at the Careers Expo was reduced, but students still managed to gather career and course information that will help them in the future.

The day reinforced for me the importance for all students to have a direction as to what they want to do beyond their secondary studies. Attendance problems or issues with completion of work are often issues with students who don’t have an idea about why they are at school.

If your student is in this position please encourage them to make an appointment with the Careers Pathways team, as soon as possible, to help them look at their options into the future.

Attitudes To School Surveys

The Attitudes To School Surveys were completed by all students at the Precinct last week. These surveys ask students to respond to a set of statements relating to their attitude to their school experience over the previous month of school. The responses were sent away to be collated by the department and then sent back to the school where they are analyzed and areas of concern targeted. The Precinct Campus will make sure that if there are any areas that students have highlighted as being low in terms of effectiveness will be addressed.

Students Driving To School

It has come to our attention that a couple of students with licenses are taking other students for a ride either during the day or after school. This practice must stop as it contravenes the DEECD guidelines for students driving to school. **Please be aware that no student can give another student a ride to school in the morning or during the day.** There are a couple of exceptions to this rule. This requires parental written permission for a student to ride in a car with another student to and from school. This is a matter of student safety. Please contact the school if you wish to get more information on this matter.
Principals Message Contd...

College Athletics Day

On Tuesday next week the Combined College Aths Day will be held at the Joe Carmody Athletics Track in Newborough. This is one of the few times that the College comes together as one to participate in a day of sport and fun. Please make sure your student attends on this day and help to make it the huge success that it has always been.

Nello & Geoff

TIS Event

Students from Year 12 VCE attended the TIS event on Wednesday. The event, held at the Auditorium at Federation University, discussed the academic options available to students at the end of the year. The Presenters went through how to apply for TAFE and VCE and also went through what to expect from different courses. At the conclusion of the lecture, students spent time meeting with different university Spokespeople and looked at the range of possibilities available in 2015 and beyond.

Students wanting follow up conversations, or any conversation, about potential courses or career paths should book an appointment with the Careers Team.

Tutoring now Available

Tutoring from Federation University Students is now available for our Students. There are currently 9 highly academic Students available for tutoring support across the areas of Chemistry, Biology, English, Environmental Science, Health and Human Development, Psychology, IT and ALL Mathematics.

The sessions cost $25 - $30 per hour (the going rate for tutoring). Groups (4-6) can negotiate with a Tutor for approximately $50 - $60 per hour/per group. Those interested please see David Shields to collect a list of names and details.

Top Arts and Top Design Melbourne Trip

Students in Year 12 Art, Studio Art and Visual Communication made the trip to Melbourne to view the Top Arts and Top Designs Art Exhibitions. Catching the train up in the morning, students had the opportunity to walk the streets of Melbourne on an unfortunately rainy day, taking in Sculptures, Street Art and trying to find inspiration and images related to their folios. The exhibitions were of the Artworks and folios from the best Year 12 students in 2013, and were a great eye opener for our Kurnai students. Students again felt the trip was very much worth the effort, gaining a clearer idea of what is needed to succeed in the art-based units.

Students not only got to see folios and artworks from top students, but also enjoyed the walk around the culturally rich inner-city Melbourne.
Congratulations to our PBS Recipients

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PBS Tokens Begin

The latest initiative to support Positive Behaviours began this week. Precinct staff have been handing out tokens to students displaying positive behaviours in the yard. The aim, much like postcards, is to show students that we are appreciative of all the positive things they do around the school, regardless of how significant they are. There will be a draw in the coming weeks so students with tokens should place them into the PBS box in the Library.
VCAL News

Structured Workplace Learning

Most VCAL students have been successful in securing a work placement and have commenced these placements in a wide variety of industries across the local area. Kurnai VCAL students are required to undertake work placement one day a week during Terms 2, 3 and 4. Students have worked with their Work Related Skills teacher and the Careers Team to secure their placements. These placements offer students the opportunity to gain experience in a variety of industries and work settings. They also get a better understanding of the world of work and the skills and personality traits that employers are looking for in their workforce. VCAL teachers will soon commence visiting students on their work placement.

Yarnin’

Five VCAL students recently participated in the Yarnin’ project. The Yarnin’ project involves local Koorie students interviewing Koorie Elders. Chloe Mobourne, Peter Thomas, Michael McNeill, Tammy Swan and Josh Hoye spent the last 2 weeks learning about videography, lighting, sound recording, film editing and interviewing techniques. The students visited a number of locations to film the interviews and developed the questions to ask each interviewee. The program has been developed by Open Channel and has been delivered in a number of other areas across the state. The final edited videos will be launched in July/August and will be available to view following the launch on the Yarnin’ website.

Nicole Carder
Mid Year Exams for Year 11 & 12 VCE Students

Dates and Venue

Year 11 Exams – 2 – 6 June
Year 12 Exams – 6 – 13 June

GAT – 11 June – 10.00 a.m. – 1.15 p.m.

All Year 11 and 12 exams will be held at the Green Inc. Building, Module D – this is on the corner of McDonald Way and Northways Road. Students will be shown the building in advance. Students need to be at the venue fifteen minutes before the exam starts so they can be directed to their seats and the appropriate exam. Students are reminded that if there are any clashes that they need to come and see the VCE Coordinator as soon as possible.

GAT – General Achievement Test

The GAT exam is for all Year 11 & Year 12 VCE students who are undertaking a 3/4 sequence (a Year 12 subject). All Year 12 students will be taking the GAT in the Green Inc. Building. Year 11 students will be sitting the GAT at Federation University and will be advised of the specific room in an assembly. An information leaflet about the GAT will be given to students in an assembly along with their ‘Student Assessment Timetable’. It is essential that students provide their timetable and some photographic ID when they attend the examination.

All year 11 classes will run as normal during both exam weeks.

No Year 12 classes will run during the week of 10 - 13 June

If you have any questions regarding the exams please do not hesitate to contact Bernadette Cropper – VCE Coordinator on 5132 3800 or cropper.bernadette.b@edumail.vic.gov.au

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

Email: pulis.georgina.g@edumail.vic.gov.au (subject: Kurnai Newsletter)
Mid Year Exams for Year 11 VCE Students

Year 11 Exam Timetable – 2 – 6 June
All exams will be held in the Green Inc. Building – Module D

Monday 2 June

8.30 – 10.30
English

11.00 – 1.00
Environmental Science
Accounting
Health and Human Development A
IT
Literature
Outdoor Ed.
Physics 11 A
Psychology A
Studio Arts
Music Year 11

Tuesday 3 June

8.30 – 10.30
Design Technology
History A
Media
Maths Methods B
P.E.
Psychology B

11.00 – 1.00
General Maths

Wednesday 4 June

8.30 – 10.30
Chemistry
Advanced General Maths B
Physics B
VET Sport and Rec.

11.00 – 1.00
Maths Method A
Chemistry

Thursday 5 June

8.30 – 10.30
Art
Biology A
Food and Technology
Advanced General Maths A
Health and Human Development B
Legal Studies
Outdoor Ed. A
Sociology
Vis. Comm.
EAL

11.00 – 1.00
English Language B
English Language A

Friday 6 June

8.30 – 11.45
Yr. 12 English – 15 minutes Reading Time, 3 hours Writing Time

12.30 – 2.30
Biology B
Business Management
History B
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Mid Year Exams for Year 12 VCE Students

Year 12 Exam Timetable – 6 – 13 June
All exams will be held in the Green Inc. Building – Module D

**Friday 6 June**

8.30 – 11.45

English

**Tuesday 10\(^{th}\) June**

8.30 – 10.30

Accounting

Biology B

Environmental Science

Food Technology

Health and Human Development B

Legal Studies

Psychology C

Vis. Comm.

**11.00 – 1.00**

Psychology A

Health and Human Development A

Biology A

Literature

Physics

Music Year 12

**Wednesday 11 June - GAT**

10.00 a.m. – 1.15 p.m.

**Thursday 12 June**

8.30 – 10.30

Further Maths A, B, C, D, E

**11.00 – 1.00**

Specialist Maths

Health and Human Development C

History

Media

**Friday 13 June**

8.30 – 10.30

Art

IT

LOTE Chinese

Outdoor Ed

Sociology

VET Sport & Rec

EAL

Maths Methods

**11.00 – 1.00**

Business Management

Chemistry

Design Tech

P.E.

Psychology B
Career & Pathways News

- ‘At Monash’ Seminars – Health Science and Social Work 13 May; Education and Nursing 20 May; Biomedical Science, Radiography, Nutrition and Dietetics Wed 28 May; Engineering 29 May. More dates and bookings: www.monash.edu/seminars.

- Explore Deakin University – Parent/student tertiary information; Melbourne Burwood: 6-8pm, 21 May; Geelong Waterfront: 6-8pm, 28 May; www.deakin.edu.au/parent-and-student.

- University of Melbourne – ‘Focus on Melbourne’ Seminars: 27 May; Commerce, 28 May; Environments, 3 June; Science, 4 June; Agriculture, 10 June; Law, 11 June; Engineering/IT, 18 June; Conservatorium of Music; 25 June; VCA. Info/book www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/events2014

- UMAT – Registrations close: 6 June; UMAT test date: 30 July 2014.

Careers in Sports Medicine – Olympic Park Sports Medicine Centre has a Careers in Sports Medicine Evening, introducing the world of Sports Medicine for Year 10-12’s. Build your awareness of health professionals involved in caring for athletes, whether competing for Australia or exercise for fitness. Sports Medicine, Nutrition, Podiatry, Psychology, Massage, Physiotherapy and Exercise Physiology will be represented. When: Registration, 6.30-7pm, Wed 28 May; Talks, 7.30-9pm; Where: AAMI Park Stadium, 60 Olympic Blvd, Entrance F, Gate 4, Corporate Entrance, Olympic Room 3; Parking: Eastern Plaza Carpark; Cost: $25, parents free; Registration: www.trybooking.com/EPDE; Info: megan.marshall@opsmc.com.au, www.opsmc.com.au.

RMIT News – RMIT is both a University and a VET provider, with Campuses in the City and at Bundoora. RMIT has many opportunities to learn about their courses in the next holiday break.

- Check out Science at RMIT – ‘Science in the City’ is a specialised tour of RMIT’s facilities where students and parents can learn more about Science Programs. Find out about the wide range if Single and Double Degree Science Programs available at the City Campus including Biology, Biotechnology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Food Science, Nanotechnology and Physics. You will also gain knowledge of career options. When: 11am-1.30pm, Mon 30 June and Mon 22 Sept; Register at: www.rmit.edu.au/appliedsciences/discover.

- RMIT Experience Days – RMIT has events for Year 10-12 students giving insights into life on Campus. Mon 30 June, Accounting and Finance, Trades Day; Tues 1 July, Community Justice, Engineering (City), Health and Medical (Bundoora), Journalism and Audio Visual; Wed 2 July, Information Systems and Logistics; Thurs 3 July, Advertising, Marketing and Public Relations, Engineering (Bundoora), Environment; Fri 4 July, Art & design, Science; Wed 1 Oct, Project Management. Information and Registration: www.rmit.edu.au/experiencedays.

- RMIT Hospital Laboratory Visits - Hospital Laboratory visits are for students interested in careers as Medical Scientists. Tours give a chance to see the inner workings of a Laboratory, and to observe where current students are completing their professional practice. Covering Laboratory Medicine and Nuclear Medicine, the sessions are held at major teaching hospitals from 2-11 July. Register: RMIT Medical Sciences, 9925 7075, medicalsciences@rmit.edu.au.

Find out More About the University of Melbourne – ‘My Melbourne’ is the University’s monthly newsletter for future students. It’s a great way to keep up to date with what’s happening at the University and find out about the opportunities for students. Current students contribute to ‘My Melbourne’, so readers find out what it’s really like to be a student at Melbourne. Get tips, learn about experiences, find out about college life. See: blogs.unimelb.edu.au/mymelb

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What is an Actuary? Many people have never heard of Actuarial Studies and have no idea what an Actuary does. Actuaries are responsible for identifying, analysing and assessing risk. They determine the likelihood of risk to ensure an organisation’s safeguards and they advise on the potential consequences of risk. This is done by creating mathematical models using past data and the Actuary’s own knowledge and experience. These models are used to generate future scenarios in order to determine how likely and how severe future risks may be. Actuaries traditionally work in Consulting, Banking, Superannuation, Stockbroking, Insurance and Investment and can also find work in Consumer Behaviour Analysis and developing areas like Environmental Studies, Climate Change and Genetics. At Monash University you can study Actuarial Studies as part of the Bachelor of Commerce or the Bachelor of Economics, and at the University of Melbourne in the Bachelor of Commerce. Pre-requisite subjects are 3/4 English (any) and 3/4 Maths Methods. Website of the Professional Body, Actuarial Institute of Australia: www.actuaries.asn.au/default.aspx.

Aviation Careers Expo – If you want to find out more about Swinburne’s Aviation Courses for 2015, attend the Aviation Careers Expo. Representatives from CAE Oxford Aviation Academy, from some of Australia’s top aviation organisations and major airlines will attend. When: 5.30pm, Mon 2 June; Where: Hawthorn Campus; Register by Fri 30 May: Online registration.

Flying Training Scholarship – The Royal Victorian Aero Club with the 460 Bomber Squadron Scholarship Trust is offering a Flight Training Scholarship designed to take the successful candidate to the GEPT stage of the Private Pilot’s Licence. Term and conditions are available at www.rvac.com.au; Application forms are available at the Royal Victorian Aero Club at Moorabbin Airport, Ph: 8586777.

Monash University will be visiting the Gippsland Region in the coming months to hold Monash Information Evenings targeted to students (and parents) interested in studying at the University. Each event will run from 6.30pm – 8.00pm and the evenings will be held on:

- Warragul: Thursday 22nd of May at St. Pauls Anglican Grammar School, Bowen Street, Warragul.
- Leongatha: Monday 25th of August at Leongatha Secondary College, Nerrena Road, Leongatha
- Bairnsdale: Tuesday 2nd of September at Forge Theatre, 80 McKean Street, Bairnsdale.

Federation University

Alternative entry to University

Fed Uni also offers a wide range of alternative entry pathways, providing Secondary School Students and mature age people retuning to study with greater opportunities for University entry.

Options include:

- Pre-apprenticeships
- REEP (Regional Education Entry Program)
- Pathways to work and study
- VCAL Aspire
- Foundation Access Studies (FAST) program
- English Language for International Students

Further information is available on the Federation University Australia website (or http://bit.ly/fedunialtentry )
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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WHAT TO DO IF YOU ARE BEING BULLIED

You have a right to feel safe and be safe. If you are being bullied here are some ideas about what you can do.

Talk to someone about it. Find a trusted friend, teacher or carer who will listen to how you feel, be supportive, and perhaps even help you work out what to do.

- Talk to your friends - they can help you tell a teacher or your parents or just to feel better.
- Talk to your parents - tell them all about what's been happening.
- Talk to your teacher or another staff member - tell them all about what's been happening. If you don't want to do this in public, make an excuse to see the teacher about something else, for example your homework.
- If you can't talk to someone face-to-face go online at Kids Helpline http://www.kids helpline.com.au/ or call a Kids Helpline counsellor on 1800 55 1800.

Try a few of the strategies that have worked for others. Only try these strategies if you are not in any immediate danger of being physically hurt and you feel confident you can do them.

- Ignore the bullying - turn your back and walk away.
- Act unimpressed or pretend you don't care what they say or do to you. You could say 'okay, whatever' and walk away.
- Use strong, assertive statements, starting with the word 'I'; tell the other person 'I want you to stop that' in a strong confident voice. Practice this with your friends.
- Use 'fogging' which means making a joking or funny comment that makes the other person think you don't care about what they say.
- Ask your friends to speak up for you. And remember to do the same for them!

Try to stay positive. Focus on all the things that you do well, the people who like you and care about you. Write down your thoughts and feelings about the bullying to help you think clearly about what you can do.

Hang around with your friends and be with people who help you feel good about yourself. Good friends respect, encourage and support you. They care for your wellbeing and are fun to be around. You'll make new friends by respecting, encouraging and supporting others.

Try to sort out the problem behind the bullying. If you feel safe to do so, talk with the other people involved and ask them how you might be able to sort out the problem together.
Community News

Latrobe Skatepark Series Workshop
Sat 17th and Sun 18th of May 2014 (11am to 4pm)
Latrobe City, 141 Commercial Rd, Morwell

Film/photography • event set ups • judging • emceeing • promo
The workshop will provide training and experience in how to become a judge and event manager at your local skatepark as well as allowing your direct input into the Latrobe Skatepark Series.

For bookings and enquiries contact Kieran Ryan:
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