

KEY DATES

12 Aug	General Achievement Test (GAT) 10.00am - 1:15pm
12 Aug	Year 12 Parent/Teacher Conversations - Online 3:45pm - 7:15pm
16 Sept	Parent/Teacher Conversations 3:30pm - 7pm
17 Sept	Parent/Teacher Conversations 10am - 1pm
17 Sept	Last Day of Term 3, No scheduled classes



Geoff Block
Campus Principal

Message from Campus Principal

Hello everyone,

Well, this was going to be a very detailed piece about the measures we had put in place for dealing with Lockdown 6.0 and the supports available to students to get through this difficult time. And now we are back face to face tomorrow. Interesting times!

We are still waiting to hear what is happening with the General Achievement Test (GAT) that is due to be held on Thursday. Our best guess is that it will be postponed but best guesses haven't been working very well recently. On a positive note, Fed Uni have agreed to allow us to use their Auditorium if it does go ahead. More on this later.

A reminder that parent/teacher conversations for all Year 12 students and Year 11 students studying a Year 12 VCE subject will be happening online on Thursday this week from 3:45 – 7:15pm. You will need to book a time to meet with each teacher and teachers will contact you via Chat on your student's Teams account. Some teachers might not have access to a suitable internet connection and in this case, parents will receive a phone call at the booked time.

Parents would have also received access to the school survey. I would encourage you all to complete the survey so that we know what we are doing well and what areas you believe can be improved. The survey can take a bit of time to complete if it is anything like the staff survey that I have just done, but it is important that we know what you are thinking.

Finally, although this is the shortest lockdown yet, if you have concerns about students and how they have been coping please let us know. We do have supports and counsellors available if needed. I look forward to seeing students back at school tomorrow.

Geoff

College Principal
Anthony Rodaughan

Campus Principal
Geoff Block

School Hours: 8:30am - 2:50pm
Students are supervised from 8:10am - 3:00pm

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PO Box 3411
MORWELL Business Centre, 3841

EMAIL: kurnai.co@education.vic.gov.au

**Attendance
Hotline**

5132 3711

Calendar of Excursions / Camps

All Years

Excursion Date	Excursion	Cost	Form & Payment Due
18 & 25 Aug	VET Pool Lifeguard	\$0.00	CLOSED

Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents/caregivers/guardians think of our school. The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training (previously known as the Parent Opinion Survey). It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, student engagement and experiences of remote and flexible learning. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

All parents/caregivers will be invited to participate in this year's survey. Details on how to complete the survey are available on Compass. All responses to the survey are anonymous. This year, the Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey will be conducted from **Monday 19th July** to **Sunday 22nd August**.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English. These include: Arabic, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Chin (Hakha), Hindi, Japanese, Somali, Turkish, Punjabi and Greek.

Please contact your Campus office if you would like more information.



Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund Applications

Applications closing date extended to 13 August, 2021

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you have a valid means-tested concession card, such as a Veterans Affairs Gold Card, Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible. There is also a special consideration category for asylum seeker and refugee families.

Payment amount this year is \$225 for eligible secondary school students. Payments are made direct to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions and sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

If you applied for CSEF through our school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year, unless there has been a change in your family circumstances **or you have enrolled as a new student to the school**.

If you would like to apply for the first time, please contact the school office on 5132 3800 and ask for an application form.

You can also download the form, and find out more about the program and eligibility, on the Department of Education and Training's Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund web page.



A reminder to call our ABSENCE HOTLINE 5132 3711 preferably before 9am if your child is not going to be at school. This will ensure your child's absence is recorded correctly and you don't receive a phone call from our office

Kids Co-designing Healthy Places

Hello! Would you like to help your local Council and go into the draw to win some great prizes?

Looking after the health of people in our community is one of the important jobs that local councils do.

We are going to be designing places and spaces that kids, like you, use. These spaces include local streets, parks, playgrounds, sportsgrounds, libraries and shopping areas.

To help with this, we want to know what you think and how you would like to use places and spaces in your neighbourhood.

Your input and ideas will help us to plan for and build healthier places for you, your family and everyone else.

We would like you to help us understand just how healthy your local neighbourhood is, especially how the different spaces and places in your area contribute to healthy eating and being active. If you would like to help us, please follow this link to a toolkit where you will find a survey and audit to complete.

<https://kidscodesigninghealthyplaces.com.au/toolkit/9f4dce8ebfc88a0d0e83124247d7e7c3>

By completing the survey and/or audit, you will go into the draw to win some great prizes!

- First Prize: \$70 Jump and Climb Voucher (Combo Giftcards x 2)
- Second Prize: \$60 Wheelz World (Stadium 34 Moe) Voucher
- Third Prize: \$50 Wyncity Voucher

The competition closes on Monday 16th August, so make sure you help us before then!

We look forward to creating a healthier Latrobe with you!

WE CAN
DO
HARD
THINGS

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Making time for self-care
A Parents Building Solutions single session

- Do you want to feel less overwhelmed and deal with anxious feelings?
- Want to improve your confidence and self-esteem?
- Build resilience for yourself and your family?
- Take time out for yourself?

DATES: Monday 13th September 2021
TIME: 10:30am to 12:30pm
WHERE: Online via Zoom
COST: FREE. Bookings essential.

For bookings & enquiries contact:
Parentzone Gippsland on 03 836 9668 or email
parentzone.gippsland@anglicarevic.org.au

Come along to this session to learn strategies, share stories and take some time out for you!

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PARENTZONE BETTER TOMORROWS




Parenting Anxious Kids
A Parents Building Solutions single session

Do you want to:

- Know how to respond when your child gets overwhelmed?
- Help your child to regulate their emotions?
- Support your child with their challenges?

DATES: Monday 30th August 2021
TIME: 10:30am to 12:30pm
WHERE: Online via Zoom
COST: FREE. Bookings essential.

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PARENTZONE BETTER TOMORROWS




Risky business
A Parents Building Solutions single session

- Do you want to communicate better with your teen?
- Develop strategies to listen without judgement?
- Help your teen problem solve and make safe choices?
- Stay connected?



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PARENTZONE BETTER TOMORROWS

Raising Teens | Online
Parents Building Solutions

- Do you want to learn how to talk so teens will listen?
- Help you teen problem solve and resolve conflict?
- Communicate better with your teen and stay connected?

DATES: Fridays 20th August to 17th September
TIME: 10:30am to 12:30pm
WHERE: Online via Zoom
COST: FREE. Bookings essential.

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PARENTZONE BETTER TOMORROWS

Kurnai College Four Pillars

Engagement: We actively participate in our own learning

Excellence: We do the best that we can do

Work Ethic: We are committed to working hard

Relationships: We value and respect each other

The Gippsland Youth Drama Workshop

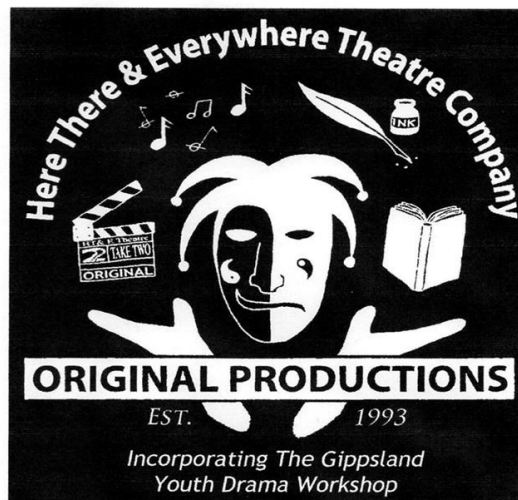
Established 1993
Over 2000 Students
70 Original Productions
20,000 Audience Members

**Come & Put on a Theatre Show, Learn About
Performance, Have Fun, Gain Confidence &
Make New Friends!!!**
2 Production Groups Per Year

**Classes Designed for
Solid Reading Age / Upper Primary School through to 17 Years Old**

Incorporating:

- **Drama Games & Theatre Sports Activities for Confidence & Team Building**
- **Improvisations of Characters & Stories**
- **Writer's Workshop to Build an Original Show**
- **Establishing Themes & Plots**
- **Original Music**
- **Rehearsal Technique**
- **Voice Projection**
- **Final Production for Family, Friends & the Community**



Bookings Essential / Places Limited
Contact Director Phillip A Mayer
on 0409 878 688

The Director is assisted by a Dedicated & Experienced
Crew including Technical Director, Musical Director,
Stage Manager, Production Manager
& other Key Supporting Production Personnel

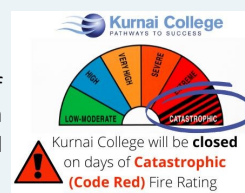
**WEDNESDAYS
5:15 - 6:45 IN MORWELL**

Cost \$20 Per Session

*Gippsland's Longest Running Youth Theatre Program
Helping Create Stars for Life*

Code Red Fire Danger

All campuses of Kurnai College have been categorised by the Department of Education in such a way that will result in school closure in the case of a Code Red Fire Danger day. This is a change to the past and families should be aware so that they might prepare when Summer comes back around.



Kurnai Pillars

Work Ethic

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working hard'*

Excellence

*'We do the best we
can do'*

Relationships

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each other'*

Engagement

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Attendance Hotline

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