Building Project

Morwell Campus is very excited to receive the news that our building project has had an additional $750,000 injected. This means that we will be able to complete the whole project in a single stage, instead of retaining the Hex building for a period of time as previously thought.

Premier Daniel Andrews made this announcement whilst in town to visit the new Morwell Central Primary School. Premier Andrews announced a substantial package to a number of schools across the Latrobe Valley that will enable them to complete current projects in a more timely fashion.

The new money means that we will be able to go ahead with a new performance space and music rooms that will significantly enhance our performing arts program.

During the Premier’s visit, staff from Kurnai College were given a guided tour of the wonderful facilities at the school. We are excited that one of the architects from that project is now working with us. We anticipate our new buildings to be equally innovative and engaging.
Message from our Principal continues........

Change to Start of School Day

In 2017, Morwell Campus will change from providing 310 minutes of face to face teaching per day to the mandated 300 minutes. This means that school will commence at **8:40am instead of 8:30am**. Supervision will be provided from 8:15 am.

This will commence from the beginning of Headstart, Friday 2nd December.

Other times will be unchanged.

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 child 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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Year 7 News ..........

Year 7s continue to finalise their work for the 2016 year and teachers are starting to write reports. We are encouraging them to continue their final efforts to Year 7 and we are proud of them for the excellent work they are doing.

Celebration Day

We finish up our time together in Year 7 with Celebration Day on December 1st. While other year levels will be heading out of the school to various locations and activities, Year 7s take this opportunity to “take over the school”. This is a full day of fun, with lots of prizes and a barbecue lunch. We finish up the day with a water fight. There is no cost involved. A letter has been sent home to you with details this week. Please contact us if you have any questions.

Orientation Day - Year 7 2017

For those families with students coming to Year 7 in the 2017 year, we look forward to seeing your kids from the 6th-8th December for Orientation Week. The students will be spending the three days of Orientation Week participating in normal classes, getting their lockers and locks and becoming familiar with timetables and the school environment. Exciting and nerve-wracking! We finish that week with a parent information night on the 8th at 7pm. This is an important evening with lots of information about the coming year. It is important to attend even if you have had a child pass through the College recently, as information changes from year to year.

College Awards

Our College Awards ceremony is coming up on Monday 12th December. Students will be treated to a BBQ lunch at the University Campus before walking to the Federation University Auditorium for the Awards Ceremony. Students are required to attend and permission forms are now overdue. If your child has lost their permission form please speak to the front office to get a new one.

If you have any concerns about your child as they finish up Year 7 and move towards Year 8, please don't hesitate to call and make an appointment to talk further.

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Year 8 News ..........

Celebration Day
Our final Year 8 Celebration trip will be on the 1st December. We will be travelling the Jump Crazy, followed by a trip to the park for a BBQ and a special team awards ceremony. If students have not yet returned their forms and still wish to go, please contact me at the earliest opportunity.

Literacy Week
Last week saw the students involved in hosting the Literacy Week at Morwell Campus where students were involved in a range of literacy activities. The final day was extremely successful and several Year 8 students won awards for this including; Madison Spiteri, Luke George and Gabby Hines. In addition to this Chloe Howe was the winner of the PBS ticket award.

Activity Week - 13th to 16th December
In addition to the Year 8 Celebration day, there will be a number of activity days running from the 13th - 16th December. Permission forms will soon be given out for these days. Please sign these and return if you wish your child to participate.

Year 9 Electives
All Year 8 students in Year 8 have been given elective forms to complete. We still have some forms outstanding. Please ensure they are completed and returned to Ms Lazaris to ensure they get their elective choices before moving into Year 9.

Headstart
The next few weeks see the closure of Year 8 before moving into Headstart. Students will need to empty their lockers and clean them out before changing into Year 9.

Semester Reports
Staff are currently writing end of semester reports. I would encourage all students to look at these when they come out to reflect on their progress over the year and how they can then improve on this moving into Year 9.

On behalf of the Year 8 team, I would like to say what a pleasure it has been to work with the cohort this year and wish them all the best in year 9 next year.

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Headstart
Headstart for 2017 Year 10 students will begin on 2nd December, however Year 11 classes will begin on 28th November at University Campus. Buses will collect students from Morwell Campus at 1.20pm and take them to University Campus. At the end of the day, students will take the bus that returns them closest to home. Maps will be provided and if you have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact myself or the General Office.

Year 11 Classes
All of our Year 10 students have selected a Year 11 subject to study in 2017. These will be on Monday period 5, Thursday periods 1 and 2 and Friday period 5. Students in VCE classes will be expected to travel to the senior campus for their class and have been issued with a bus map to assist with drop off and pick up points. Bus passes have also been issued.

Course Changes
Students are required to stay in their designated class for Headstart before requesting a course change. University Campus staff will inform students when they are able to change classes.

Electives
Preference sheets for Year 10 electives have been distributed during form group. Whilst we endeavour to meet everyone's first preference, this is not always possible. No changes will be made during Head Start.

Celebration Day
All Year levels will be finishing the current year with a celebration on 1st December. Year 9 students will be going to Jump and Climb in Traralgon, followed by a BBQ lunch at Newman Park. Please return your permission forms by 24th November, so that numbers for catering can be finalised.

Examinations
These were held on Thursday in English and Maths. Feedback will be provided once all exams have been marked.

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Year 10 News ........

This will be the final newsletter for our Year 10 students at Morwell Campus. I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every student for their contribution to our learning community. I wish you all well and every success as you embark on the next exciting stage of your education.

Year 11 English

All students studying a VCE English in Year 11 have been given a list of books that will need to be purchased before Head Start. VCE English will begin reading The Book Thief during Head Start which is available from our current Year 11 students.

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Kurnai College Music *What's Happening* ......
College Ensembles... moving forward

New Sponsor...
We welcome Strzelecki Plumbing as a new sponsor to Kurnai College Music.

College Concert
The College Concert featured the work that was undertaken throughout term 3 with all of the College Ensembles. The night was an annual gathering of all students from three campuses performing together in their liked groups.

Kurnai Idol
The Idol Grand final featured a cross section of musical styles and interpretations that was consistent in the quality performances of all those that participated. The three external judges did have a difficult time in determining who the top three will be. All awards issued on the night were provided by A & P Music, Valley Trophy Centre and Kurnai College.

The top three results are as follows:
Third place: Michelle Hawkes, accompanied by Daniel Robinson
Second place: Dakoda Jenkins, accompanied by Cameron Fowler
First place: Gemma Brown, accompanied by Lucy Bertrand.
The Kurnai Idol Shield will now be placed at Morwell Campus until next years event.

Morwell and Churchill Campus Music Presentations
Both nights featured the junior campus students presenting the works they have been preparing throughout the ensembles and instrument classes. These performances were more intimate than previous performances, and family and friends were able to get up and close to the performers. A number of students currently studying year 11 VCE music performance at the University campus also presented a number of solo items.

Kurnai College Awards - Monday 12 December
Pre-entertainment from 11am -11:45am, featuring all Kurnai Idol finalists;
Foyer music from 11:45 – 12noon, featuring selected students;
Main event commencing at 12pm, featuring College Choir and the 2016 VCE Music Performance class.

Some housekeeping...
Music continuation forms have been distributed to students who are currently enrolled in music. These forms need to be returned by 9th December. All students that are hiring or have a College instrument at home, need to return the instruments asap.

Students at Kurnai College who are wanting to learn a musical instrument in 2017 can obtain a Music Expression of Interest Form from the front office.

Fundraising
The collection of bagged Aluminium drink cans can be placed at the front office and mention that it's for Music.
## Congratulations to our PBS Recipients

### Engagement
- Keisha Harrison
- Chloe Howe

### Excellence
- Riley Gray
- Kaleb Chapman
- Emma Thompson
- James Maskell
- Dylan Cassar-Cummings
- Liam Raines

### Work Ethic

### Relationships
- Chi Chi Mohammud

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# Calendar of Excursions / Camps

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Fundraising Event for the Monash Children's Hospital

Market Day

Food, vintage, retro, good quality, preloved and new fashion, accessories, jewellery, homewares, and gifts.

Saturday December 3
10am - 2pm
Federation University
Carpark - C3
Churchill

Proudly supporting
Monash Children's Hospital

Kurnai Young Parents Program Market
A Fundraising Event for the Monash Children's Hospital
Saturday December 3
10am - 2pm
Federation University Churchill
Carpark - C3

$20 will get you a stall at our KYPP Market
Your payment of $20 goes directly to Monash Children's Hospital

KYPP Market is filling fast, but we still have some stalls available - we are looking for sellers of items from 'now' and from 'therr' - vintage, retro, good quality, preloved or second-hand to brand new fashion, accessories, jewellery, homewares, gifts.

We still have a few outside food vendor stalls available - avoid disappointment, book now - all stalls must be pre-booked!!

Email: seymour.claire.sl@edumail.vic.gov.au or phone 0438 464 474 for a stallholder details

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General News

Kurnai Pillars

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Attendance
Hotline
5132 3711
Save the Date

December 12, 2016
10am—2pm

Kurnai College Awards Ceremony

You are invited!
Debutante Ball

Parents & Carers of students planning to do the Debutante Ball in 2017 need to be aware that as the Deb Ball is an external event to the normal school curriculum, conditions are placed on student participation.

One of these conditions is that families with outstanding charges are required to bring them up to date before their child can begin dance lessons in preparation for the Deb Ball.

This does not include the College's yearly school charges but only costs that should have already been paid such as outstanding balances for camps and excursions, extra curriculum music costs or charges relating to damage of school property.

In addition to payments made at the campus office, the College offers both Centrepay and Bpay options as a method of payment. Centrepay allows families to have fortnightly amounts automatically deducted from any Centrelink payments.

If you have any concerns or wish to organise a payment plan please don't hesitate to contact the campus office.
The Latrobe and Francis Orchestras extend to you a warm invitation to attend

AN AFTERNOON OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC

Come and join us for an entertaining afternoon of fine music & carols, followed by a barbecue supper provided by the Traralgon Lions Club.

2:00pm  Saturday 3rd December, 2016
Traralgon Uniting Church
1 Park Lane, Traralgon
46 Cross’s Road, Traralgon

TICKETS
At the door or Available for pre-booking by contacting
Ron on 03 5134 4260 or ronwall43@gmail.com
Adults: $10-00, Concession/Child: $5.00
Family (2 Adults + 2 Children) $25

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The Magic of Christmas 2016

Featuring talented singers, musicians and special guests delivering a fabulous afternoon of festive entertainment

Sunday 27 November, 2pm – 4pm
Morwell Catholic Parish Hall (St Vincent’s), Rowell Street

$10 entry per adult – children FREE
All proceeds will support Latrobe Regional Hospital

Tickets available from:

For enquiries email kgore@lrh.com.au or call Anna 5174 1313
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No Excuses! is a new song suite, composed by Christina Green and Dr Kathleen McGuire for the School of Hard Knocks, focusing upon family violence and domestic abuse, with real stories of struggle and inspirational resilience as shared by women from Melbourne’s westen suburbs. Audiences will be empowered by messages of solidarity and hope.

Singers, dancers, drummers and beginners of all ages are invited to be part of the No Excuses! Latrobe Valley Project which aims to bring a sense of respect, peace and hope to communities struggling to come to terms with family violence.

This event proudly celebrates White Ribbon Day and Social Inclusion Week.

PROJECT LAUNCH & WORKSHOPS
MOE TOWN HALL
Saturday 26th November 2016 10am - 4pm

For more information contact
Tineke Westwood: 0427 955 009 or Jane Barr: 0428 325 003
Can Saver Plus assist you with high school costs?

Join Saver Plus and match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to $500 for educational costs including:

- school uniforms and text books
- computers, laptops and tablets
- excursions and camps
- sports equipment, uniforms and lessons
- music tuition and instrument hire.

You may be eligible if you have a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, are at least 18 years old, have some regular income from work (you or your partner) and have a child at school or study yourself.

Contact Rick Pemberton, your local Saver Plus Worker:
(03) 5120 2582 / 0407 567 312
or rpemberton@berrystreet.org.au

Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St Laurence and is delivered across Bass Coast and South Gippsland.
The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government.

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Traralgon College presents
‘Most Likely To Succeed’

**OUR SCHOOL SYSTEM WAS DESIGNED IN 1893.**

‘Most Likely to Succeed’ is an inspirational film that explores the possibilities of education when we provide opportunities for students to have strong student agency over their learning. ‘Most Likely to Succeed’ looks at how one school has adopted a fresh approach to educating their students with great results.

It explores the possibilities of how learning environments, building on passion and expertise, giving students a voice and leveraging partnerships with parents and school community, can have a positive impact on student learning. This award winning film reaffirms some of the great things we are doing in our schools, and raises questions about what else can be done to provide our students with the best education.

*Please note: This film contains profanity so it not suitable for primary school aged children*

For further information on the film, please visit [http://www.mitsfilm.org/](http://www.mitsfilm.org/)

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**Where:** Premiere Function Centre Traralgon

**When:** Wednesday 30th November  
**Time:** 7pm – 9.30pm

*Viewing of the documentary and panel discussion on the impacts for schooling now and into the future.*

**Why:** Fundraiser to enable Traralgon College to explore other learning opportunities for students.

**Cost:** $15 per ticket  
**Drinks at bar prices**


**Sponsored by:** Premiere Function Centre and DE&T

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