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Message from Campus Principal - Michelle

James Merlino, Deputy Premier, Minister for Education

We were fortunate to welcome Minister James to Morwell Campus two weeks ago. To make a connection with a politician so influential in education so early in his tenure is an important step towards getting Kurnai College the recognition it deserves.

James was welcomed by our Dedlee Kultya Dancers and our School Captains, and enjoyed a brief tour of classrooms before listening to a presentation about the programs that we offer. He informed us that while he could not tell us details, we would be very happy with the State Budget (and we were – see below).
Message from Campus Principal continued……..

Morwell Campus Upgrade Funding

We are very excited to announce that it has been confirmed that we will receive $7.8 million to replace the greater part of the buildings at Morwell Campus.

Planning for this has already commenced in a low-key way – there has been some training in how to plan for this sort of project, and we will continue this training to understand how to manage the campus during a building project.

I have travelled to Torquay with the Business Manager and the Facilities Manager to inspect a school with a design I am very keen on, as it includes the concept of a courtyard without the jail-like appearance from the outside!

We have also consulted with teaching staff with respect to facilities they would like in the new buildings, and of course we are keen to hear from parents if they have suggestions, bearing in mind that while $7.8 million sounds like a lot, we know it will only go so far!

Year 9 China Trip

Last week we welcomed back our four students and Mr McLeod who have been living and working in China for six weeks. While I haven’t had a chance to catch up with the students formally, I am looking forward to seeing some of the artefacts they have produced, and hearing about their adventures.
Newsletter Morwell Campus

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.

Second-hand Book Money

There is quite an amount of money from the sale of second-hand 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.

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Year 7 News

Attendance

Year 7 students are being given clear messages about attendance this fortnight with a clear push on being in class, on time, all the time. We expect that students will be taking advantage of the full hour of every lesson to maximise their opportunities at school. Please reinforce this at home.

Daniel Swallow
Year 7 Team Leader
swallow.daniel.d@edumail.vic.gov.au
Phone: 5165 0600

School Uniform

As the cold weather sets in, students are needing to ensure their warmth outside during break times. It is expected that they will be in full school uniform, and when this is not the case, students are being expected to change into correct uniform provided by the Year 7 team for the day. If your child is missing an element of uniform and you need some assistance in being able to provide this to them, please contact me to discuss your situation further and see if any supports are available. Also, our second-hand uniforms are available from the General Office throughout the year.

Camp Coolamatong

Camp is coming up soon on the calendar – immediately after the long weekend. Many payments are outstanding for this. Please rectify these as soon as possible. We are really looking forward to another great year and have a large number of students signed up for the event. Those who do not attend are expected at school for a modified program.

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.
Inspiring Young People

Students in 8B and 8D participated in the Inspiring Young People session last Wednesday. They enjoyed a 2 course lunch while they discussed careers and pathways with past Kurnai students. All students interacted well with the guests and were engaged in the careers discussions and activities. Students left the session motivated and thinking about what they could do in the future. A second session will be held in August for other groups to participate in. A big thankyou to the guests who participated.

On the 29th of April 30, Year 8’s went to the Italian and Australian Sport Club for a very special event. We participated in an Inspiring Young People session. We met 15 people that went to Kurnai or Maryvale High School. We talked about careers and they shared their stories of how they got to where they are today. We had a two course meal and it was very delicious. When we finished the session we gave the guests a thankyou certificate and gift. We had a group photo taken then got a Youth Information kit. By Eliza Studd

Some of the Year 8’s got to participate in an Inspiring Young People event at the Italian Australian Club. We got to talk to adults who had been students at Kurnai. They work in some really interesting jobs. They also had guest speakers. The day was interesting and fun. We left feeling like we want to work hard and get a good job. By Skye Barlow

Last Wednesday, some of the Year 8’s went to a program called Inspiring Young People. The speakers there had interesting information about their careers and lives. We got to have conversations with the 15 guests and found out about their careers and about different pathway opportunities. We had a great day! By Gemma Newton

Today the Year 8’s walked to the Italian Club to have a nice two course meal as well as meet a few ex-Kurnai College students. We talked about our future careers. The discussions we had were very inspiring and it was a good chance to find out information related to our pathways to success and our hopes and dreams. By Chantelle and Jessie

AGL Loy Yang Visit

The AGL Loy Yang visits will take place on Monday and Tuesday next week. The site visit is an opportunity for students to find out about careers and pathways linked to the power industry and to AGL. Each session will run for around 2 hours and include guided tours of the power station and the mine. AGL has funded the visit so there will be no cost for the excursion. Permission forms are due back by today, 8th May.

Year 8 Camp – Karoonda Park

Permission forms for the Year 8 camp have been handed out to students. The camp will run in the first week of Term 4, from the 5th - 9th October. We will be going to Karoonda Park, near 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. The camp can be paid for in instalments. An alternate program will run for students who are not attending camp.
Year 9 News

It is great to see the majority of our Year 9’s in correct uniform. This week our focus is on reinforcing positive behaviour. It is particularly important that students take responsibility for their actions and ensure their behaviour does not impact on the learning of others. We are introducing a PBS voucher scheme where students will be rewarded for displaying the expected behaviour. With the Year 10’s out on work experience soon it will be the responsibility of the Year 9 students to model the correct behaviour to our younger campus members.

NAPLAN Testing

NAPLAN testing takes place next week for Year 9 students. All students are expected to attend school and ensure they are on time.

Melbourne Camp

Families are reminded that Year 9 students will be going on their Melbourne camp early in Term 4. As stated in the last newsletter, pre-payments towards the cost of the camp can be made at the office to help with your family’s budget. Early estimates of the cost of the camp suggest that it will be approximately $350-$400. If you wish to start making payments towards this now then please speak to the office staff to set up a payment plan.

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Year 10 News

Federation University Taster Courses

During the last few weeks, a group of students have attended Federation University to experience what it would be like to study Visual Arts and Nursing. During these visits students had the opportunity to test their skills in giving injections, CPR and creating sculptures. It has been a great opportunity and the students have taken a lot out of them.

Work Experience

All Year 10 students will be on Work Experience for the next two weeks. No doubt you will all gain a greater understanding of working life and will probably come home exhausted each night. Remember that this is an opportunity for you to gain many skills including communication, time management, public relations and problem solving. We wish you all the very best and look forward to hearing about your time out working.

Exams

All Year 10 core classes and Year 11 VCE classes will have mid-year exams from 1st-5th June. More information will be posted in upcoming newsletters. It is important that students attend all classes, review their notes regularly and keep their workbooks in order, so as to make studying for exams easier.

Camps

The Year 10 camp to Central Australia has a full complement of students however we are taking names on a waiting list.

Expression of interest forms for the Year 10 China trip have been distributed. An information evening will be organised for later this term. Come along to the session, even if you are only thinking about going to China. This will help you make an informed decision.
Kurnai College - 2015 China Trip

Again this year, Year 10 students will have the opportunity to travel and discover the delights of China. The school will be undertaking a study tour of China during September 2015. The tentative dates are 9th – 25th September although this may change a little depending on ticket availability and cost. We hope the tour will visit Kou’an (our sister school in China) where students will stay with a Chinese family and attend some classes at Kou’an Middle School. Some of the other places the tour plans to visit will include Beijing, the Great Wall, Xi’an, the Terracotta Warriors, Shanghai and Hong Kong. This is an excellent opportunity for students to discover the wonders of China.

This term, after expressions of interest have been finalized, we will have a family information session to update families on the details of the trip and give parents and students an opportunity to find out more information.

Later this year there will be some classes run by the Language Centre to teach students and/or families the basics of the Chinese language. Knowing some basic Chinese will be greatly useful on the tour. All students in China learn English at school, but many older people in China don’t speak English.

The full cost of the tour will be around $2,500, and there will be some financial support available for some families. Costs will be confirmed later as itineraries are set. The school will organise travel insurance for the group at no cost to the students. All students will need to have a passport, so there will also be this extra expense for some families. So, if you are interested in travelling, start saving now.

If you need more information or have any queries you can contact Geoff Block on 5132 3800, Cleo Lazaris on 5165 0600 or Celeste Hardy on 51323700.

If you are interested in taking part of this study tour please complete the expression of interest below:

I ___________________________ (Student name) am interested in being involved in the Kurnai Study Tour of China in September 2015 (9th - 25th).

Signed: ____________________________

Parent/Guardian name: ____________________________

Parent/Guardian signed: ____________________________

Please return this form to your campus office by Thursday 30th April.
Music scholarships to the value of $500 each are now available for all orchestral instruments.

Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass, Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, Bass Clarinet, Bassoon, Trumpet, French Horn, Trombone, Tuned Percussion and Untuned Percussion.

Why not come and hear the orchestras at rehearsal for yourself at the rear of The Kath Teychenne Centre 11 – 13 Bread Street, Traralgon

www.latrobeandfrancisorchestra.com.au

For further information contact Mrs Beth Tuner on Tel: 5134 1873 or Mr Ron Wall on Tel: 5134 4260 or email ronwall43@gmail.com

Applications close 5pm on Friday 8th May 2015
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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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.”


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**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
Dear Parents,

Thank you to those parents who have informed the school of their child’s medical changes, updated health plans and providing of medication.

If you have not yet updated your child’s records, could we please request you contact the school office to notify us if your child’s medical condition has changed?

If your child carries any prescription medication with them in their school bag, could you please notify the school office.

Thank you in advance for your feedback, we continue to work in partnership to provide the best care for the students together.

FREE ONLINE COURSES.....take a look!

I would like to welcome everyone back for Term 2 and hope the holidays were relaxing for you.

As part of the Kurnai focus on enhancing the health of students, I would like to invite you to go to the below website. The Black Dog Institute has FREE online learning courses for adults on Building Resilience in Young People and Navigating Teenage Depression.

They are great courses and are quick to complete. I encourage anyone with teenage children to give this a try.

You will learn about:

♦ What resilience is and how it helps.
♦ How to teach kids to control emotions, and a step-by-step process for problem solving.
♦ Supporting a young person you care about who may have depression or bipolar disorder.

Access the courses at www.BLACKDOGLMS.com

I hope you find some helpful tips on how to continue to support our young people to really shine and reach their full potential.

Take care and I hope you have a great Term 2.

Kind Regards,

Laura Van Stijn

Secondary School Nurse – Kurnai College
**Short period Homestay families required**

Kurnai College will be hosting three Chinese Study tours early next term. We are looking for families who would be interested in hosting a Chinese student/s for up to a week.

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 these visits are:

- **15th – 21st July**  Students from Jiyun Experimental School, aged 13-14 years
- **3rd – 10th August** Students from Kouan Middle School, aged 16 -18 years
- **7th – 9th October** Students from Dalian, age 14-16 years

If you are interested or want more information please contact Corine Noblet on (03) 5132 3800 or noblet.corine.j@edumail.vic.gov.au, or complete the form below and return it your General Office.

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**Expression of Interest Form**

I, ________________________________ the parent/s of ____________________________ (student’s name) am interested in assisting Kurnai College in being a Study Tour Homestay family.

The dates that suit our family are:

- [ ] 15th July – 21st July
- [ ] 3rd August – 10th August
- [ ] 7th – 9th October

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: ____________________________

Expressions of interest are due back in no later than 15th June 2015.
ALPS Program
2016 Enrolments

Kurnai College’s *Advanced Learning Program of Study* (ALPS) is a select entry program available to students in Years 7 to 10. The program’s philosophy is to extend students’ thinking and learning in Mathematics, English, Science and the Humanities. Students’ work ethic is emphasised and developed, and they are continuously challenged by new ideas. ALPS students demonstrate a strong desire to learn and an ability to think independently, and they aim to achieve high results.

To apply, students need to attend academic testing at either Churchill or Morwell Campus. Applicants will be shortlisted for interviews based on testing results.

Testing Date:
Friday, 22nd of May
3.30pm

Contact Rebecca Lynch (Churchill) on 5132 3700 OR Nikki Davies (Morwell) on 5165 0600 to confirm academic testing.
Devices for sale

Kurnai is selling off some older assets that have been used for testing or are no longer in service at the school. This includes the following:

3 Acer Iconia Tablets – 10 inch Android tablets. 1 with leather cover. $100 each

2 Audiosonic Tablets – 10 inch Android tablets (1 in box). $20 each.
2 ASUS VivoTab RT Tablets with dock – Windows 8 RT tablets with detachable keyboard. $100 each

2 ASUS VivoTab Smart Tablets – Windows 8. $120 each.

All devices come with chargers and have been reset to factory settings ready for use.
All tablets are in good condition and have only minor scratches on some.
The devices are selling in “AS IS” condition and there is no warranty left on any of the devices and no support from the school can be given once sold.
The devices can be purchased from the Churchill Campus reception.
For more information please email gowing.dean.d@edumail.vic.gov.au if you have any questions or queries.
Churchill & District News Short Story and Poetry Competition 2015

Categories and Conditions of Entry

The Churchill & District News invites you to enter our Short Story and Poetry Competition.
There are two series of categories of entry, marked by * for Open and ** for Local.
The * Open is for people anywhere in Australia to enter. The ** Local is for people within Latrobe City Council
and surrounds.
There are lots of prizes, with all entrants in the **Local Categories under 12 receiving a certificate of participation
and a small gift.

If you have any queries or require information, conditions of entry and entry forms please do not hesitate to
contact us by email at cdneditorial@aussiebb.com.au or ring Ruth 03 5122 1961

CATEGORIES

Open *
1. Open Primary age children 7-12 story or poem.
2. Open Secondary age children 13-17 story or poem
3. Open Adults 18+ story/drabble or poem

Local **
1. Local Children’s 7 and Under Short story/poem or picture story
2. Local Children’s 8 - 10 yrs Short Story/Poetry (Illustrations welcome)
3. Local Children’s 11 – 13 yrs Short Story (Illustrations welcome)
4. Local Children’s 11 – 13 yrs Poetry (Illustrations welcome)
5. Local 14 – 18 yrs Short Story
6. Local 14 – 18 yrs Poetry
7. Local Adult Short Story
8. Local Adult Poetry
9. Local A Children’s Story: A story written for children
10. Local Drabble- a 100 word piece of fiction
11. Local Special category for Churchill’s 50th Anniversary. “My Life in Churchill”, “Changes I have seen in
Churchill”. The latter may be something in which the children could be interested.

Categories 1 – 4 Local ** will include prizes for best illustration and best presentation.
CONDITIONS OF ENTRY
1. All stories must have a separate completed entry form attached to the manuscript with a paper clip (not pins or staples). Please clearly include your name, address and a contact phone number or email address. People must clearly indicate whether they are in the Open or Local categories.
2. The author’s name must only be on the entry form and not on the manuscript.
3. Entries must be original, previously unpublished work.
4. Each entry must include a title.
5. Multiple entries will be accepted.
6. Unless otherwise specified, permission to reproduce entries in the Churchill & District News or for publicity purposes will be assumed. Copyright remains with the author.
7. Writers will be credited whenever their writing is reproduced.
8. Entries must be received by July 16, 2015.
9. All pages should be numbered.
10. People entering in the Open category must give their address.
11. Length of stories is to be:
   - Adult: 1000 - 2500 words
   - 14-18 years: 500 - 2000 words
   - Children: up to 500 words
12. Length of poems is to be:
   - Poetry, free or rhyming verse to be:
     - Adult: min. 8 lines and max. 48 lines.
     - 14-18 years: min. 8 lines and max. 48 lines.
     - Children: up to 20 lines
13. Entries will not be returned and participants should keep a copy of their work.
14. The Judges decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
15. Signing of the entry form for this competition constitutes acceptance of these conditions of entry.

Entries to be mailed to:
Churchill & District News Writing Competition, PO Box 234, Churchill Victoria 3842
Electronic copies of 14 years to Adult also emailed to cdneditorial@aussiebb.com.au
Closing Date: July 16, 2015.

Entry Fees:
$3.00 Per Short Story/Children’s Story –
$3.00 Per Poem
Children, Under 7, U12 and U18 Categories - 50c.

PAYMENT OPTIONS:
Cheques or Postal Orders payable to the “Churchill & District News”.
No cash please. Postage stamps accepted.

We hope that you will support the competition. The Churchill & District News is our community newspaper and the fundraising aspect of this competition is secondary to the participation of our entrants.

If you have any queries or if we can assist you in any way please do not hesitate to contact Ruth Place on 5122 1961 or email on place@aussiebb.com.au
Churchill & District News News invites you to enter the 2015 Short Story and Poetry Competition

There are some great prizes. If you have any queries or require information, conditions of entry and entry forms, please do not hesitate to contact us by email cdnews@aussiebb.com.au or phone 03 5122 1961.

Entry forms and conditions are available online at www.cdnews.com.au

Categories

Open
1. Open Primary age children 7-12 short story or poem.
3. Open Adult 18+ short story/drama or poem.

Local
1. Local Children's 7 and Under Short story/poem or picture story
2. Local Children's 9 - 10 yrs Short Story/Poetry (Illustrations welcome)
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Churchill & District News Short Story and Poetry Competition 2015 Entry Form

Name: ____________________________
Address: ____________________________

Telephone: ____________________________

I have entered: Short Story _________ Poem ________

Title of Story(s): ____________________________
Category ____________________________

Title of Poem(s): ____________________________
Category ____________________________

I have read and understood the conditions of entry and agree to abide by them. I certify that this is an original unpublished story or poem written by myself. This entry form can be completed on behalf of UI2's by a parent, guardian or teacher.

Signature: ____________________________

NOTE: Entry Fee is to be included with Entry Form. Please make Cheques or Postal Orders payable to Churchill & District News.

No cash please. Postage stamps accepted.
Email: cdnews@aussiebb.com.au
Mail entries to: PO Box 234, Churchill 3842

Conditions of Entry

1. All stories must have a separate completed entry form attached to the manuscript with a paper clip (no pens or staples). Please clearly include your name, address, and a contact phone number or email address. Please make clear to the Entry Form.
2. Unless otherwise specified, permission to reproduce entries in the Churchill & District News or for publicity purposes will be assumed. Copyright remains with the
3. Author. Writers will be credited whenever their writing is reproduced.
4. Entries must be received by July 16, 2015.
5. All entries will be numbered.
6. Only entries in the Open category must give their address.
7. Length of stories is to be:
   - Adult: 1000 - 2200 words
   - Children up to 500 words
   - Length of poems is to be:
     - Poetry free or rhyming verse to be:
       - Adult min. 8 lines and max. 48 lines.
     - Children: up to 20 lines

14. The judges decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
15. Signing of the entry form by the parent, guardian or teacher constitutes acceptance of these conditions of entry.

Entries to be mailed to:
Churchill & District News Writing Competition, PO Box 234, Churchill Victoria 3842
Closing Date: July 16, 2015.

Entry Fees:
$300 Per Short Story/Children's Story - $30.00 Per Poem
Children's, Under 7, 11-12 and 18 Categories - 50c.

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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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- Saturday 16 May @ 7:30pm
- Sunday 17 May @ 1:30pm
- Thursday 21 May @ 7:30pm
- Friday 22 May @ 7:30pm
- Saturday 23 May @ 1:30pm
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Contact: Carol Kemp 0438 221 293
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Debbie Wells 0411 137 870
EXPRESSION OF INTEREST – TENNIS TEAM MEMBER

Latrobe City Council is seeking expressions of interest from local tennis players to participate in the 2015 Sports Exchange. The program is an initiative which has emerged from Latrobe City Councils two Sister Cities relationships in Taizhou, China and Takasago, Japan.

The expression of interest process seeks to identify 10-15 tennis players from within Latrobe City aged between 13 and 16 years to form a touring tennis team. The team will participate in a short-term international exchange program in Taizhou, China during the September/October 2015 school holidays.

Key Requirements:
- Be a worthy Latrobe City Ambassador
- Commit to all training sessions
- Provide proof of residence in Latrobe City
- Actively participate in fundraising initiatives
- Attend information sessions
- Attend pre-departure briefings
- Attend Cultural Awareness sessions
- Act as a Latrobe City Council international relations ambassador following the exchange
- Promote the Sports Exchange Program both pre and post exchange

Application forms are available from Latrobe City’s Traralgon, Morwell and Moe Service Centres, the Churchill Community Hub and are also available on Council’s website at www.latrobe.vic.gov.au.

Expressions of Interest must be received by close of business on Monday 11 May 2015.

Written submissions should be addressed to Mr Jason Membrey, Coordinator Events and International Relations, Latrobe City Council, PO Box 264, Morwell 3840.