



Kurnai College
PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS

Newsletter

September 2018

Message from College Principal

G'day everyone,

The year is getting away from us, it's already Footy Finals time. In footy speak our students are entering the last quarter and our senior students are in time on! With only a few weeks of scheduled classes for our Year 12's I want to encourage everyone to get behind them as they finish off.

For VCE students there are lectures and practice exams and the need for revision is paramount. Let's support them as the pressure builds in the lead up to exams. For our VCAL students, the workforce or further study sits on their horizon; both offer challenges as well as opportunities. These are daunting times as our young adults begin to shape their future – they all need our support and encouragement.

Here at Kurnai we are already deep into planning for next year and our eyes are firmly set on continuing the work to lift the outcomes of every student.

Our 'Targeted Reading Program' at both junior campuses is starting to gather momentum and our Year 7 students have benefited from the two English and Mathematics teachers in their classes this year.



We will continue with this plan to ensure our Year 7's get the best possible start top secondary school.

I will be on leave for the first part of next term and Matt Jobling will be Acting College Principal during this time. I hope the end of this term is a positive one especially for our senior students.

I look forward to catching up with all of the news when I return in November!

Bye for now

Anthony



Is your child's Asthma Action Plan or Anaphylaxis Management Plan up to date??

Annual Update Anaphylaxis and Asthma Management Plans

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.

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University Campus News

This year, the SRC team have had an interest in establishing lunchtime activities for students. Term 2 saw the first of these; a chess tournament organised and facilitated by Nathan Britt. The goal of the tournament was to encourage communication between students of different social groups, and to potentially increase the popularity of board/strategy games.

Sixteen students entered the tournament, with the promise of recognition of unlimited awesomeness going to the victor (and a cash prize). Games are played in a series of rounds – each round seeing two competitors playing a 15-minute game of chess, with the winner elevated to the next round, and the loser eliminated (but we are all winners, really). Currently, there are five students remaining, and only four more games to determine the champion.

The tournament games have been played in the school

library, often with a small crowd of interested onlookers. While chess will never have as large a following as most ball sports, it is refreshing to see that many students know (some of) the rules, and that this tournament provides an opportunity for people to demonstrate an area of expertise that may not have other outlets. Following the tournament, it is hoped that more students will develop an interest in chess, and lunchtime sessions may be organised to teach the rules of the game, as well as some strategic motifs.

Congratulations to all participants in the tournament and to the SRC for creating this opportunity.

- Written by Nathan Britt



Churchill Campus News

Health Week

During Week 3 Churchill Campus held its very first Health Expo for students. Students participated in many school incursions where local organisations presented information on how to be healthy, both physically and mentally.

We have a strong relationship with the Proactive Policing Unit and so they jumped at the chance to continue that positive relationship building when they spoke to our Year 7 and 8 students about their role in the community and how they aim to reduce risk taking behaviour amongst adolescents.

Year 10 students had presentations by Red Frogs who educate students on how to be safe in party environments. Year 9 & 10 students were fortunate to have Nelly Thomas, an acclaimed comedian present "The Talk" to students from Morwell and Churchill Campuses at the Italian/Australian Club.

"The Talk" was an entertaining and interactive presentation which educated students regarding sexual safety and healthy relationships.

The week ended with a healthy lunch and a colour fun run. Staff and students had a great time and are looking forward to the next one!



Morwell Campus News

Redevelopment Update

Representatives from our Morwell Campus recently met with the newly appointed supervising architect for Stage 2 of the Rebuild Project.

Although this project will not commence until early 2020, we are keen to begin preparations as soon as possible.

Stage 2 includes a new library facility that will contain all the current features, as well as a community room and classroom space that can be separated from the remainder of the building by an operable wall. This space will be available for community organisations to hire, and will incorporate a kitchenette and separate toilets making it ideal for meetings and other gatherings.

Also included in this stage is the administration wing. This will house Campus and College office personnel, as well as College well-being staff, together with The Smith Family.

Meanwhile, Stage 1 is well on track, with the handover of parts of this stage anticipated to be in December, with the remainder handed over in January ready for the 2019 school year.

Demolition of the current science rooms and F-Block will also commence in January, with all asbestos being removed prior to students and staff returning for the academic year.



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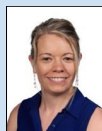
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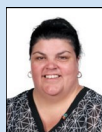
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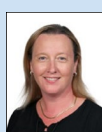
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Calendar of Events

Kurnai Pillars

College Wide Events

Date	Event
September 21	Last day Term 3
October 8	First day Term 4

Work Ethic

'We are committed to working hard'

Churchill Campus

Date	Event
September 10 - 14	Year 10 Tasmania Camp
September 20	Parent Teacher Conversations 3:30pm - 7:30pm
September 21	Parent Teacher Conversations 10am - 1pm

Excellence

'We do the best we can do'

Morwell Campus

Date	Event
September 10 - 14	Year 10 Tasmania Camp
September 13	Grounded Excursion Collingwood
September 20	Parent Teacher Conversations
September 21	Parent Teacher Conversations 10am - 1pm

Relationships

'We value and respect each other'

University Campus

Date	Event
September 3 - 7	Dental Van at University Campus
September 12	VET Rock Climbing Melbourne
September 25	Exam Revision Lectures Berwick

Engagement

'We actively participate in our own learning'

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