**Newsletter**

**Morwell Campus**

Date: 21st August, 2015

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**Message from Campus Principal - Michelle Reid-Metcalf**

**Parent Teacher Conversations**

Parent teacher Conversations will be held on Thursday 17th and Friday 18th September – the last two days of Term 3. I would like to emphasise the importance of us working together to help your child be the most successful they can be.

A proven way to help students achieve their potential is for parents and carers to attend parent teacher conversations, not just to hear how the student has been doing at school, but what they need to do next to continue their growth.

This makes it important for every parent to attend whether your child is doing well, not so well, or somewhere in between. Bookings will be available on Compass very soon: [https://kurnaicollege.vic.jdlf.com.au/](https://kurnaicollege.vic.jdlf.com.au/) or contact the General Office (51 650 600) for assistance.

There are appointments available between 3:30pm—7:00pm on Thursday, and 10:00am – 1:00pm on Friday. We are able to print out your child’s report if you cannot access it at home.
Message from Principal continued……

Athletics Carnival

Unfortunately, due to a combination of poor conditions at the Joe Carmody Athletics Track and a very dismal weather forecast, we were forced to cancel the Athletics Carnival on Tuesday this week.

It is very likely that the Carnival will be re-scheduled for early in Term 4, when the possibility of good conditions and pleasant weather will make the day more enjoyable.

Half of Term 3 Complete!

Last Friday saw the middle of Term 3. This is a long and difficult term with the gloominess of winter, and no public holidays to break it up.

A number of staff and students have suffered the usual seasonal coughs and colds, so hopefully as the days grow a little longer and perhaps a little bit warmer, everyone will start to get on top of things and soldier on.

Research suggests that every day a student misses has an impact on his or her outcomes. Often we think “It’s only one day, how can it hurt?” however these days can quickly add up. Unless your child is unwell, or there is a family emergency, it is expected that he or she attends. Not only does this help the student keep up to date with school work, it also helps to set important habits for the world of further education and work.

Collecting Students During the Day

We know that from time to time parents and carers will collect students during the day for a variety of reasons such as medical and dental appointments. It is essential that your student brings a signed note explaining why they are being collected, and at what time. This note should be handed to the relevant class teacher.

Please ensure that your student knows what time you are coming – they need to be responsible for coming to the office at the appropriate time. The office staff cannot page students except in the case of EXTREME emergency, as it is very disruptive to all classes running.

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Tutorial Sessions

Tutorial sessions commenced at the beginning of Term 3. These are held each and every Friday from 3:00pm to 4:00pm in B7 and are taken by Marg Tomnay and Efrosini Pizzi. Students who require support with their school work are invited and encouraged to attend. Milo and biscuits will be provided. Look forward to seeing you there. Please remember to let your parents or guardians know to expect you home a little later on the Fridays you attend.

2015 College Magazine

If any parent/guardian wishes to order and pay ($16) for the 2015 Kurnai College Magazine, please make sure payment is made by the end of this term. If your account is in credit or you have a Centrepay deduction set up with the school and wish for these funds to be used for the payment of the magazine, please contact the general office. Alternatively, payment can be made through Bpay. Just remember to email the College on kurnai.co@edumail.vic.gov.au notifying that payment has been made.

Kurnai College Student Spray Jackets

Kurnai College student spray jackets (burgundy, navy and white) are NOW available for purchase at Lowes in Midvalley for $69.99 each.

Insurance and Ambulance Cover

Parents are reminded that the Department does not provide personal accident insurance for students. Parents and guardians are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs. These costs may be recoverable where an injury is caused by the negligence (carelessness) of the Department, a school council or their employees or volunteers.

Student accident insurance policies are available from some commercial insurers. These cover a range of medical expenses not covered by Medicare or Private Health Insurance.

Personal property is often brought to school by students, staff and visitors. This can include mobile phones, calculators, toys, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises. The Department does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property.
Secondhand Book Money

There is quite an amount of money from the sale of secondhand books still to be collected from the Morwell Campus. If you would like this money to go towards your account or have any queries, please contact the Morwell office on 5165 0600.

Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund

The State Government has introduced the Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF).

This fund is available to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF.

The allowance will be paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities to benefit your child.

Please contact your campus office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

Your form should be completed and returned to any campus office no later than Wednesday 16th September for processing.

Please see attached flyer in this newsletter.

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Woolworths Earn & Learn Program

Kurnai College is taking part in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. You can help the College by collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Points. Just collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Points when you shop at Woolworths between Wednesday 15 July and Tuesday 8 September 2015. We will redeem these for educational resources for our College.

The more we collect, the more we can redeem. There are thousands of products available through the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Products in the range include resources for Mathematics, English, Science and Art & Crafts, through to sports gear, library supplies and more.

We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program. If you have any questions, please ask at the campus office.
Kids Teaching Kids at Kurnai Morwell

Kids Teaching Kids (KTK) Wednesday 9th September

Coming up soon is the 4th annual KTK event here at Morwell Campus where the students once again will be our teachers for the day! This year we have the wonderful support of our local providers assisting schools and providing their expert knowledge to help make the day a fun and learning experience for all. Thank you to: Latrobe City Council, Gippsland Water, GDF Suez and Latrobe Community Health Service. Thank you to our principal sponsor, Target who has, through KTK, provided Kurnai College with the funding to support this great event.

Here is a snapshot of the range of workshops that is on offer.

Tobruk Street Primary School workshop topics:

"Stop Talkin’ Rubbish” is a workshop that encourages students to rethink their waste. Students will participate in activities to learn about Recycling and Upcycling. Our main objective is to promote the importance of reducing waste to live more sustainably.

"The drain is just for rain" Grade 5 and 6 students will demonstrate the difference between the sewerage and stormwater systems, and explain why the pollution of stormwater poses a serious threat to the health of our waterways.

Tobruk Street Primary School has been supported and mentored by Latrobe City Council.

Morwell Primary School workshop topic:

"Water Explorers” Body of Water: looking at how water is a precious resource and how much we need it for our bodies to survive.

Morwell Primary School has been supported and mentored by Gippsland Water.

Commercial Road Primary School topic:

"Why Blue Banded Bees?" The Blue Banded Bee is one of our area’s most recognised native bees and common to most parts of Gippsland. This workshop will highlight the value of biodiversity and habitat creation for native bees, with a focus on the Blue Banded Bee. The disappearance of honey bees all around the world is a reality. With native bees we have an alternative for the pollination of plants in our school vegetable gardens. If the honey bee is lost from our environment how do we prepare for this eventuality?

Kurnai Churchill Campus topic:

"Strzeleckis and Morwell National Park” The group is about endangered plants and causes, endangered animals and causes, introduced animals and plants, food chains, adaptations of Australian plants and animals and land use.
Kids Teaching Kids at Kurnai Morwell

Kurnai Morwell Campus topics:

'The Sustainability Cycle of a Garden' Students will learn about the sustainability processes of maintaining a food garden. This includes composting, maintaining a worm farm, animals in a garden setting and growing organic vegetables.

“Name it HPV (Human Powered Vehicle) and our Environment” We will run a presentation on the challenges our local and global environment faces and how the HPV program aims to raise awareness though community involvement in our racing program. Students will race our HPV cars and learn how to race under different conditions.

“Earth Speaks” This workshop explores in the science lab some of the amazing phenomena that occur on our planet. Students will be involved in a variety of practical activities to investigate how our Earth speaks.

“Endangered Species” Students will find out about some interesting facts about what animals across the globe are endangered. Students will also learn about some local species that are endangered and what they can do to encourage that specie to thrive once again.

GDF SUEZ topic:

“Energy Myth Busters” Learn fact from fiction as we enter the world of energy. Partake in hands-on activities which break down the myths around the physics behind energy, learning about the different forms of energy, conservation of energy and what drives the local power industry here in the Latrobe Valley which powers our energy. Learn about the links between fossil fuels and current day trees and plants.

Healthy Together Latrobe /Latrobe Community Health Service topic:

“Health and Wellbeing” Students will look at what it means to eat healthy by discussing the Australian Guide to Healthy Eating. Students will also examine some scary sugar statistics.
Students have received forms this week for our annual Year 7 Winter Sleepout event. This is a fantastic night that the students really enjoy. They learn about the trials faced by Australia’s homeless while experiencing the cold of night, unprotected by warmth and comfort of their homes. It is a free event, but we ask the students participating to make a donation on the evening to Mission Australia’s Winter Sleepout Appeal. Numbers for the event are limited to 25 so students must return their forms quickly.

Use of Mobile Phones and Other Electronic Devices

Please do not call or SMS your child during class times. They are not permitted to respond during class times but often feel compelled to when it is a parent they are responding to. We will be giving some attention and focus to the correct use of devices at school including rewarding positive use and providing consequences to negative use. If you have a matter that you need to discuss with your child before the end of the school day, please contact the office for assistance on 5165 0600. They can collect the student from class if the matter is urgent, or arrange a call back if it is not.

Uniforms

Please remember to make contact with me if you require assistance with uniforms. We maintain very high standards of uniform in Year 7 and will strive to have all students attend correctly attired. Please note that school uniform includes blue pants.

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Year 8 News

Year 8 Camp – Karoonda Park

Karoonda Park camp will run in the first week of Term 4 from 5th to 9th October. Please check that your payments are up to date as the August instalment is now due. An information letter and what to pack list has been sent home. The camp is located near Gelantipy and the Alpine and Snowy River National Parks. The activities will include a range of outdoor adventure and farm experiences such as horse riding, abseiling, white water rafting, caving and ropes courses. We will visit Buchan Caves on the way to camp and return via Lakes Entrance. An alternate program will run for students who are not attending camp.

Interschool Debating

Two Year 8 teams will be debating in the Debater’s Association of Victoria Junior Debating Competition this week. Good luck to both teams!

Gippsland Maths Challenge

Well done to Bree Mollard and Chloe Radford for their outstanding performance in the Gippsland Maths Challenge at Federation University earlier this week!

Swimming program

All Year 8 students will be expected to participate in the swimming program over Semester 2. The boys swimming program is well underway. The girls will be swimming over Term 4 and need to ensure their permission forms have been returned. The PE class takes place at the Churchill Leisure Centre. It is expected that all students return the forms even if they are unable to participate in the swim program as their class runs from Churchill for the session. There is no cost to students as Kurnai will cover transport and swimming costs.

Inspiring Young People

Students in 8A and 8C participated in the ‘Inspiring Young People’ session last week. Students enjoyed talking to guests over lunch, participating in activities and listening to the guest speakers. A big thankyou to all of our guests who shared their pathway stories and career advice. They were mostly past Kurnai students and many of them travelled from Melbourne and took time out from work. Year 8 students should be commended for participating so enthusiastically. They returned to school inspired and are still talking about the great experience that they had.
Inspiring Young People continued….

A few thoughts our students took from the session:

**Inspiring Young People. Wow! It was amazing. The great stories and advice really inspired me.**

*Tanisha*

The Inspiring Young People session was fun and a great idea!

**Zac**

A big message that I got from the session was that you should set goals and work in a job that you really enjoy doing.

*Alana*

The guest speakers were funny, cool and inspired me to read more books.

*Josh*

I now believe that you can do anything. You just have to believe and not look down on yourself. If you don’t reach your goal, you just have to keep going and going until you reach it. As one guest said, ‘you can’t climb the ladder of success with your hands in your pockets’!

*Hussein*
Year 9 News

The Melbourne Discovery Camp is happening in Week 2 of Term 4. Permission forms have been distributed and students are excited about all the activities on offer. The camp is a great chance for students to experience some different activities and to become more familiar with the big city. It is also a chance to build relationships across the year level. Students are reminded that their behaviour at school needs to meet teacher expectations, as this may have an impact on attending camp. Forms are due back on 24th August.

There are also other excursions occurring this term, which should be an excellent opportunity for students to apply their learning to real world situations. Upcoming excursions are the ACMI/Arts Centre tour and the Street Art excursion. Please get your forms in as soon as possible.

Students are reminded that teachers are on the look out to award positive behaviour with PBS coupons, which can be redeemed for canteen vouchers and other prizes. Please make sure you are following the College’s expected behaviours matrix to give yourself a chance to receive these prizes.

Students are also reminded that they are expected to turn up to class on time and to be prepared with all the resources required for class. Detentions and notes home will be issued to those students who do not meet these expectations.

A new detention system is also in place where students receiving a lunchtime detention will be given a note explaining the reasons for the detention. This needs to be signed by parents or guardians and returned to the Year 9 teachers. Parent support is appreciated with the system to ensure students are getting the best out of their education opportunities at Kurnai College.

A reminder to call our absence hotline 5132 3711 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.
Year 10 News

Course Counselling

The next step of transition into Year 11 is course counselling to be held on August 26th in the Morwell Campus Library. On the night there will be staff from both Morwell and University Campuses to provide advice on VCE, VCAL and VET courses. Students have signed for 15-minute sessions starting at 2.00pm and concluding at 6.30pm. If you would like any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Uniform

A reminder that students are required to be in full uniform. With the cooler weather a few students are wearing non-uniform jackets. School jacket are available from our supplier, Lowes at Mid Valley. If you require assistance with the uniform, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Central Australia Camp

Students will be looking forward to escaping the cold weather to Central Australia later this term. A reminder that payments need to be finalised by August 28th. The bus will collect students from Churchill Campus at 5.30 am and then from Morwell Campus at 6.00 am.

Parent Teacher Conversations

We look forward to seeing all parents and students at the parent teacher conversations later this term and to have the opportunity to discuss strategies for improvement.
Year 11 Outdoor and Environmental Studies Cross-country skiing trip

Students studying Outdoor and Environmental Studies participated in a day of cross-country skiing and tobogganing. The venue was Mt St Gwinear. Snow conditions were outstanding, the best snow the area has seen in years. Students made their way up toward the summit, providing them with a good workout. Midway up, students practiced some downhill techniques, which proved to be very difficult. The group then ventured further up toward the summit. The snow-covered snow gums and pristine sub-alpine environment provided a great backdrop to the activity. Students then made their way down the mountain. Most students displayed some good technique, but it is fair to say that everyone had their fair share of spills and crashes, providing themselves and the group with lots of entertainment. Students then picked-up up the toboggans for some more downhill action. Lots of snowballs were involved in the action as well.

Overall, students were exceptionally well behaved and had positive attitudes all day. It was an enjoyable trip for both students and staff.
Hi Everyone,

Recognising the signs of suicide are important skills to have to care for your family, friends and colleagues. The ability to recognise stress and manage it is also valuable skill to master as part of general Wellbeing. I have included some tips on how to recognise stress, anxiety and suicide conversation pre-warning signs. I hope you find this helpful.

What is stress and anxiety?

What Is Stress?

Stress is a feeling that’s created when we react to particular events. It’s the body’s way of rising to a challenge and preparing to meet a tough situation with focus, strength, stamina, and heightened alertness. Stress that is not treated can lead to a serious illness.

Signs of Stress Overload

- People who are experiencing stress overload may notice some of the following signs:
- anxiety or panic attacks
- a feeling of being constantly pressured, hassled, and hurried
- irritability and moodiness
- physical symptoms, such as stomach problems, headaches, or even chest pain
- allergic reactions, such as eczema or asthma
- problems sleeping
- drinking too much, smoking, overeating, or doing drugs
- sadness or depression

Everyone experiences stress a little differently. Some people become angry and act out their stress or take it out on others. Some people internalize it and develop eating disorders or substance abuse problems. And some people who have a chronic illness may find that the symptoms of their illness flare up under an overload of stress.

Good Stress and Bad Stress

The stress response (also called the fight or flight response) is critical during emergency situations, such as when a driver has to slam on the brakes to avoid an accident. It can also be activated in a milder form at a time when the pressure’s on but there’s no actual danger - like stepping up to take the foul shot that could win the game, getting ready to go to a big dance, or sitting down for a final exam. A little of this stress can help keep you on your toes, ready to rise to a challenge. And the nervous system quickly returns to its normal state, standing by to respond again when needed.
A range of effects
Stress affects us in many ways, including:

- Emotionally - anxiety, depression, tension, anger
- The way we think - poor concentration, forgetfulness, indecisiveness, apathy, hopelessness
- Behaviourally - increased drinking and smoking, insomnia, accident proneness, weight problems, obsessive-compulsive behaviour, nervousness, gambling.

Stress can cause physical illness
When we feel under stress, our body kicks into high gear to deal with the threat. Our heartbeat, breathing rate and blood pressure all go up. The longer we feel stressed, the greater the demand on our body. The more often we are placed under stress, the more often we have to use energy to cope. Eventually our bodies develop illnesses as a result of this stress, such as cardiovascular diseases, blood pressure, proneness to infection and chronic fatigue.

Coping strategies
To deal with stress more effectively, it helps to investigate your stresses and how you react to them. Try to:

- Understand what situations make you feel stressed
- Understand what situations you can and can’t control
- Prepare for stressful events in advance, by thinking about the future
- Keep yourself healthy with good nutrition, exercise and regular relaxation

Try to do happy things every day.

People who feel extreme stress may exhibit signs of suicidal feelings. I have included some conversational signs below.

Conversational signs

- Feeling trapped: “I can’t see any way out of this mess.”
- Feeling like a burden: “They’d be better off without me.”
- Lack of belonging: “I just don’t fit in anywhere.”
- Hopeless: “What is the point? Things are never going to get any better.”
- Guilt: “It’s my fault, I’m to blame.”
- Escape: “I just can’t take this anymore.”
- Alone: “I’m on my own... no one cares about me anymore; no one would even notice I was gone.”
- Damaged: “I’ve been irreparably damaged... I’ll never be the same again.”
- Helplessness: “Nothing I do makes a bit of difference, it’s beyond my control and no one can help me.”
- Talking about suicide or death
- Planning for suicide

If you have concerns for the wellbeing of others please access the services available online, by phone or local health providers such as your Health Care Centre, Headspace and the hospital. The service providers contact details below may also be helpful:

**Where to get help:**

- Your doctor
- Community mental health service
- Your local hospital
- Psychologist or counsellor
- Lifeline Tel. 131 114
- Kids Helpline (for children aged under 18) Tel. 1800 55 1800

On a positive note, the winter is nearly over – hooray! It’s been a cold one so far and I hope you have enjoyed winter food, the warmth of home and the company of good friends and family. There are some great tips on healthy winter nutrition, wellness, relationships and family and Services and Support on the Better Health Channel. Just click below to get more information. If you are unwell I have included some tips on reducing the spread of the Flu bugs and it is not too late to get a Flu vaccine if you haven’t already!

2016 ANTICIPATED LOADINGS FOR CONTRACTED COUNTRY SCHOOL BUS TRAVEL

At this time of year we assess what students may be enrolling into the College for 2016 who require bus travel. This information enables us to work out any changes that may be needed to allow families to have the best possible outcome of getting their child to school and evaluate seating capacity on each bus.

Existing students who already access services are presumed to be continuing their travel in 2016 (exception Year 12 who are leaving). If you have not already advised the school of any requirement for bus travel in 2016 please do so immediately.

Please be aware that if you change your address or living arrangements a new bus form (TR701) is required to be completed and processed before travel can be approved.

Our College has Emergency Management Procedures in place so it is important that your family contact information is updated as soon as possible.

If you should have any queries whatsoever in relation to student travel please do not hesitate to contact me on 51650 610 Leonie Mackie, Morwell Bus Network Coordinator.

PUBLIC BUS TRAVEL FOR INELIGIBLE STUDENTS—MYKI CARD REQUIRED

- Morwell students attending Churchill Junior Campus
- Traralgon students attending University Campus and Churchill Campus

Students who are not attending their closest school are not eligible for conveyance allowance (assistance with financial costs to travel to school.) Please refer http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/finance/pages/conveyance.aspx for more information.

Public Transport services are available so we encourage families to purchase either a Student Yearly or Half Yearly Concession with MYKI Card from their local V/Line Station. This allows your child to travel anywhere within Victoria for free as per PTV website.

Concession cards can be used on the following services:

- train, tram and bus passenger services operating in metropolitan Melbourne

- on train and bus passenger services operated by V/Line throughout regional Victoria

and other public transport services operated under contract or service agreement with Public Transport Victoria (PTV). Please refer to http://ptv.vic.gov.au/tickets/concessions

UNIVERSITY CAMPUS PUBLIC BUS TRAVEL -ELIGIBLE STUDENTS

Students who are eligible to travel from Morwell to University Campus are required to complete a NEW Conveyance Claim Form if they change their living arrangements or address before we can authorise free travel on the Morwell 1, 2, 3 or 4 Bus. Please pick up your new Conveyance Form at the General Office and return as soon as possible. We can than alter your information and ensure you are on the correct bus to travel to and from school. A new ID Card will be issued.
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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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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Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund will ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities.

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance will be paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions, or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student will be:

- $125 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school students.

How to Apply

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Closing Date

You should lodge a CSEF application form at the school by 26 June 2015.

For more information about the CSEF visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef
Dear Parents and Carers

In order to provide a single point of call for student attendance, from 2015, the College will change from having Campus attendance officers to a College attendance officer. The College is pleased to welcome Zoe Plumb to the role.

This will allow parents and carers to make one phone call regardless of which campus their student/s attend and provide for a better overall view of attendance.

The College attendance line is 5132 3711 and can be called at any time to leave a message. Please leave a message with your name, relationship to the student, the student’s name and reason for their absence. We ask that all parents and carers ring before 9:00 am to notify if their student will be away so their absence can be passed on to their teachers.

“In all analyses, average academic achievement on NAPLAN tests declined with any absence from school and continued to decline as absence rates increased. The nature of the relationship between absence from school and achievement, across all sub-groups of students strongly suggests that every day of attendance in school contributes towards a child’s learning, and that academic outcomes are enhanced by maximising attendance in school. There is no “safe” threshold.”


Parentline Victoria

13 22 89 - 8am to midnight 7 days a week

- 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
Short period Homestay Families Required

Kurnai College will be hosting the last Chinese Study tours early next term. We are looking for families who would be interested in hosting a Chinese student/s for two nights.

While at Kurnai, they will be participating in a mix of English Language classes located at the University Campus and immersion classes at the Churchill Campus. These classes will be followed up by organised afternoon activities in the local area.

The Homestay will provide a welcoming, nurturing and safe environment for young students, as it will likely be the first time these students have been out of China. If possible, it may pay to consider having two students billeted with your family making it less daunting and easier for the students.

Hosting an international student will be very rewarding and offers a wonderful opportunity to learn about a new culture and share our Australian way of life. This would be a great opportunity to consider for our students who are currently studying Mandarin or have/will be participating in our trips to Chinas, either later this year or in coming years.

Host families are paid a nominal fee of $20.00 per night per student, which is to assist with food, accommodation and transportation as required for students that are living with them.

The dates for the last visit are:
7th – 9th October  Students from Dalian, age 14 - 16 years

If you are interested or want more information please contact Corine Noblet on (03) 51 323 800 or noblet.corine.j@edumail.vic.gov.au.

Or complete the below form and return it your General Office.

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Expression of Interest form

I, ______________________________ the parent/s of ____________________________ (student’s name)

am interesting in assisting Kurnai College in being a Study Tour Homestay family.

We would like to have [ ] 1 student [ ] 2 students, [ ] male or [ ] female stay with us.

Please contact me on this number to get more information __________________________
Children's Drawing sessions at Morwell Neighbourhood House

A fun, after school activity session for Primary and Secondary students. Small groups of under 10 students available. Teaches children in a friendly, social environment to explore their creativity through drawing, developing technical skills and enhancing artistic imagination.

Mon 03/08 – 07/09 4:00pm – 5:00pm (6wks) Cost $36.00

Bookings are a must. Please contact the House on (03) 5134 5488.

Save the Date

Monash Medical Orchestra
Community Concert Churchill
Hosts: Monash University and Federation University, Australia

Saturday 22 August
2015, 5pm-7pm

Where: Federation Uni Campus Auditorium, Churchill
Entry by gold coin donation with pre-event refreshments

Please contact: sarah.j.russell@monash.edu.au or 5122 7445
*Free activity* Mayibuye (pronounced may-ee-boo-yeah) is a dance, art and life skills program for youth aged 12 – 24 where participants create and perform dance routines at concerts and festivals throughout the year. This is a call-out for young people to join the group, make new friends, learn dance skills, and have a lot of fun. Classes are held at Gippsland Multicultural Services at 100-102 Buckley St Morwell. Close to public transport, on Fridays 4:30-6.30pm. Register at: youth.culturalinfusion.org.au