

THU 13 Feb	COLLEGE SWIMMING SPORTS
TUE 3 Mar	COLLEGE ATHLETICS DAY
MON 11 Mar	LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
FRI 27 Mar	END TERM 1



Message from Campus Principal - Geoff Block

Hello Everyone.

Welcome to 2020. It has been a full week now and already students are asking me when the first term holidays will be starting. 2019 finished on a high with good results for our Year 12 VCE students and positive outcomes for our VCAL students with most gaining entry into employment, apprenticeships or further training at TAFE.

2020 has begun smoothly thanks to the efforts of students and staff. The concerns that the new phone policy would cause difficulties have been unfounded with the vast majority of students staying off their phones during the school day. Not one phone has been confiscated during a class and only a small number have been taken during lunchtime or recess. I'm not saying that all students are happy with the policy, but certainly when you walk around the campus, I can see that students are less distracted in classes without their phones.

There is only one new staff member at the University Campus in 2020 with Di Zomer being replaced by Stacey Miller as the supervisor of the Study Hall. I'd like to thank Di for her work in the last few years and welcome Stacey to Kurnai.

The mention of study hall has reminded me, please encourage your student to make use of the study sessions that are available on Tuesday and Thursday after school. Chips on Tuesday, pizza on Thursday and teachers and tutors on both days to give students any extra help they need.

If parents have questions or concerns about what is happening here this year please don't hesitate to contact me at school on 5132 3800. Happy to be told if you think we are doing something well too J

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Campus Principal Geoff Block

General News



SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos were taken on the morning of Tuesday 4th February. Students were required to bring back their photo form with correct payment on the day, to give to the photographer. If your child did not hand in a form, orders can still be made online with the unique School ID code that can be found on the order form. Spare forms are available at the General Office. ORDERS: www.theschool.photographer.com.au

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

This term Kurnai College will be hosting the School Swimming Carnival on Thursday 13 February. This is a College wide events 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 swimming, but students are not required to swim if they don't want to. There are several 'fun' events held throughout the day including tube races, lilo races, 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). Consent must be provided by parents via Compass. Parents are required to provide consent by Monday 10th February.





Calendar of Excursions / Camps

Excursion Date	Excursion	Cost	Form & Payment Due
11 Feb	WELLINGTON CRICKET	NIL	11/2/2020
12 Feb - 24 Jun	VCAL YEAR 10 WORK PLACEMENT	NIL	10/2/2020
13 Feb	COLLEGE SWIMMING SPORTS	NIL	10/2/2020
19 Feb	SPORT & REC PLACEMENT	NIL	14/2/2020
5 Mar	SUPREME COURT	\$20	3/3/2020

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Attention ALL 2020 Year 11 and 12 students

Would you like to attend the Mt Hotham Camp in 2020?

Mt Hotham is a well-known ski resort approximately 4-5 hours drive from Churchill via Omeo. The main activities undertaken on the camp will be downhill skiing and/or snowboarding.

The camp will run from Sunday 5th July to Friday 10th July. Students will be staying at a Ski Lodge located at the top of the mountain. The total cost of the camp will be **approximately** \$1650.00 which includes:

- Resort entries
- Accommodation
- All meals
- Lift pass
- Lessons daily
- Night skiing on Wednesday evening
- Ski/Snowboard Hire including carve skis, boots and poles or board and boots
- Transport to and from Mount Hotham
- Hotham hoodie jumper

Students will need to pay a deposit of \$300 if they would like to secure a position for the camp by 24/2/2020. We have organised a payment plan in an effort to give families the opportunity to finalise the full payment by 2.00pm on Friday 26th June 2020. While we understand this is an expensive camp we strongly believe that this is the most economical way of giving students the opportunity to participate in Alpine Snow sports. All students who participate in this camp will come home exhausted and thoroughly satisfied with their experiences, bubbling with stories of the thrills and spills they encountered.

In order for this camp to proceed we require a minimum of 16 students to attend and will cap the attendance at 18 students. In the event of us not receiving enough interest, we will have to cancel this camp and, in this instance only, your deposit will be refunded.

Students are expected to have a good behaviour history and an average or above average fitness level. Parents will be notified if their child is in danger of losing their invitation to camp due to poor behaviour at school. These decisions will be made by the Principal, in consultation with the advocate team and Camp Coordinator.

Additional information will be provided to your child as time gets closer to ensure your child is properly equipped for the camp. Their safety and comfort will depend on this. If students don't have the required equipment they may be able to borrow a snow jacket and pants or alternatively this clothing can be hired from Mt Hotham.

Ambulance membership is highly recommended as a trip in an ambulance from Mt Hotham can cost thousands of dollars if you are a non-member. We also recommend travel insurance for an additional cost.

If you have any further queries, please contact Mrs Candy White, the Camp Coordinator at the University Campus on 5132 3800.

The link below provides a video of students attending a camp to Mt Hotham. Please visit the below link to gain a greater understanding of what adventures you will get up to if you decide to attend the Mt Hotham camp in 2020.

https://vimeo.com/143574333

Kind regards, Candy White.



Welcome back!

You have just come back to school and if you are reading this, chances are that you are thinking about exploring your career and pathway options. It's never too early to start thinking about career ideas, researching your options, developing a career action plan, or simply having a discussion with your Career Adviser.

If you are in Year 12, it is essential that you discuss your options with the key people in your life as soon as possible. Have no idea what you would like to do when you leave school? No stress! Don't delay seeing your Career Adviser- now is the perfect time. Not sure what to say? Don't worry- it's their job to guide you and open up possibilities you may not have considered before.

As a starting point, if you are interested in studying at university or TAFE in the future, it's important you attend open days and plan out your course interests early.

If you are interested in pursuing a traineeship or apprenticeship pathway, it is important that you gain as much industry experience as possible. You can undertake work experience once you turn 15 years old.

Seeing your Career Adviser early in the year is important to ensure you can get organised early and to be able to start making links with local employers.

Please read the Weekly Career News each week to ensure you keep up to date with upcoming career events and key dates.

Happy reading!

Casual employment

You can sign up for employment opportunities at the following websites:

Coles	https://bit.ly/383OETN
IGA Supermarkets	https://bit.ly/382p4yw
KFC	https://bit.ly/33N7mM1
Woolworths	https://bit.ly/2RptgTp
Hungry Jacks	https://bit.ly/2qkwIU8
Kmart	https://bit.ly/2Y8U2Rd
Target	https://bit.ly/2qZ76MZ
McDonalds	https://bit.ly/380Uvtb
Bunnings	https://bit.ly/2LfB2Ls
Donut King	https://bit.ly/2YbqYly
Boost Juice	https://bit.ly/2P36v4I
Red Rooster	https://bit.ly/2Lf35Le
Myer	https://bit.ly/2sHiEov
Cotton On	https://bit.ly/2LjebPj
Sportsgirl	https://bit.ly/2RfT2cC
Officeworks	https://bit.ly/361GkCp
Арсо	https://bit.ly/33F09xz

About 80% of all job vacancies aren't advertised, so it is crucial that you market yourself to businesses with an excellent resume and cover letter. Make sure you tell as many people as possible that you are looking for work as often employers rely on 'word of mouth' to recruit for their positions.

Job seeking resources: For excellent job seeking tips, and resume/cover letter templates, check out the resources at Youth Central- https://bit.ly/2DIg04a

Rights and responsibilities - know your rights and responsibilities when starting a new job - https://bit.ly/2SggKUP

Tax File Number (TFN): If you don't have a TFN, you will need to apply for one via the Australian Tax Office - https://bit.ly/37VdCnP

Work Experience

The Florey Institute: The Institute at Melbourne offers a week of work experience for secondary students interested in neuroscience, brain diseases and disorders, biomedical science, mental health and medicine etc.

Currently the work experience program is closed for applications, but a second round may be offered in September 2020. Please bookmark https://bit.ly/37V6CHT for updates.

Cost: families are responsible for all costs associated with the experience such as transport and accommodation.

Information: www.florey.edu.au/



Work Experience Directory: Students can bookmark the Work Experience Directory website and check regularly for work experience opportunities. You will need to create an account and you can then search for opportunities in your area. Go to https://bit.ly/2sDABUN

Australian Defence Force: to keep up to date with work experience opportunities for secondary school students, bookmark the following link - https://bit.ly/2OpQeaF

Parents – School to Work Resources

Supporting your child in preparing for the world of work after school can be a challenge. Casualisation and globalisation of work force, automation and rapid advances in technology will all have an impact in your child's navigation of the world of work.

The Australian Government has developed resources to support parents through their new Future Ready Career Education Portal. To access the resources, go to https://bit.ly/2Ok0wsL

Competition – Filmmaking

Calling all High School film makers: As part of their annual Martini Film Festival & Awards, JMC Academy hosts the High School Mocktail Film Awards. To enter, you will need to submit a short film (e.g., film, documentary, animation, television commercial, film clip) by Sunday 5 April. To find out more and to submit your film, go to https://bit.ly/3b8u2eN



Interested in studying at university in the future?

The Good Universities Guide has released ratings and rankings of Australian university undergraduate courses. You can compare ratings from the following categories:

- Learner engagement
- Learning resources
- Overall quality
- Skills development
- Student support
- Teaching quality
- Graduate salary
- Getting a job.

To access the ratings and compare results between universities, visit https://bit.ly/2RSvASt

Charles Sturt University

Explore Days: for secondary students in Years 10 – 12. Learn about courses at Charles Sturt University, participate in workshops, and speak to course advisers. Albury-Wodonga – 24 March and Wagga Wagga – 31 March, https://bit.ly/2ul20w3

Doctor of Medicine: the first intake for the Doctor of Medicine will be in 2021. Find out about entry requirements and the admissions process at an information session running in March and April, https://bit.ly/2ul20w3

Interested in pursuing an apprenticeship or traineeship?

Even though you have just started the schooling year, your planning should start now. Australian Apprenticeship Pathways have developed an excellent four-step guide to assist you to start planning - http://bit.ly/2E2R7T2

Read through Step One and take the work type explorer quiz, download the AusAppPathways app to your phone, and complete practice aptitude quizzes to ascertain the level of literacy and numeracy skills you will need for different occupations.

You can also do the following during the year to prepare for an apprenticeship:

Meet with your Career Adviser to start planning your professional trade career

Undertake work experience in several fields or with several employers in the same field. See your Career Adviser for information on how to organise work experience.

Contact industry leaders and associations in your fields of interest to ask questions.

Contact local apprenticeship centres and/or group training organisations to ask their advice on what makes a competitive apprenticeship applicant. Use the following website to locate organisations in your local area http://bit.ly/2rdQlci

Work hard in your English and Mathematics classes and VET/technology/science subjects if relevant. With advances in technology occurring across all apprenticeship fields, it will be crucial that you can read and interpret complex information and instructions, and adapt to changes in technology during your apprenticeship and once qualified.



Bookmark websites for industries you are interested in to keep up to date with changes to industry technology, skills shortages, and events. For example:

Bricklaying Plumbing ICT Agriculture Community Services Rail Careers Climate control http://bit.ly/2DYCwbA http://bit.ly/2FK6wnP https://bit.ly/2SaxPj2 https://bit.ly/36WW9dq https://bit.ly/2OoUQgS https://bit.ly/36Ruo65 https://bit.ly/3b8mBo0

Year 12 Students

Lattitude Global Volunteering is a company that provides overseas placements for Year 12 graduates during their gap year.

You can volunteer in countries such as Argentina, Poland, Spain, China, Vietnam, Canada, Japan, UK, Fiji, Ghana, New Zealand etc., in positions such as teacher's assistant, sports coach, outdoor activities instructor, medical assistant, teacher, or community worker.

Lattitude is offering 50% off the cost of the application fee to students who apply by 30^{th} of April, 2020. Just use the code: AUMAIL50.

For information and to apply, go to https://lattitudeaustralia.org/



Defence Force Gap Year Program

Applications for this fantastic program will open on the 1st of March. Any student considering applying for a position in the Army, Air Force or Navy should book their YOU Session as soon as possible.

The YOU Session is an aptitude day and is the first step in the recruitment process for all roles in the Defence Force. You can book a session by phoning 131 901 or visiting your local Defence Force Recruiting Centre.

Note – anyone considering applying for any role in the Defence Force to start in 2020 or 2021 should book a YOU session early.

Recruitment process Gap Year Program Defence Jobs https://bit.ly/2SgzYtn https://bit.ly/2GSbFNa https://bit.ly/3b7yp9V



UCAT Preparation Sessions

Matrix Education, Saturday 15 February, Melbourne, 10am – 11am, https://bit.ly/37ZXkKA

NIE, Saturday 21 March, Melbourne, 9am – 6pm, https://bit.ly/36Q7coQ

MedEntry, 28 – 29 March, 2-day weekend workshop, https://bit.ly/2RSrv0B

General News

Get the Compass

mobile app

Download on the App Store Google Play



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

- Download the mobile app onto your phone, or search <u>https://kurnaicollege-</u> <u>vic.compass.education</u> 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





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 though the Absence Hotline (03) 5132 3711.

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.



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Novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV)

Factsheet for school students and children

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 2019nCoV 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 <u>unless</u> 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/westernpacific/emergencies/novel-coronavirus WHO resources https://www.who.int/health-topics/coronavirus

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General News

Cornavirus Symptoms



Fever



Runny Nose



Sore Throat or Cough



Headache



Difficulty Breathing

STUDENT TRAVEL TO AND FROM SCHOOL FROM MORWELL

Students who travel daily from Morwell to University Campus must complete bus forms to be eligible for free travel. Last year students were given these forms to complete and return. Unfortunately not all students have done this. These forms, (Form 1 Application for Permission to Travel and Form 3 Conveyance Application) are available from the General Office.

- Form 1 simply states that parents/guardians give approval for their child to travel on a bus. It requires parent/guardian signature. Students must sign this form to state that whilst on Public Transport they will abide by the travel conditions as stated on the form.
- Form 3 allows the school to claim the cost of the daily bus fare between Morwell and the University Campus on behalf of the family. This is paid directly to Latrobe Valley Bus Lines and enables the school to create a student ID Card/Bus Pass
- Form 3 also enables the school to claim a payment of approximately \$90 for payment to families towards travel to a VET/VCAL Program where eligible.

Without these forms being returned to the school we are unable to apply for conveyance.

There are conditions relating to eligibility as per Department of Education Training, Victoria, Student Transport Policy. For more information please refer to https://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/teachers/transport/Pages/conveyance.aspx. The policy relating to this travel can be found at https://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/teachers/transport/Pages/conveyance.aspx. The policy relating to this travel can be found at https://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/teachers/transport/Pages/conveyance.aspx. The policy relating to this travel can be found at https://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/teachers/transport/Pages/conveyance.aspx. The policy relating to this travel can be found at https://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/teachers/transport/Pages/conveyance.aspx. The policy relating to this travel can be found at https://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/teachers/transport/Pages/conveyance.aspx. The student does not have a Kurnai College Bus Pass or a Student ID Card depicting a bus on the front, the Form 1 & 3 may not have been received by the school. Please collect these forms from the General Office immediately and return them, completed and signed, to the General Office.

The bus drivers on all four Morwell to University Campus bus routes are required to follow up any students not using a MYKI or not on the correct bus assigned to them as depicted on their ID Card/Bus Pass. Students not presenting their ID Card or Bus Passes will be treated as not paying a fare on public transport. The drivers on our bus services do a great service to our community and should always be treated with respect. Public Transport Policy explains how they must try to recover a fare. In most cases the drivers are reasonable. However, if you do not have a Bus Pass or an ID Card you may be refused travel, instructed to use a MYKI or your travel can be refused. If this happens alternate transport will need to be organised by the student or their family.

Any questions please do not hesitate to contact Leonie Mackie, Morwell Bus Network Coordinator, Kurnai College on 51650610.

<u>SCHOOL BUS PROGRAM</u> COUNTRY BUSES - BOOLARRA, WHITELAWS TRACK, YINNAR, HAZELWOOD NORTH, HAZELWOOD SOUTH AND JEERALANG

Students that currently travel on these buses should always carry with them their Student ID Card or Bus Pass for the dedicated bus. All students have been allocated a bus stop that is closest to their residential address. Families are reminded that there is <u>no</u> AD HOC travel – this means that the bus service you are travelling on is for students to get to and from school to their allocated stop. There is no facility for students to get off at different stops or for friends to travel on our bus network as they are not registered travellers. Your ID Card/Bus Pass may be requested by your driver, especially if there is a relief driver.

The Department of Education and Training Student Transport Policy has been developed to enhance Emergency Management Procedures should there be any unforeseen circumstance/emergency, whilst students are on our buses.



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 statewide 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 AND TIMETABLE

Name of the School: Kumai 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
e) f)	Vøte 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

2020 Year 12 Jumpers and Jackets

Orders can now be place via

shop.reformclothing.com/join/li4899

Reversible Jackets \$114.00 Jumpers \$74.00

If you did not order in 2019, an additional order will open during Term 1 with delivery during Term 2, 2020.

Kurnai College

students are reminded

Where possible, phones should not be brought to school, or if they must, they need to be turned off and kept in

a locked locker during school hours

including recess and lunch time.

PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS

Any questions, contact Miss Kellie Goebel.

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Annual privacy reminder

Our school collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the <u>Schools' Privacy Policy</u>

Please take time to remind yourself of the school's collection statement, found on our website https://www.kurnai.co/sites/default/files/policies/Schools%20Privacy%20Policy.pdf

For more information about privacy, see: <u>Schools' Privacy Policy – information for parents</u>. This information also available in nine community languages.

NEW WEBSITE

The updated website brings together all the essentials into one easy accessible location. With the enhanced navigation system, you will be able to get campus newsletters, key contact numbers, access compass and all the latest news with a single click.



To get the latest news join

www.facebook.com/kurnaicollege

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'

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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.

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

Check our website: www.ritchies.com.au for phone numbers and addresses of the following stores or ring Head Office

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





INFORMATION SESSION

Latrobe City Mayor, Cr. Dan Clancey invites secondary school aged young people to join the 2020 LATROBE CITY YOUTH COUNCIL.

Come along to the info session to find out more. Free pizza from 6pm.

Can't make it? Don't worry, you can apply online at www.latrobe.vic.gov.au/youth

Tuesday | Feb 11 | 5.30pm Nambur Wariga Room | Latrobe City Council HQ 141 Commercial Road, Morwell



For more information, contact Latrobe City Council community development officer - youth on 1300 367 700

Whilst Kurnai College is happy to include Community Announcements in our newsletters - please understand Kurnai College is not involved in the organisations or the running of any these community events.