Hello Everyone,

Well, we've reached the end of a very long, cold and difficult term with a bang.

Last week we held our Debutante Balls over 2 nights at the Premier Function Centre in Traralgon. A wonderful night was had by all who attended over the nights. The debutantes, looked fabulous and their handsome partners showed their skills in 60s dancing. It did make us more mature people nostalgic for the good old days when you could sing along with a song that had real words you could understand.

A great big thank you to Ange Gordon and her team of helpers for a truly professionally run event. A big thank you also to the Premier Function Centre which really looks after us every year with a level of service that is truly appreciated.

On Tuesday this week we held the termly Fun Lunch which was instigated last year to celebrate and relax just a little at the end of every term.

The School Captains and the SRC together with Kiyomi, our Student Councilor organized and ran the very successful event which saw students take part in a free BBQ, fairy floss and the very funny watermelon eating contest.

Its always nice to see our students just having a bit of down time together after a very long term. Its also great to see staff mingling and having a joke and a laugh with their students.

On behalf of everyone here at the University Campus, we'd like to wish all our students and their families a safe, relaxing and warm break.

Don't forget the Semester 1 Reports are now available on Compass.

We'll see you all back again in the new term.

Nello & Geoff
Last week we held the annual Kurnai Deb balls at the Premiere Function Centre in Traralgon. The theme for this year was 60's revolution. Rhonda McDonald the amazing dance instructor was able to transform 108 students into 2 well co-ordinated dance troupes, dancing to classic sounds of the 60’s.

Our school captains engaged with the theme coming dressed as Austin Powers and Vanessa Kensington. Staff also got into the groove!

A great night was had by all that attended.

We would like to thank all of the students, families, staff and other organisations involved with the success of this years' Debutante Balls.
Each term at the University Campus we put on a ‘Stress Less lunchtime’ for students and staff. The aim of Stress Less Lunchtimes are to promote fun and healthy ways of managing stress and anxiety and to get together to have some fun and food. Our School Captains and PBS Student Leaders helped organise and plan the event. This term we put on a whole school BBQ with sausages, hamburgers and coleslaw for students and staff (free of charge) together with we had a fairy floss machine and we were constantly giving out yummy treats. Each Stress Less Lunchtime we also run fun activities for everyone to watch and get involved in. This time we had a watermelon eating competition and our winner was Josh Hall in Year 11. Josh Cassidy from Headspace joined us to talk to our students about what Headspace has to offer and had lots of information and goodies to give away.
WOULD YOU LIKE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS?

Do you wish you could ask someone about their university experience? Would you like to know about employment outcomes? What about the quality of learning resources available? With QILT you can do side by side comparisons of the quality of the higher education institutions and the study areas that interest you. QILT results are based on thousands of annual surveys completed by students across Australia, and are well worth a look. See: www.qilt.edu.au.

MONASH UNIVERSITY NEWS

- NEW BACHELOR OF MEDICAL SCIENCE AND DOCTOR OF MEDICINE
  Monash is the only Victorian university to offer both direct-from-school entry and graduate entry to the same medical degree. The course is designed as an integrated curriculum, taught on both campus and clinical sites. For school-leaver entry, the first two years are largely campus-based, although some city and rural clinical placements are possible. Students will complete a research project and clinical placements will have a home base with better relationships with clinical supervisors. The graduate entry program is open only to those who have completed a Monash University degree in biomedical science (including those undertaking double degrees), pharmacy, physiotherapy or science (with the completion of specific units).

- YEAR 10 INDEPENDENCE DAY AT MONASH UNIVERSITY
  Would you like to find out about courses, prerequisite subjects, meet Monash staff, explore the campus, get advice on management of Year 11 and 12, and attend workshops? Then Monash Independence Day is for you.
  When: 10am-2.30pm, Thurs 30 June (lunch included);
  Where: Robert Blackwood Hall, 49 Scenic Boulevard, Clayton;
  Information and Bookings: www.monash.edu/year10-day

- ‘INSIDE MONASH’ UNIVERSITY SEMINARS
  Wanting to find out about studying at Monash? The final seminars in this series for 2016 are as follows:
  August 24 – Science; September 13 - Teaching. For details, and to book go to: www.monash.edu/inside-monash

WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO THE BACHELOR OF ENVIRONMENTS AT MELBOURNE?

The B. Environments at the University of Melbourne is not having an intake in 2017 while a major review of all undergraduate environmental offerings is being undertaken. Students who were considering the degree for 2017 will still be able to undertake studies in all majors either in the B. Science, the B. Arts or the new Bachelor of Design (see www.bdes.unimelb.edu.au/).

As a student of the B. Design you will use innovative processes to solve problems creatively, and determine solutions for a better future. You will study the application of design to a wide range of contexts from the construction of buildings and landscapes to the small scale of systems and microstructures. The majors offered within the B. Design include: architecture, computing, construction, civil systems, digital technologies, graphic design, landscape architecture, mechanical systems, performance design, property, spatial systems and urban planning.
The B. Design in Performance Design will be taught at the VCA. It will be different from the B. Fine Arts (Production) in that students will be chosen on ATAR only, it will not involve acting, students will be exposed to a range of areas, not just one specialisation as with the B. Fine Arts and there will also be more conceptual thinking in the B. Design.

The B. Design provides pathways to more than 20 different Masters degrees in areas including: Engineering, Design, Computer Science, Agricultural Science and the Faculty of the Victorian College of the Arts and Melbourne Conservatorium of Music.

NEW DEGREES AT AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY (ACU) –
ACU has campuses in several Australian states. The Melbourne campus (located in Fitzroy) has 10,000 students, and is growing. As a publicly funded university, ACU is open to students of any or no religion, and has a commitment to empower its graduates with the knowledge, skills and professional experience needed to make a difference in the world. Interestingly, the QILT 2015 University student experience survey shows that ACU graduates earned $600pa more in starting salary than Melbourne and Monash graduates.

New courses at the Melbourne campus in 2017 are:

- **Bachelor of Science** – will prepare graduates with the skills needed to apply a sophisticated understanding of a broad and coherent body of scientific knowledge to professional work in a range of science contexts. Majors offered: Chemistry, Biology and Environment. Prerequisites are: Units 3/4 with at least 30 in EAL or 25 in any other English, and a minimum of 25 in Maths (any) and 25 in science (any).

- **Bachelor of Teaching/Bachelor of Science** – prepares graduates with skills to apply a sophisticated understanding and coherent body of scientific knowledge to professional work in a range of science contexts within an education setting.

- **Bachelor of Physiotherapy** – Commencing at the Ballarat campus as noted previously.

VICTORIA UNIVERSITY (VU) IS INDUSTRY CONNECTED –
VU is both a provider of higher education and VET courses, with campuses in Footscray, St Albans, the City, Melton, Sunshine and Werribee. One of VU's strengths as a university is its links with industry. In the Education Faculty alone VU has over 900 partnerships with a broad range of organisations across Victoria and beyond. Many professional experiences are offered such as:

- Teaching in rural/remote areas
- Overseas study tours to countries like Malaysia, China and Timor Leste
- Sporting, literacy and leadership programs with sporting organisations including Western Bulldogs
- Mentoring school students in university-ready skills
- Creative art projects.

Graduates find employment in youth work, early childhood education, kindergarten, primary and secondary school, adult and vocational education and in special needs education.


TURN YOUR HOBBY INTO A CAREER AT RMIT –
Melbourne plays an integral part in Australia's vibrant and growing animation, games and interactive media industries. It is home to independent start-ups and small gaming and app development studios, and is a hub for award-winning animation and VFX companies – like Iloura, whose team has worked on Hollywood blockbusters like Mad Max. You will be immersed in a culture of animation and design, where staff are practicing artists and designers. You will collaborate on projects across year levels and in real world studios.

Through studying games and animation at RMIT you will become skilled in producing interactive experiences by developing your conceptual design, storytelling and specialist art skills – perhaps turning your hobby into a career.

Check out the courses and studios at RMIT Open Day, 10am-4pm, Sunday 14 August.
OPEN DAYS

Each year universities, TAFE's and private colleges open their doors to the public and showcase what they have to offer to future students. To ensure you make an informed decision about your future studies it is highly recommended that you attend as many relevant Open Days as possible.

Make a list of the courses and offering institutions you are interested in by exploring the VTAC website [www.vtac.edu.au](http://www.vtac.edu.au) (Victorian courses) or [www.uac.edu.au](http://www.uac.edu.au) (NSW and ACT courses).

Explore the institutions websites and search up their Open Day pages. Register to receive email updates or join any facebook pages that are relevant to your search.

Download any maps and Open Day program information, in particular the area/courses you are interested and make note of any seminars/presentations/demonstration of particular interest to you.

Plan your Open Day outing including your transport and lunch needs and head off on a day/days of adventure and research.

**July 2016**

31st Swinburne University **Hawthorn**

**August 2016**

5th La Trobe University **Shepparton Campus**
6th Monash University **Peninsula Campus**
7th Monash University **Clayton and Caulfield Campus**
La Trobe University **Melbourne Campus**
Deakin University **Warrnambool Campus**
14th RMIT
  Australia Catholic University
  La Trobe University **Bendigo Campus**
15th La Trobe University **Albury Wodonga**
17th La Trobe University **Mildura Campus**
21st Monash University **Parkville Campus**
University of Melbourne **Parkville and Southbank Campus**
Deakin University **Geelong Campus**
28th Deakin University **Melbourne Campus**
Victoria University **Footscray Campus**
Federation University **Gippsland and Ballarat Campuses**
VCAL News

Mock Interviews

Recently Year 12 students were fortunate enough to participate in mock job interviews with local employers. The interviews were organised by The Smith Family and the careers team and allowed students to practice the skills they have been developing in their Literacy class. Students were interviewed in a real life setting by a panel of two employers. After the interviews, students were given immediate feedback from the interviewers about everything from their resume to their body language and verbal responses. Students later received written feedback that they then analysed and identified areas for improvement. In term 4 students will participate in interviews for industries specific to their career interests. Sincere thanks to staff and volunteers from Latrobe City Council, Australian Government: Department of Human Services, Kurnai College School Council, Interchange Gippsland, AGL, Latrobe Community Health Services and Latrobe Valley Flexible Learning Option.

Commercial Kitchen Tour

This week students from the Catering class visited Churchill Hotel to see how a commercial kitchen operates. Students enjoyed a meal in the bistro and then toured the facility including the kitchen and function area. They heard from the owner, Guy Martin, and one of the chefs about the different careers within the hospitality industry, the key skills involved in the industry, the different types of equipment utilised and the day to day running of a food service venue. Students found the excursion worthwhile and will be visiting larger venues next term in Melbourne to see how catering and hospitality companies work in large sporting and corporate venues.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

Without the ongoing support of local businesses and community organisations, our VCAL Structured Workplace Learning program would not be viable. Students in VCAL must complete a work placement one day a week as part of their studies. This provides students with experience in a variety of industries and with opportunities that they cannot get in a classroom setting. In upcoming newsletters we will acknowledge some of the other local businesses/organisations that have supported our program by taking on VCAL students.

A big thank you to:
Ritchies IGA (Churchill)
Surefab (Morwell)
Dean’s Smash Repairs (Morwell)
Chris Humphrey Office National (Traralgon)
Churchill Leisure Centre (Churchill)
Norris Hair (Traralgon)
F & T Fitting and Machining (Morwell)
Colli’s Hair Design (Moe)
Advantage Pharmacy (Churchill)
Bosse Plumbing (Traralgon)

We are always looking for willing businesses to take on work placement students. If you would like to find out more about the VCAL program or to discuss the benefits of taking on a work placement student, please call the VCAL team on 5132 3800.
100% ATTENDANCE

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS WHO HAVE ATTENDED EVERY DAY FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL

Brendan Briggs
Macee Franchetto
Kimberley Gordon
Joshua Hall
Isabel Hines
India Inger
Shae Justice
Jacinta Nolder
Elle Pollutro
Chelsea Radford
Dustin Weir
Vanessa Wilson
Sophie Fitzpatrick
Samantha Hogarth
Caleb Leak
Hannah Linton

Why it is important to attend extracurricular activities:

Secondary schools and colleges alike emphasise the importance of extracurricular activities such as sports days, but sometimes it can be difficult for students and parents to see the benefit in these days. These days not only support those students who are athletically minded but they are meant to be about more than sport. They are designed to be fun for all students and offer students the opportunity to spend time with others and participate in fun activities; students can meet friends from different social groups by attending these days. It is an opportunity for students from all our campuses to get together. An extracurricular activity such as the Aths day might even have the effect of “recharging” the brain after rigorous schoolwork, allowing students to return to school work and homework assignments with a refreshed mind. **Extracurricular days such as our Sports Days are important!**
CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS WHO
HAVE ATTENDED EVERY DAY FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

Georgina Brick
Wyatt Ceeney
Spring Chen
Emma Darling
Matthew Devonshire
Bryan Duffell
Taria Dykes
Caitlyn Ewald
Alanna Findlay
Chloe Flanigan
Alicia Ewen
Sophie Fitzpatrick
Emma Jonkers
Caleb Leak
Yuxin Li
Shaquille Politis
Jordan Taylor
Nick Teresi
Brandon Welsh
Josh Bognar
Brody Cluderay
Sam Daddo

Gemma Francis
Kayla Gillespie
Trent Gillespie
Robert Goodwin
Kimberley Gordon
Moises Haviland
India Inger
Shae Justice
Hayden Kimpton
Chloe Libreri
Maddy Lock
Jamie Mareska
Tahlia Medew
Sarina Molinari
Jordan Pace
Chelsea Radford
Bella Cocker Russell
Cameron Stewart
Tiara Vajler
Justin Van Tilburg
Emily Vella
Sam Ward
Jaryd Downes-Smith

Kurnai Pillars

Work Ethic

‘We are committed to working hard’

Excellence

‘We do the best we can do’

Relationships

‘We value and respect each other’

Engagement

‘We actively participate in our own learning’

Be Here!

ATTENDANCE COUNTS
A reminder to call our ABSENCE HOTLINE 5132 3711 preferably before 9am if your child is not going to be at school. This will ensure your child’s absence is recorded correctly and you don’t receive a phone call from our office.

**Koorie News**

This term has seen our Indigenous students get involved with RMIT – I Belong camp. It was beneficial for our students in Year 9 – Year 12. For the students in Year 11 and 12 they experienced “Life as a tertiary student” and gained study skills by experiencing how University life works and what you need to do and consider when you move from a rural to city environment. In relation to the Year 9 and 10 students their focus was on Urban planning and experiencing city life. All students participated well and got a lot out of the trip.

The students also had the opportunity to be involved in the AIME (Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience) Program. AIME allows the students to be involved in a structured educational program where students can connect with who they are, how to express themselves and learn the world around them. They learn how to become effective leaders in their community and as the student moves through Year 12 they look at ways to be empowered, gaining new skills and knowledge so that they can transition from school life to work/TAFE/University life.

As part of the AIME Program our students have also had access to free tutoring from the Tutor squad on a Tuesday after school in the library at the University Campus from 3 – 4.30pm. Next term the tutoring will be made available to students at the Morwell Campus.

Our Dedlee Kultya dancers were a highlight at the recent Reconciliation Week event held at the Federation University Campus. They practice on Wednesday nights so if you wish to join in, come along to the Morwell Campus on a Wednesday night between 3 and 4pm.

Flag Raising was also highlighted with Leticia Dalton and James Solomon being the Flag Raisers for Kurnai College. Our students made the school Proud.

As we head in to next term we begin focusing on NAIDOC Week. Our NAIDOC celebrations will take place on July 21. We wish everyone a safe and happy holiday.

*Marina and Chris*

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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
Congratulations to our Positive Behaviour Support Recipients

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SWPBS
Key Dates

**KEY DATES**

- **June 24**  
  Last day of Term 2
- **July 11**  
  1st day of Term 3
- **Oct 26 - Nov 18**  
  End of Year Exams Yr. 12 VCE Written Exams
- **Nov 17 - 23**  
  Year 11 End of Year Exams
- **Nov 28 - Dec 9**  
  Headstart

Calendar of Excursions / Camps

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