Welcome to our monthly Parent Newsletter.
18th March 2013
Our aim is to keep parents informed of upcoming events and important dates to remember.
If you haven’t already done so, please let the College know of your email address so we can let you know when the newsletters are available for download from our website.
Email your address to: wyndham.central.sc@edumail.vic.gov.au Please include in your email the names of the students you have enrolled at the College.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL
This term our leadership team has been working on the Annual Implementation Plan for this year. As our Strategic Plan for 2011-2014 is completed next year and we evaluate our progress over the last few years it is pleasing to see the progress made towards the range of goals identified. Whilst the rebranding of the College has resulted in a new uniform and College name, the 2012 State Budget provision of $14million for the facilities has enabled us to really focus on the key aspects of the teaching and learning and the types of facilities that are examples of best practice. All staff have been involved in the development of the new master plan which sees the move away from open learning spaces to a more academic and rigorous curriculum based on higher expectations.

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS
It gives me great pleasure to announce our new School Council for 2013. We welcome two new members to our parent membership category – Mere Vakaloloma (Yr 7 Parent) and Stephen Hill (Yr 10 & Yr 12 Parent) We also welcome two new members to our DEECD membership category – Shirlene Anderson and Stephanie Porrino. This year we will be also inviting our school captains to join us at our meetings.

Congratulations to the parents and staff who will be joining School Council and for their interest in school governance and working together to support our young people.

SCHOOL UNIFORM
Rushfords have advised that the stock has arrived for all families who were waiting for uniform. Please note that the changeover period from Summer into Winter will be the first two weeks of term 2. All students, whether they choose the new or old uniform must be in the Winter uniform by the start of week 3 – Monday 29th April. 2013.

Julie Myers
College Principal
PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS
Parent teacher interviews will be held on Wednesday 27th March 4pm – 7pm and Thursday 28th March 9.30am – 1pm. Your PTO online login details will be distributed at Year Level assemblies during the week beginning Monday 18th March. If you do not receive your details please contact the school.

ARRIVING AT SCHOOL
Just a reminder to students and parents, that students need to arrive at school prior to 8.55 am. At this time the external gates will be closed and anyone arriving after that time will need to go through the Office. To enable students to be at their class by 9.00 am they need to arrive at school by 8.55 at the very latest.

MIDDLE YEARS REPORT
Term 1 is rapidly coming to a close as it is a short term. I would like to thank all middle years parents for their support of our new school uniform and new school policies in increasing student’s learning and connectedness to school. Students are often showing our values of Excellence, Respect and Cooperation. So far the Sporting teams, the AVID year level, Explore, Star, F1, the swimming carnival and general classroom learning have all been a great success. We also thank you for your support in the immunisations.

Students are doing an excellent job of coping with the building works and the excitement this is building with new areas opening soon.

Please do sign up for our Parent/teacher interviews on line. We are looking forward to showing you all of the work your child has completed.

Please can I ask parents to not send their children to school with large bottles of soft drink. These are unhealthy and can have an adverse effect on student behaviour in the classroom. If you would like information on healthy lunches you are welcome to contact our school nurse Trish Worthington on a Monday or Tuesday on 97414911.

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHTS
In light of the Grade 6 to 7 transitions from Primary schools beginning, we will be holding 2 parent information nights where grade 5 or 6 parents will be able to view the plans for the new school and ask any questions they may have. These will be held on Tuesday 26th March and Tuesday 30th April in the College library.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Yvonne Harvey
Acting Middle Years Assistant Principal

YEAR 8
Things are off to a great start for year 8’s at Wyndham Central College with many students achieving success in the classroom and on the sporting field. A key focus for term 2 will be ORGANISATION. Students and parents are reminded that they need to bring all of their required equipment to all of their classes. Students will need at minimum the following items:
Netbook and eBooks
Student Planner (remember that parents need to view and sign these on a weekly basis)
An A4 exercise book for each class
Pens, pencils, and other stationary
Peteru Lesa
Year 8 Year Level Leader

YEAR 9
The Year 9 students have started the 2013 school year, learning about leadership styles and how they can take the different styles on board to further develop their own personal leadership qualities. Students studied both past and present leaders and evaluated the effectiveness of each. Students have also been encouraged to develop group dynamic skills by getting together with other students to complete various projects. Health and
Fitness Programs have also been, and will continue to be explored, to give students an understanding on the importance of keeping their bodies healthy. This information takes a holistic approach which equips students with knowledge and skills to make informed decisions about their bodies and personal wellbeing. Our program also equips students with important skills that will be required to complete future elements of the Star Program, the program encompasses skill development, adventurous journeys, volunteering and leadership.

Allan Bernardi
Year Nine Year Level Leader

**SENIOR YEARS REPORT**

**PROGRESS CHECKS**

Currently progress checks are being mailed out to parents of years 10, 11 & 12 students who have any outstanding work which has not been submitted to classroom teachers. Please use this opportunity to discuss the progress checks with your child and assist them in ensuring that this work is completed and submitted for assessment.

**YOUR TUTOR**

Shortly all Years 9, 10, 11 & 12 students will be fortunate enough to be part of a program called Your Tutor. Your Tutor, in partnership with Victoria University, will provide a free online tutoring service from Sunday-Friday (3pm-10pm) for all years 9-12 students at WCC; it also offers a skill building service at any time. Students will preview the program on Monday 18th March and then will receive their log on details at a later date.

If you have any concerns in regards to your child’s progress then please don’t hesitate to contact their Tutor Teacher followed by their Year Level Leader (names provided in the last newsletter).

Mr Woollard
Senior Years Assistant Principal

**YEAR 10**

It’s been a very busy start to the year, most pleasing has been the successful implementation of the new Wyndham Central College uniform. Our students look fantastic and we are very proud of them along with the Year 7’s as the flag bearers of a new school. All items are available from Rushfords and we expect students to be in full school uniform each day including blazers and ties.

All year 10 students have completed their first SAC. Sitting a formal test under exam conditions can be a bit scary but we’ve done one now and is great preparation for Years 11 & 12. Teachers are busy marking them and I’m sure we’ll see plenty of great results.

Daniel Pearce
Year 10 Year Level Leader

**YEAR 10 WORK PLACEMENT**

It is compulsory for all Year Ten students to undertake Work Placement as part of their Industry and Enterprise studies. The first work placement block is scheduled for **Monday 29 April – Friday 3 May**.

All students were to have returned their green ‘structured work place agreement forms’ to Miss Cole by **Friday 8th March**. **Work Placement forms are now considered overdue.** Failure to obtain a work placement and return the green form to the College by the end of term may result in students failing Industry and Enterprise for this semester. These forms are a legal requirement covering students for insurance and liability purposes and must be signed by the employer, parent and the student before being returned to school.

Green forms are available from the careers office or the year ten office.

If there are any concerns or queries regarding structured work placement for year ten students, please contact me on cole.amy.l@edumail.vic.gov.au, or through the general office of the College.

Amy Côté
Work Experience Coordinator.
YEAR 11
Well Term 1 is almost over, and it has been a jam packed term. Progress reports have been mailed out to families and are an important indicator on the progressions of each student. We strongly encourage you to make contact with subject teachers in regards to work that students owe. It is important to not get behind in any subjects at this point in time.

Last Year we held elections for SRC representatives at Yr 11 and would like to announce and congratulate Justin Mac and Samantha Bates who were elected.
We also had class captain nominations where a number of students made speeches to the Yr 11 classes, and then students voted on who they would like to represent the class.
11A Dean Nuske
11B Sarah Nuske
11C Melinda Holder
11D Zhan Kaponga
11E Kylem Brown
11F Je Ro Mi Ya KUNOO
11G Justin Mac

Well done to all and we look forward to hearing from you throughout the year.

SAC RESITS:
SAC resists for year 11 students are to be held in R22 on Tuesday 5&6 and in R2 Thursdays sessions 5&6.
Some students have Study Skills during this time and they will be required to attend their rescheduled SAC, and when finished return to their Study Skills class.
If a student has missed their SAC they need to get a blue form from the senior school office, fill it out and be ready to complete the SAC resit the next Tuesday or Thursday after their original SAC was held. If a student has missed a SAC due to illness and brings in a medical certificate, they can sit the SAC during this time for a grade.
If they were absent for a SAC and it’s not for a legitimate reason, they need to sit the SAC in order to gain a Satisfactory result. If a student has sat a SAC, and it’s of a poor quality, they will need to follow the same process and resit the SAC in order to demonstrate their understanding and gain a Satisfactory result. However, their original result does not change.
If you have any questions on this please feel free to contact us at the school.

Thanks
Rebecca Sandlant
Year 11 Year Level Leader

A NEW BEGINNING...
On Wednesday the 13th of February we celebrated many firsts. It was the first sports carnival for us as Wyndham Central College, as well as being the first carnival which involved the entire student body and the College staff. It was also the first event where our new houses - Red, Blue, Green and Yellow - were given the opportunity to compete against each other.
The WCC Swimming Carnival was held at Lara Swimming Pool which boasts a 50 metre Olympic-sized pool, a small shallow pool and a water park. This facility allows us to run a competitive swimming program, a novelty competition and an informal free time experience at the culmination of the day.
The event was very successful as it provided the College with an opportunity to develop and express its new identity. A sense of belonging was also achieved as the entire school community was involved.
It was great to see the amount of students participating in the events and supporting their house by wearing their house colours with pride. Staff were delighted to be involved, as many of the years 10-12 teachers had not attended a carnival for years.
Congratulations to Green House on their historic win. The scoreboard currently looks like this:

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Staff would like to feed back to parents and students that they were very impressed with everyone’s behaviour, attitude, participation and performance both in and out of the pool.
I would also like to thank everybody involved in helping to make the day an outstanding success, both with their help on the day itself and all of the preparation work in the lead up to the carnival.
We look forward to seeing you all perform at the Athletics Carnival and can’t wait to see how the scoreboard will change. Don’t forget: all participants on the day earn points for their house, so get involved!!!

Peta Hills
Sports Carnival Coordinator

PROUD MOMENT FOR WYNDHAM CENTRAL
Wyndham Central Swim Team competed at the Wyndham Division Swimming Carnival on Friday the 8th of March. The carnival was held at the Werribee Outdoor Pool on a nice hot day which was perfect weather for swimming.
We competed against Good News Lutheran, Suzanne Cory, Werribee, Hoppers Crossing, Manor Lakes, Baden Powell, Tarneit Senior, Al Taqwa and The Grange.
Congratulations to the entire team who all performed their best on the day and represented our College with great pride. A special mention needs to be made of the following students for their effort and performance:

Yr 12 Destin Hill
Yr 10 Jessiie Pattison
Yr 9 James Taylor
Yr 9 Jarrod Van Berkel
Yr 8 Connor McIntosh

The team received one second place and three third places in Breaststroke, two fourth places in Freestyle and two fourth places in Backstroke. I would like to thank Ms Sarah Curtain and Mr Alex De Leon who performed pool side duties on the day, supervised and supported the swim team and helped the students to marshal at all their events. I would also like to thank Chelsea Banigan, Jayde Sampson and Jacqueline Shanks of Year 9 who also worked diligently on the day as student volunteers.

Peta Hills
Sports Carnival Coordinator

VOLLEYBALL: WCC SPIKES AGAIN...
The Senior Boys and the Intermediate Boys Volleyball Team competed at the Werribee Recreation Centre on Friday the 1st of March. It was a great day which saw Wyndham Central competing against other schools from the Wyndham area. Senior Boys won two of their matches against Manor Lakes and Suzanne Cory, but unfortunately were beaten by The Grange. The Intermediates boys were even more successful as they were undefeated when playing against Tarneit, The Grange, Suzanne Cory, Hopper Crossing and Baden Powell.
Congratulations to all team members who were both fantastic on the day and who also showed great commitment throughout the training process. Good luck to the Intermediate Boys who will continue to represent Wyndham Central College at the next level of competition later on in the term.

Senior Boys
Daniel Rodriguez
Zhan Kaponga
Destin Hill
Kylem Brown
Mahrin Sherzai
Yayhe Brown
Mohamud Said
Bior Malual
Liam Loftus

Intermediate Boys
Manawa Aranui
Daniel Lefau
Jayden Chand
Mataio Semi
Janson Daguinot
Tiaan Steyn
Andreas Steyn

Gaby Banens & Peta Hills
Senior & Intermediate Volleyball Coaches
BASEBALL:
Well done to the Intermediate boys Baseball team who competed in the first week of school. They finished 2nd overall for the day, however the final game against Suzanne Cory was very close.
Great work by all the boys who showed amazing sportsmanship and held their composure during some tight innings. A special mention to Abdullah Ahmed who pitched exceptionally well throughout the entire game and to Dylan Jardine who had to catch for the whole game and didn’t drop a single pitch.
WELL DONE!!
MVP – Dylan Jardine 9E
Coach: Trish O’Neill

CRICKET:
Intermediate Boys
So close but yet so far…..
I would like to thank the Year 9 and 10 Boys who represented the school in cricket. Even though it was cloudy and wet, we played three games winning 2 and unfortunately losing one. We beat the Grange, Manor Lakes and lost to Suzanne Cory. I would like to thank the supporters who came and watched the games. Mrs Shipcott Ms O’Neil and Carol.
Finally I would like to thank the boys for their effort, attitude and behaviour on the day.
Game 1 WCC 4/97 vs Grange 6/46
Game 2 WCC 2/90 vs Manor Lakes 5/56
Game 3 WCC 4/49 vs Suzanne Cory 5/50
Coach
Patrick Agius

NETBALL:
The following students participated in the year 7 Interschool Sports Netball Competition on Wednesday 27th March.
As the day progressed they improved a lot and all had lots of fun, and many now want to take it up outside of school.
They all participated in about 5-6 training sessions at school before the competition.
Ruby Barlow-Marks (7D)
Samantha Webby (7D)
Hayley McAuliffe (7D)
Haylee Spry (7D)
Hozannah (7D)
Katie-rina Paca (7D)
Kadra Abdi (7C)
Florence (7D)
Olivia Gerring-Low (7D)

TENNIS:
Year 8 Girls and Boys
A huge congratulations to the year 8 Tennis team who trained twice a week for 3 weeks. They showed how much time and effort they had put into their skills by competing to such a high level on the day of competition!
The boys finished 2nd with some very close singles matches. The boys did not drop a match in their doubles rubbers. The girls had a more successful day by winning and going through to the next round. A special mention to Ackzell who was a late inclusion in the team due to his commitment and eagerness during trainings.
Captains:
Boys – Keenan Lucic  Girls – Manasek Ahmed
MVP – Lauren Cooper (won every game, singles and doubles)
Coach: Trish O’Neill
Trish O’Neill
Sports Teams Co-ordinator

**SRC 2013**
Congratulations to the students who have been selected by their peers to be SRC reps for 2013. Our SRC reps will have a busy year representing the student voice at our school which will begin with an excursion to the Grip Student Leadership Conference this month for our year 10, 11 and 12 reps. Congratulations to:
School Captains: James Murgatroyd & Paige Kurrle
School Vice Captains: Daniel Rainbow & Brook Von Schill
Year 11 Reps: Justin Mac & Samantha Bates
Year 10 Reps: Laxmi Singh, Mega Hill, Isabel Cherukara & Scott Ordon
Year 9 Reps: Kaitlyn Butler, Suzannah Johnny, Joshua Ker & Sherie Young
Year 8 Reps: Rudy Dellomas & Manasek Ahmed
Year 7 Reps: Louis Middlebrook & Jenny Peng Thang
Sarah Curtain
SRC Coordinator

**YR 8 EXPLORE HOMEWORK CLUB (FREE TUTORING!)**
Every Monday afternoon in the explore centre from 3pm to 4.30pm. Students are free to work on any homework they may need help with and can leave whenever they like. Snacks provided.

**STUDIO ARTS/VCD HOMEWORK CLUB AND MENTOR**
Any senior art or design student is welcome to attend in A5 every Thursday nights. Amy is an experienced university design student and will be there to help students with their folio work, research, explorations, written responses etc. Students are free to leave whenever they like.

**MATHS HOMEWORK CLUB**
The Maths Department is continuing to provide WCC students with after school Math classes. It has been a great success so far, as many students are using it to complete their school and home work. Classes are in H8 and the Senior Resource Centre. We have experienced teachers looking after our students whose dedication is commendable. Again YR11 and YR12 Maths Methods and YR12 Further Maths are being looked after by Ms L Smith, Mr G Bumpstead, Mrs L. Lee and Mr A. Wokulski. Other year levels are having regular help from other teachers. Everyone is welcome on every Wednesday in H8 and the Senior Resource Centre at 3.10pm till late.
A.Wokulski
Maths Homework Club Coordinator

**HUMANITIES HOMEWORK CLUB**
There will be an after school Humanities homework club running for Year 7 – 10 year levels. Students will be supervised and assisted with their school work. The session will be held every Wednesday in the Humanities block from 3.10 to 4.10. All interested students are welcome.
T. Hatzimanolis
Humanities Homework Club Coordinator

**ENGLISH**
The English Learning Area at Wyndham Central College is committed to providing the best learning opportunities for our students. Extra assistance is available to students at the following times:
Year 12 students: Tuesday sessions 1+2  Room: R20
                                      Friday sessions 5+6  Room: R20
ALL students (7-12) Wednesday 3.15-4.15 Library
All sessions are staffed by at least one VCE teacher. Enquiries from parents or guardians are welcome at any time.
Lynda Wilson
English Learning Area Leader

COLLEGE ADMINISTRATION SUPPORT PROGRAM
This program involves one student supporting the administration officers by helping out with college administration duties. The administration support program is important to the daily running of the college. Students in Year 9, 8 and 7 will be required to participate and take on the responsibility of admin duty monitor for one day during the school year. This is a good opportunity for students to improve on being responsible, reliable and gain a better knowledge of the school in general. Thank you in advance for your support of our College programs.

PERSONAL GOODS BROUGHT TO SCHOOL AT OWN RISK
Personal property is often brought to school by students, staff and visitors. This can include mobile phones, electronic games, calculators, toys, musical instruments and sporting equipment. The Department or Wyndham Central College does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and it has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property.

STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM
Rotary International are looking for well qualified Rotary International Youth Exchange students to travel, live and study overseas for 12 months as Rotary International Ambassadors from January 2014. The closing date for 2014 Outbound Student applications is Friday 19th April 2013. Also, we are inviting potential Host Family volunteers to consider joining our Family of Rotary, to provide assistance and support to the program.

Vanda Mullen
Rotary Club of Keilor East
vmullen@netspace.net.au
0408 109 368

HAVE YOU RECEIVED THE SCHOOLKIDS BONUS?
Do you know about the Schoolkids Bonus? It is a new cash payment to help eligible families and students with the costs of primary and secondary school studies. Around 1.2 million families have already benefitted from the first wave of payments in January 2013 – have you?

If you receive a family or income support payment, including Family Tax Benefit Part A, you could be eligible to receive $410 a year for each primary student and $820 a year for each secondary student, with half paid in January and half paid in July.

The Schoolkids Bonus replaces the Education Tax Refund (ETR) and is a much simpler system. You no longer need to collect receipts and payments are made automatically so you don’t have to wait months to make a claim.
via your tax return. Unlike the ETR you can choose how you use the payment to best support your children’s education – whether it be school books, stationery, uniforms, school fees, or excursions.

Check your eligibility by visiting australia.gov.au/schoolkidsbonus and if you think you might have missed out on the January payment, contact Centrelink – either in person at a Centrelink-Medicare Office or by calling 132 468.

**CAREER NEWSLETTER**

The Wyndham Central College Career Newsletter will be published fortnightly to keep students informed of events relating to their career pathways. It will include information regarding tertiary pathways – University & TAFE – as well as employment/industry pathways. The Careers Office, in the administration building, is a resource centre for our students with current institutional handbooks and brochures at their disposal. Students are invited to visit, browse and question. An open door policy exists to ensure students make informed decisions about future pathways. Initial Year 12 interviews are currently taking place to assist students with the momentous decisions facing them this year. Parents/guardians are welcome to take advantage of the services provided. Appointments can be made to discuss the future pathways of their children. This is a condensed version of the newsletter. The full editions can be found on the College website via the Careers link.

**WHERE TO OBTAIN CAREERS INFORMATION?**

There are many useful sources:

- General careers websites (see below)
- University and TAFE websites
- University seminars (eg ‘At Monash’ seminar series - details later in the year)
- School Career Counsellor, Mrs Karlovic
- Pamphlets and booklets available at school in the Careers Office and Tertiary Institutions
- This career newsletter and attending relevant events
- University and TAFE Open Days (generally in August – dates to be supplied soon)
- Career Expos – eg ‘The Age’ has one 3-5 May where education providers will be represented; local Career Expos eg WRICA Careers & Employment Expo on 9 & 10 May
- Friends and relatives are often a useful source

**SOME GREAT CAREERS WEBSITES TO EXPLORE…**

There are many useful sites, however the following are a good start:

- for help with developing a career plan go to [www.myfuture.gov.au](http://www.myfuture.gov.au)
- to find out about job opportunities, pay, job outlook for a particular job/career go to [http://jobsearch.gov.au](http://jobsearch.gov.au)
- to find out about a particular job, what it involves, the kind of person you need to be to suit it, and how you can get qualified go to [www.jobguide.deewr.gov.au](http://www.jobguide.deewr.gov.au).
- ‘Career Architect’ on the La Trobe university website considers your personality style along with your strengths and talents to recommend the right jobs and courses for you at: [www.latrobe.edu.au/all-ways/find-your-career](http://www.latrobe.edu.au/all-ways/find-your-career) (there are many other instruments available)
- For comparing degrees and universities see [www.whatdegreewhichuniversity.com](http://www.whatdegreewhichuniversity.com), a website with information direct from university students about universities throughout Australia

**REMINDERS…**

- Early April – registrations for the Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admission Test (UMAT) open for Monash Medicine and Physiotherapy applicants (and some interstate courses)

**OPEN DAYS…**

Universities and TAFE Institutes hold annual Open Days for the public. They are an opportunity to visit, talk to staff and students, collect information and see facilities. As such, they are a great way to assist in deciding where you wish to study once you finish school. They are generally held in term 3, but many of the dates are supplied here so you can get them in your diary and make your visits a priority. Year 10 or 11 is a great time to start your visits. Year 12 is not too late….
OPEN DAY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY (10am – 4pm):

• Saturday 3 August – Monash University (Berwick, Gippsland, Parkville, Peninsula campuses)
• Sunday 4 August – Deakin University (Warrnambool); Monash University (Caulfield, Clayton); Swinburne (University & TAFE) (Hawthorn)
• Sunday 11 August – Australian Catholic University (Melbourne); Deakin (Geelong); RMIT (University and TAFE)
• Sunday 18 August – La Trobe University (Bendigo); Melbourne University (Parkville & Southbank - VCA);
• Sunday 25 August – ACU (Ballarat); Ballarat University; Box Hill Institute: Deakin (Burwood); La Trobe (Bundoora); Victoria University; William Angliss Institute
• Sunday 1 September – La Trobe (Albury/Wodonga)

Note: Holmesglen has as Open Day every third Wednesday of the month; visit on your way home from school or during the day. See www.holmesglen.edu.au/showcase/events/open_wednesdays

OPEN DAY FOR VETERINARY SCIENCE...
The University of Melbourne’s Veterinary Science and Hospital has its’ annual Open Day from 10am to 3pm, Sunday 17 March.

Where: 250 Princes Hwy, Werribee
Information: www.vet.unimelb.edu.au/open

VICTORIA UNIVERSITY ACHIVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP...
Amber Baker is the deserving recipient of the Victoria University Achievement Scholarship. She is enrolled in the Bachelor of Education undergraduate course. This Higher Education scholarship is valued at $5000 each year for up to four years (a maximum of $20,000).

Congratulations Amber!!

EXPLORE COURSES AND CAREERS AT RMIT...
Back by popular demand in 2013, is a range of ‘Experience Day’ holiday programs for Year 10-12 students. Get a hands-on and interactive experience of courses on offer at RMIT, and find out about careers in accounting, engineering, fashion, justice, medical sciences, media, advertising, environment, IT, and art and design.

To register interest and to be notified when events are on go to: www.rmit.edu.au/experiencedays.

WANT A HEAD START IN FINDING YOUR IDEAL COURSE?
Explore your options early by attending the ‘At Monash Seminars’ to hear from current students, graduates and staff. Gain an overview of the university experience, courses, and careers.

What, when and where?
• Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy: Tuesday 19 March (Peninsula)
• Information Technology: Wednesday 20 March (Caulfield)
• Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences: Thursday 21 March (Parkville)
• Design and Fine Art: Wednesday 17 April (Caulfield)
• Psychology: Thursday 18 April (Clayton)
• Law: Wednesday 1 May (Clayton)
• Health Science and Social Work: Tuesday 7 May (Caulfield)
• Teaching, Sport and Outdoor Recreation: Wednesday 8 May (Peninsula), Thursday 27 June (Clayton)
• Medicine: Monday 13 May (Clayton)
• Education and Nursing: Tuesday 21 May (Berwick)
• Biomedical Science, Radiography, and Nutrition and Dietetics: Wednesday 29 May (Clayton)
• Engineering: Thursday 30 May (Clayton)
• Performing Arts and Music: Tuesday 20 August (Clayton)

All seminars: 6.30-8.00pm
Information/registration (essential): call 1800 MONASH or www.monash.edu/seminars.
Places are limited.

WANT ADVICE FROM SWINBURNE UNIVERSITY OR TAFE?
Appointments are now available for secondary students throughout the year. You can book a time that suits you to meet a course advisor face to face, receive course advice, ask questions and receive application assistance.
ENGINEERS CAREERS EXPO…

Engineers Australia has an Expo providing interactive workshops, over 80 exhibitors, presentations and advice from leaders in the engineering profession.

When: 11am-7pm, Thursday 21 March

Where: Etihad stadium

Information: www.engineeringexpo.org.au
OR: Call Sarah on 9321 1703, scooke@engineersaustralia.org.au.

MONASH ARTS LAUNCHES FACEBOOK PAGE…

This page provides VCE students with a chance to learn about studying at Monash in an environment where they feel at home.

See: www.facebook.com/MonashArts

WHERE CAN I STUDY FASHION?

Want to study fashion? There are many courses to consider, with University, TAFE and private providers offering qualifications.

RMIT University (City) offers a 4-year Bachelor of Design (Fashion). Of the 2012 Year 12 students who applied for this course, 63 were offered a place (ie very competitive). Another 41 non-Year 12s were also offered a place. RMIT TAFE (Brunswick) also offers the 2-year Associate Degree in Fashion Design and Technology, and courses in fashion merchandising.

Many aspiring fashion designers complete a TAFE course first, a great way to start your training.

Box Hill Institute, The Gordon (Geelong), Holmesglen (City), Kangan (Richmond) and RMIT TAFE (Brunswick) offer various diploma courses such as Certificate IV, the diploma and the advanced diploma in Applied Fashion Design and Technology.

Holmesglen also offers the 3-year Bachelor of Fashion (Apparel Engineering and Design), and Box Hill the Bachelor of Fashion Design.

Private Colleges: Whitehouse Institute of Design (City) offers a 3-year Bachelor of Design (Fashion), Billy Blue College of Design (City) offers the 3-year Bachelor of Applied Design (Branded Fashion), Holmes Institute (City) offers the Bachelor of Fashion and Business, while the Australian Academy of Design (Port Melbourne) offers the Bachelor of Design Arts (Fashion Design). Also on offer is the 1-year Diploma of Costume for Performance at Swinburne (wardrobe for film, TV and entertainment).

Application almost invariably includes an interview and folio presentation. Therefore, it is essential that you study a VCE subject(s) to help develop a suitable folio as you must be able to demonstrate a suitable level of creativity. Make sure you attend appropriate Open Days. Difficult to explain at an interview why you want to study a particular course if you have never been there….

BACHELOR OF ENVIRONMENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE…

At Melbourne University students mostly choose from one of six initial degrees: arts, biomedicine, commerce, environments, music or science.

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10 WAYS TO PROMOTE GOOD MENTAL HEALTH & WELL-BEING IN KIDS

1. MODEL GOOD MENTAL HEALTH HABITS
2. MAKE SURE THEY GET ENOUGH SLEEP
3. ENCOURAGE KIDS TO EXERCISE
4. GIVE THEM CREATIVE OUTLETS
5. PROVIDE A SPACE OF THEIR OWN
6. TALK ABOUT THEIR TROUBLES
7. HELP THEM TO RELAX
8. HAVE TWO ROUTINES - WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND
9. FOSTER VOLUNTEERING AND HELPFULNESS
10. BRING FUN AND PLAYFULNESS INTO THEIR LIVES

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