



**KEY DATES**

TUE 3 Mar	COLLEGE ATHLETICS DAY
MON 9 Mar	LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
THU 26 Mar	PARENT TEACHER CONVERSATIONS, 3:30PM - 7:00PM
FRI 27 Mar	PARENT TEACHER CONVERSATIONS, 10:00AM - 1:00PM
FRI 27 Mar	END TERM 1



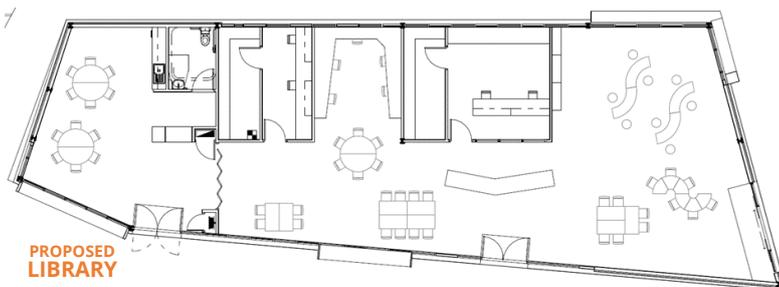
**Michelle Reid**  
Campus Principal

**Message from our Campus Principal**

**Library Project**

After much negotiation we have been told that the builders who have completed all our building works so far, Farnham Developments, have been awarded the tender to build the Library.

They will start work on decommissioning the B block in preparation for demolition from Monday next week. This project is behind schedule by quite a bit now, however should be finished by the end of the year.



**NAPLAN Preparation**

As usual, all students in Year 7 and 9 will participate in the NAPLAN testing program in May. To ensure that students are able to show us what they can do, teachers will give students strategies and tips on test-taking. Please note that we do not teach to the test, instead we build transferable skills including the test taking strategies.



College Principal  
**Anthony Rodaughan**

Campus Principal  
**Michelle Reid—Metcalf**

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

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**Attendance  
Hotline**

**5132 3711**

# Campus News

## Swimming Sports

It was great to see families embracing using Compass to give permission for the swimming carnival last week. Morwell Campus sent the highest number of students to the carnival ever, despite the fairly ordinary weather. The day was enjoyed by almost everyone – students didn't seem to mind the misty rain that fell during morning, and got involved in swimming events and activities.



## Parent/Career/Visitor Parking on School Grounds

Parking to the right of the No Parking sign in the south side carpark is off limits, as it will block access to the fire hydrant and booster. The CFA assures us that, should the need arise; they will simply break windows in any cars blocking access so that they can feed hoses straight through. It seems a little extreme to me, but that's what they said.

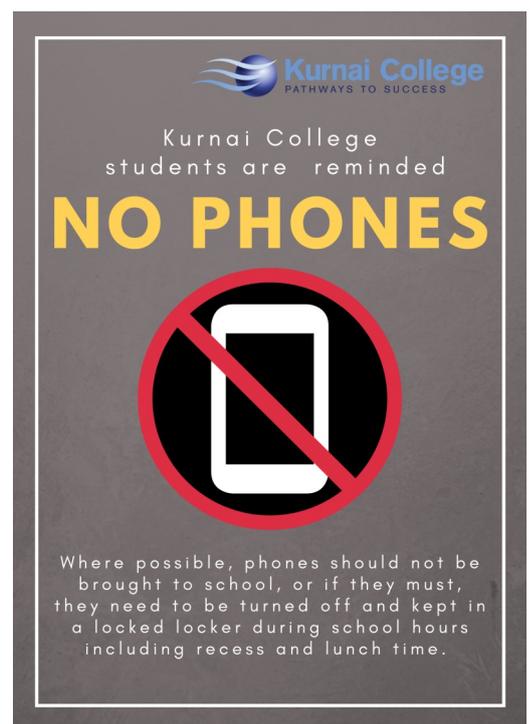
Please also be mindful of pedestrians if you must park on school grounds.

## VISITING THE CAMPUS

It is important for us to know who is in the school at any given time. So we please ask that all visitors report to the General Office and not go directly to other buildings. Our office staff will assist you with your enquiry. If you need to collect your child early, our office staff will arrange for them to come to you in the General Office foyer.

## MOBILE PHONES

Students are managing the "No Phone" policy really well. We now have lockable phone cabinets if students would prefer to have them locked securely during the day instead of leaving them in their regular lockers.



# Campus News

## SCHOOL ATHLETICS

This term Kurnai College will be hosting the Inter-house School Athletics on Tuesday 3rd March. This is a College wide event where all three campuses come together for a day filled with fun and laughs. The events include traditional race events and are used as a trial for interschool athletics, but students are not required to participate if they don't want to. There are several 'fun' events held throughout the day including longest footy kick, costume parades, and more. It is always a fun filled day and we encourage all students to attend and dress in their house colours. Students can find their House colour on Compass (Red, Yellow, Blue or Green). Permission forms are available on Compass, parents are required to provide consent by 11:59pm, Sunday 1st March.




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## P.E. UNIFORM POLICY

At Kurnai College we believe in a holistic approach to Education, including Physical Education. As part of Physical Education we focus on personal hygiene and safety, which requires having a change of clothes, as well as the OHS requirement for students to wear closed toed shoes **at all times**. At Kurnai, we have a College PE uniform, which is essential to be worn in all practical classes.

We have a number of spare College PE uniforms for any student who forgets their own PE uniform to wear for the duration of their lesson. If a student chooses not to take up this option, they will be referred straight to reminder three, which is set out below.

This year we are putting in place a reminder system for all students, about the requirement to be wearing this College PE uniform during all practical classes. This will consist of three reminders per student.

The **first reminder** will be just that. A reminder to bring and wear the College PE uniform, and that further actions will be taken if the student's fail to do so.

The **second reminder** will result in a lunchtime detention with the teacher and/or yard clean up duties during lunchtime as well as a phone call home to follow up with parents.

The **third reminder** will result in the student/teacher of the student having to phone home to organise an after school detention as a result of continued failure to adhere to school policy.

We invite anyone with questions or concerns about this policy to contact any of the Health and PE Staff at Kurnai College to discuss this matter further.

### Health and PE Staff

Alan Schack – Head of Health and PE  
 Ross Johnson – Year 7/8 Assistant Team Leader  
 Denise Cairnduff – Classroom teacher

# SWIMMING Carnival



Once again, Moe Outdoor Pool was the scene for Kurnai College's Inter House Swimming Carnival held on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>, February 2020. While the weather was not ideal, the cool temperature and rain did not dampen the student's spirits and the enthusiasm from all participants went a long way to making the carnival a success.

Students from across the College braved the cold conditions by participating in the various competitive and novelty events. Others simply spent a relaxing day catching up with their friends, or participated in the Best Dressed Competition.

**Forsyth** have maintained their stronghold on the Kurnai College Championship Cup winning for the third consecutive year ahead of runners up **Siddle**.

The Campus experienced its highest participation rate; a credit to all our students, and to our parents for getting onto compass to provide consent for the students to attend.

Overall, the students were happy, smiling and getting along. Comments were made from the teachers regarding the exceptionally well-mannered students. A congratulations to all our competitors and we wish our top performers all the very best at the Wellington Swimming Carnival that will be held later in the term.

These events that bring the College together are rare opportunities to bring together friends from across the campuses in a relaxed environment. With two more similar type events to come this year, the Athletics in a few weeks and the Big Day Out later in June, Kurnai College is looking forward to maintaining positive participation and a friendly atmosphere at these events.

A huge thank you to all of the staff and students from Kurnai College for their efforts; to the Health and Physical Education staff for their professional running of the day; and, to the Latrobe Leisure staff at Moe Outdoor Pool for their assistance and use of such an excellent facility.



## BEST DRESSED

SpongeBob aka Amber Davis





**FORSYTH**  
325 Points



**SIDDLE**  
187 Points



**THORPE**  
166 Points



**FREEMAN**  
149 Points



### AGE GROUP CHAMPIONS

YR 7	Jackson Owens Bailey Ryan	Lendra MacLauchlan
YR 8	Billy Wheatley	Zoe Long
YR 9	Bailey Jones	Jesse Fischer
YR 10	Zac Schill Chan Chanchaeng	Claire Irving
YR 11	Tristyn Blaney Reece Brown	Emma Thompson
YR 12	Vincent Schoutens	Bridget Cain

### INDIVIDUAL RECORDS BROKEN

F YR12 50m Butterfly  
Old record: Bridget Cain (FORS) 30.65  
Bridget Cain (FORS 2019) 31.75

M YR12 50m Butterfly  
Old record: Vincent Schoutens (THOR) 33.69  
Matthew Devonshire (FORS 2016) 56.0

F YR12 50m Freestyle  
Old record: Bridget Cain (FORS) 29.94  
Bridget Cain (FORS 2019) 30.59

M YR12 Flags  
Old record: Tristyn Blaney (SIDL)  
Riley Hogarth (THOR 2014)



## Year 7 & 8 News

### REPORTS

The first round of Learning Behaviour Updates for the year will be released soon. We have already talked with the students about expectations for these reports. The average score, found in the bottom left corner of the report, should be above 3.0 if the student is working to an acceptable standard. Any less than this and you should contact Ross Johnson, Ben Kimpton or I to meet and discuss ways to improve and support your child's learning. The next report after this will be at the end of term alongside Parent Teacher Conversations.

### ATTENDANCE

We have been talking constantly with our students at Year 7 and 8 about their attendance. We have seen a massive increase in the last week of absences for a variety of reasons and it is very important that our students and families take control of improving this. We have told our students that 95% is the best minimum attendance rate they should aim for. This equates to one day off in every four weeks, or roughly two days in a term.

### YEAR 7 CAMP

Forms have gone out this week for our Year 7 Camp at Camp Coolamatong. This is an essential education experience and we strongly encourage all students to participate. The deposit is due at the end of the month, despite the camp not being until June. Please contact us if there are any barriers to your child participating in the camp so that we can work through with you how to resolve those barriers. It is really important to us that all Year 7s attend.

### YEAR 7 PARENT BBQ

We had a great turnout to our family barbecue this week at Morwell Campus. It was great to meet with so many Year 7 families and to see the students and families mingling together in an informal atmosphere. We appreciate the commitment of families to the event despite the terrible weather that came with it. If you have any queries or concerns you weren't able to raise on the night, please get in touch with me to resolve those. Sometimes it's easier to do so via email which you can do through Compass or you can email me directly at [dan.swallow@kurnaicollege.vic.edu.au](mailto:dan.swallow@kurnaicollege.vic.edu.au).



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### YEAR 7 DATES TO REMEMBER



**Monday 9 - Friday 12 June**  
Camp Coolamatong

## Year 9 News

### MORRISBY TESTING

By the end of this week, all students should have been tested to determine where their abilities and qualities lie in regard to the world of work. While most of the permission forms have been returned granting students the opportunity to speak with an external careers mentor, some are still missing. This will mean these students will not get their results until they return their form. A mail out occurred early in the term and a number of students have also taken forms home so they can participate in these conversations. It is great to see so many interested in their future careers!



**Kellie Asmussen**  
Year 9 Team Leader  
asmussen.kellie.a@edumail.vic.gov.au

### Learning Behaviour Reports

Gee, time flies – this week marks the first instalment of learning behaviour reports. These updates provide us with some idea of how students are travelling and whether any more can be done to support them in the classroom or with other areas of their learning. We take these results seriously and those who receive scores below 2.5 will be required to attend an interview to help them create some learning goals that can improve this score.

### Sexual Health

While some students and parents may feel a little uncomfortable about discussing matters relating to sexual health it is never too late to get rid of the taboo and start talking! And, year 9 is definitely a good time to do it! Many students have questions that studies show are best discussed with someone who they trust and see regularly. While their teachers fall into this category and often perform this role, it is essential that communication channels are open. Have that discussion. Visit the doctor together. Or, if it is still too traumatic, make contact to express any concerns and we will try our best to accommodate.

### ATTENDANCE

We continue to focus on the importance of attending absolutely every day as well as how important this is to developing successful learners in the future.

#### Remember:

- 1 day a fortnight missed = 20 days a year = 4 weeks a year = Over 1.5 years of missed learning (P-12)
- 1 day a week missed = 40 days a year = 8 weeks a year = Over 2.5 years of missed learning (P-12)
- 2 days a week missed = 80 days a year = 16 weeks a year = Over 5 years of missed learning (P-12)
- 3 days a week = 120 days a year = 24 weeks a year = Nearly 8 years of missed learning (P-12)

### NAPLAN

Over the coming weeks, students will be exposed to the NAPLAN testing format to ensure they are prepared for the next round of tests in May. This is to help alleviate any anxiety they may feel in the future so they can do their best on the test!

### Organisation

We are currently encouraging all students to be organised by having a timetable that is readily accessible as well as a laptop, workbooks, pens and pencils and uniform. Please make contact if your child needs any support in this area.

### ABSENCES

Please call the 24-hour attendance line if your child is absent from school.



### YEAR 9 DATES TO REMEMBER



**Monday 17 - Friday 28 February**  
Morrisby Testing



**Monday 9th - Friday 20th March**  
Common Assessment Tasks



**Thursday 26th & Friday 27th March**  
Parent Teacher Conversations

## Year 10 News

The staff of the Year 10 team would like to thank all of the students for their great start to the year. The first GPA reports for all students can be found on-line as of Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February. If there are any concerns please contact the Year 10 team.

### TEAM MEMBERS

This year the Year 10 team members are: Sheryl Tangi (Team Leader Maths / Science), Froso Pizzi (Maths and Tr@k), Emma Hudson (English, Tr@k, Media Studies and an Advocate), Megan Schwarzenberg (Food Tech and Textiles and an Advocate), Angela Thomas (Art and Photography) and Michelle Reid-Metcalf (Maths).

### MATHS GROUPS

Last week, the students in Year 10 were divided into 4 Maths groups to assist with building their skills in Algebra depending on their pre-screener results.

### WORK EXPERIENCE

**TERM 2: Monday 20th April to Friday 1st May**

Year 10 Work Experience is a valuable opportunity for students to explore and prepare themselves to experience a range of workplaces. Students take a very proactive role in finding their preferred business for their two-week placement at the end of May.

Students can choose to complete two weeks at the same workplace OR choose two placements (one week each).

The students will be arranging a placement or two during their team-time classes this term. Please contact Sheryl Tangi if you have any issues.

### TASMANIA CAMP (7 – 11 September 2020)

Excursion forms are expected to be handed to all students next week with the cost being approximately \$900. Signed forms together with the DEPOSIT must be returned to the front office before or by the due date to secure a place. Numbers are limited to 60 students across both the Churchill and Morwell campuses so getting your signed forms in WITH the deposit is important in securing your child's place.

The trip includes travelling over by plane and coming back on the Spirit of Tasmania.



### THE YEAR 10 TEAM



## SWIMMING SPORTS

A great day was had by all who attended the swimming sports last week. Good luck to the students who made it to the next round.



## ATTENDANCE

This year we will be trying to increase student attendance rates especially at Year 10. We would really appreciate a phone call to the 24-hour attendance line if your child is absent from school. This helps our attendance officer track students and improve our % attendance for each student. The attendance line is 5132 3711.

## PBS

Students can now receive a cut out on their ticket for showing consistent positive behaviours re the school matrix by their teacher. These tickets once filled in (all 20 cut outs) can cash the ticket in for \$2 at the Canteen etc. Students are also receiving postcards for displaying consistent behaviours for the four school pillars of Excellence, Relationships, Work Ethic and Engagement. This year we will be rewarding students with great attendance to school.

### YEAR 10 DATES TO REMEMBER



**Wednesday 3rd March**  
VCAL, VCE & Kick-Start Talk



**Thursday 4th March**  
Australian Defence Force Talk - Period 4



**Mon 20th April - Fri 1st May**  
Work Experience



**Mon 7th - Fri 11th September**  
Tasmania Camp

### REMINDERS

Students will require a device (please contact us if you need some support).

Students need to be at school by 8:35am.

Students need to be in complete school uniform (please contact us if you need some support).

**NO MOBILES** during school hours

If you have any questions or concerns regarding Year 10 students please don't hesitate to e-mail us or phone on 51650600.

## Kurnai College Four Pillars

**Engagement:** We actively participate in our own learning

**Excellence:** We do the best that we can do

**Work Ethic:** We are committed to working hard

**Relationships:** We value and respect each other

## Calendar of Excursions / Camps

### All Years

Date	Excursion	Cost	Form & Payment Due Date
TUE 3 Mar	College Athletics	\$NIL	1/03/2020

### Year 7

Date	Excursion	Cost	Form & Payment Due Date
TUE 9 - FRI 12 Jun	Camp Coolamatong	\$275	Form Due 27/2/2020

### Year 9

Date	Excursion	Cost	Form & Payment Due Date
FRI 20 - SUN 22 Mar	HPV Wonthaggi	\$70	17/03/2020

### Year 9/10

Date	Excursion	Cost	Form & Payment Due Date
TUE 11, 18, & 25 Feb	Outdoor Education Swim Training	\$NIL	Due Now
WED 11 - FRI 13 Mar	Outdoor Education Surf Camp	\$180	21/2/2020

### Year 10

Date	Excursion	Cost	Form & Payment Due Date
MON 7 - FRI 11 Sep	Tasmania Camp	\$885	Form Due 23/3/2020

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# Music Program



**LEARN TO PLAY A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT**

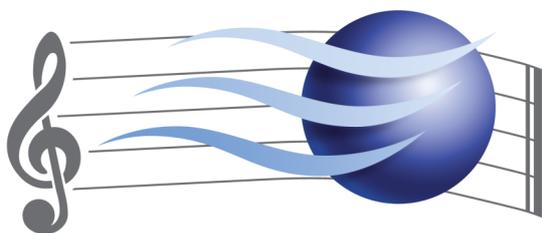
Tuition Available  
 "On the Road Again" Tour  
 College Soirees & Concerts  
 Kurnai's Got Talent  
 Community Events

## Music Program Expressions of Interests

The Music Program caters for students with mixed abilities and interests, whilst providing numerous learning and performance opportunities. Tuition is available for a broad range of instruments, covering all popular woodwind, brass, percussion and stringed instruments.

Students enrolled in the Music Program perform at a variety of events including Kurnai's Got Talent, College Soirees and concerts, the "On the Road Again" Primary Schools tour as well as numerous community events.

If you would like to find out more please print, fill out and submit an expression of interest form or contact Mr Chris Gretton, College Music Coordinator on 51323700.



## **Music Expression of Interest Form**

The following instruments can be taught at Kurnai College:

### **Woodwind**

- Flute
- Clarinet
- Bass Clarinet
- Saxophone



### **Voice**



### **Brass**

- Trumpet/Cornet
- French Horn
- Tenor Horn
- Baritone
- Trombone
- Euphonium
- Tuba



### **Percussion**

- Drum Kit
- Congas
- Glockenspiel
- Xylophone
- Vibraphone
- Timpani



### **Strings**

- Guitar
- Bass Guitar



### **Keyboards**

- Electric Keyboard
- Piano



All of the above musical instruments can be hired from the school if the student does not already have an instrument. Students wanting to learn Percussion need to have their own drum sticks. Percussion, Guitar and Keyboard are not hired.

Contact the Music Director if you have any inquiries.

Please fill in and return bottom slip to Kurnai College

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Campus Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Year Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Instrument wanting to learn: 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

Parents/Guardians Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

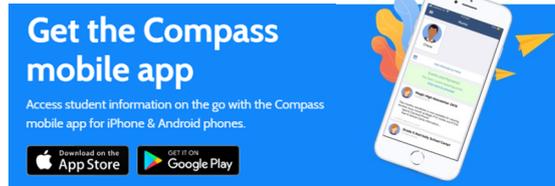
\_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you learnt a musical instrument before? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, what was it? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have your own instrument? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, which instrument? \_\_\_\_\_



We are pleased to introduce you to our online service for families called “Compass”.

Compass provides the school community with a range of facilities which will streamline communication and provide enhanced access to information.

When fully integrated parents will be able to use Compass to:

- **Email address and mobile number** – update your details through the portal. The details listed will be used to send emails and SMS alerts.
- **News feed** – the school will post news to parents to remind you about events and activities at the school. Your news feed will be customised, showing only the information relevant to you and your children.
- **Attendance** – view your child’s attendance online, approve absences, and indicate future absence.
- **Reports** – view your child’s current and past progress and semester reports as an electronic PDF file.
- **Newsletter** – the newsletter will be published on Compass and parents will be able to login to view it each fortnight.
- **Teacher email** – parents will be able to email their child’s teachers directly.
- **Excursions** – approve your child’s participation in excursions and other special events.

#### HOW TO ACCESS COMPASS

1. Download the mobile app onto your phone, or search <https://kurnaicollege-vic.compass.education> in your web browser.
2. Use your unique log-in details that you have received in the mail to log-in. (If you do not have these details, contact the general office).
3. If it is your first time logging in, you will be asked to change your password.
4. Proceed to dashboard to view your student/s profile.

You can access Compass on any internet device, such as a computer, laptop, iPhone and Android Phone.

Parents will play an important role in this initiative. Each family has a unique login for Compass and we ask that parents log in at least once a fortnight to access the newsletter and the news feed. All new families should have received a letter in the mail with their Compass log in details enclosed. If you have not received a letter or if you require any assistance with Compass please contact your campus office.

**WEBSITE** <https://kurnaicollege-vic.compass.education>



# IT'S NOT OK TO BE AWAY

As the new year begins its important to keep in mind that attendance at school is compulsory for all students 17 years of age and under. Every student should be at school, in class learning from the experiences that are carefully provided for them.

Of course there will be times when a student is sick and it is unavoidable to be absent. We fully understand that from time to time illnesses will impact on attendance. So will events outside the control of the student, for example close family bereavement. If these events do occur a parent should provide an explanation to the school through the Absence Hotline.

All studies show that the more time is spent away from school and school work missed the more likely a student will begin to disengage and not perform to their capacity. This will affect future learning and ultimately employment prospects later on.

All parents and guardians should strongly encourage their student to attend school every day. Setting out a regular morning routine will help to make getting to school easier for your student. Remember that IT'S NOT OKAY TO BE AWAY.

## Annual Update Anaphylaxis and Asthma Management Plans

*Does your child have a current Asthma Action Plan or Anaphylaxis Management Plan?*

Whilst your child is attending school and suffers from these medical conditions, it is your responsibility each year to supply the school with updated medical information from your family doctor. This information is retained by the school so that should a medical issue arise the correct medical treatment is administered.

Please contact your family doctor to arrange an updated Management Plan as soon as possible. Once you have the plan please ensure that the school is given this information as soon as possible.



## Kurnai Pillars

### Work Ethic

*'We are committed to working hard'*

### Excellence

*'We do the best we can do'*

### Relationships

*'We value and respect each other'*

### Engagement

*'We actively participate in our own learning'*

## Attendance Hotline

**5132 3711**

# School Council Election 2020 – Open 13 February

Kurnai College School Council Elections will open on 13 February and we ask that you consider being involved.

## What is a school council and what does it do?

All government schools in Victoria have a school council. They are legally constituted bodies that are given powers to set the key directions of a school within state-wide guidelines. In doing this, a school council is able to directly influence the quality of education that the school provides for its students.

## Who is on the school council?

For most school councils, there are four possible categories of membership:

A mandated elected Parent category - more than one-third of the total members must be from this category. Department of Education and Training (DET) employees can be Parent members at their child's school as long as they are not engaged in work at the school.

A mandated elected DET employee category - members of this category may make up no more than one-third of the total membership of school council. The principal of the school is automatically one of these members.

A mandated elected Student member category – members of this category are enrolled at the school and in year 7 or above.

An optional Community member category - members are coopted by a decision of the council because of their special skills, interests or experiences. DET employees are not eligible to be Community members.

Generally, the term of office for all members is two years. The term of office of half the members expires each year, creating vacancies for the annual school council elections.

## Why is Parent membership so important?

Parents on school councils provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills that can help shape the direction of the school.

Those parents who become active on a school council find their involvement satisfying in itself and may also find that their children feel a greater sense of belonging.

## How can you become involved?

The most obvious way is to vote in the elections, which are held in Term 1 each year. However, ballots are only held if more people nominate as candidates than there are positions vacant.

In view of this, you might seriously consider

- standing for election as a member of the school council
- encouraging another person to stand for election.

## Do I need special experience to be on school council?

No. What you do need is an interest in your child's school and the desire to work in partnership with others to help shape the school's future. Members over the age of 18 will require to provide a current Working with Children's Card.

## Why is Student membership so important?

Students have a unique perspective on learning, teaching and schooling. Electing Student members onto school council allows all students to have a say in the future direction of their school and ensures student input into decision making.

Student representation on school councils assists in the development of students' skills, including leadership, skills, and communication skills.

## Does my child need special experience to be on school council?

Each member brings their own valuable skills and knowledge to the role. However, councillors may need to develop skills and acquire knowledge in areas that are unfamiliar to them in order to perform their duties as a councillor.

Student members are encouraged to attend the Department's free face-to-face Improving School Governance school council training to support them to undertake their role. Training is also available online.

## What do you need to do to stand for election?

The principal will issue a Notice of Election and Call for Nominations following the commencement of Term 1 each year. All school council elections must be completed by the end of March unless the usual time line has been varied by the Minister.

If you decide to stand for election, you can arrange for someone to nominate you as a candidate or you can nominate yourself in the Parent / Student / DET category.

DET employees whose child is enrolled in a school in which they are not engaged in work are eligible to nominate for parent membership of the school council at that school.

Once the nomination form is completed, return it to the principal within the time stated on the Notice of Election. You will receive a Nomination Form Receipt in the mail following the receipt of your completed nomination.

Generally, if there are more nominations received than there are vacancies on council, a ballot will be conducted during the two weeks after the call for nominations has closed.

## Remember

- Ask at the school for help if you would like to stand for election and are not sure what to do.
- Consider standing for election to council this year. Be sure to vote in the elections.

Contact your Campus principal for further information.

# 2020 SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTION PROCESS & TIMETABLE



Name of the School: Kurnai College

a)	Notice of election and call for nominations	Thursday, 13 February, 2020
b)	Closing date for nominations	Thursday, 20 February, 2020
c)	Date by which the list of candidates and nominators will be posted	Friday, 21 February, 2020
d)	Date by which ballot papers will be prepared and distributed	On or before Friday, 28 February, 2020
e)	Close of ballot	Thursday, 5 March, 2020
f)	Vote count	Friday, 6 March, 2020
g)	Declaration of poll	Friday, 6 March, 2020
h)	Special council meeting to coopt Community members (the principal will preside)	Tuesday, 10 March, 2020
i)	First council meeting to elect office bearers (the principal will preside)	Tuesday, 10 March, 2020

## SECONDARY SCHOOL VACCINATIONS IN SCHOOLS in 2020

The Secondary School Vaccine Program offers free vaccines to Year 7 and 10 students. These vaccines provide protection against: Diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis (whooping cough) – one dose for year 7 students

Human Papillomavirus (HPV) – two doses for year 7 students

Meningococcal A,C,W,Y – one dose for year 10 students

Parents/guardians of year 7 and 10 students should look out for the vaccine consent card booklet coming home from school with your child. You need to read the information, complete and return the card regardless of whether your child is being vaccinated at school.

The Latrobe City immunisation service may contact you about the Secondary School Vaccine Program. Schools are authorised to provide basic parent/guardian contact details to local councils for this purpose. Contact the school by 28 February 2019 if you do not want your contact details given to the Latrobe City immunisation service.

To learn more about the Secondary School Vaccine Program, the vaccines, the diseases they protect against, or how you can prepare your child for vaccination, go to [betterhealth.vic.gov.au](http://betterhealth.vic.gov.au)

Additionally, the Commonwealth government is funding vaccinations for all children under 20 years of age who missed any scheduled vaccines, including a catch up program for Meningococcal ACWY vaccine for adolescents aged 15-19 years of age who have not already received the vaccine in school. If students have missed vaccines, either in childhood or adolescence, and require catch-up vaccines, they should speak with their immunisation provider. (ie. local council or GP).

# Novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV)

Factsheet for school students and children

## Cornavirus Symptoms

### Last updated 29 January 2020

An outbreak of novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV) was detected in Wuhan, China in late December 2019. Cases have been reported predominantly in the city of Wuhan, in the Hubei province of China, as well as some other Chinese cities and countries, including two confirmed cases in Victoria, Australia.

### What is this virus?

Coronaviruses can make humans and animals sick. Some coronaviruses can cause illness similar to the common cold and others can cause more serious diseases, including Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) and Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS).

The virus seen in Hubei Province, China is called 'novel' because it is new. It has not been detected before this outbreak. Most people infected live in, or travelled to, Hubei Province, China. There have been cases of 2019-nCoV reported in other Chinese provinces and other countries. It is likely that the virus originally came from an animal, and there is now evidence that it can spread from person-to-person.

### What are the symptoms?

Symptoms can include fever, cough, sore throat, or shortness of breath. Symptoms can take up to 14 days to develop.

### What if my child is well, and returning to school after being in Hubei province, China or other countries with cases in the last 14 days?

**All students and staff members who have travelled to Hubei Province, China, are advised to stay at home and avoid public settings, including attendance at schools and early learning centres, until 14 days after last being in Hubei province, China.**

Children and staff who are well and have travelled to other provinces in China, or any other areas where there have been reported cases, are NOT recommended to be excluded from schools and child care services unless the following applies:

- The person is a confirmed case of novel coronavirus
- The person is a close contact with a confirmed case of novel coronavirus in the past 14 days

### What if my child feels sick now or within 14 days of being in Hubei Province, China or another part of China?

- If your child has a cough, sore throat or shortness of breath, they must be excluded from school and be reviewed by a doctor.
- Seek medical attention but first place a mask on the student if you have one and call the doctor or hospital before you attend. Tell them your child has been in Hubei province, China, or the location of travel within China.
- When you get to the hospital or doctor's clinic, tell them where your child has travelled in China and whether this included Hubei Province. Ensure a mask is placed on your child before or as soon as you arrive at the medical facility.

If your child has severe symptoms, such as shortness of breath:

- Call 000 and request an ambulance, and
- Inform the paramedics where your child has been in China.

### How can I help prevent the spread of 2019-nCoV?

Practising good hand and sneeze/cough hygiene is the best defence. The most important actions are:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water
- Cough and sneeze into your elbow

### Where can I get more information?

For Victorian updates to the current incident, go to: <https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/novelcoronavirus>

For national updates: <https://www.health.gov.au/news/latest-information-about-novel-coronavirus>

For international updates: <https://www.who.int/westernpacific/emergencies/novel-coronavirus>

WHO resources <https://www.who.int/health-topics/coronavirus>

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**Fever**



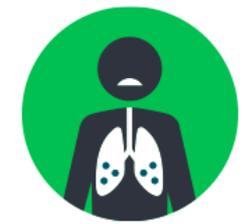
**Runny Nose**



**Sore Throat or Cough**



**Headache**



**Difficulty Breathing**

# RITCHIES

## Where the Community Benefits



When shopping at Ritchies and using a community benefit card linked to Kurnai College, Ritchies will donate money back to us. These cards can be used at ANY Ritchies IGA store, supermarket or liquor throughout VIC, NSW and QLD by any of our staff, students and their families/grandparents.

If you would like to support us and you don't already have a CB card please collect one at the registers next time you shop at ANY Ritchies store to use every time you shop. All you do is nominate Kurnai College, It's that easy!

To date our school has received \$10,969.24 in donations from Ritchies.

Spread the word to shop at Ritchies and we'll look forward to donating more money back to your school!

Here is a list of our store locations in Victoria. The Ritchies Community Benefit Card or Key tag can be used at **ANY** of these supermarkets or liquor departments.

Check our website: [www.ritchies.com.au](http://www.ritchies.com.au) for phone numbers and addresses of the following stores or ring Head Office on (03) 9784 2000.

Victoria				
Aspendale Gardens	Camperdown	East Bentleigh	N/W Amberley Park	Timboon
Bairnsdale	Cobden	Emerald	Paynesville	Sorrento
Balnarring	Cobram	Hastings	Ringwood North	Towerhill Frankston
Beach Street Frankston	Churchill	Maffra	Rowville	Wantirna
Beechworth	Cranbourne	Mount Eliza	Sale	Wonthaggi
Bright	Diamond Creek	Mount Waverley	Seaford	Yarra Glen
Carrum Downs	Dromana	Narre Warren	Somerville	Yarrawonga

**ROLL UP**  
BOWLS VICTORIA

**DETAILS:**  
Tuesday March 3, 10, 17 and 24 from 4:30pm - 5:30pm in the Traralgon Bowls Club indoor centre.

**MORE INFO:**  
Contact Matt (Bowls Coordinator) on (03) 5174 2156 or [bowls@traralgonbowls.com.au](mailto:bowls@traralgonbowls.com.au) or visit [www.traralgonbowls.com.au/roll-up](http://www.traralgonbowls.com.au/roll-up)

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**2020 INDOOR WINTER NETBALL COMPETITION**

**VENUE:** Latrobe Leisure Centre, McDonald Street Morwell

**START DATE:** Tuesday 21 April 2020. 12 week season plus 3 weeks finals

**SECTIONS:** 11&U, 13&U, 15&U, 17&U/Open combined and Introduction to netball skills sessions (age 6-9)

**COME ALONG AND GIVE NETBALL A TRY:**  
Tuesday 17 March 2020. Ages 6-9 and 11&U at 4:00pm, 13&U at 5:00pm, 15&U and 17&U/Open combined at 6:00pm

**REGISTRATION:** Tuesday 24 March 2020 5:00pm to 6:00pm at Latrobe Leisure Centre, McDonald Street Morwell

**CONTACT:** Jennie Bailey ph:0427 671 864, Lee Blair ph:0481 142 998 or Amanda Noblett ph:0427 048 610

All coaches must have current Netball Victoria Membership and Working with Children Check

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