



Kurnai College
PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS

Churchill Newsletter

Friday 8th May, 2020

KEY DATES

26 Jun END OF TERM 2
13 Jul TERM 3 BEGINS



Cleo Lazaris
Campus Principal

Message from our Campus Principal

Hello everyone, as we continue down the path of remote learning it is great to see that students, staff and families are feeling more confident with the new way of learning.

I must thank Trevor Haagsma, our technology support, for responding to students' issues and concerns in a timely manner. Please continue to forward any questions either directly to Trevor, via the Team Leaders or General Office and we will work to resolve these as quickly as possible.

Whilst all staff are working from home I remain in regular contact with them all. It is fantastic to hear stories of students making the most of the 'face-to-face' contact via Microsoft Teams and both teachers and students finding innovative ways to deliver and demonstrate learning.

HOW TO START YOUR DAY FOR REMOTE LEARNING

- Log on to compass and check your school emails
- Note down any new learning tasks and their due date
- Go onto Teams and check the chat in all of your classes
- Make a note of anything that needs to be done that day
- Start at the beginning! Start with the work that is due first.

Contact your teachers if you need any help with a schedule!



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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Message from our Principal continues.....

EXAMPLES OF WORK COMPLETED VIA REMOTE LEARNING

Year 7/8 Art

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YEAR 9/10 ART

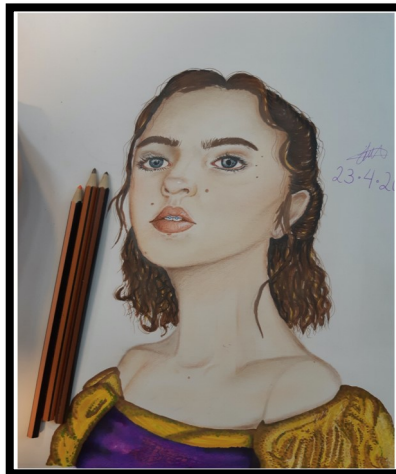
The task involves taking one photo (and/or) drawing per day based on our current situation of living in lockdown.

Each daily photo and/or drawing should also come with a title or phrase to accompany it to give it more meaning and offer more insight to our audience.

Lexi Sterrick

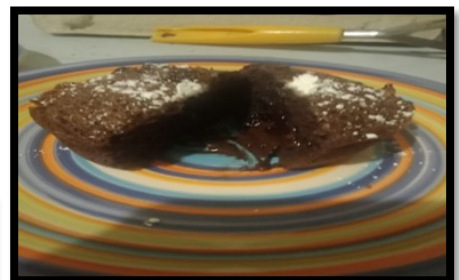
Khloe Toull

Mia Sturre



FOOD TECHNOLOGY

Chris Flake is super proud of his students and the meals they have created at home.



Year 7 News

Congratulating the many Year 7 students who have managed to improve some aspect (or many areas) of their 'Remote Learning', seems to be the best starting point for Year 7 news. And many parents have also contributed their patience, created a quiet learning space and have become a 'co-pilot' at steering through Compass or Teams to help students skill-up and feel confident. Thank you! It has been every student's responsibility to 'put their hand up' in a different way than ever before. We have encouraged students to communicate with their teachers to resolve questions, seek strategies to manage their time, negotiate workload and meet due dates.

GIPPSLAND TECH SCHOOL

We would like to thank the Gippsland Tech School for inviting Year 7's to an 'online excursion'. Students were provided with a presentation on the discovery of gravity and how things behave a bit differently in space. They considered the different planets in the solar system, with a focus on the Sun and Earth, as well as the moon and how it effects our tides. Student were given the opportunity throughout the presentation to follow links and watch specific videos to further develop their understanding. Ultimately, students were posed the question "What would it be like to live on the Moon?" Well done Ms Corryn Evans, participating teachers and the Year 7's who engaged in the learning and our thanks to the Gippsland Tech School. To infinity and beyond....



Darren Campbell
Year 7 Team Leader
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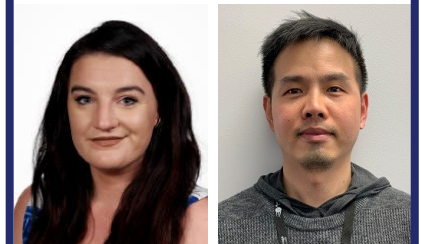
THE YEAR 7 TEAM



Celeste Sanderco **Andrea Flake**



Russell White **Chris Gretton**



Stephanie Barfoot **Bin You**

Teachers are really impressed with the majority of students' level of engagement in their subjects and the support from peers and family. I especially thank the teachers and support staff at Year 7 for their phone calls, group and one-to-one online help and Teams classes. We encourage more students to join these opportunities. There has certainly been a lot of learning since that first day in January, but every student has found out important things about themselves personally and academically. Keep this in mind for goal setting next week, students!

Year 8 News

As Term 2 continues the Year 8 students and staff are developing their skills and adapting to the remote learning. A massive thank you to the students, parents, carers, and teachers for the way that you are all accepting and taking on the challenges of this remote learning.

We know that when students are studying from home that they are probably doing less physical activity than they would normally do compared to when students are at school. Physical activity is important for your child's wellbeing, so it is important that they put some into their day.

- Go for a 20 minute walk
- Dance Break - throw on your favourite songs and dance it out!
- A workout- create your own or ask your PE teacher to create one for you
- Kick a football or soccer ball in the backyard

During the school closure it is important for your child to stay connected with their friends, other students in Year 8 as well as their teachers. Each week classroom teachers are conducting virtual classes, through Teams, to support your child with setting up their work for the week as well as checking on how they are going. Please encourage your child to 'join' these virtual lessons, even if they only post a chat.

Year 8 students are continuing to submit their Learning Tasks, generally on time. One thing that the Year 8 teachers have noticed is that some students are rushing through their work and not showing the same level of commitment to the quality of their work that they would show if they were at school.

Remember that if your child is requiring extra support or you would like to talk to a Year 8 staff member please call the school and they will pass the request on or email the teacher.



THE YEAR 8 TEAM

Lindy Gumpold	Robin Fitzpatrick
Gabriella O'Bree	Cathy Tan
Kara Thompson	Nicole Ashton
Jen Caruana	Clifton Kline

Year 9 News

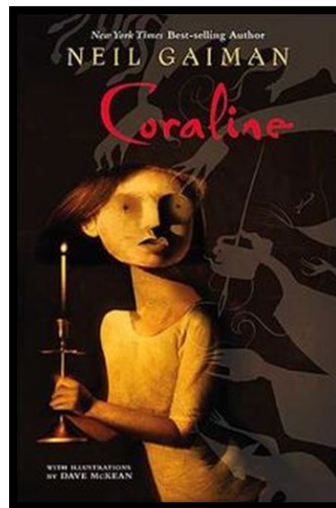
The mood has been super positive around the desks, screens and homes of the Year 9 camp lately. The team has been really proud and awe inspired to see some of our students fully embracing the remote learning environment. Although we are all missing our face to face classes, we are all grateful for the effort, perseverance and patience we are seeing from students and families in this difficult time.

A few things to look forward to this week. Science, Humanities and the Gippsland Tech School will join forces on Wednesday 13th May to run an integrated session on Geography and Geology. This will be an online lesson that includes practical demonstrations and interactive collaboration. Delivered through Microsoft Teams, the sessions will commence for 9A & 9D at 10:00am and 9B and 9C at 12:00pm. Contact Glen Stephenson, Corryn Evans or Rachel Dodd for further information.

And of course, the wonderful activities being delivered in the core and elective classes just like the following:-

YEAR 9 ENGLISH

Students are delving into the weird and wonderful world of 'Coraline' by Neil Gaiman this term. They are discovering the world beyond the narrative of the story, to the themes and issues the novel explores, completing in-depth character analysis, examining the way the author uses language features, vocabulary and conventions to express ideas and create tension. Students are forming their own impressions and opinions about how authors create meaning and how authors use language features to create a complex and interesting text. They are also learning how to structure their own texts using evidence and language features of their own.



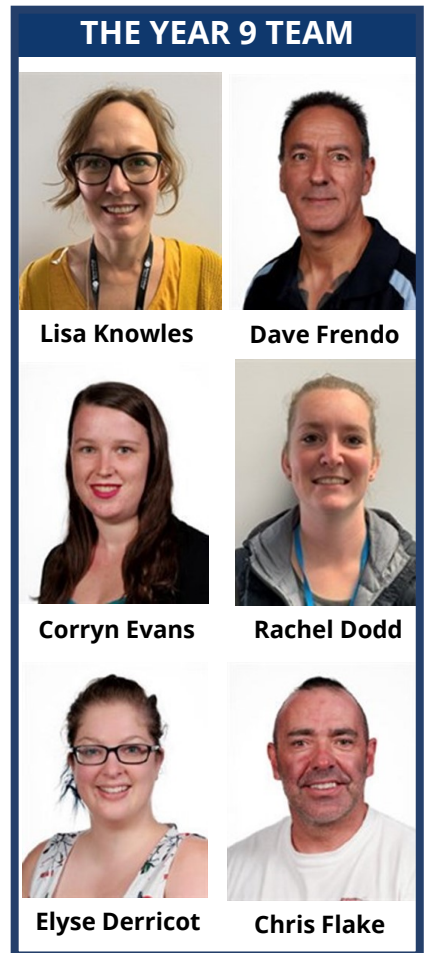
REMOTE LEARNING IN THE KITCHEN FOR OUR YEAR 9'S

It has been absolutely fantastic and rewarding seeing my Year 9 students engaging in their cooking learning tasks regardless of going through this stressful time.

The quality of some of the meals has been nothing short of amazing. Whilst I would like to take all of the credit, due to my learning task descriptions and my dorky instructional videos, it is the sheer passion and dedication of our students that produce such high quality meals.

We have been addressing sustainability, and focusing on the vital importance the senses play in the overall enjoyment of a meal. Photos sent in by our students provides me proof that our visual sense contributes to craving food. Keep those pictures coming guys! Have fun with it. Stay safe. Hope to see you all real soon back in the kitchen.

Miss you all.
Chris Flake.



Year 10 News

CAREERS NEWS AND 2021 COURSE COUNSELLING WITH SUZE (CAREERS OFFICER)

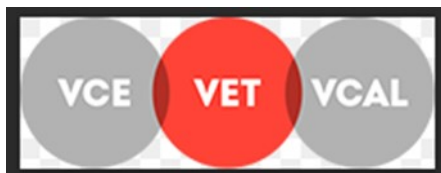
This term we would start conversations about your options for Year 11, we refer to this as course counselling.

Suze will be arranging interviews via Teams to discuss VCAL, VCE (including what is an ATAR and how does this help with getting into University) and VET.

Your education pathway is dependent on what you would like to do after Year 12.

Watch out for more information from Suze in your Team Time Compass classes!

If you want to know more email Suze: Benson.Suzanne.J@edumail.vic.gov.au



SLEEP IS YOUR BFF

The Year 10 Team are constantly on the lookout for how we can best support our students during this time of remote learning.

In our conversations with both parents and students we have become aware of the diverse sleep patterns across this cohort and hence we thought we would provide some simple hints and tips on a routine that aims to support a productive day of learning balanced with time out from the screen to socialise, exercise or get those dishes done.

WHY IS A GOOD NIGHT SLEEP IMPORTANT?

LESS STRESS, BETTER PERFORMANCE, BETTER MOOD, LESS IRRITABILITY

THIS WEEK'S TIP:

DEVICES OFF BY AT LEAST 11PM (PREFERABLY 10PM)

PLAN EACH DAY FROM THE TIME YOU WAKE UP TO THE TIME YOU GO TO BED.

PERSONAL SCHEDULE....

7.30AM – SHOWER

8AM – HAVE BREAKFAST/COFFEE/MILO/JUICE (WHATEVER FLOATS YOUR BOAT)

8.30AM – **START SCHOOL WORK (FOLLOW YOUR SCHOOL TIMETABLE AS A GUIDE IF NEED BE)**

9:45AM – BREAK (HAVE ANOTHER CUPPA, GO OUTSIDE, TEXT A MATE)

10:00AM – **GET BACK INTO LEARNING**

12PM – LUNCH

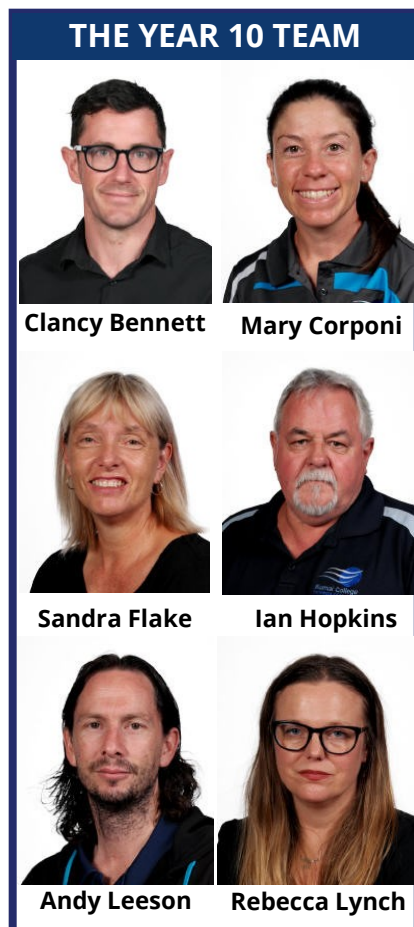
1PM – **BACK INTO SOME LEARNING (FOLLOW YOUR STUDY PLAN)**

2.30PM – PENS DOWN

BETWEEN PENS DOWN AND DINNER TIME - (CATCH UP WITH A MATE FOR A WALK / RUN / VIDEO CHAT)

7PM – IF YOU DIDN'T SHOWER THIS MORNING (SHOWER NOW)

8.30 – 10.30 (DO WHAT YOU LOVE)



CSEF

Due to COVID-19, you may now be eligible for Camps Sports Excursion Fund (CSEF). To be eligible you must be one of the following:

1. a parent/carer (of the relevant student) who is:

- on the first day of term one or the first day of term two an eligible beneficiary of either a Centrelink Health Care Card or a Pensioner Concession Card; or
- an eligible beneficiary of a Veterans Affairs Gold Card; or

2. a temporary foster carer; or

3. the parent/carer of a student who is 16 years or older and who holds a valid concession card (such as a Youth Allowance Health Care Card or Disability Support Pension Card).

The parent/carer must submit an application to the school prior to the end of Term 2.

Provided the above conditions are satisfied, the amount payable is:

- \$225 for secondary school students.

If you have already applied for this earlier, you do not need to do anything as you have already received your CSEF; however for those that may now be eligible please contact the school to get your application form in or use the link below before the end of Term 2.

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/about/programs/health/CSEF-Application-Form-2020.pdf>

COLLEGE UPGRADES

The Victorian School Building Authority (VSBA) has recently approved funding for maintenance at our school. These works areas follows:

All Campuses	Gas Upgrade
All Campuses	Electrical Residual Currency Devices Upgrade
Churchill Campus	New Fire Service (old service to be made redundant)

We believe these works will be completed by end of Term 2.

Morwell Campus looks a little different now with the demolition of the old B Block.

The new library ground works have commenced with plumbing services currently underway. This project was awarded to Farnham Developments in Warragul who also completed the previous recent works on the Performance Art, Year 9/10, Science and Year 7/8 buildings.

We have a number of ex-students currently working onsite from time to time with various sub-contractors. The new library should be completed by the end of the year.



Living WELL LATROBE

Latrobe City Council COVID Helpline

Do you have questions about what local support is available to you during COVID-19? Are you caring for someone who needs help? We can help you connect with supports and better understand what is available in our community.

Coronavirus has put additional pressure on individuals and communities and many businesses and organisations are operating differently. We want to hear how you can best be supported during this time and into the future as we work through the challenges. We want to help build a stronger resilient community.

Phone 1300 367 700 and choose option 2, or send us an email COVID19Helpline@latrobe.vic.gov.au

You can leave us a message and we can call you at a time that suits you best.



If you need an interpreter, call TIS National on 131 450 and ask for Latrobe City Council.

For specific advice on Coronavirus and Government information call the National Helpline on 1800 020 080. The line operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week.