



KEY DATES

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



Cleo Lazaris
Campus Principal

Message from our Campus Principal

TOP PERFORMANCE AVERAGES

Congratulations to all students who received a certificate for the recent learning behaviour update. Students who achieve Good or Excellent for all the learning behaviours will score a Performance Average of 3.5 or above. These students are demonstrating the necessary behaviours to be successful and as such are recognised with a certificate. I have asked Team Leaders to encourage all students to improve on their recent score and over the coming weeks they will be talking to students on ways to improve. Students whose Performance Average was above 3.5 have been treated to a lunch with their peers.

Some students whose performance is below the expected standard will receive a letter from me this week which will outline strategies students can use to improve. My staff and I are committed to supporting students to reach their potential and so I invite you to make an appointment with your child's team leader to discuss your child's progress.

DOING MY BEST ON THE NAPLAN TEST

The National Assessment Program- Literacy and Numeracy will take place in the middle of next term from May 14 -16. In order for students to showcase what they can do, teachers will be building on skills and strategies that will help them get ready for the tests.

This is not about "teaching to the test", but it is about teaching transferable skills to other more important assessments and tests, including Common Assessment Tasks (CATs), VCE exams, and more general things like aptitude tests for apprenticeships and other career pathways.

College Principal
Anthony Rodaughan

Campus Principal
Cleo Lazaris

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

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**Attendance
Hotline**

5132 3711

Message from our Principal continues.....

SCHOOL WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT

A number of staff from across the college attended training with the department last week. The training assisted us to continue the work in Positive Behaviour Support (PBS). PBS is a framework for providing students with explicit guidelines in expected behaviours. These are expressed in our college wide matrix. We are committed to teaching our students what is expected in certain settings. In 2020 our focus is on teaching students the expected behaviours in order to grow academically and to be successful in further education or employment opportunities. We will continue to support those few students needing help with pro-social behaviours. We are committed to improving the outcomes for all our students, and we believe that success in *all* the learning behaviours will directly improve the chances for success in any pathway students choose to follow.

FOOD TECHNOLOGY

In Food Technology we have been discussing the importance of how our senses have a vital role in contributing to the overall enjoyment of any particular meal.

Students have embraced the process of 'plating up', and have enjoyed the autonomy to be creative with their dish. It has been absolutely terrific to see all students engaged, taking on every recipe with great enthusiasm.

The kitchen has been buzzing!



Cuppa and Chat with Cleo

The next catch up will be Tuesday 24th March, from 9:00am—9:30am. All parents welcome.

PARENT TEACHER CONVERSATIONS

Parent-Teacher Conversations will be happening in the last week of Term 1, on 26th and 27th March. Bookings for these will be open on Compass soon. If you have not logged on to Compass is a while and need help with Passwords, or other issues, please contact the General Office.

These end of term conversations are a great opportunity for parents/carers and teachers to discuss any problems students are having, and work together towards suitable solutions.

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INTER-HOUSE SCHOOL ATHLETICS *Carnival*



A perfect autumn day hosted Kurnai College's Inter House Athletics Carnival at Joe Carmody Reserve in Newborough on Tuesday 3rd of March 2020.

Students from across the College came together and participated in various track and field events, novelty events such as limbo, longest footy kick or the balloon toss or simply spent a relaxing day catching up with their friends.

Forsyth once again prevailed and took out the Kurnai College House Athletics Championship Cup winning by a margin of 148 points ahead of runners up *Freeman*.

Topping the efforts from the Swimming Carnival, the Campus again 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.



It was fantastic to see the students competing, striving to do their best for their house and get into the spirit of the day by getting involved and dressing up in their house colours. A congratulations to all our competitors and we wish our top performers all the very best on their efforts for the Wellington Athletics Carnival that will be held later in the term.

A huge thank you to all of the staff and students from Kurnai College for their efforts and to the Health and Physical Education staff for their professional running of the day.



FORSYTH
1041 Points



FREEMAN
893 Points



SIDDLE
841 Points



THORPE
814 Points



AGE GROUP CHAMPIONS

YR 7

Cade Reyke

Krystal Luke-Collier

YR 8

Hayden Motta

Milla Randall

YR 9

Lachlan
Freeman

Joel Tractor

Jenna McLauchlan

YR 10

Zac Schill

Claire Irving

YR 11

Zachary Casey

Alannah Webster

YR 12

Timothy Hutchinson

Bridget Cain



INDIVIDUAL RECORDS BROKEN

F YR12 800m
Old record:

Bridget Cain (FORS) 2:45.41mins
Bridget Cain (FORS 2019) 2:49.08mins

F YR12 400m
Old record:

Bridget Cain (FORS) 1:13.10mins
Bridget Cain (FORS 2019) 1:13.47mins

F YR11 Long Jump
Old record:

Gabrielle Hines (SIDL) 3.86m
Shae Edwards (FORS 2014) 3.7m

F YR11 High Jump
Old record:

Anna Soloman (FREE) 1.38m
Sydney Simpson (FORS 2009) 1.38m

F YR11 Triple Jump
Old record:

Anna Soloman (FREE) 8.22m
Ellie Pollutro (FREE 2016) 7.9m

F YR11 Discuss
Old record:

Alannah Webster (FREE) 21.7m
Michaela Lawless (FREE 2014) 16.18m

M YR11 High Jump
Old record:

Lachlan Freeman (SIDL) 1.62m
Jack Brown (2005) 1.62m

M YR11 200m
Old record:

Zachary Casey (FORS) 24.75s
Zhijie Wan (FORS 2016) 26.00s

M YR11 Triple Jump
Old record:

Lachlan Smith (FREE) 10.17m
Harrison Taylor (FORS 2018) 8.6m

M YR11 Discus
Old record:

Kaleb Chapman (THOR) 27.77m
Brendan Briggs (THOR 2016) 23.25m

M YR11 Shot Put
Old record:

Declan Arnold (FREE) 11.1m
Veerayotin Ounjit (FREE 2019) 10.5m

M YR10 Discus
Old record:

Lachlan Bell (THOR) 30.56m
Ashley Walker (2001) 29.3m

M YR7 High Jump
Old record:

Cade Reyke (FORS) 1.52m
Changkouth Jiath (SIDL 2012) 1.50m

F YR7 Long Jump
Old record:

Sa Wha Nar (FORS) 3.9m
Vanessa Wilson (FORS 2012) 3.82m





AUNTY DOT PETERS AWARD RECIPIENT TRAVIS COLSON

Kurnai College, Churchill Campus student, Travis Colson was among one of four Aboriginal Victorians to receive a \$5000 scholarship at Parliament House on Thursday 13th February. Presented by Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Gavin Jennings at an awards event at Parliament House, the inaugural Aunty Dot Peters Award supports Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students to complete Years 9 and 10 at a Victorian secondary school.

The \$5,000 scholarship can be used to pay for schooling-related expenses such as tutoring, study supplies, IT and home office equipment, uniforms, excursions and extra-curricular activities over two years.

Travis was nominated for the Award for his exemplary attendance and dedication to his schooling. His teachers have commended him on his attitude towards learning "Travis is a delight in any classroom and he adds value to any learning environment. He is a considered thinker with a good nature and an outstanding respect for other learners".

This is a significant scholarship and Travis was successful among a highly competitive field. The scholarship will be used to assist Travis excel in his educational endeavours.

Well done Travis!

The Award honours the work of Aunty Dorothy (Dot) Peters AM.

Aunty Dot (born 1930, died 2019) was a much-loved community member, educator and former Chairperson of the Victorian Aboriginal Remembrance Committee.

'It has been a longstanding dream of mine to get this Award up and running. As a former educator, I am proud to see an initiative like this that young Aboriginal people can strive for. I want all Aboriginal people to be true to themselves and to remember it's important for Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people to come together.' - Aunty Dot Peters AM



Year 7 News

There seems little doubt that Year 7 have settled in to secondary life at Churchill Campus with most students willing to participate in Athletics Sports Day and Friday afternoon activities with our encouraging and respected Year 10 mentors.

The Athletics Day photos capture the spirit of competition, friendship, hanging-out and taking an interest in what others are doing. Now seems like the ideal opportunity to remind students and parents that we really hope to see all students at camp next term.

Last Friday afternoon we had the privilege of enjoying a band of Year 9 and 10 students, with a couple of teachers mixed in, perform a couple of upbeat songs which inspired the audience into claps and groovy moves! So captivating was the atmosphere I forgot the camera and will have to rely on students to tell you more! Thanks, Chris Gretton, for giving students the stage to try out the instruments leading to considerable interest from the crowd and sign-ups to learn an instrument. There were certainly some healthy lungs behind the horn hoots!

Just a reminder that Progress Reports are on Compass and we encourage students to celebrate their achievements and reflect on areas for improvement before the next round of reports.

ATTENDANCE

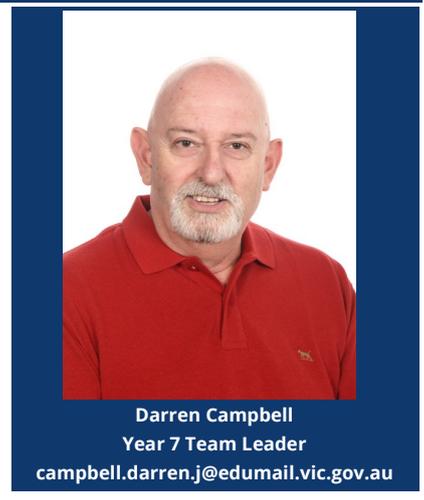
As you are aware, attendance at school is critical for learning. If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason please contact our hotline number on 5132 3711 at any time and leave a message. This will ensure we can best support the learning of your child.



YEAR 7 DATES TO REMEMBER



Tuesday 5 - Friday 8 May
Camp Coolamatong



Year 8 News

LEARNING BEHAVIOUR REPORT

The first Learning Behaviour Reports for 2020 were completed and made available to both parents/guardians through Compass. These reports show how your child has been working in their classes over the first four weeks of term 1. These reports give parents and guardians the opportunity to have the conversation with their child about how they are working in class time. These reports do not comment on a student's academic ability, but instead the skills that are also transferable to the work place.

ALL-STAR AWARD

Congratulations to the following students who achieved 3.5 or higher in their February Learning Behaviour report. The All-Star Award is to acknowledge the effort and diligence that the students are showing in their classes.



Thomas Bolton	Lincoln Sturre	Tyler Johnson
Christopher Bolton	Corey Thorburn	Luke Marchionne
Gabrielle Bonnici	Andrew Tyrrell	Bethany Mortlock
Holly Dawson	Billy Wheatley	Keven Alkhoury
Jorja Hart	Kayden Gray	Rieka Arbon
Lola Hill	Dylan Hobbs	Charlotte Baker
Lucas McCulloch	Antony Lock	Flynn Hanson
Ethan McKinnell	Timothy Pascall	Lachlan O'Connor
Trang Nguyen	Kayla Schmidt	Kiara Pulis
Meg Renwick	Joshua Teresi	Robert Steele
Tahlia Runge	Katie Wilson	Harry Townsend

FEBRUARY ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to the follow students for achieving 100% attendance.



Christopher Bolton	Ethan McKinnell	Rieka Arbon
Thomas Bolton	Andrew Tyrrell	Riley Lawrence
Holly Dawson	Hayden Stockdale	Bri Manuel Forte
Jorja Hart	Bethany Mortlock	Harry Townsend
Lola Hill	Flynn Hanson	Eric Wang

STUDENT ABSENCES

A big thank you to all parents and guardians who are continuing to help us to keep track of student attendance. Please continue to make sure that you do let the school know, by contacting the school prior to 9am where possible if it is expected that your child will be away from school. You may leave a voice message on the absence voice mail, which can be accessed 24 hours a day.



Lindy Gumpold
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THE YEAR 8 TEAM



Lindy Gumpold



Robin Fitzpatrick



Gabriella O'Bree



Cathy Tan



Kara Thompson



Nicole Ashton



Jen Caruana



Clifton Kline

ABSENCE HOTLINE
5132 3711



EQUIPMENT

A reminder to students and parents that appropriate equipment needs to be brought to class. Students should have more than one pen, ideally a pencil case, as well as an exercise book on which to write on in class. Please make sure that your child has the necessary equipment for their classes. Students are reminded that they are not to bring bags to class.

STUDENT LAPTOPS

A reminder that students are expected to have a laptop and that students need to bring their laptop to all classes. Staff in the Year 8 team will be working to determine which students have their own laptop or will need to access a school laptop in the short term. Laptops are provided to students for short term loans when they are without a laptop as their own may require repairs. When students forget to bring their laptops to school, they miss valuable class time by going to the library to borrow a laptop. If parents and guardians could support the school by checking that their child is taking their laptop to school that would assist with trying to develop good organisational habits.



YEAR 8 CAMP

The Year 8 Camp to Karoonda Park, Gelantipy, is taking place from Monday 11th May to Friday 15th May, in week 5 of term 2. The camp will provide students with the opportunity to develop leadership skills, build new friendships, challenge themselves in numerous situations, see their peers in a different light and step outside their comfort zone. Permission forms will be shortly handed out to students.

If you have any questions about this camp, please contact the school and speak to Robin Fitzpatrick.

HOMESCHOOL CLUB

Wednesdays

3:00pm - 4:15pm

@ Churchill Campus Library

Contact: Miss Barfoot



CAMPS, SPORTS, & EXCURSION FUND (CSEF)

The Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund provides payments for eligible students to attend activities like:

- school camps or trips
- swimming and school-organised sport programs
- outdoor education programs
- excursions and incursions.

Families holding a valid means-tested concession card or temporary foster parents are eligible to apply.

Payments are: \$225 per year for eligible secondary school students.

Payments are made directly to the school and are tied to the student. Most payments start from March onwards.

Applications can be received over term one and two. If you would like to know more, please contact the General Office.

Year 9 News

Hello again everyone, with the end of a short term fast approaching, please be mindful that over the next two weeks classroom teachers will be conducting Common Assessment Tasks (CATs) during class-time. Although attendance is crucial for success on all school days, over the next two weeks it is important that students attend all classes so that they have sufficient time to complete all assessment tasks to the best of their ability.

Thank you to all students who participated in the Morrisby assessment over the last couple of weeks. The majority of the cohort have now completed this, for those that haven't, several catch up sessions will be held in term so that all students can complete it and get the most out of the one on one consultations in term 3.

PBS FOCUS: Punctuality

Our PBS focus these few weeks has been being on time to class. A reminder to all year 9 students that punctuality is not only important for school, but also a well sort after trait as students enter the work force, develop their social lives and contribute to the community. A number of students have developed the habit of loitering near the locker area to wait for friends, this is causing many of these students to be late to class, sometimes by up to 20 minutes and missing crucial explicit classroom instruction. For this reason, the locker area will be targeted by staff for this behaviour. Students who are consistently punctual will be rewarded using our PBS card system.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The day started with a great deal of excitement and anticipation. Students were eager to get on the bus to arrive at Joe Carmody Reserve. Decked out in a rainbow of colours and costumes, students embraced their house spirit. Full of energy, students socialized and lined up for a full suite of track and field events as well as novelty events including; limbo, water balloon toss and longest football kick. Students tried their hardest and cheered each other on as they participated in their chosen events. Students and staff took the time to chat and laugh as they enjoyed the challenge of competing for a place in the lineup.

Students continued the day in high spirits with several standout performance from year 7 – 12 but especially the year 9s.

A free hot dog or two and fresh fruit was enjoyed for lunch and a sit down moment with friends from all over Kurnai College, many happy faces were seen as students walked around the sports ground. The day ended with great energy as students boarded buses back to campus singing along to their favorite songs the whole way.



Glen Stephenson
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THE YEAR 9 TEAM



Lisa Knowles



Dave Frendo



Corryn Evans



Rachel Dodd



Elyse Derricot



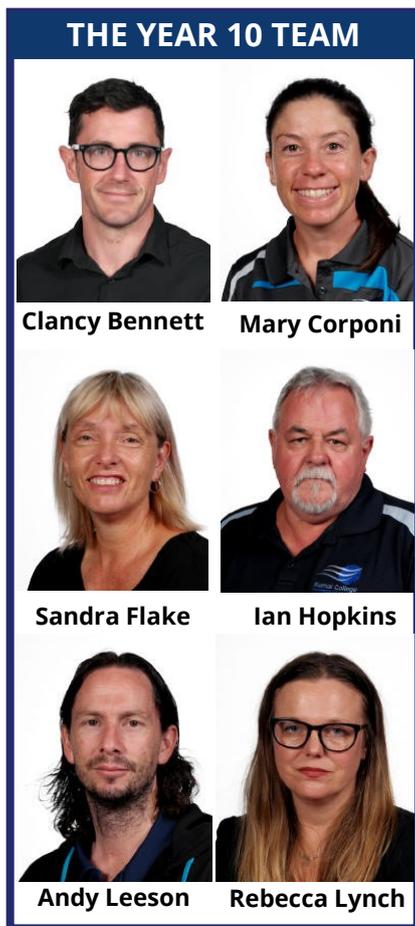
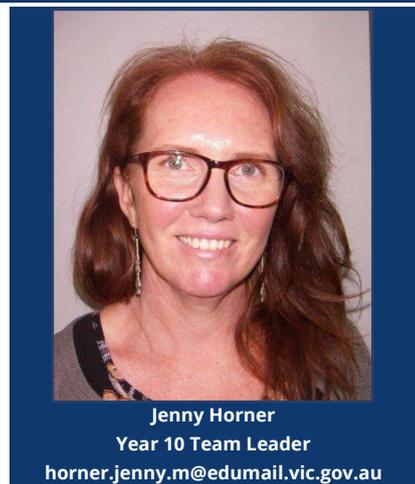
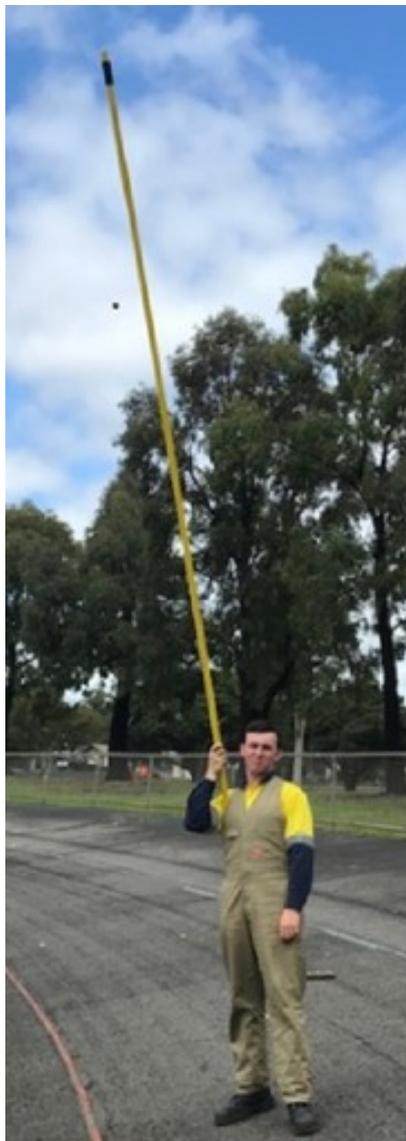
Chris Flake



Year 10 News

GREAT EFFORT AT THE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL!

The annual Inter-house sports carnivals (swimming and athletics) are great days for students to dress up, hang out with their friends and have a go at some sporting events which they may or may not necessarily do on a regular basis. A number of our Year 10s made us proud on the day – Zac Schill ran so many of the long distance races that apparently, he couldn't really feel his legs the next day. Brad Scholes 'out played and out witted' another Year 10 student (who will remain unnamed) on the track to take out a blue-ribbon award. Claire Irving, Makayla Rota, Ben Bremner, Kaiden Jenkins, Ebony Webb, Tom Hoghton, Alma Doherty, Monai Porykali, Kayley Answerth were other outstanding regular eventers on the track and in the field. Lachlan Bell apparently won his blue ribbon in the 'good looks' event (aka discus with a 20.56m result) and followed this up with a second place in shot put. Our school captain, 'Sir Lancelot' Townsend (see image), like a true leader jumped in from the get-go and completed the 1500m race in full overalls, work boots while carrying a backpack!



MENINGOCOCCAL IMMUNISATIONS Tuesday 17th March

Immunisation packs are available for ALL Year 10 students for Nimerix – Meningococcal. These vaccinations are funded by the Department of Health and are free of charge for all Year 10 students. Consent forms are available from the Year 10 info desk and are now due back at school (students to hand consent cards to the front office).

YEAR 10 DATES TO REMEMBER



Monday 9th - Friday 20th March
Common Assessment Tasks



Mon 20th April - Fri 1st May
Work Experience



Thursday 26th & Friday 27th March
Parent Teacher Conversations



Mon 7th - Fri 11th September
Tasmania Camp

LEARNING BEHAVIOUR REPORTS

Our superstars who achieved 3.5 or more in our first round of Learning Behaviour Reports are:



Claire IRVING	Claire PENDLEBURY	Callum HILL	Breanna CROFT
Cade TATTI	Lea CHAHOUD	Hunter HOOGERWERF	Hudson RONCARI
Kayley ANSWERTH	Jasmine CROFT	Brendan WEBB	Patrick MCGOWN
Alison HEFFERNAN	Makayla ROTA	Violet JURICEVICH	Thomas HOGHTON
Jordyn BRYCE	Jack DADDO	Kayley ANSWERTH	Matilda WAKEFIELD
Mia STURRE	Louis MALADY	Monai PORYKALI	Shanelle LOVE
Madilyn BRYCE	Lexi STERRICK	Lance TOWNSEND	Bonnie SYKES
Carmela CARDILLO	Riley FRANKS	Kiara TAPAI	Lucas HOBBS
Dylan DUNSTALL	Tayeisha GALEA	Jessica BREMNER	Jorja MCLEAN
Bridie BYRNE	Tamsyn WALKER		

This is an awesome effort by most of our cohort with so many others almost reaching the 3.5 mark!

LETTERS OF CONCERN

Where there are concerns about your child's behaviours or attendance, a letter highlighting areas for improvement have been sent home as a further prompt to start some discussions between students and parents about what is currently happening in the classroom and how the student can change their behaviour in order to make improvements.

I continue to encourage parents to contact any of your child's teachers or a member of the Year 10 team about the progress of your child.

WORK EXPERIENCE

TERM 2: Monday 4th to Friday 15th May

Time is flying by and our Careers Officer (Suze Benson) and Team Time teachers are working hard to support your child find and contact work placements for their work experience program in May.

There are several students who 'have a contact' and 'will call a business after school' but subsequently are not making the necessary calls to explore options with these contacts. We are now at a point in the program where students should have an idea of where they are going as the closer it gets to May the harder it is to find a placement in the field that the student is interested in exploring as a future career option.

We are lucky to have the support of *GIPPSLAND MOTOR GROUP* and *LION DAIRY GROUP* on board and willing to support several our students. These are just TWO of the

many workplaces available for our students to explore. For more information students can pop in and see Suze in the Careers Office.

Students who have nominated to complete their Construction Induction (White) card will do so at the end of the term. There is a cost associated with this course however once a student has obtained their White Card they have it for life!





EXPECTATIONS AND ATTENDANCE

With such a busy program and students representing the school in local work places across our region, Kurnai College has high expectations of all students to behave in ways which reflect our values. The Year 10 team will continually communicate to the students on the expectations of attendance, behaviours and wearing correct uniform.

We appreciate your support on these matters and this week draw your attention to notifying the school if your child is absent and signing out your child from the front office if you collect your child early from school.

TASMANIA CAMP (7 – 11 September 2020)

Excursion forms have been handed to all students. 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 50 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.

KEY DATES:

23 March 2020	Deposit	\$300	And signed permission form due
5 May 2020	Second instalment	\$250	Due
16 June 2020	Third instalment	\$250	Due
4 August 2020	Final instalment	\$85	Due

NB: **Camps, Sports and Excursion fund money** cannot be used for the deposit but may be used for the other payments for camp. Centrepay payments (minimum of \$30 a fortnight) can be arranged to cover the cost of the camp.

The trip includes travelling over by plane and coming back on the Spirit of Tasmania. Students will have the opportunity to visit the world-heritage listed historic site of Port Arthur.



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Calendar of Excursions / Camps

Year 7

Date	Excursion	Cost	Form & Payment Due Date
TUE 5 - FRI 8 May	Camp Coolamatong	\$360	Form Due ASAP

Year 8

Date	Excursion	Cost	Form & Payment Due Date
MON 11 - FRI 15 May	Karoonda Park	\$485	Form Due ASAP

Year 9/10

Date	Excursion	Cost	Form & Payment Due Date
WED 11 - FRI 13 Mar	Outdoor Education Surf Camp	\$180	ASAP

Year 10

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



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PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS

Music Program

LEARN TO PLAY A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT

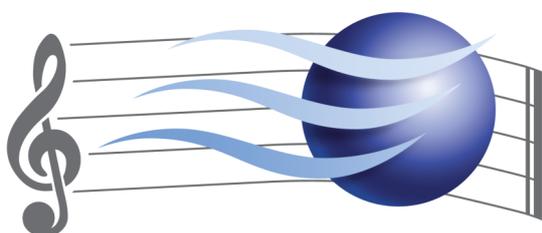
Tuition Available
 "On the Road Again" Tour
 College Soirees & Concerts
 Kurnai's Got Talent
 Community Events

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.



Have YOU Got Talent
SIGN UP IN MUSIC ROOM NOW



KURNAI'S GOT TALENT
WILL COMMENCE TERM 2

CONTACT MR GRETTON FOR FURTHER INFORMATION - 51 323 700

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.
- **Parent/Student/Teacher Conversations**—make appointments with teachers.
- **Curriculum materials** – assignments and homework will be made available for parents and students to access.

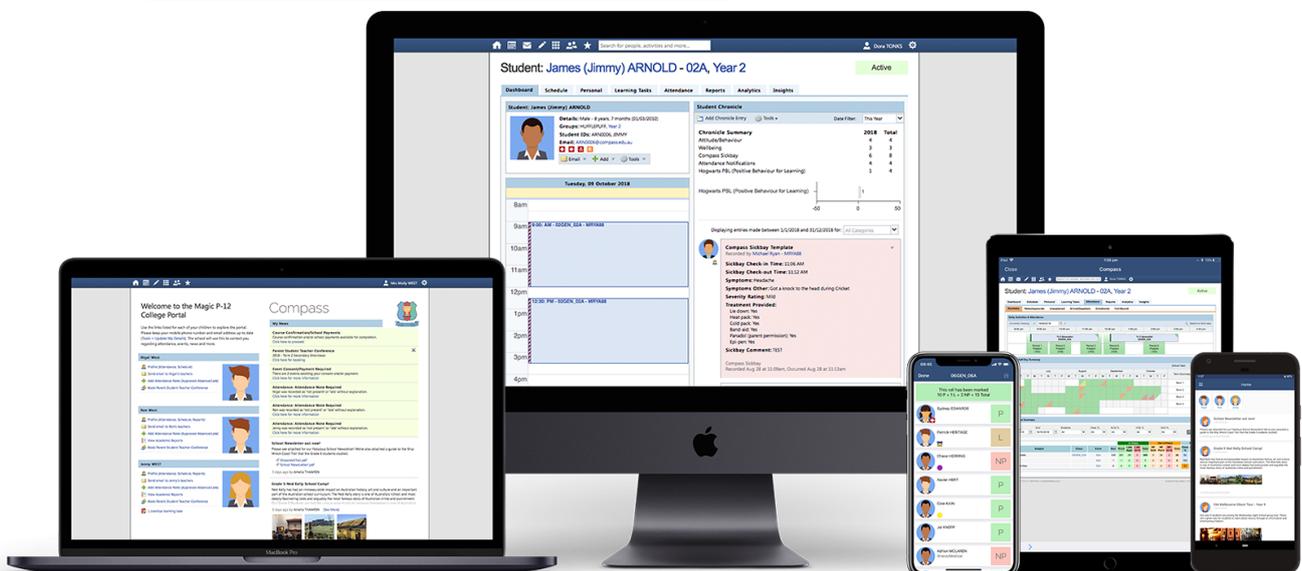
HOW TO ACCESS COMPASS

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 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.



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


 Office 365

INFORMATION PACK FOR PARENTS

The Department of Education and Training (Department) and your school are using online learning services to support learning and teaching. This pack provides information on one of the online services, Office 365 and advice in relation to its safe and responsible use.



What information needs to be collected?

- Name, year level, home group and school.
- Student's Department username and password.



Why is this information needed?

- To control access to the online services.
- To prevent unauthorised access to student's work.



When could this information be accessed by others?

- By support staff to fix issues.
- Where required by law.
- Never for advertising or marketing purposes.

Office 365 is an internet based service provided by Microsoft for class activities. It provides students with access to online education services such as:

- Microsoft Web Apps (Excel, Word, Outlook, PowerPoint, OneNote)
- Exchange
- OneDrive
- SharePoint
- Forms
- Stream
- Flow
- Skype for Business
- Microsoft Teams
- Sway
- PowerApps
- School Data Sync
- Minecraft: Education Edition

The online services offered by Microsoft may be updated from time to time, but are only made available to students once they have been reviewed and approved by the Department.

For more details on Office 365 visit:

<https://products.office.com/en-au/student/office-in-education>



What are the benefits of this service for students?

- Teaches students to be 'digital citizens' through the use of an online system.
- Provides access to digital tools for a range of classroom activities.
- Allows students to actively collaborate with their class on school work.
- Provides digital whiteboard capability in group discussions.
- Enables students to access their classwork from different channels (i.e. laptops, iPads and smartphones).
- Helps students to build working relationships with each other.
- Promotes knowledge sharing.

What information might students store in Office 365?

- In addition to the information needed to provide access to Office 365 (student's username, password, name, year level, home group and school), student's schoolwork will also be stored in Office 365.
- Students have the ability to store and share any school work related content on the platform, such as photographs, audio, video recordings. They can also add non-classroom related information.
- Student's data is stored in data centers located in Victoria and New South Wales.



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How can you help protect your student's information?

Whilst your school provides your student's Department username and password to Microsoft to enable them to only access their own information on Office 365, there are some things that you can do to help keep their information safe.

Remind them not to share passwords with anyone, as they cannot be sure how secure another person will be with their details.

Teachers will remind students to only use Office 365 for activities related to schoolwork.

Talk about appropriate uses of technology at school and at home. **Remind** them that anything uploaded to Office 365 can be viewed by teachers.

In rare cases, Microsoft's technical support team may have access to information stored in Office 365.

Please note that **Microsoft will never contact you or your child directly**. If you or your child are contacted by anyone claiming to be Microsoft support, contact your school immediately.

✓ Example information students can safely put online

- Class presentation.
- Conversations about classwork/assignments.
- School related contact details.
- Class related media – i.e. videos, photos.
- Whiteboard notes.
- Emails between students on school work.

✗ Example information students should always be cautious of putting online

- Personal mobile or home phone number.
- Personal photographs and video clips unrelated to schoolwork.
- Other student's private information.
- Health information.
- Bank details.
- Home address.
- Information on racial or ethnic origin.
- Religious beliefs or other opinions.

ONLY complete the section below if you DO NOT want your child to have access to this online service.

Office 365 - Opt-Out Form

If upon considering the above information you have questions or concerns please contact your school. **You do not need to do anything** for your child to have access to this service.

Student Name:

Home room:

Date:

I **DO NOT** wish for my child to have access to Office 365 and understand that alternative arrangements for allocating work will be made.

Parent / Guardian Signature:

Parent / Guardian Name:

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



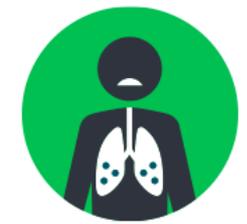
Runny Nose



Sore Throat or Cough



Headache



Difficulty Breathing

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 [Schools' Privacy Policy](#)

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: [Schools' Privacy Policy – information for parents](#). This information also available in nine community languages.

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.

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 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



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.

CHURCHILL UNITED SOCCER CLUB



BECOME A RAM IN 2020!

WHO?

Boys & Girls
Ages 4 - 16

WHEN?

Thursday, February 6,
2020
4:30pm-5:30pm

WHERE?

Hazelwood South Reserve
Tramway Road, Churchill

If you have any further questions, please contact
Tracey Tabone (Junior Co-Ordinator) on
0431 045 599

#GippyGirlsCan

GippSport
Gippsland Regional Sports Assembly



\$5
PER PLAYER
PER SESSION

SOCIAL SOCCER PROGRAM

**FOR YOUTH GIRLS, BY YOUTH GIRLS. AGES 12-18 YEARS.
GAMES. SKILLS. FUN! NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY.**

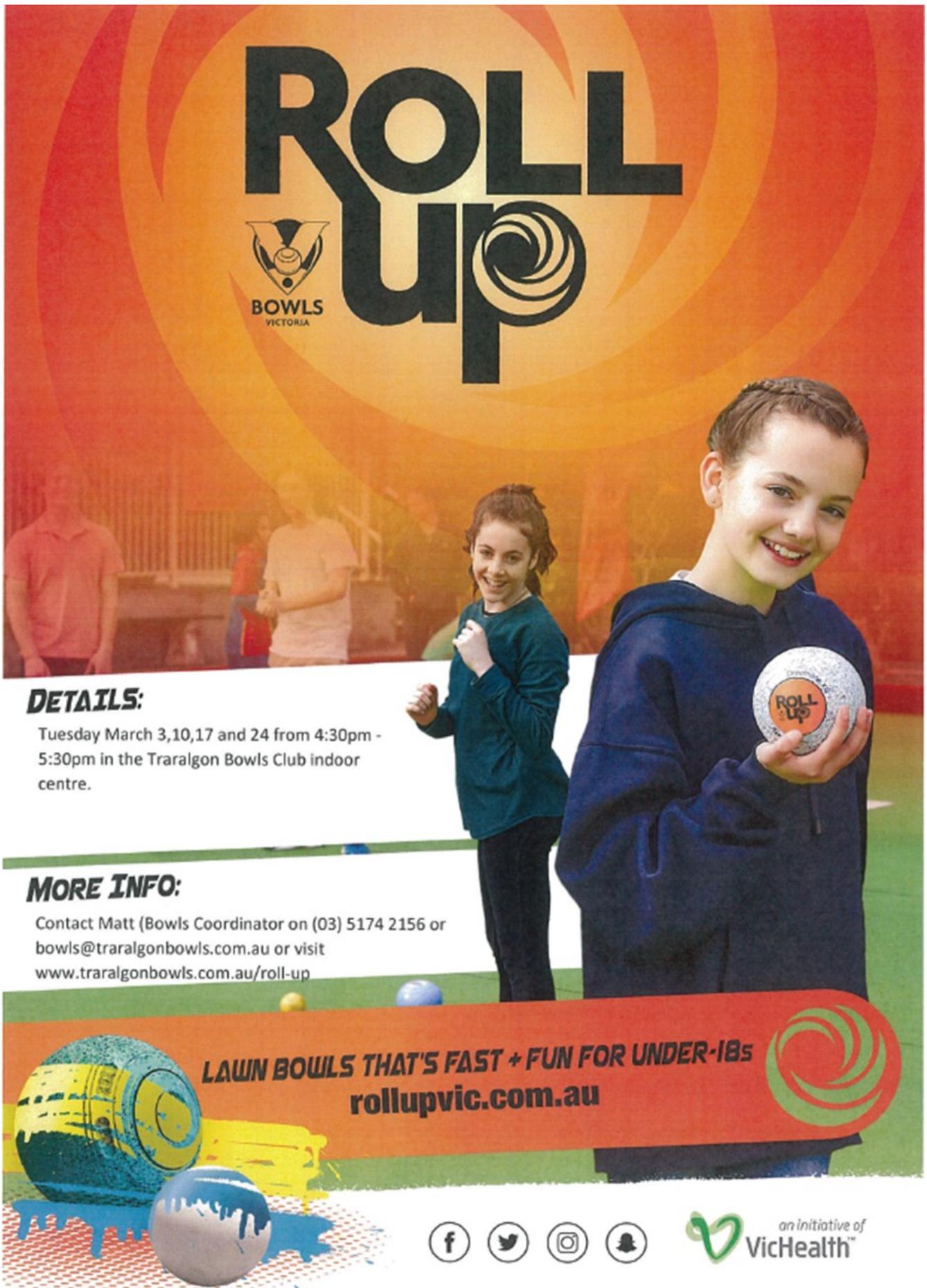
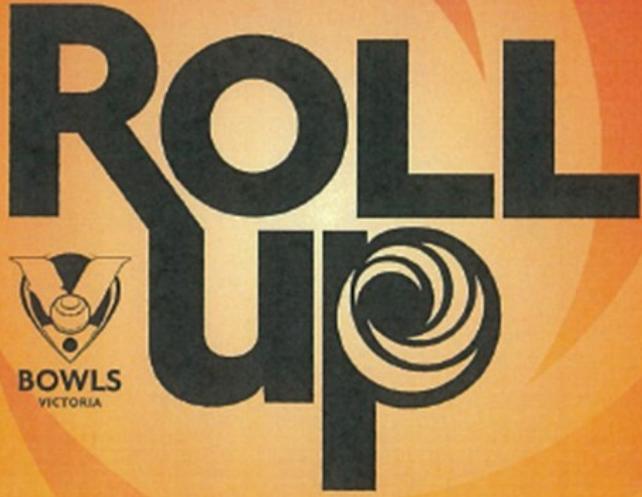
Maryvale Reserve, Grant St, Morwell
5:00pm - 6:00pm every Thursday • March 12 - April 2

Free registration: www.surveymonkey.com/r/GGCSocialSoccerReg



Latrobe Health
Assembly

Shaping
The Valley



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 or visit www.traralgonbowls.com.au/roll-up

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