



PARENT BULLETIN

7th December 2012

COMING EVENTS

Tuesday, 11 th December.....	Orientation Day
Tuesday, 18 th December.....	Awards Afternoon 1.00pm
Thursday, 20 th December.....	School Office closes 12.00 pm
Friday, 1st February 2013.....	Term 1 commences (all students)
Thursday, 7 th February.....	College Swimming Sports
Wednesday, 13 th February.....	Morwell Campus Photo Day

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS:	8.00 am – 4.00 pm
SCHOOL HOURS:	8.25 am – 2.50 pm students are supervised between 8.10 am and 3.00 pm

CAMPUS PRINCIPAL'S NEWS



Hello everyone,

Last week was the end of Semester 2 at all campuses of Kurnai College. At Morwell Campus, each year level had individual ways of celebrating this milestone including roller-skating/blading, a year level bring-and-share lunch and, of course, the Year 10s had the much anticipated Formal.

This week has seen all our students progress to the next year level. Our “new” Year 10s took their first official journey to the Precinct Campus to commence their VCE or Work Skills classes. Although this was a pretty big step for some of them, everyone made it there and back unscathed!

The Headstart formal classes will continue until the end of Wednesday 12th December; thereafter students will have Meetings for Success with teachers from their new year level. These are by appointment, and Year Level Leaders will contact you soon to organise these.

The Morwell Campus Awards Afternoon will be held here at the campus on **Tuesday 18th December at 1:00pm** in the Hexagon (formerly known as the Year 7 Learning Centre) – everyone is cordially invited. Included in the program will be some of our music students showcasing their talents. All Morwell Campus students attending are to be in full school uniform. End of semester reports will be available at the conclusion of this event.

As this will be the last newsletter for 2012, I wish all families and other members of our learning community compliments of the season, a safe and prosperous New Year, and a long, relaxing summer break.

Students recommence classes on **1st February 2013**.

Michelle Reid-Metcalf
CAMPUS PRINCIPAL

“IT’S NOT OKAY TO BE AWAY”

Morwell Campus Absence Hotline: 5165 0602

If your child is going to be absent for the day or a number of days please contact the Absence Hotline and leave details. This service has been set up for the convenience of both families and the College with voicemail access 24 hours a day 7 days a week. The voicemail is checked several times a day. Thank you to the many parents already utilising this system.



Please leave a recorded message stating -

- Your name.
- The student's name.
- Year level or home group.
- The reason for the absence and the duration if known.

There is a growing number of students who are constantly late to school.

Home group commences at 8.30 am. It is important that students attend as valuable information is passed on to the students regarding school activities and daily school news. If the student misses home group they commence the day without the knowledge they need to set them up for the day on a positive note.

- If your child is late, they **must** bring a signed and dated note.
- Being **late or sleeping in** are **not** acceptable reasons.
- We also require a signed and dated note for students to leave the College early.

ADF LAUNCHES DRUG INFORMATION SMS SERVICE

The Australian Drug Foundation has launched its "Get the effects by txt!" drug SMS information service, a first of its kind in Australia.

Get the effects by txt! is an addition to the ADF's DrugInfo phone line providing credible drug information direct to your mobile, 24/7.

People can text any drug name to 0439 TELL ME (0439 835 563) and receive an instant health and safety message in return. The message lists a number of the drug's effects and provides links for further information on the Australian Drug Foundation's DrugInfo website as well as the phone number of a 24/7 free and confidential counselling service. This confidential service will enable young people to look out for their mates, and will make it easy for parents to be informed. The Australian Drug Foundation firmly believes that better knowledge and understanding about drugs is a key way Australia can reduce risks to individuals and the community," he added.

Standard rates apply to text 0439835563.

SECONDHAND BOOK AND UNIFORM SALE

Proceeds of secondhand book and uniform sale can be collected from the general office from Monday 10th December until 12.00 noon on Thursday, 20th December.

SEMESTER REPORTS

Reports will be available for collection at the conclusion of the Awards Afternoon on Tuesday 18th December until 12.00pm on Thursday, 20th December.

