

Corryong College

Keeping In Touch

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Whilst there are many occasions where our students make us proud, it was at the carnival and the ANZAC ceremonies that demonstrated what brilliant students we have at our college.

Tuesday's carnival was another hit. We are so grateful for all those students that got in and participated in most events. There was definitely some sore bodies by the end of the day. This year also showed some faces that don't usually compete and whilst I won't mention any names, I have spoken to these students individually as it warms my heart to see those students often too nervous to be on show in front of others or worried they aren't good enough to compete. For these particular students, it is these days that are daunting. However, on a few occasions, these particular students had the courage to step out of their comfort zone and have a go. What support they got! Thanks to all of you, who gave it go, contributed, supported and made this day another fantastic day! Next week will show case the great photos and the details of events.

Wednesday, ANZAC Day, marked the day of remembrance of those who served and fell in all wars, conflicts, and peacekeeping operations. This national day was powerfully commemorated in our community from the dawn service, the march and the powerful ceremonies that went through to the afternoon. It was such a strong statement to see our college students and staff partaking and supporting this day. I would like to thank all the hospitality students whom served from early hours of the morning, the students, parents and staff who marched with our students through the parade, the CFA and Cadet (in the Albury commemorations) students who proudly participated in the march and our students that spoke the heartfelt words in speech and recited poetry through the ceremonies. This is an important day for our community and beyond. To all of our students who involved themselves throughout the day, you made our community, on so many levels, very proud!

Before ANZAC Day, whilst the younger students listened to the stories of the ANZACS and the older students read of the atrocities of the war, in form group from Year 5-12, students watched a short-film developed by students of the Miranda Public



School to reflect the lives of those who sacrificed for our country. This was reflected through two young boys growing up and as very young men, serving for their country. Whilst the film is made by young students, it gives a strong message for our own students of mateship and the final message "we will never forget". If you have not already, please view this short film and speak to your children about what ANZAC Day means to you or your family that may lived through the years of war.

<http://www.lanternclub.com.au/blog/miranda-public-school-make-anzac-day-short-film-video/>



Referring to mateship and comradery, I am shocked with the very opposing and disgraceful nature of comments made by students, and unfortunately community members, through social media outside of school. Whilst it is difficult to mention after such pride felt through the last few days, it is important to also speak of the small pockets where these traits of respect, responsibility, accountability, ownership, and mateship are not always apparent. This is through social media. Through KIT, we have spoken about the hardships that young people have in regulating emotions, navigating through social circles, or having the confidence to block others. Whilst I state this, as an adult we should be able to do this, however, at times it seems we are mistaken. As some adults are not able to cease from negative comments on social media, getting themselves involved in disrespectful responses and less than appropriate conversations of which acts as a role model to our young people. I ask that adults to please remember that you are reflecting the way in which these platforms are to be used. Please keep it positive as your children look to you as an exemplar.

Social media is a phenomenal tool, however it comes with high responsibility and the need for the user to be emotionally stable and responsible. Young people are not emotionally ready for such responsibility and therefore, our youth and mental health around social media is a great concern. We all know the sad story of Amy "Dolly" Everett, a 14-year-old from NT, took her life after being bullied online—one of many examples of how social media can be used for sinister purposes, and with devastating consequences.

It is stated through research, that children under 12 should not have access to social media. I wonder if this age should be increased to maybe 16. However, I also wonder if adults are role modelling the positive ways to use these social platforms. This, at times, can be debateable. We need adults, parents and carers to monitor their children's use of social media. This is not something a school can monitor as it predominantly occurs outside of school hours.

Research states, 60-70% of primary school kids are on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Snapchat however they DO NOT have the neurological maturity to manage themselves, nor their digital footprint. Not only do children not have the maturity to cease from quickly hitting the 'send' button before engaging in nasty "banter" (as it is often referred, however the effect is much greater), but children are always "connected", often leading to the obsessive nature of comparing themselves to others to an obsessive degree. It is so difficult for our children to truly escape from unhealthy interactions that could previously be left at the school gate, or the school's office when the school is informed and we are then able to rectify the situation. As a community that is bringing up our young people, it is vital that we are not giving access to social media for those not old enough, or that it is monitored by those who are emotionally mature.

In regarding the positive upbringing of our children, Sacred Heart School has warmly invited us to a parent evening 'Making Parenting Easier' Monday 30th April 2018, 6:00—7:30pm. This will be presented by Behavioural Analyst and Director of Behavioural Resources Australia; Dan Petro. In Sacred Heart's words:

Being a parent or guardian is a demanding task under any circumstances and doing so when a child displays challenging behaviours increases the difficulty. These problem behaviour situations are often amplified as the child's challenges collide with typical developmental changes all children experience. Parents can become at odds with the child or even between themselves, when searching for the best responses to these tough situations. Other children in the home can also be impacted, as the problem circumstances become a common part of their day.

This presentation will provide you with flexible alternatives you can draw upon to teach new skills at home, help establish daily routines, and effectively respond to these challenging situations.

Please try to get there as this a great opportunity we should all take up. I look forward to seeing you all there.

Fran Heath

College Principal

PRODUCTION

PRESS...



Hi All,

Just a quick update for everyone as to how Production is travelling.

Ticket Sales: Tickets will be on sale from both campuses at the beginning of Week Four (7th May). Posters for production will go up around town and the school within the next week.

Colouring Competition: We are running a colouring competition as a part of our promotion of the show. Our junior students are encouraged to enter, as first prize is a family pass to come and see the show. We are very grateful for our sponsors of this competition the Corryong Newsagency. All entries need to be handed in at the newsagency by the 16th of May. Winners will be announced on the 19th of May.

Parents of Cast members: Please return the permission slips so I can finalise numbers. Also we have a couple of dress rehearsal days coming up in week 4 and week 6, I have tried to keep these within normal school hours for ease of transporting students.

Help wanted: If you would like to assist us in anyway with production please contact the college via email or phone and leave your details. Please include what you are willing to help out with (costume changes, student supervision etc.)

Thanks very much!

Sarah Austin

Production Coordinator

CALENDAR OF EVENTS Term 2, 2018

Mon 30th	Tues 1st OM Intermediate & Senior boys AFL	Wed 2nd School Photos	Thurs 3rd VCAL Trade Expo	Fri 4th
Mon 7th	Tues 8th CFA Advance	Wed 9th	Thurs 10th	Fri 11th Worlds Greatest Shave
Mon 14th	Tues 15th NAPLAN	Wed 16th NAPLAN	Thurs NAPLAN	Fri 18th
Mon 21st Production week	Tues 22nd Production week	Wed 23rd Production week OM Junior boys & girls AFL	Thurs 24th Production week	Fri 25th Production week Upper Hume Cross Country

Homework

Home Group	Subjects	Homework
9A & 9B	Maths	Maths Mate due every Friday

Corryong College Winter Uniform

Parents are now able to place orders for the purchase of long sleeved polo shirts through the College Junior and Senior Campus Office. The tops will be a plain navy blue with the College logo embroidered on the front.

Sizes are Children's 4-14 \$28.00 and size small - XXL \$30.00

If you would like to place an order please fill in the table below and return to the College with your payment.

Name:



Size	Number Required	Cost per Garment	Total Cost

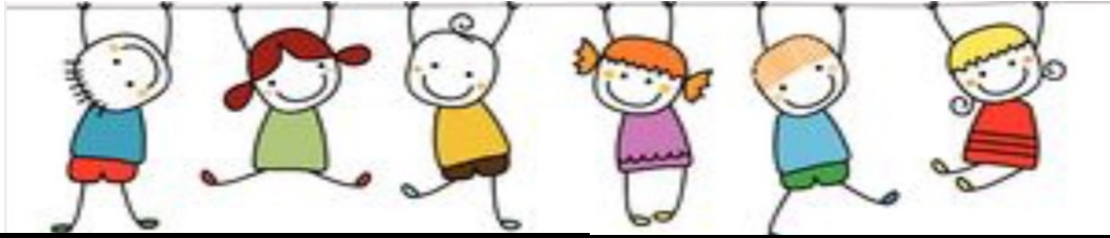
Orders will need to be returned by 4th May.



Corryong College Council Meeting Dates:

The next meeting for Term 2 2018 will be held on Monday Week 4 & 8 and Facilities and Finance Committee Meetings will be held during the week prior to Council Meetings.

F-4 HAPPENINGS



Upcoming Events

Wednesday 2nd May—School Photos

Photo packs sent home this week. Family photo forms attached to eldest siblings form.

Up and coming Cross Country dates:

Friday 18th May—District School Cross Country

Friday 25th May—Upper Hume Cross Country

Wednesday 20th June—Hume Cross Country

Spamalot School Production

May 21st—May 25th

Tickets will go on sale from Monday 7th May



SCHOLASTIC

Due back 7th May 2018

PHONICS CODE OF THE WEEK

The Secret Codes – Whole School Phonics

Rule #2

The letter c before e, i or y always says it's second sound / s/.

cycle, ceiling, fancy, city

The letter g before e, i or y may say it's second sound /j/.

Giant, gymnastics, gentle.

Sometimes g breaks the rules (get, give, girl)

SPOTLIGHT DATES FOR 2018

May 4, June 1, Aug 3, September 7, November 2 & December 7

Everyone meets at the quiet tree then walk to Uniting Church Hall

Five to fourteen year olds students are welcome to attend and enjoy afternoon tea, games, stories and craft activities.

Time; 3.30—5pm

When: 1st Friday of the month (not including school holidays)





ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 2018



A huge congratulations goes to Jasmine Shanks, Jessica Martin, Lily McKimmie and Hayley Whitsed who competed in the SSV State swimming championship last week. The girls came home in 8th place wiping 5seconds off their qualifying time. Awesome swim. Well done.



Corryong Op Shop Volunteers

Thank you for your interest in supporting our Op Shop as a volunteer.

Our Op Shop supports our three local schools by providing regular, much needed funds for equipment that would not be purchased through the general budget, while providing a service to the wider community.

Please fill out your details below:

Name:

Address:

Phone: **Email:**

Please indicate below in what way you would like to be involved (Tick all relevant boxes)

- ◇ Working in the shop – shop
 - ◇ Working in the shop – sorting
 - ◇ Rag cutting
 - ◇ Committee member
 - ◇ Emergency relief
- (Your name and phone number would appear on the roster)

Your Preference for Work

- ◇ I like to work alone
- ◇ I like to work with others

What is your availability? (Tick all relevant boxes)

Monday" ☐ Morning ☐ Afternoon

Tuesday ☐ Morning ☐ Afternoon

Wednesday ☐ Morning ☐ Afternoon

Thursday ☐ Morning ☐ Afternoon

Friday ☐ Morning ☐ Afternoon

Saturday ☐ Morning

☐ Once a week ☐ Once a fortnight ☐ Once a month ☐ Bi-monthly ☐ Other

Please indicate any other special requirements; for example "I would like to work with ..."

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Thank you for your interest. Any enquiries should be directed to Sally Permezel, Roster Co-Ordinator
ph: 0418 474 995 sallypermezel@bigpond.com;

School Representative Name: Contact Number: