Message from the Principal

Help Shape the Education State
The most important thing that we can do as a school community is to make sure we give each and every student a great education and a great start to life.

I know from speaking to many of you that you have great ideas for how we can improve the education we provide our students at school, and more broadly how we can improve our school system as a whole. I also regularly hear ideas from our staff, our school council, our local businesses and others in the community on how we can make our education system even better.

The Victorian Government has committed to making Victoria the Education State and has recently begun a consultation process – asking for us to share our ideas and experiences, our challenges and solutions – to help us improve our education system across the state. This is an opportunity for all of us to have our say and play a role in shaping what our education system will look like in the years to come.

I will be thinking about how I can contribute my ideas to this consultation and I will be asking our staff to participate as well. I invite you to join in the conversation, because your ideas and insights – as parents of children currently in our school system – are critical to making sure we get the vision right for our state to become the Education State. You could also use social media to encourage your family and friends to join the discussion – education has an impact on everybody, and everyone deserves the opportunity to have their say. The best way to get involved is to go to educationstate.education.vic.gov.au where you can join in the online conversations or register to attend one of the sessions running across the state throughout June and July.

May I also invite you to a Public Meeting on “Shaping Education in Victoria” to be held at the Corryong College Senior Campus Library at at 5.30pm on Tuesday 28 July where your ideas will help us shape the future of Education in not only Corryong but also Victoria. As always, I invite you to share your ideas with me on what is working well and what we can do better.

Congratulations!
Congratulations to Robert and Kylie Ross for they have won the $500 Myer Card prize for paying their school levy before the end of last term. School Council has been very pleased with our school community response to this program and have consequently approved a further incentive to families to pay their levy before the end of Term 3.

All families that have paid their levy before the end of Term 3 (Friday 18th September) will go into a draw for a $250 local business purchase card. The draw will take place early in Term 4 and the winning family will be notified by phone and through the school newsletter. Please note that families of Corryong College employees are unable to participate in this competition.

Parent Opinion Survey Posted to Homes This Week!
About 35 families should receive a copy of the 2015 Parent Opinion Survey this week. The families are chosen at random by the Department of Education and Training (DET) software program. The results of this survey along with the Staff Opinion Surveys and the Student Attitude to School Survey completed by students provides a picture of how the College is performing and highlights areas for improvement as judged by the school community. Completed surveys are not opened or analysed by the College; this is done in Melbourne.

Last year we had a response rate of 62%. This was a huge improvement from the previous year where we had a 33% return. It would be great if the trend could continue and we had a further increase in parent participation in 2015. The Department (DET) has indicated that a response rate of 70 to 75% is the minimum requirement to compile robust, meaningful data.

Surveys are due back next Friday. Remember Corryong College is looking for that magic 70 to 75% return.

Visitors to the College
The College seeks to provide an open and friendly learning environment which values and actively encourages visitors to our school. At the same time we recognize our duty of care to ensure a safe environment for our students and staff, and we recognize our responsibility to protect and preserve our resources against theft, vandalism or misuse. All visitors are required to report to the administration office prior to undertaking any activity within the school. Other than in the case of short inquiries or business in the administration offices, visitors will be required to sign a “Visitors’ book. At the end of their visit they will be requested to ‘sign out’ in the ‘Visitors book’.

The College understands that it is tempting at times for some parents to just pop in and deliver a lunch or a sport uniform or whatever without reporting to the office first but we must insist that all parents follow the College’s process at all times.

Tony Valente (Principal)
**Maths Help After School** - has been cancelled next week the Tuesday 28th July

**After School Art**—Every Tuesday from 3.30-4.30 @ the Art Room with Mrs Nankervis

**Psychology Units 3 & 4** : Wed or Thursday each week 3.30—4.15

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Term 3 27th July–16th August, 2015**

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*Faulty Towers is a Wodonga TAFE Course where students do hands on work with food in the Hospitality Industry. Please note that the restaurant is held on a Wednesday for dinner. For bookings please phone 6076 1566 to book for your ASIAN DEGUSTATION. Dates from 12th August to 2nd September.*
Dates
Winter Sports Carnival 31st July
Book week 24th August—18th August
Pet Visit—17th September

School Banking Every Tuesday.

- **Visitors to the Junior Campus.** Just a reminder to parents to please call past the office and sign the visitors’ book if you are visiting the classroom, delivering lunch etc.

- **MEDICAL.** A reminder to all parents. If there have been changes to your child’s medical condition please notify the office to ensure updates are in place.

- **Hot Pies, Pasties & Sausage Rolls - WEDNESDAY**

**PRICE LIST 2015**

- **Sausage Rolls $3.50**
  - July 29th Melissa Humphrey
- **Pies/Pasties $4.**
  - July 29th Melissa Humphries
- **Vegie Roll $4.00**
  - 5th August Kristin McKimmie
- **Iced Donuts $2.00**
  - 12th August Tracey Mulligan
- **19th August Kristin McKimmie**

**Pie Roster**

- July 29th Melissa Humphrey
- 5th August Kristin McKimmie
- 12th August Tracey Mulligan
- Last Pie day 26th August Melissa Humphries.

Book club closes on the 3rd August. All orders to be returned to the Junior campus office or the Senior Campus Library prior to the date.

On Monday we had a visiting performer and Prep/1Lebner have written some stories.

Yesterday we went to the circus and there was a funny man. He put newspaper on his nose and he had a cloth that he made into a kitten. Marlie McLean

'Per is funny. He was awesome. He balanced a chair on his chin.' Ollie Ross

'My favourite part was when Per threw a ball on his head.' Riley Bloom

'Yesterday we went to the circus. The man’s name was Per. He did juggling with big balls and balanced a chair in his nose and he was funny. Everyone clapped. I had a great time.' Chloe McInnes
Social networking

During this term we will be publishing some information about being safe online. This information is to provide families with knowledge and strategies on how their children can be safe whilst online. All information is taken directly from the Federal Government, Office of the Children’s eSafety Commissioner, which is located at https://www.esafety.gov.au/.

Chat and social networking are great ways to stay in touch and find new friends. However, there are some risks meeting people online — especially if you don’t know them in real life. When you share things online you may be sharing with other people you do not know or trust. Once a message, photo or video has been shared, you also won’t be able to control where it goes.

What do I need to know about safe social networking?

- Limit your friend list — don’t ‘friend’ random people.
- Protect your privacy — don’t share your password and set your profile to private.
- Your personal details are valuable — don’t share them.
- Protect your reputation — keep it clean and ask yourself: would you want others to see what you upload?
- Be careful who you trust — a person can pretend to be someone they are not.
- Don’t use a webcam with people you do not know.
- Think before you post, chat, upload or download.

How do I control my privacy settings?

All social networking sites have their own version of ‘default’ privacy and security settings. It is important that you know how the site works and how to change the settings to protect your personal information. The Games, apps and social networking section of the eSafety website gives you access to step-by-step instructions to control your settings for each social networking platform.

What are the risks of social networking?

The risks in using social networking sites include:

- Anonymity — it can be easier to say and do things online that you might not do offline.
- Sharing too much information — for example, photos from a party might be okay for close friends to see but can become shared more widely.
- Not protecting your personal information — account details and location information can be used inappropriately by others to find you or access your online accounts. It is important that you understand the risks associated with disclosing information about yourself online and know how to manage both your privacy and online friends.
- Treating online friends as real friends — it’s easy for people to lie online, including those who are seeking children and young people for more than a social relationship. Make sure you are careful about how well you really know your online ‘friends’.

What are location-based services?

Many social networking sites take advantage of location-based services, which enable users to report their physical location to others via their mobile phone. By using this function, users can physically locate friends and others from social networking sites. Individuals can ‘check-in’ from a location to let others know their whereabouts.

On some social networking services the location-based functions are turned on by default. To manage these services, and retain your privacy, review your social networking settings to block the function or to limit who sees your location-based information.

Cyberbullying and how to make a complaint

If you know that cyberbullying is happening there are several ways that you can seek assistance in removing the cyberbullying material.

Block the person and talk to someone you trust

A complaint can lead to a formal investigation and so it’s worth trying to resolve the issue before making a complaint.

We recommend the following possible actions:

- Talk to a trusted adult, parent or teacher first about the cyberbullying.
- Block or unfriend the person upsetting you.

If you don’t feel comfortable talking with your parents or teachers, you can contact Kids Helpline on 1800 55 1800.

Contact the social media service where the cyberbullying is taking place. (This can be done via the College website or directly through the social media service)

Under new legislation, social media services are obliged to take down material believed to be cyberbullying. Most social media services will have a reporting area on their website. Alternatively you can find information about how to report on various websites under the Social media safety centres section of this website.

Report cyberbullying to the Office of the Children’s eSafety Commissioner

If the social media service fails to remove the material, you can make a complaint to the Office of the Children’s eSafety Commissioner.

In order for them to review your cyberbullying complaint, the cyberbullying material must:

- be posted on a social media service or relevant electronic service
- be likely to have a seriously threatening, intimidating, harassing or humiliating effect on an Australian child.

To process your complaint, please provide the following:

- evidence that you have previously reported the incident to the relevant social media service
- evidence of the cyberbullying.

For more information please visit the eSafety site at https://www.esafety.gov.au/.
There will be a presentation for Year 11 and Year 12 VCAL Students and their parents at Faulty Towers on Tuesday 28th July starting at 4.30pm. The purpose is to encourage and support students to their best. There will be a discussion about how parents can help their child with subject workloads and time management. Information will be provided about resources available to help students with resumes and job applications as well as discussions about key employability skills. There is a particular focus on getting ready for applying for traineeships, apprenticeships, the work force or further study. Afternoon tea will be available. There is a small cost for the afternoon tea and names do need to be given beforehand for catering purposes to the Office.

It’s a Mad, Mad World
On Monday of this week, Per Westman joined students from Corryong College and Sacred Heart with his circus show, ‘It’s a Mad World’. Per started off with one of his characters, Dweasel. Dweasel was a panicky, neat man who overcame his fears. He filled in for his brother, who was the brightest star of the show. The show was very entertaining with lots of ‘WOW’ moments! Per had the audience gasping on the edge of their seats in the first few minutes! Per interacted with the audience throughout the show. It fascinated all ages from the small Foundation students to the big teachers. Per had very witty jokes that made everyone laugh. The show had lots of excellent action, humour and the characters were hilarious! Per impressed everyone by balancing a golf stick on a golf ball on another golf stick! He spun the golf stick around to act like a helicopter. The students really enjoyed the show. It was a great pleasure to have him at our school. Maiya Curven

FIT 2 Drive—There has been a change of times for the Year 11 Fit to Drive excursion in Tallangatta on Thursday 30th of July. Students will leave the College at 9.30am. Students will return to school by 3.20pm.
CORRYONG COLLEGE—FETE
Start at 4pm—6pm in ECA Centre
Come and enjoy a range of activities and stalls.
Movie in the Hub from 5.30pm—7pm.

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AFTER SCHOOL SPECIAL. COME IN AFTER
SCHOOL IN YOUR SCHOOL UNIFORM
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OP SHOP ROSTER FOR July 2015

Corryong College Senior Library
Consultation paper is available on the
Education State website
www.educationstate.education.vic.gov.au

FREE KARATE LESSONS
KARATE
AGES 6-9 YEARS
Thursdays: 6-7pm
AGES 10+ YEARS
Thursdays: 7:15-8:30
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Fridays: 6-7:30pm

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