



Kurnai College
PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS

Churchill Newsletter

Friday 4th September 2020

KEY DATES

5 Aug - current REMOTE LEARNING

Wednesdays VIRTUAL HOMEWORK CLUB—VIA TEAMS
3pm – 4.15pm

18 Sept END OF TERM 3

5 Oct TERM 4 BEGINS



Cleo Lazaris
Campus Principal

Message from our Campus Principal

Hello everyone, I know this has been said many times but what a year 2020 has been so far! At this stage we are all set to return to on-site learning in the final week of Term, however we will continue to update you all via our Facebook page and Compass, should anything change. Term 3 is traditionally cold and wet and so being able to learn from the home has been welcomed by many of our students.

I know we are all missing our social connections with friends and colleagues at school but am proud that we were all able to contribute our small part in helping to reduce the spread of the virus.

PARENT TEACHER CONVERSATIONS

Parent/Teacher conversations were scheduled for Thursday, 17th September and Friday, 18th September, however the current restrictions prevent us from holding these conversations on-site. Further advice will be provided via Compass and our Facebook page.

Virtual Homework Club

As a result of Parent Voice, we have now introduced a **Virtual Homework Club** which will operate during Remote Learning. The Homework Club is **on Wednesday night from 3.00 pm via TEAMS**. Please contact Stephanie Barfoot, Rebecca Lynch or Sandra Flake if you would like to join in. I am still finding ways to provide Virtual Pizza during this time!

Parent Voice

The School Wide Positive Behaviour Team at Churchill have been busy talking to parents about their experiences with Remote Learning. It was great to hear about the positives coming out of this experience, especially the ability for students to adapt to change which will be a valued skill in the 21st Century!

Please contact our PBS team – Sandra Flake, Rebecca Lynch and Mary Corponi if you would like to contribute to **Parent Voice**.

College Principal
Anthony Rodaughan

Campus Principal
Cleo Lazaris

School Hours: 8:25am - 2:50pm
Students are supervised from 8:10am - 3:00pm

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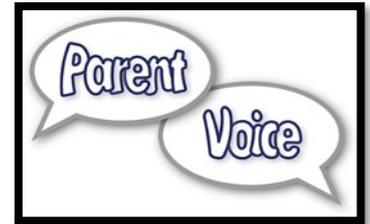
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**Attendance
Hotline**

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Message from our Principal continues.....

The Churchill Campus SWPBS Team spoke with a few parents during the second week of Remote Learning 2.0 to find out what's happening from a parent perspective, here's what they said;



Snap Shot of the Positives

'The positive for me is Paul copes surprisingly well in this environment, probably due to no real distractions, other than the **fridge!** Also, self-directed learning means he can work at his own pace. As a parent I enjoying engaging with what my kids have on for the day, being able to see their work.' *Parent of Year 10 Student*

'The timetable, check in classes. They have really taken on the technology. They already were used to the technology.' *Parent of Year 9 and 10 Students*

'Returning to remote learning has meant my children are having to learn to adapt to change and to respond to a challenge- both of these are valuable learning experiences. I have enjoyed the chance to spend more time with my kids- I get to see what they're doing (which I haven't since they've left primary school). I've learnt new things too by trying to help them (it's changed since I was at school).' *Parent of Year 7 and 8 Student*

'Tina likes that she can sleep in and her school work hours are flexible around her needs, allowing her to enjoy going out and exercising and eating at any time of the day.' *Parent of Year 10 Student*

'Mark can usually get on to all of his teachers. They are really accessible. They have been great!. He just happily gets on with his work " *Parent of Year 9 student*

Snap Shot of the Downsides

'No real structure.
Lacking of socialising with friends and children of their own age
No meal times – they eat all day!!' *Parent of Year 10 Student*

'They are putting in longer days, maybe to have Friday off. With Tim at the moment, I'm checking to make sure he's keeping on track.
The second wave, he's probably struggling with it a bit. He needs to be encouraged to communicate with teachers.
Deadlines are a struggle.
Some subjects are more difficult without the one-on-one.' *Parent of Year 9 Student*

'My children miss the social aspects of not going to school in person. I think they learn better at school because the teacher is right there to help them. I've had to reschedule my own time in order to help keep the kids on track." *Parent of Year 7 and 8 Student*

'My children are feeling a bit isolated; we've been having problems getting onto Teams and Compass.' *Parent of Year 7 and 8 Student*

'I am pulling my hair out with one of my children who has ASD (autism spectrum)' *Parent of Year 7 Student*

'She can't see her friends and her favorite teachers, as well as not being able to get certain help with tasks as quickly, compared to being at school.' *Parent of Year 10 Student*

Names of students have been changed to protect embarrassed teenagers from the comments of their amazing parents. Big thank-you from the PBS Team and to the parents who happily contributed to this snapshot of Remote Learning 2.0.

Year 7 News

IT'S QUITE AN EDURANCE MARATHON

Year 7 Team teachers, teachers in general, Advocates, our Student Welfare Co-ordinator, Churchill Support Staff and outside support are very much aware that it hasn't been the year that best allows us to connect with youngsters in Year 7. Nevertheless, we are keeping in touch, identifying concerns, ways to support and we've all learnt a lot that we will apply to Term 4 and forward to the next year level. There is plenty to celebrate from last week, so here are some highlights:

HIGH PERFORMANCE, CONSISTENTLY! YOUR STYLE IS NOTICED!

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| *Archer Clarke | *Dean Xuereb | *Nephi Doherty |
| *Sheldon Tassell | *Bryleigh Matthews | *Tamsin Schmidt |
| *Sidney Townsend | *Darcy Fehlberg | *Ashy Hamilton |
| *Tay Mansfield | *Luisa Cardillo | *Harley Scandrett |
| *Ruby Turner Jellis | | |

Congratulations!

MOVING UP TOWARDS THE PACK, DOWN THE STRAIGHT! GO! GO! GO!

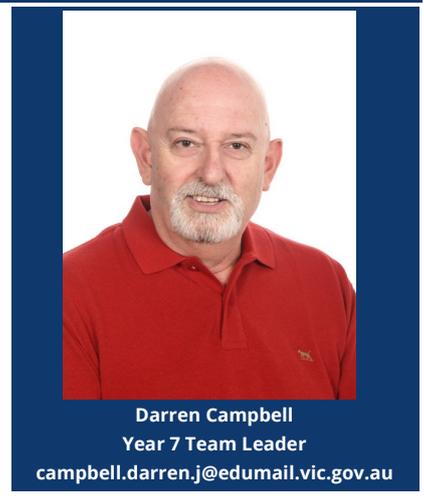
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| *Sky Consta | *Jordan Dwyer | *Leandra McLauchlan |
| *Lexie Sykes | *Brodie Mackus | *Deaken Goodwin |
| *Declan Lazaris | *Precious Glade | *Desiree Webb |
| *Jesse Stevens | *Ella Hanson | |

Well done champ!!

IMPROVEMENT DURING THESE CHALLENGING TIMES... WE KNOW YOU CAN DO IT!

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| *Shayla Robinson Godfrey | *Ebony Button | *Jacinta Gittos |
| *Tahli Schmidt | *Mysen Pollard | |

Feel great about this!



We encourage all students to talk to teachers on Teams. If it's a struggle, we'll help students turn that into 'participation points.' Get an early start in the week, stop distractions, have a go at what you know, talk about what you don't.

REMEMBERING SCHOOL ACTIVITIES



Year 8 News

Throughout Term 3's round of Remote Learning Year 8 students have shown a real engagement with the online classes and submission of work.

The following students were identified by the Year 8 Teachers as those who have excelled during this time:

- Gabby Bonnicci
- Hayden Stockdale
- Will Towers
- Harry Townsend
- Andy Tyrrell
- Jayda Foster
- Luke Marchionne
- Riley Lawrence
- Tahlia Runge
- Tom Bolton
- Zoe Long
- Chris Bolton
- Beth Mortlock
- Antony Lock
- Eric Brennan




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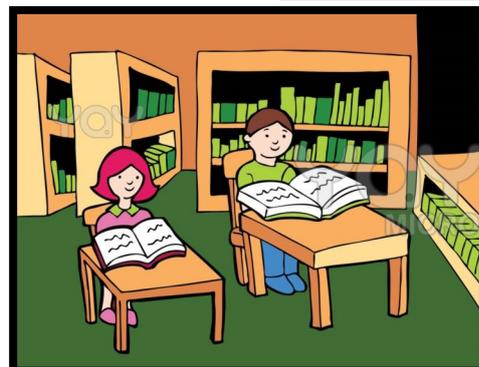
THE YEAR 8 TEAM

	
Lindy Gumpold	Robin Fitzpatrick
	
Gabriella O'Bree	Cathy Tan
	
Kara Thompson	Nicole Ashton
	
Jen Caruana	Clifton Kline

Inter School Chess

Over the past month, Hayden Stockdale has participated in the Victorian School Chess Tournament in an online competition.

The online tournament was conducted through the chess playing platform chess.com. During the tournaments Hayden has shown the dedication that he has to chess as he has moved up in the placings in the tournaments. Hayden is looking forward to playing in the next tournament which is in early September.



Year 9 News

Hello everyone and welcome to the Year 9 News. I am pleased to say that this week the Year 9 team have witnessed some of the highest levels of engagement from Year 9 students since the start of Remote Learning 2.0.

As we are well and truly past what we all hope is the half way mark of Remote Learning this time round. I want to acknowledge the persistence and resilience students and parents have shown over the last few weeks and to encourage you all to keep it up.

To help encourage students to stay engaged with Remote Learning, all teachers from the Year 9 team will be selecting students to receive prizes for keeping up with any of the four pillars of Kurnai College;

Work Ethic, Engagement, Relationships, Excellence.

All that needs to be done by students to be in the running for these prizes is to keep doing their best over the coming weeks.

Congratulations to our most recent recipients of the \$10 E-gift card awards:

- Lachlan Freeman*
- Tayla Fehlberg*
- John Murray*
- Tom Walker*



VIRTUAL HOMEWORK CLUB

Starting every **Wednesday at 3:00PM - 4:15 PM**. If you need a bit of extra support from teachers in a relaxed environment. Come along to the Virtual Homework Club. To gain access you just need to message Miss Lynch or Miss Barfoot beforehand to let them know that you would like to join in.

COMMUNICATION WITH STUDENTS

Just a quick reminder that all students have been assigned teacher liaisons for the duration of remote learning. The liaison will contact each student from time to time for a check-in and to see how they are going. This contact is also extend to parents to promote good engagement and communication throughout this time.

Teacher Liaisons

9A & 9D	Glen Stephenson	Glen.Stephenson@education.vic.gov.au
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9B	Rachel Dodd	Rachel.Dodd@education.vic.gov.au
9C	Chris Flake	Christopher.Flake@education.vic.gov.au
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THE YEAR 9 TEAM



Lisa Knowles



Dave Frendo



Corryn Evans



Rachel Dodd



Elyse Derricot



Chris Flake

Year 10 News

REMOTE LEARNING 2.0 - ENGAGEMENT BEYOND THE CLASSROOM!



This year has been one crazy year and students have managed themselves incredibly well. With the endless hours of screen time and the monotony of remote learning, it is increasingly important to ensure we offer our students and their family's ways to hit the refresh button.

Each week our Churchill Campus captains, Claire Irving and Lance Townsend, have been sending our students videos, checking in, providing challenges and offering some good advice with a great sense of humour.

Students can also access a folder in Teams which includes various ways to get that all important 'brain break' every day. Each week they will find a new Sudoku, riddles, recipes for the week, fitness & yoga challenges as well as videos to promote a new way to think. Students can also access the campus captain's videos from this folder.

It has been a tremendous effort from our Year 10 students managing their workload during remote learning. We hope that these little activities and motivators will help keep spirits high and bellies full for the remainder of the Term.

CELEBRATING YEAR 10 ENGAGEMENT IN REMOTE LEARNING 2.0 (WEEK 4 TO WEEK 6)

Each week we monitor how well our students are engaging with their schoolwork based on their submission and completion of work. For the Year 10 cohort our campus results have been terrific with over half of our students achieving GREAT results = they are getting on with their learning!

Over the past three weeks there has been some stunning and consistent efforts from many of our students and it is important that we acknowledge them here:

Kayley ANSWERTH, Bridie BYRNE, Alison HEFFERNAN, Callum HILL, Thomas HOGHTON, Claire IRVING, Louis MALADY, Bonnie SYKES, Matilda WAKEFIELD, Tamsyn WALKER, Riley FRANKS, Dylan DUNSTALL, Mia STURRE, Jack DADDO, Hunter HOOGERWERF, Jordyn BRYCE, Zac SCHILL, Madilyn BRYCE, Patrick MCGOWN, Cade TATTI, Carmela CARDILLO, Holly BIRRELL, Lea CHAHOUD, Lexi STERRICK, Stephen DUBBER, Trey KNIGHT, Makayla ROTA, Lance TOWNSEND, Jake WHEATLEY, Nir ILAIDE-LEEDS, Ebony WEBB, Chaz CHANCHAENG, Shanelle LOVE, Monai PORYKALI, Claire PENDLEBURY, Alma DOHERTY, and Brianna GRIFFITHS!

ROCKFEST!

Although our Year 10 music students have been confined to remote on-line learning it has not curbed their enthusiasm for the up-coming Rockfest challenge. Rockfest is a national competition open to all school students with categories for rock bands and solo performers.

Two of our students, Bonnie Sykes and Bridie Byrne have already submitted their videos of themselves performing their own original compositions. These two girls have done an excellent job and have definitely showcased their song writing talent.

To view Bonnie and Bridie's performance go to YouTube Rockfest.



Jenny Horner

Year 10 Team Leader

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THE YEAR 10 TEAM



Clancy Bennett



Mary Corponi



Sandra Flake



Ian Hopkins



Andy Leeson



Rebecca Lynch



Living WELL LATROBE

Latrobe City Council COVID Helpline

Do you have questions about what local support is available to you during COVID-19? Are you caring for someone who needs help? We can help you connect with supports and better understand what is available in our community.

Coronavirus has put additional pressure on individuals and communities and many businesses and organisations are operating differently. We want to hear how you can best be supported during this time and into the future as we work through the challenges. We want to help build a stronger resilient community.

Phone 1300 367 700 and choose option 2, or send us an email COVID19Helpline@latrobe.vic.gov.au

You can leave us a message and we can call you at a time that suits you best.



If you need an interpreter, call TIS National on 131 450 and ask for Latrobe City Council.

For specific advice on Coronavirus and Government information call the National Helpline on 1800 020 080. The line operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

PARENTZONE GIPPSLAND

TERM 3 PROGRAMS

Storytime:

Supported Playgroup

Join us online to enjoy songs, stories and fun activities each week.

Tuesdays
10:30am – 11:30am

Wednesdays
12:30pm – 1:30pm

Throughout school term
Online via Zoom

Homework Club:

to assist your children with their homework or just have some fun reading and playing games.

Tuesdays
3:30pm – 5:00pm

Throughout school term
Online via Zoom

Breaking The Cycle

For parents and carers of adolescents who are violent or abusive in the home

Thursdays
30th July – 17th September
5:30pm – 7:30pm

Online via Zoom

Let's Talk About Parenting

Learn strategies, share stories and take some time out for you!

Program 1: Fridays 7th August – 4th September, 10:30am – 12:30pm

Program 2: Mondays 17th August – 14th September, 10:00am – 12:00noon

Program 3: Mondays 17th August – 14th September, 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Online via Zoom

Single sessions

Understanding your child's behaviour:
Wednesday 26th August, 11am – 1pm

Building self esteem & resilience:
Wednesday 2nd September, 1pm – 3pm

Bullying – helping your child: Wednesday 9th September, 12noon – 2pm

Communication: Wednesday 9th September, 10am – 12noon

Online via Zoom

For more information or to register-
please contact –
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