



PARENT BULLETIN

29th June 2012

COMING EVENTS

Friday, 29th June..... Last Day Term 2 (**2.00 pm finish**)
Monday, 16th July..... First Day Term 3
Friday, 27th July..... Yr 10 Herald Sun Careers Expo
Monday, 30th July..... Kurnai Idol Final at Churchill campus
Tuesday, 31st July.....Yr 9 Job Skills Expo
Wednesday, 12th September – Friday, 21st September.....Yr 10 Uluru Camp

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS:	8.00 am – 4.00 pm
SCHOOL HOURS:	8.25 am – 2.50 pm students are supervised between 8.10 am and 3.00 pm

CAMPUS PRINCIPAL’S NEWS



Hello Everyone,

Reports for semester 1 have been given to all students at the end of today’s assembly. Please make sure that you have a look at what teachers are saying about your student’s progress and discuss it with them. If you have any concerns or questions don’t hesitate to contact the school on 5165 0600 at the start of next term and make an appointment to see the teacher, team leader or principal to discuss them.

For the past 18 months the Smith Family has been consulting with the school and the local community to develop a project that will mean the school, the community and service providers are better connected. On Thursday the Gippsland Education Partnership Hub was launched to a community audience at the Salvation Army Hall. The Smith Family is employing staff, who will be based at Kurnai College, to work with service providers to better address the needs of our students and the community. We look forward to the improvements that this will bring to our students and our community.

Well, we have finally reached the end of term 2. I hope that you all have a good break and that it is warm and dry for the two weeks of the holidays. **Term 3 will start on Monday, 16th July.**

Geoff Block
CAMPUS PRINCIPAL

INTERNATIONAL DELEGATION VISIT

In the second week of Term 3, a group of students and teachers from China will be arriving at Kurnai College for a study tour that will include a mix of English Language classes, attendance in regular classes and organised activities in the local area.

We are looking for expressions of interest from local families who would be willing to host a couple of Chinese students for the week starting Monday 23rd July. Families will receive financial support of \$30 per student per night.

If you are interested please contact Corine Noblet on 5132 3800.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT ((PBS)

Every week teachers are asked to consider which students have demonstrated stand-out behaviour in the area of our school pillars – Relationships, Engagement, Work Ethic and Excellence. A postcard is sent home to let families know about their student’s positive behaviour. Congratulations to the following students for receiving a postcard recognising their achievements and demonstrating one of our four pillars:

Relationships	Work Ethic	Excellence	Engagement
Tyson Lee	David Shugg	Jennifer Kilpatrick	Janaya Morrirt
Myra Matthews	Luke Buurman	Zack Wright	Casey White
Chelsea Townley	Bianca Pike	Nyabhan Jiath	Chloe Helmuth
Ben Ainsworth	Joanna Trinidad	Lachlan Tactor	Tina Balassopoulos
Lachlan White	Rachael Rigby	Lachlan White	Alexis Wiseman-Gatt
Ifti Narawi	Cameron Felmingham	Joanna Trinidad	Luke Bowman
	Isabel Hines	Ethan Hagan	Dannielle McDonough
	Garang Jok	Ifti Narawi	
	Tina Balassopoulos		
	Jasmin Hamden		

UPCOMING EXCURSIONS/CAMPS

To ensure the smooth organisation and running of camps and excursions we request that permission forms and payments be returned to the school by the due date on the permission form. This enables the purchase of train tickets, food and venue tickets, etc, in a timely manner.

Yr 10 Herald Sun Careers Expo	27 th July	\$10	Permission Form and payment due 25th July
Yr 9 Job Skills Expo	31 st July	\$0	Permission Form due 22nd June
Yr 10 Uluru Camp	12 th – 21 st September	\$800	Permission Forms & Final payment due 22nd August

YEAR 7

The Year 7 camp at Coolamatong last week was very successful despite the poor weather. The students who attended had a wonderful time, experiencing a range of different activities and building their skills. Staff who attended the camp report that our students represented the school admirably, demonstrating excellent behaviour and attitudes. The same can be said about the Year 7 students who participated in the alternate program at school during camp week. Working in teams, these students completed a diverse range of activities exploring the theme of sustainability. All students engaged with the different activities exceptionally well, showing great teamwork and enthusiasm. Congratulations must go to Team Sustain for winning the challenge and to those students who demonstrated great Work Ethic during the week.

A reminder that all Year 7 students need to finish reading their English novel over the holidays in order to successfully complete their assessment work in Term 3. After a term of hard work, enjoy the holidays and come back in Term 3 refreshed and ready to continue learning.

YEAR 9

Last Friday, 41 Year 9 students visited the Morwell Magistrate’s court for a mock trial on Sexting. The court case was set up in an authentic manner with a Police Prosecutor, a Magistrate, Mr Allsop, a lawyer from Legal Aid and the accused accompanied by his parents. The students represented the College well by adhering to courtroom etiquette and asking lots of relevant questions at the end of the session. A great afternoon was had by all!

Cleo Lazaris - Year 9 Team Leader

On the 22nd June, a group of our Yr 9 students went to the Magistrates Courts in Morwell to learn about Sexting and why it is wrong. In the court room we were given a re-enactment of what happened to a young boy who was caught up in sexting. We learnt a lot about how they deal with the situations and the consequences of sexting, and how courts run while they are in session. This excursion has helped us all and made us all aware of how bad sexting can be and why we shouldn’t do it.

Sam Solomon Yr 9

YEAR 10

Monash University Visit

On Monday, Morwell and Churchill Year 10 students attended a university information day at Monash University. Jo Matthews and Giuseppe Marino from Monash spoke about university programs and expectations. Students had a guided tour of the campus then participated in Marketing and Journalism sessions which were run by student volunteers. Staff from GippsTAFE and Apprenticeships Group Australia also spoke about their pathways and courses. Overall the day was very informative. Thank you to Monash for providing lunch on the day.

Smith Family Online Mentoring program

On the 22nd of June, a group of Year 10 students from Kurnai College Morwell that are involved in the ITrack program went to Melbourne to meet their mentors for the first time.

The ITrack program is an online mentoring program that is designed for Year 10 students to help them pursue their careers and understand different pathways to get there. We all interact for an hour a week with our mentor through a computer messenger system. The program is run through Terms 2 and 3. This program is run by the Smith Family and the mentors that we students talk to are volunteers.

This program is beneficial to students as they find it interesting. It is good to talk to someone who has similar interests and is supportive to our career goals. It's good to have an active listener that understands the developmental process that we as students are going through. It is also good to talk to someone who isn't a family member or a peer.

After a term of talking to our mentors over the internet we finally got the chance to meet them. Nine out of the eleven students that participate in the program caught a train to Melbourne Zoo to meet their mentors. Apart from the weather, we all had a great day!

We are looking forward to meeting with them one last time in September.



Hayley Mills Yr 10

HELP OUR SCHOOL EARN SOME GREAT LEARNING AND SPORTING RESOURCES

- **WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN PROGRAM**

This year's **Woolworths Earn & Learn Program** commenced on 9th May until 1st July. For every \$10 spent at Woolworths earn 1 sticker. Place stickers on sticker card and when full place in collection box at the general office. Spare cards available at office or Woolworths.

- **COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS 2012**

This year's **Coles Sports for Schools program** has commenced from 13th June until 14th August. For every \$10 spent at Coles earn 1 voucher. Return vouchers to the collection box at the general office.

LOST PROPERTY

There are various items of lost clothing at the general office. Those items not collected by the end of term will be donated to local charities.

FOR SALE KURNAI COLLEGE LOGO WINTER JACKETS

New Stock – various sizes available.

Navy Soft cell Jacket - \$60 each

Navy Spray Jacket - \$25 each

Maroon/Navy Spray Jacket - \$55 ea (only sizes available are L, XL)

COMMUNITY COLLEGE GIPPSLAND COURSE INFORMATION EVENING

This opportunity will be a great chance for student or clients to find out more information about what courses we have available and what is involved in particular industries of interest by speaking to industry professionals and trainers.

Date: Wednesday 4th July, Time: 4-7pm at all campuses. Ph Morwell 5134 1477, Traralgon 5175 0866.