The last fortnight has been very busy with our Year 7 students taking part in Kids Teaching Kids, and environmentally themed activities event, the Year 10 Outback Experience camp has departed, and four of our Year 10 students are currently travelling through China together with a number of students from Churchill Campus. There are fuller reports of some of these events in this week’s newsletter, and others will be included next term.

Parent Teacher Conversations

Parent Teacher Conversations are taking place at the end of this week, over Thursday evening and Friday. If you have not been able to take advantage of these important conversations about your students, I encourage you contact teachers by phone to discuss academic progress. You should also make a time to sit with your child to discuss their Learning Behaviours Update; it’s a good chance to help students come up with a plan to improve their learning behaviours for that last update in 2014.

The staff here at Morwell Campus wish everyone in our learning community a very safe and relaxing term break.
Kids Teaching Kids continues to be one of the highlights of Year 7. Our students did an incredible job this year, proving their capability to work independently to identify their areas of interest in sustainability and research it to become an expert. They put together some fantastic learning displays and lessons to teach each other and their local primary schools. This year, more than half of our students ran a presenting group – an incredible achievement! It has been a great experience watching the whole cohort learning about sustainability throughout the term and putting themselves in the shoes of the teachers to present. There were valuable lessons in empathy learnt as well!

In particular, I would like to congratulate our PBS Student Leaders, Ajeep Magar and Nic Mills, on the fantastic job they did as MCs for the event. I’d also like to mention the great job that Ajeep Magar and Seth Benson did in their media interviews with the ABC and WIN.
Year 8 News

Well done to all Year 8’s for their consistent efforts in classes over term 3. We hope to see students and their families for parent-teacher conversations on Thursday and Friday. Students need to check their resources to ensure they have pens and books ready for term 4.

Karoonda Camp

The first week of next term is camp week. An alternate program will be running at school for students not attending, for the duration of the camp. The work covered will be curriculum based and tie in closely with the focus of term 4 classes. We have taken the opportunity to provide more ‘hands on’ activities over this time and anticipate students enjoying these learning activities over the week. Students will be cooking their own healthy lunch on two of these days.

Students attending camp will need to arrive at school soon after 8.15am on Monday morning. We are doing the overnight camp at the Snowy River on the first night so request that students pack 2 bags, with one being for the overnight camp and white water rafting. Don’t forget your sleeping bag and warm clothes! Letters have been sent home with further details and a ‘what to pack’ list. We should be returning home around 2.45pm on Friday 10th October.

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 has shown just how community minded our Year 9 students can be. We held our Kurnai Morwell Shave for a Cure event. Rachel Peter & I had our hair cut short. Brendan Briggs, Damon Davenport, Cam Felmingham, Will Kennedy and Reece Lewis all had their heads shaved and three staff members, Steven Dockley, Bernie McLeod and Daniel Murphy all had their legs waxed. Kim Woods and Leanne Baxter worked together to coordinate the day’s events which were officially photographed by Katie Foster. All in all, the day was a huge success and we raised about $2000 for a variety of cancer charities.

Parent Teacher Conversations

Parent—Teacher Conversations are being held this week. These conversations are extremely helpful in assisting us to develop your child’s learning and progress. Any parents and carers who are unable to attend but wish to speak to their child’s teachers can always call the school to request an alternative meeting.

Melbourne Discovery Camp

Students are reminded that the Melbourne Discovery Camp is early next term. All students who are going on the camp have been given an equipment list and a behaviour agreement form. The agreement form must be signed and returned by October 8th.

Hopefully all students will have a relaxing holiday and return to us refreshed and ready to learn on 6th Oct.
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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Music, Music and more Music......

Kurnai Idol.....

All auditions have been completed and the heats have begun.

Students successful in making the heats are:


Precinct Campus - Breeann Corrie, Ryan Porter and Travis Towers.

Semi final – Monday 13th October, 6pm at Morwell Campus

Grand Final – Monday 20th October, 6pm at Churchill Campus

Looking for any students that play guitar or piano and would like to accompany a vocalist, please pass on your name to a music staff member.

On The Road Again Primary Schools Music Tour.....

Plans are currently being organised for music students to perform at our local primary schools in Term 4.

KOORIE BIG DAY OUT

Last Wednesday students from all campuses along with parents and The Smith Family were invited to attend the Koorie Big Day Out in Thornsbury. Those who attended had a great day as they got to meet with University Counsellors to discuss what is needed to get into University and that it was not the end of the world if you did not have the right ATAR score. There were other options to get you in. Also students had the opportunity to discuss options available to them from various Recruitment agencies. A day where knowledge was gained and the student empowered.
AIME : AUSTRALIAN INDIGENOUS MENTORING EXPERIENCE

During Term 3, students from all campuses participated in the AIME program. AIME stands for Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience. This program has been directed at students in Years 9, 10, 11 and 12. “AIME gives Indigenous students the skills, opportunities, belief and confidence to grow and succeed.” AIME is a mentoring program that uses students, in our case from Federation University to mentor the Kurnai students. This program is relationship and engagement focused. It is not an educational program but an aspirational program. It aims to provide the student with self-determination and hope. The Year 9 students focus was on Identity, using writing and drama, Year 10 is leadership, Year 11 looks at opportunities available to the students and finishing school, whilst Year 12 looks at doing a digital portfolio. So far the Kurnai students have had fun both in learning and in sharing their culture with other students from around the Latrobe Valley and Warragul. This program is wanting our students to establish a pathway into the future.

CULTURAL DAY

Each campus celebrated Cultural Day with a BBQ. The Precinct campus celebrated a little more this year by inviting families, community members, friends and students to enjoy a BBQ, a performance by the Dedlee Cultya dance group, unveiling of the picture of Boroon’s Canoe by Dr. Doris Paton in honour of the late Uncle Albert Paton and Colin Thomas also explained the meaning of the flags he designed to all. In the background everyone was able to watch the Yarnin stories where the Year 11 VCAL students went out to interview Elders in the community. Anne Maree Stever, who is our KESO also spoke about what it meant to be Indigenous. This day was a wonderful get together for all involved with a lot of work done behind the scenes.
HOMESTAY FAMILIES REQUIRED FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

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.
GIPPSLAND POWER FOOTBALL CLUB

Will be holding Under 10, 12 and 14 Fitness and Skill acquisition days at the Gippsland Power Centre Of Excellence Morwell Football Ground, Travers Street, Morwell

Features
- Elite Coaching
- Skill Acquisition
- Fitness Testing
- Skill Testing
- Pathway Brief
- Training Session

JUNIOR COACHING PROGRAM
Under 10 Monday 29th Sept 2014
Under 12 Wednesday 1st Oct 2014
Under 14 Friday 3rd Oct 2014
(Numbers will be capped)

Time: 10.00am to 3.00pm
Cost: $100-00 For registrations please contact the Gippsland Power Football Club

Club office on 5134 8133
*Registrations close on Friday Sept 19th*
A Day Out at Lardner Park is back!
Fresh new arts & crafts, home wares, handmade packaged food & lots more!

**When**- 21st September (Sunday 9am to 2pm).
23rd November (Sunday 9am to 2pm).
15th February (Sunday 9am to 2pm).
19th April (Sunday 9am to 2pm).

**Where** – 155 Burnt Store Road, Drouin/Warragul.
A great day out. $3 parking, Large undercover pavilion plus over 100 outdoor stalls.

**Churchill Basketball**

U/14’s, U/16’s and U/18’s boys and girls - Any boys or girls wanting to play basketball in these age groups?

Age groups-
U16- born 2000, 2001
U18- born 1998, 1999

Please contact anyone you know who may be interested to get these age groups up and running again.

To register your interest, please contact Jason Sutherland on 0481358158 or Ang Van Rossum 0448 773 365.
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- Learning new skills
- Leadership
- Personal development

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Many Lions clubs started the first Lions Clubs in the United States of America in 1917. Lions wanted to launch a club that had community service as its primary aim and so Lions was born.

Worldwide, the International Association of Lions Clubs has a membership of over 1.4 million in more than 200 countries and geographical areas, making it the world’s largest and most active service organization.

In Australia, the first Lions Club was formed in 1947 in the northern NSW town of Lismore. Today we have over 1,100 clubs, 30,000 active members and there is a club near you!

our clubs

Most Lions Clubs meet twice a month, they feature interesting guest speakers and are a great way to meet new people.

We have basketball and Cubs are always on the lookout for different and entertaining activities for our meetings.

So if you have a great idea, don’t keep it to yourself.

Lions is ready for change too. Lions are busy people and they know that whether you are starting your career, have a young family or are managing a busy day, it can be hard to fill things in.

Be part of the change and help your Club be part of a great future for Lions and Australia.

what we do

At Lions, the emphasis is on community service. Our programs support anybody who needs our help. Programmes are conducted on a local, national and international level.

Some of our initiatives include:
- Sight conservation work with the blind
- Hearing and speech action
- Drug education
- Environmental preservation and regeneration
- Recreational activities and services

Lions also contribute to the development and care of Australia’s youth. Our youth initiatives include:
- Living skills programs
- International Youth Exchange program
- National Youth of the Year Quest
- Leo Clubs

So come along and find out how you can make a difference!

One more member gives us two more hands to serve our community, at home and internationally.

as a member

Joining a new organisation can be daunting but don’t worry, with Lions you can participate at a level that suits your work, family and other commitments alike.

Our members are men and women of all ages, occupations and interests, we are non-sectarian and non-political.

Once a member you can choose the activities and committees that you want to be involved with and you will have every opportunity to develop your social and organisational skills. If you choose, you may take on offices that lead you right through to presidency of your Club – and beyond to district and international levels of involvement.

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