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Important Dates For Term 3 - 2009

JULY		
24 th July	Friday	Year 7 Warin students return from camp Woorabinda
28 th July	Tuesday	Parent information for years 11 & 12 in 2010 Year 7 Bulen & Gwonawa students leave for camp Woorabinda
30 th July	Thursday	Year 11 & 12 in 2010 course Expo
31 st July	Friday	Year 7 Bulen & Gwonawa students return from camp Woorabinda

AUGUST		
3 rd August	Monday	Year 11 to 12 in 2010 course counselling day
4 th August	Tuesday	Year 11 to 12 in 2010 course counselling day Year 12 course forms due Year 7 Mirrim students leave for camp Woorabinda
5 th August	Wednesday	Year 10 to 11 in 2010 course counselling day
6 th August	Thursday	Year 10 to 11 in 2010 course counselling day
7 th August	Friday	Year 10 to 11 in 2010 course counselling day Year 11 course forms due Year 7 Mirrim students return from camp Woorabinda
11 th August	Tuesday	Free dress day - with donation for The Starlight Foundation
27 th August	Thursday	Year 9 to 10 in 2010 course selection and Expo

SEPTEMBER		
9 th September	Wednesday	Proposed Round Table Conferences 12pm to 9pm
13 th September	Sunday	Year 10 students leave for the Central Australia Trip
18 th September	Friday	Last day of term 3
24 th September	Thursday	Year 10 students return from the Central Australia Trip

Working Bee

Kambrya College will be holding a working bee Saturday, August 8th, 2009 with an 8.00 am start and a sausage sizzle to finish at lunch time (approx 12 noon)

The focus is on planting trees and shrubs (250) and mulching the gardens around the B & H block portables, as well as shade trees around the soccer pitch (30)

Assistance with a bobcat would be greatly appreciated to spread the mulch. Bring your own tools and wheel barrow if possible (limited tools available). All queries to David Wilson on 0425 739 640.



Principals Message

Dear Parents,

It was great to get back to school after a much needed and refreshing break! During the holidays a number of projects funded by the Federal Government's "Pride in Schools" program commenced. Approximately 60 metal seats were fitted in the College grounds. A London Plain tree was planted as a new centrepiece for the courtyard. Extensive plantings of shade and ornamental trees and shrubs took place and works to install an irrigation system to our soccer pitch was also started. In a couple of week's time, work on building a quality three pitch cricket nets construction will also begin. All of these improvements are clearly aimed at providing our students with comfort and better recreational facilities. I am also very pleased to report that very good progress has been made regarding our two court extension to the College gymnasium. Negotiations with our partners "Recrosport", efforts to secure building permits, drawing up of building plans and the drafting of a Joint User Agreement are progressing very well. We are now hopeful that the new courts, costing around \$1.4 million, will be completed by this time next year.

Best wishes for Term 3!

Michael Muscat

Principal

New House Flags

Last week the new House Flags - Mirrim (red), Gwonawa (yellow), Bulen Bulen (blue) and Warin (green) were unfurled for the first time. They will be raised each school day along with the Kambrya flag and the Australian National flag. These flags not only add a splash of colour to the front of the College, they also represent our four values of "Achievement", "Respect", "Integrity" and "Compassion".



The following students helped raise our new flags:

Bulen-Bulen: Josh Lipari Elysia Jansen	Warin: Isabella Rascovici Melissa Sharp	Gwonawa: Brittany Guillou Courtney Fenwick Mel Hunter	Mirrim: Jenna Gardner Elliot Johnson
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They're Back

Dear Parents/Guardians/Carers,

It has come to my attention that some students in the school may have head lice and I seek your cooperation in checking your child's hair this week. Head lice do not transmit infectious diseases - they are transmitted by having head to head contact with someone who has head lice. You may be reassured to know that head lice are commonly found in places other than at Kambrya College. Head lice are common in school-aged children and are the most adaptable of creatures. They have survived living solely on humans for 10,000 years!!!!

What can you do?

I seek your cooperation in checking your child's hair and in those instances where head lice or eggs are found, treating your child's hair. Please see the attached pamphlet *Treating and Controlling Head Lice*, from the Department of Human Services. This pamphlet has informative guidelines regarding detecting and treating head lice and eggs.

How do I treat my child for head lice?

The attached pamphlet (as noted above) has informative guidelines regarding detecting and treating head lice and eggs.

If head lice or eggs are found on your child's hair you need to inform:

- the school and advise when the treatment has started,
- Parents or carers of your child's friends so they too have the opportunity to detect and treat their children if necessary.

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When can my child return to school?

Health regulations requires that where a child has head lice, that child should not return to school until the day after appropriate treatment has started. Please note, this refers only to those children who have live head lice and does not refer to head lice eggs.

Kambrya College is aware that head lice can be a sensitive issue and is committed to maintaining your confidentiality.

Yours Sincerely,

Joanne Wastle
Assistant Principal

From the office

Education Maintenance Allowance - Instalment Two

If you are the holder of a Health Care Card or Pension Card valid as at the 13th July, 2009 you may be eligible to claim Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) for the 2nd Semester.

Parents and guardians who lodged an EMA application at the beginning of the year do not need to lodge another EMA application to receive the second instalment EMA payment. Applications close on 7th August 2009.

Contact the College Office for an application form or further information.

Cross Country

Congratulations to the following students who have made it through to the State final to be held next Friday the 24th of July. An awesome effort and we wish them all the best!

Maddison Blackburn of year 10

Jake Rees of year 9

Mel Hunter of year 8

Isabella Hohaus of year 9

Michelle Hook of Year 11

Congratulations to Clay Tharle of Year 9 on his selection to the Victorian Secondary Schools Sports Association Australian Football Metropolitan Team. Clay's selection as a state representative will take him to Maroochydore in Queensland later this month to compete in an interstate competition. Well done Clay and best wishes for the future.



Nike + Challenge 2009

The Nike + Challenge is an Australian and New Zealand-wide competition, challenging students to run as far as they can in 22 days. 100 students have signed up from years 7-12 to participate in the challenge. The website has been fixed and students now need to complete the registration process using their unique code. This needs to be completed by July 31st. Also through participating in this competition, students are entitled to 50% off Nike running shoes at the Athletes Foot until the start of the challenge (10th of August).

Brilliant Gymnast at Kambrya College

Congratulations to Jamie Sanders of M9C on exceptional achievement in gymnastics. On the Queen's Birthday weekend, Jamie competed in the Victorian Championships. Not only did her club take out the all round 'Team Title', but Jamie was also selected to represent Victoria at the Australian Championships held in Perth over the recent holidays. The Victorian Team won the Australian title and Jamie claimed the individual Australian title. Jamie is very grateful for the support she has received from the staff at Kambrya College. Congratulations again Jamie! The College community is very proud of you!!



The Goethe Institute is holding an exhibition, featuring reproductions of selected black and white photographs from the project 'Ortszeit / Local Time' by Berlin photographer and graphic designer Stefan Koppelman.

There will be a series of events in order to celebrate the 'German Day Out' on Friday, July 24th. At 2:00pm, the film 'Krabat' will be screened at ACMI, as opening for the Melbourne International Next Gen Film Festival. Later on, acclaimed German rappers Roger Reklus and Nico Suave will be performing a concert at Federation Square on July 24th. For more information, please visit the Goethe Institute's (German Cultural Centre) website on: www.goethe-de/australien

The Next Gen Program, now a Melbourne International Film Festival institution, provides stimulating films for our younger generations of cinema viewers. These intelligent and entertaining films offer developing cinefilms insight into the world around us, and a glimpse of the endless possibilities of international cinema.

Of interest to students of Japanese is the film MIAO MIAO, about a girl raised in Japan who transfers to Taipei for a year. The film is mostly in Mandarin but also contains some Japanese language. The key themes of this film are: Friendship, coming of age and sexuality. MIFF Recommends: Age 14+, Some adults themes and sexual references. Screening will be on Thu 6 August, 10.30am at ACMI

For more information, please go to: http://www.melbournefilmfestival.com.au/2009_next_gen

<http://www.artscentre.frankston.vic.gov.au/>

The Herald Sun Career Expo will be taking place from 24 - 26 July at the Melbourne Exhibition Centre. There will be information about a High School Exchange to Japan at stand 211 on Friday 24 July at 11.00am in the Seminar Room 2.

MANIFEST (Melbourne Anime Festival) is an annual event which promotes community interests in Japanese culture and society, as well as the appreciation of anime and other related forms of art such as manga and video games. The festival will take place at the Melbourne Showgrounds from Friday August 21st until Sunday August 23rd. The event will be held between 9:00am and 9:00pm.

Some of the activities that you will be able to enjoy are: Kendo demonstrations, Calligraphy, Taiko performances, Tea Ceremony, Japanese flute, Jujitsu demonstrations, Sword Martial Arts and many more. There will also be screenings of Japanese Anime in the original language with subtitles.

In order to commemorate the 61st anniversary of the Atomic Bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Canute Productions is touring the state with a theatre production of 'Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes' based on the book by Eleanor Coerr. The performances will be held at the Frankston Arts Centre on Thu 20 Aug. Performances are 10am & 12.30pm. For booking, please call (03) 9784 1060 or visit

The Hiroshima & Nagasaki Peace Concert 09 will be held on Saturday August 8th, 3 - 5pm in the State Library Village Roadshow Theatre

Speakers:
Scott Ludlam - Guest Speaker, Australian Greens Senator
Steven Starr, MT Senior Scientist, Physicians for Social Responsibility

Performers:
Yumi Umiumare - Butoh Dance
Bruce Watson - Acoustic Guitar, Singer/Songwriter
Djiva - Acoustic Guitar, Indigenous Female Duo
Ayako Sato & Fuefukuro - Japanese Drum & Bamboo Flutes
Jordie Lane - Acoustic Guitar, Singer/Songwriter

Entry: \$15/conc \$10

This event is organised by Japanese for Peace website:

<http://www.jfp.org.au>

For more information, please contact us by email:

info@jfp.org.au or

0413 849 984

Music News

There are many available spaces in our music program for any interested students to begin instrumental music lessons. These lessons occur during class time and rotate so that a student does not miss the same class each week.

Studies have shown that "playing music improves reasoning capacity and problem solving skills, better memory and greater social and team skills". (www.musicplayforlife.org) It can also be a lot of fun!!

If your child wishes to play an instrument, they can obtain an Expression of Interest Form from Miss Bishop in the D1/D2 office and return it ASAP.

All our current instrumental music students' families should have received a letter at the end of last term detailing a few changes in the music department. If these forms haven't been returned, please do so immediately.

All lessons have begun for semester two. The days/teachers are as follows:

Monday - Drums - Adrian Violi
Tuesday - Guitar/Bass - Dave Robinson
Wednesday - Drums - Adrian Violi
- Guitar/Bass - Dave Robinson
- Trumpet/Trombone - Damian Maughan

Thursday - Voice - Nina Benvenuti

- Note: Woodwind lessons (Saxophone, Flute and Clarinet) rotate over three days, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday with Roz Bishop.

Junior Band rehearses every Friday from 8am in E1. Please ensure that your child attends if they are a part of this ensemble, as we are planning performances and excursions which won't take place unless we have a complete band.

Upcoming Performances

Every student in the music department will be part of a concert coming up towards the middle of Term 3. This will be an opportunity for the ensembles to perform as well as selected soloists and small groups. Keep your eye out for more details.

There will be a Recital Night for the VCE Music students on Tuesday 14th September in the theatre. This is a free event and everyone is welcome.

Literacy Support

We are seeking members of the Kambrya Community to listen to students read.

Please consider helping us.

Time Commitment—1 hour per week

Activity—Listen to an individual or small number of students read.

Please contact: Mrs. Tanya Pinnock to express an interest or for further information. 9707 7600

Free Dress Day

On Tuesday 11th August, Kambrya College will be holding a free dress day to raise money for the Starlight Children's Foundation Australia. There will also be colouring hair with hairspray at lunchtimes for a \$1 donation and selling rainbow jelly cups in the College Canteen for \$1.50.

The Starlight Foundation delivers innovative programs to children in hospital to make their stay more enjoyable and easier for families. They have set up special rooms in children's wards all over Australia. Unfortunately, they only reach one third of the 600,000 children admitted to Australian hospitals every year. They rely on donations to fund these programs, and we are hoping to assist through fundraising and donations.

If students choose not to make a donation on the day, they will need to be in full school uniform, and will be subject to the same sanctions should they arrive at school out of uniform.

If you have any questions about the date, please feel free to contact the SRC, Mr Benjamin Forbes or Miss Sarah Day at the College.

Parent Information Evening

Years 11 & 12 in 2010 on Tuesday 28th July
Berwick Church of Christ 7pm

The evening will begin with a presentation about VCE & VCAL pathways

Parents & students will also have an opportunity to speak with subject teachers, Careers and Year Level leaders regarding pathways for senior schooling and beyond.

If you have any queries, please contact the Later Years office on 9707 7600.