

#### **KEY DATES**

June 21 & 22 Debutante Balls

June 29 End of Term 2 - Buses to run an hour earlier

July 16 First Day of Term 3

31 Oct - 21 Nov Year 12 VCE exams

22 Nov - 28 Nov Year 11 exams

23 Nov Year 12 Graduation Dinner

3 Dec - 14 Dec Headstart





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# Message from Campus Principals

#### Hello Everyone,

Welcome to Semester 2. All VCE unit 2 and unit 4 classes have started this week. VCAL students will make the changeover at the start of next term. For Year 12 students it is a particularly important few months coming up. VCE students will be finishing the last part of course work leading into revision sessions and the exams starting on 31st October. VCAL students have mock interviews coming up and will be completing their certificate requirements before moving onto the next step of their career pathway at the end of Term 3. For some that will be apprenticeships or traineeships, for others they are looking for work or have jobs waiting for them. For all Year 12 students it is a very important time as they finish their secondary education. If parents have concerns during this time please don't hesitate to contact principals, advocates or teachers.

Last Wednesday all students studying a 3/4 VCE subject were required to sit the General Achievement Test (GAT). The GAT provides a fall back if something happens to students before or during the end of year exams which makes it impossible for students to sit the exam. Although not compulsory we were pleased with the high level of involvement and the mature approach which was evident with most students who sat the test. Thanks to Cassie Keevers (our VCE coordinator) and Deb Bass (the chief exam organiser) for the work done in making the day relatively seamless.

As a school we are involved in numerous community groups with the view of improving the way things are done in our community. One of these very important groups in the La Trobe Youth Network. This network, which meets monthly, is led by Andrew Legge from Latrobe City and comprises people from different schools, Victoria Police, Berry Street, Headspace, Fed Training, DHHS, The Smith Family and the Department Of Justice.

Representatives from Kurnai College have been attending and contributing strongly to the conversations at the meetings which always focus on the youth of the Latrobe Valley area and how we as a network group can influence youth matters. There have been many instances where because of our involvement in the network we have been able to attract benefits for our students and the area. There have also been many times where we have had to defend our students who may have been involved in behaviour which was less than acceptable. Overall we see benefit in continuing with the network and work hard to have a say in things that will affect the youth of the Valley, our students.

Geoff & Nello

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Anthony Rodaughan

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# Congratulations to our Positive Behaviour Support Recipients

#### Work Ethic

Mary Tarrant Hayden Drinkin Ally McGown Shannon Freeman Sophie Didjuries Taylah Whelan George Eric Haleigh Lenser Kelsey Evans **Precious Doherty** Arie Hendrikse Hayden Edwards Toby Williamson Arie Hendrikse **Grady Long** Chelsey Brazier Heidi Gaudion

Matthew Pollutro

**Josh Bloomfield** 

## Excellence

Shinaye Jenkins Blair Motta **Lucy Bertrond** Rachel Strancl Brittany Jewel Mitchell Fortuin Kyle Hearn Frank Lin Dwayne Yao Oscar Ewen Hannah Dal Pozzo Cheyane D'Alia **Mary Tarrant** Nyapany Duach Claire Nowosielski Ashleah Monaghan Nyabiey Jiath

Patrick Adams

# Relationships

Keely Longmore
Lara Radford
Paula Hendrikse
Bailey Flanigan
Adrian Lawrence
Bree Mollard
Rachael Pendlebury
Natalie Butler

## Engagement

Chloe Medew

Aphinan Pewngam
Mathew Ounjit
James Wellsmore
Zac Whelan
Theona Penfold
Bradley Wilson
Zoran Winkelman
Alisha Brabazon
Chloe Schonberger
Joshua Thatcher
Zac Whelan
Aphinan Pewngam
Mathew Ounjit
Mitch Bremner
Matthew Rhodes



## **VCAL News**



## VCAL Sport Term 2

During the course of the term, the VCAL sport class have done many different and exciting activities on a Monday. We have visited a number of community groups and sporting clubs around our local area to learn some great skills.

#### We have been to;

- Lawn Bowls at the Morwell Bowls Club
- Jump and Climb in Traralgon
- Croquet at the Morwell Croquet Club
- Gym classes at the Leisure Centre
- Bocce at the Italian Australian Club
- AFL fitness testing
- Golf at the Latrobe Valley Golf Driving Range

Along with meeting some great people, we have learnt a lot and really enjoyed ourselves. We have learnt how a community group works and what a magnificent atmosphere it is. At each activity, we had some mentors teaching us how to play and some techniques. I personally, had a great experience at the golf as the mentor had explained what I was doing incorrectly with my technique. I corrected them and I was getting some really good hits.

We would like to thank all the community groups and volunteers for taking their time of the day and providing us with some wonderful experiences!



## VCAL News Contd....

# Visiting the most liveable city

Year 11 VCAL students recently visited Melbourne to find out what it's like to live as one of the most disadvantaged people in the most liveable city in the world. Students heard from Urban Seed and went on a learning walk to explore the areas and streets of Melbourne that many people call "home". The Urban Seed walk helped to improve students understanding of mental health, stereotyping, addiction and homelessness. In Literacy students have been focusing on the themes of community, giving and kindness. They have been looking at a variety of community issues and this excursion gave them an opportunity to see how these issues impact on people first hand and how services are trying to help lessen the impact.





## VCAL News Contd....

#### Great news in VCAL



Matt Lindsay who is completing Structured Workplace Learning at Bunnings Morwell recently won the Bunnings Staff Health and Safety award for the month. This was in recognition of his safe work practices while working there on Wednesdays. Great work Matt!



Year 12 student Kyle Hearn has secured an apprenticeship with J Smith Motors as a first year apprentice. Over the last 18 months Kyle has worked hard in VCAL through his on campus studies along with his VETis Auto and Structured Work placements. He has also been an active member of SRC and represented the College through sport and other activities. Congratulations, Hearny and good luck!



Year 12 student Tom Green has been pursuing his passion and dream recently in Barcelona, Spain competing at the Extreme Barcelona International Scooter Association World Finals. Tom has had to work hard to balance his studies and training. We wish Tom the best of luck as he chases his dreams.

## Kurnai Kafe





Don't forget you can pre-order before school or at recess.

Toasties available before school every morning for \$1. Coffee and hot chocolates \$3.00 before school and recess.

## VCAL News Contd....

On Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> of June the year 10 VCAL students visited Federation Training in Newborough. We went to see the different departments and the VETis subjects available for us to study in 2019. The plumbing, carpentry and automotive areas were very popular and interesting. The day helped us to narrow down which areas we would like to study further.



# **Cross Country**

"Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June saw bright clear skies and sunshine, along with a fiercely cold breeze to encourage competitors at Lardner Park for the Gippsland Region Cross Country.

Kurnai College was represented by four students who had earned their way to this stage via their individual performances in the Wellington Region Cross Country held in Yarram the previous week.

Claire Irving and Kayley Answerth competed in the Girls 14 years category.

Claire finished runner up in a time of 11 minutes 41 seconds – 7 seconds behind the winner.

Kayley finished in  $40^{\text{th}}$  position with her time 15 minutes 26 seconds.

Dylan Dunstall competed in the Boys 14 years category, finishing in 38<sup>th</sup> position among a large pack of finishers at the same time of 12 minutes 14 seconds.

Bridget Cain finished runner up in the Female 17-20 years category, with a time of 11 minutes 22 seconds – 10 seconds behind the overall winner.

A massive congratulations to these four students on not only their performances during the race – which were all very strong fields - but also on their sportsmanship with fellow competitors across the entire day.

Another congratulations to Bridget and Claire on Qualifying for the Victorian Cross Country Championships to be held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July in Melbourne!"



# Calendar of Excursions / Camps

All Years			
Excursion Date	Excursion	Cost	Form & Payment Due
July 8 - 13	Mt Hotham Snow Camp	\$1450.00	CLOSED
July 16 - Sept 17 Every Monday	VCAL Sports - Term 3	\$75	28 June
July 24	Gippsland Tech School	\$0	\$0
July 26	EAL Excursion to ACMI	\$0	July 17
July 26	Naidoc Celebration	\$0	July 24
8 Nov	Aime Programme	\$0	CLOSED

# \*\*\*Attention all Year 12 students\*\*\*

Year 12 Graduation Dinner and Dance - SAVE THE DATE- Friday November 23, 2018

# PHOTOS REQUIRED!

Year 12s, as part of a special DVD presentation at the Year 12 graduation, <u>1 Toddler photo is required.</u>



Digital images only. Example of photo – facing front and no obstructions covering the face. Resolution 300dpi and Save as Jpeg file only.

#### **Details**

Photos that work best are those in which you are facing the camera with your eyes <u>open</u>. It is also better if there are no obstructions in front of your face e.g. a dummy, a hand, sunglasses, toy etc. Also, avoid photos that have other people in them.

Suitable age is 3 – 6 yrs. (Kinder photos work best)

If you don't have a digital copy or access to a scanner you can bring the photo to school to scan it.

Please ensure you clearly identify your photo by including your full name.

#### **IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS**

When scanning: Select resolution of 300 DPI

When saving: Select JPEG format. DO NOT SAVE IN ANY OTHER FORMAT

EMAIL photos and queries regarding the year 12 graduation to: Kallitsa Yiannacou at the email address below:

GraduationPhotos@kurnaicollege.vic.edu.au

# Short period Homestay Families Required

Kurnai College will be hosting two short term Chinese Study tours during Term 3 this year as part of our International Program. We are looking for families who would be interested in hosting a Chinese student/s for up to a week.

While at Kurnai, the students will participate in a mix of English Language classes located at the University Campus and immersion classes at the Junior Campuses. These classes will be followed up by organised afternoon activities within the local area.

The Homestay is to provide a welcoming, nurturing and safe environment for young students, as it will likely be the first time these students have been out of China. If possible, it may pay to consider having two students billeted with your family making it less daunting and easier for both you and the students.

Hosting an international student is very rewarding and offers a wonderful opportunity to learn about a new culture and share our Australian way of life. This would be a great opportunity to consider for our students who are currently studying Mandarin or have/will be participating in our trips to China.

Host families are paid a nominal fee of \$30.00 per night per student, which is to assist with food, accommodation and transportation as required for students that are living with them.

The anticipated dates for these visits are:

 $31^{st}$  July –  $6^{th}$  August - Students from Yiting & Heyetang Middle School from Hang Zhou (Yrs. 7 & 8)  $6^{th}$  August -  $9^{th}$  August - Students from Xinhe Middle School from Hang Zhou (Yrs. 10 & 11)

If you are interested or want more information please contact Corine Noblet on (03) 51 323 800 or noblet.corine.i@edumail.vic.gov.au.

Or complete the below form and return it your General Office.

Or please contact me on this number to get more information

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	Expres	sion of Interest	form
I, Kurnai College in being a	·		(student's name) are interesting in assisting
The dates that suit our f	amily are:		
[ ] 31 <sup>st</sup> July – 6 <sup>th</sup> August	[ ] 6 <sup>th</sup> Au	igust – 9 <sup>th</sup> August	
We would like to have:		[ ] 2 students [ ] female stude	nt/s