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Churchill Newsletter

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Kurnai College acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the Land on which we live and work, of the Braiakaulung people of the Gunaikurnai nation and pay my respects to their Elders past, present and future.

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Message from our Campus Principal

October, Term 4 2022



As you will be aware, the past week has been one of much sadness for Churchill Campus and the wider college community. The tragic and sudden passing of our much-valued staff member, Glen Stephenson, has left us all shocked and numb.

Glen has touched so many of our lives and he will be deeply missed. Glen was a dedicated teacher who had a passion for learning, always striving to learn more and seeking feedback on how he could improve.

Glen had a unique connection with our students and supported them to try different things and take up the many opportunities provided for them. He encouraged many students to be a part of the Alpine Leadership School and to step out of their comfort zone.

I have been overwhelmed and ever so grateful for the many offers of support by families, staff, regional office staff and the broader community. It is comforting to know that people are ready to step in and do whatever is required during such difficult times.

On behalf of my staff and Kurnai College, I thank you all for your well wishes.

Mobile Phones at School

A reminder that students are not to have their phones during the school day. If students bring their mobile phone to school, then they need to adhere to our policy.

Phones should be in bags or lockers prior to class at 8.25 am and until the end of the day at 2.45 pm.

Students wishing to use the EFTPOS facilities at the canteen are encouraged to use a card, or alternatively pay with cash.

Catch-up Class

To support students to complete unfinished class work they will be referred to my lunchtime catch-up class held on a Tuesday and a Thursday. A text will be sent home to inform families whether their child has attended or not.

Other than the natural consequence of not satisfactorily completing the work if students do not attend, there may also be further consequences including follow-up with myself and the College Principal, Anthony Rodaughan.



Calendar Of Events

TERM 4	
Monday 31st October	Student Free Day - Staff Professional Development Day
Tuesday 1st November	Public Holiday - Melbourne Cup Day - School closed
Wednesday 2nd November	College Professional Practice Day - students not required
Wednesday 23rd November	Year 10 Exams
Thursday 24th November	Year 10 Formal
Friday 25th November	Night on the Lawn Music Performance
Monday 28th Nov to Dec 2nd	Junior Feedback and Skills Week
Monday 5th Dec to 13th Dec	Junior Headstart
Friday 9th December	Junior Celebration Day
Tuesday 20th December	No classes scheduled



School News

Kurnai's Got Talent

At the end of Term 3 we had participants from three Campuses perform at the Kurnai's Got Talent Grand Final. The night went extremely well and we are very proud of all of our amazing talented students. What a fantastic way to end the term!

Congratulations to:



1st Place: Ben Carrigy

2nd Place: Patrick McGown & Lucas Hobbs

3rd Place: Bonnie Sykes

Participation Medallions were awarded to the following students:

Caleb Smit, Lexi Sykes, Bonnies Sykes, Darnell Murray, Dallas Ashton, Ava Jensen,

Hunter Madigan, Bobby Aarons, Lucas Evan, Jayda Ayton, Declan Boucher

Sebastian Dietrich, Hayden Semmler, Anya Robertson



A huge thank you to everyone who supported the event.

Rockfest Competition

Our Music students have been working hard to prepare for the Rockfest competition. This competition is a national event which gives students the opportunity to participate with music students from across Australia. Students are to submit a music video performance and they can enter in a variety of categories from solo to band entries. All students will receive professional feedback from industry leaders and have the opportunity to develop connections with like-minded music students and professional musicians from across Australia. Successful participants go in the running to win some fantastic prizes. Please click on the links to watch the following entries:



Sienna Wood (University Campus) *original compositions written by Sienna*https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ye4CbXfyVeE&ab_channel=RockFestAustralia



Band Entry: (Churchill Campus) Caleb Smit, (Morwell Campus) Lucas Evans, (University Campus) Lucas Hobbs, Patrick McGown & Sienna Wood. *Hotel Californian by the Eagles* https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J8Dv8rpl3lw&ab_channel=RockFestAustralia



I'm sure you'll join us in wishing the students well in the competition. Thankyou for your support.

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 College free to all families



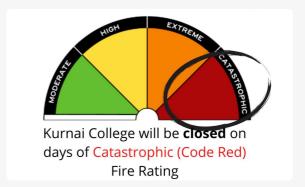
Community News

Code Red Fire Danger

A reminder to all families, that on days of

Code Red in the West & South Gippsland

Fire Zone, all campuses will be closed. This is
a change to previous years, and we ask
families to be aware of this in preparation for
when Summer returns.



Music on the Lawn



Spooky!!



Churchill Cricket Club



Library Programs





Smith Family

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



Want to develop your leadership skills and help younger students? The Smith Family is inviting you to become a volunteer tutor for Learning Clubs.



What is a learning club?

Learning Clubs are free, safe and supportive learning environments where students are assisted with homework and supported with a range of skills.

Volunteer tutors provide support for students with their academic and personal development needs.

Learning Clubs run from 3:30pm – 4:30pm on various days and locations.

Interested? Contact:

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VACCA (Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency)





If you wish to promote your sporting club, community group or non-for-profit organisation in our school newsletter please email kurnai.co@education.vic.gov.au