Newsletter
Morwell Campus

Date: 14th November, 2014

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Message from Campus Principal - Michelle

Staff Planning Day

Last Monday while students were enjoying a lovely four-day break, staff were hard at work developing a consistent assessment program for all subjects.

This means that all students in a given year level right across the whole College (ie Morwell and Churchill Campuses) will all have some common assessment tasks. This ensures a fairer approach for all students and will assist in teachers making a balanced judgment of students’ progress against the AusVELS Standards.

A reminder to call our absence hotline 5165 0611 preferably before 9.00 am 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.
This week Morwell Campus celebrated Remembrance Day. We were represented at the Morwell RSL Memorial both by our Air Force Cadets, and our school captains Jade Smith and Brandon Welsh. Jade and Brandon laid a wreath in memory of those who have lost their lives during all the wars and conflicts in which Australian soldiers and other defence forces have fought.

Students remaining at school paused during their lesson to reflect on what Remembrance Day means to each of us, and observed a minute’s silence, as is the tradition at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month each year.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, not the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
We will remember them.
Lest we forget.

SECONDHAND BOOK & UNIFORM SALE

TUESDAY 2nd DECEMBER 2014  3:00 PM TO 6:00 PM
MORWELL CAMPUS – B2
CHURCHILL JUNIOR CAMPUS – LANGUAGE CENTRE

NO EARLY SALES

Books and uniform may be handed in for sale until Friday 28th November 2014. Please see the list of books eligible for resale in the General Office.

VCE books will be distributed evenly between the two campuses.
Year 7 News

As part of the Art program at Kurnai College, Year 7’s have been involved in learning about both traditional and modern Aboriginal art. As a part of this program, students have designed a Gunai Kurnai story telling mural and began painting it within the newly constructed Hands on Learning Bird Avery. Whilst some students have been lucky enough to paint elements of their designs within the Avery, remaining students have been working outside during the lovely weather to paint their own designs on timber.

The Drumbeat Program

The Drumbeat program has been running with a select number of students for several weeks. This is provided to us free of charge by the Uniting Church and is designed to build confidence and communication, as well as social skills and self-management. We are looking forward to finishing up the program in two weeks with a brief concert for the Year 7’s.

Coming to the end of term

With only three weeks of Year 7 remaining, please encourage your child to stay on top of their work and communicate with their teachers when they are needing assistance. This is a very busy time of year for all.

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Year 8 News

Classes and Work Ethic

It has been interesting looking in classes this week. I have seen students engaged in English and Humanities projects and some creative design ideas in Visual Communication classes. It’s good to see students focussed on completing the last few weeks of Year 8 classes to the best of their abilities. Keep up the good work Year 8s!

Straight talk

Year 8 Boys participated in a careers ‘Straight Talk’ session yesterday. They were treated to a formal lunch at the Waratah Restaurant where they met with a range of male guests who work in different careers in the local area. Well done to the team who won the icebreaker activity with the highest straw tower! It was great to hear so many positive conversations about careers, pathways and possibilities for students in the future and to see our Year 8 boys engaged with and enjoying the program. Thank you to The Smith Family and Baw Baw Latrobe LLlen for organising the event.

The Year 8 boys attended a Straight Talk session last Wednesday. We were provided with icebreaker activities, lunch, and great discussions with our guests. It gave us good knowledge about work and got us thinking about what we could do when we leave school. The food was great. So were all of the guest speakers. We all walked out with a few more ideas about careers and what we could do after school. Thank you to the guests for making some time for us.

By Matt Pollutro, Nick Spinozzola and Dylan Stewart.
Year 9 News

Over the last few weeks things have been very busy in the Year 9 team. We have a range of trips and activities planned so keep an eye out for letters coming home. It is important that these are signed and returned to the front office by their due date so all students can attend these excursions.

Duke of Edinburgh

One recent trip was the Duke of Edinburgh excursion. Students from the Surf and Turf class travelled to Stratford and spent 2 days camping and sea kayaking. All the students involved had a great experience as they faced many challenges and hurdles. The star student on this trip was Cam Felmingham and we had some excellent reports of his resilience and his personal growth throughout the expedition. Thanks also to Leanne Baxter and Kim Woods for running the trip.
Year 10 News

Exams

It is that time of year again where our Year 10 students need to start preparing for their exams. Students will have exams for each of their core subjects (Maths, English, Humanities and Science) along with their Precinct subject. Students should be taking their books home and revising each night, making revision booklets and going over all topics covered this semester. Please encourage your Year 10 to prepare a study schedule so that they can use their time wisely and be as prepared as they possibly can. Exams will be held during week of 24th – 27th November.

Year 10 Formal

Students are beginning to get excited for the Year 10 formal. The formal will be held on Thursday 27th November at the Italian Australian Club, beginning at 6:30pm and concluding at 10:30pm. The formal committee is busy organising all the details from song lists to decorations. Permission forms have been handed out and tickets are now on sale at the general office for $25 per student. Year 10 students are reminded that they need to ensure all library books have been returned before they can buy their ticket.

VET Orientation

On Wednesday Year 10 students who are undertaking a VETiS program in 2015 attended their training provider for an orientation session. The orientation session covered a number of important details about their VETiS course ensuring that all students feel confident to begin their course at the beginning of 2015. Students came away from the day with a full awareness of what they can expect and what is expected of them throughout their VETiS program.

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Every week staff at Kurnai College identify students who they feel are reflecting the four pillars of Kurnai College and send them a postcard. The pillars are Relationships, Work Ethic, Excellence and Engagement.

Congratulations to the following students who received a postcard recently.

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Hi Everyone,

Thank you for the warm welcome to Kurnai College Morwell. As the Secondary School Nurse for Kurnai College I would like to briefly introduce myself to those of you I have not met. My name is Laura and I am located in the Student Support Office area. There are many services that are linked to the School Nurses role. Keep an eye out for health related information in the newsletter, on the notice boards and in class if you are a student.

With the festive season just around the corner, it is a great time to get outside for some exercise, engage in some stress relief and to enjoy the great outdoors. It is an important time of the year to take care of yourself by focussing on things that help you relax -- even if it is only a few minutes a day-- purposefully focus on your wellbeing. Find the time to breathe, stop and calm your mind. I hope you will feel better for it!

Enjoy.

Kind Regards,

Laura Van Stijn

Secondary School Nurse – Kurnai College

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Parentline Victoria

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- Parentline provides a statewide telephone counselling service to parents and carers of children aged from birth to eighteen years
- Professional counsellors are able to explore a variety of issues that impact on parenting and relationships
- Parentline can provide contact details for community services
- Parentline respects the confidentiality and right to privacy of callers

'I often lack confidence in what I am doing so being able to talk with someone was really great for me. I did not feel put down or judged…'
'I felt a connection with the counsellor. They tailored (the call) to my situation.'
Music, Music and more Music……

Kurnai College Concert…..

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND – CONCERT IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

All ensembles that exist across all three campuses at Kurnai College will be performing on the one night at Kurnai College Morwell Campus.

The uniqueness of each ensemble will be on display, and when presented amongst the lineup from across the entire college, you would hear the musical diversity that exists within our college.

The items presented at the concert will cater for all ages – the young; the not-so-young and the wiser.

The College Concert is on Monday 17th November, commencing 6pm at Kurnai College Morwell Campus and the entry cost is gold coin.

The venue can cater for a large audience.

Please contact the school if you have any queries.

Kurnai Idol Results…..

The Idol journey recently concluded on Grand Final night. The students were put through the grueling tasks of weekly heats at their own campuses, then meeting each other for the first time in the Semi Final, finally having to present 2 items in the Grand Final with a student accompanying.

Experience and preparation was clearly presented by all finalists. Our judges, (who were all public community members with a finger in the music circle) were impressed and very pleased to have been entertained by all finalists.

Acknowledgement must go to our sponsors A&P Electronics, Valley Trophy Centre and Kurnai College for their support in the prizes, which included gifts, trophies and vouchers. A big thank you must also go to the public community judges who judged both of this year’s semi and grand finals, and an extended appreciation to all the students that partook in this year’s Kurnai Idol journey.

All student participants left the night with prizes of some sorts.

1st Place – Amy Jenkins (University Campus) and Mitchel Pattie;
2nd Place – Matt Berend (University Campus) and Breeann Corrie;
3rd Place – Crystal Libreri (Churchill Campus) and Dylan Goodwin;
Honorable mention – Michelle Hawkes (Churchill Campus) and Dylan Goodwin;
Honorable mention – Sherlock Zhang (University Campus) Mitchel Pattie.
Upcoming Excursions / Camps

To ensure the smooth organisation 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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HOMESTAY FAMILIES
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Homestay/Host families provide an authentic, safe environment for 15 – 18 year old overseas students, coming to Australia, for study.

Homestay families are paid a fee to cover weekly food and utility costs. Students’ stays can vary from one year to three years.

If you, friends or family are interested and would like further information please contact Geoff Block or Corine Noblet at Kurnai College on (03) 5132 3800.
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NETBALL VICTORIA END OF SEASON CAMP
5 - 7 DECEMBER 2014

THE SUMMIT IN TRAFALGAR EAST
FEATURES INCLUDE:

MONSTER COURSE
Participants compete as a team in an obstacle course which will test their physical and mental skills. There will be running, climbing and carrying tyres in order to achieve the objectives. Prepare to get dirty and have some fun.

FREE TIME
with water sports including waterslides, canoeing & swimming

TEAM BUILDING ACTIVITIES

TRIVIA, KARAOKE & MORE

COACHING from elite athletes in netball skills sessions

NETBALL ROUND ROBIN TOURNAMENT TO CONCLUDE CAMP

TICKETS: $285 includes Netball Victoria singlet, drink bottle & all meals. Tickets are limited to 80 participants only.

BOOKING Can be made at www.nvclinicsandcamps.com.au and close 28th November 2014
MORWELL CRICKET CLUB UNDER 16s

- Training is on Tuesday Nights 4:30-6:00pm at Keegan St Reserve (Next to the Morwell Recreation Reserve)
- Games are either Friday evening from 5:00 to 7:30pm with a few Sunday games over the season on turf
- The first game is on the 3rd weekend in October
- All games are in the Morwell/Moe area
- Fees are $30 for the season
- All equipment is freely supplied
- Coach is Dylan Day
- Opportunity to play in senior cricket from time to time if you so desire, this could be with your Dad for example
- Teams are so much more fun with a friend, so bring at least one along!
- Check out our website for more information on our club

Co-ordinator Mark Smith 0408 627 597

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