PATHWAYS INTERVIEWS/PROGRAMS...

The initial Year 12 Pathways Interviews have been completed. Year 12’s are now invited to stop by the Careers Centre to follow up on the discussions, research, etc. The VTAC Application Process and Other Pathways Application Process which commenced early this term, run via their Tutor classes and after school every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 3.15 to 4.30pm will conclude at the end of this term. Information has also been disseminated via assemblies for both students (during Tutor time on Thursday 15 August) and parents (on Tuesday 13 August, 7pm in the College Library) by Mrs Kathy Karlovic, the Pathways & Transitions Leader.

All Year 12 students have attended the Tertiary Information Service (TIS) Event on Tuesday 16th July, held at Victoria University, Footscray Park Campus. The TIS event is an introduction to the VTAC Application Process followed by a mini tertiary institutional expo.

All Year 10 & 11 students are also invited to stop by the Careers Centre to book a pathways interview, visit the Careers Reference Centre, collect tertiary handbooks/brochures, etc.

The Careers Program, which officially commenced last term for both year levels with an Introductory Careers Assembly, has been administered via their MIPS classes. A letter was sent home to parents/guardians via students outlining the Careers Program. The purpose of this program for both the Year 10 & 11 students is to investigate career pathways and to select the appropriate program, either VCE or VCAL and subjects to study in Year 11 or 12, if the VCE program is selected. For the Year 11 students it is important for them to confirm that they have selected the correct program/subjects and to make an informed decision as to which subject they will not continue with the following year (in Year 12). Information Evenings for Year 10 and 11 Parents were held during Careers/Pathways Week on Thursday evening, 25th July. Letters were sent home advising parents of the details. The Pathways week consisted of a Pathways Expo with an applied and academic focus, a Subject Expo highlighting the programs and subjects on offer at Wyndham Central College and VCE/VCAL Subject Tasters for our current Year 10 students. The Careers Program is in its final stages with subject/program confirmations taking place.

The Careers Centre is open to all students throughout the school day. It is run via interview bookings to ensure students’ needs are met. Students may also stop by – an open door policy – for a quick chat, followed by an appointment booking if necessary.

REMINDERS...

- **Fashion Camp**: 23 -27 September - Kangan Institute, Richmond
  - **Cost**: $785, Ages: 15 – 18 years
- **Indigenous Australian Engineering Summer School**: For those in Years 11 & 12 (2014)
  - **Date**: 12-18 January, 2014
  - **Phone**: 02 9036 6571, iaess@sydney.edu.au, [www.sydney.edu.au/engineering/iaess](http://www.sydney.edu.au/engineering/iaess), [www.engineeringaid.org](http://www.engineeringaid.org)
- **Monash Year 11 Inspiration Day**: Explore options, university life, discuss your future
Date: 26 September, Caulfield Campus  
Register: www.monash.edu/year11-day  
Info: Eddie 9903 1613 or onshore-events@monash.edu.

- **Nuclear Medicine Hospital Visits**: What is nuclear medicine? Find out on a visit to a major hospital  
  Date: 26-27 September  
  Information: medicalsciences@rmit.edu.au  

- **‘Careers in Psychology’ Evening**:  
  Date: Fri 20 September  
  Location: Swinburne University, 427-451 Burwood Rd, Hawthorn  
  Bookings not needed

- **Werribee Zoo/Healesville Sanctuary** Holiday Events - Enquiries: 9285 9406.

**YEAR 12 NEWS:**

- **APPLICATIONS**: Apply for courses for 2014 at www.vtac.edu.au if you are planning on further study by 5pm on 27 September ($27.00) - goes to $91.00 after that. If you are thinking of a ‘gap’ year in 2014 it is still wise to apply. You can usually defer taking up a higher education place, and you have your place held, regardless of the next year’s ATAR.  
  For details on deferment see: www.vtac.edu.au/courses-inst/institutions/deferment.html.

- **CHANGE OF PREFERENCE** (COP): You can change your VTAC preferences until 5pm, 25 October, and then from 9am on 25 November till 12 noon on 23 December. ATARs will be available on-line at 7am on 16 December, which means you can make changes to your application after you know your results. Institutions will offer assistance during this time – details in next CareerNews.

- **DIPLOMA OF NURSING**: This Diploma (also known as Enrolled or Division 2 Nursing) is offered at some TAFE’s. Some require a VTAC application, while others require a direct application to the TAFE. You will also need to do the VETASSESS Nursing Test (see www.vetassess.com.au). The Diploma can be a pathway into Division 1 Nursing (university), giving credits towards the degree. Apply for the Diploma if you think you may not achieve a high enough ATAR for the degree.

- **LA TROBE UNIVERSITY ADVISORY DAYS**: Choosing a university course is one of the biggest decisions you’ve made to date. This is a chance to talk with expert staff before completing your preferences.  
  When/Where: Melbourne Campus: 11am-2pm, Tuesday 24 September, Bendigo Campus: 11am-2pm, Thursday 26 September.
Information: 1300 135 045
Book:  
http://www.latrobe.edu.au/events/all/advisory-day-melbourne-campus or
http://www.latrobe.edu.au/events/all/advisory-day-bendigo-campus

- **ATAR WIZARD**: If you plan to study at La Trobe, the ATAR Wizard is a handy way of finding out which courses you are likely to be able to access once you know your ATAR (based on last year’s ATARs).

- **SPORTS SCHOLARSHIPS AND ELITE ATHLETES AT UNI OF MELBOURNE**: Applications are open from those who have dedicated a significant amount of time in Year 12 to sport training and competitions to gain consideration when applying for a Melbourne course.

- **UNITS 3 & 4 VISUAL COMMUNICATION DESIGN REVISION SEMINAR**: Visual Communication Victoria (VCV) will deliver an Exam Revision Seminar for students/teachers of Units 3 and 4 VCE Visual Communication and Design. It will cover strategies for effective study techniques for success in the VCD exam.
  Where: Swinburne, Hawthorn
  When: 2-3.30pm, Saturday 12 October
  Cost: $25.00
  Register and pay at: http://www.vcv.asn.au/

- **GUARANTEED ATARs AT SWINBURNE**: Swinburne has guaranteed ATARs for most degrees. If a student achieves an ATAR equal to or above the guaranteed ATAR, and they have listed that course as their highest successful preference through VTAC, their place in that course is guaranteed.
  Vice-Chancellor’s and Dean’s scholarship programs also have Guaranteed ATARs. Both exempt students from the student contribution of tuition fees. Students with an ATAR of 95 are eligible for a VC’s scholarship, while students with a 90 ATAR can be awarded a Dean’s scholarship. Scholarships in some discipline areas may have further selection criteria.

- **BRILLIANT ADVICE FROM MONASH**: Monash has videos with study advice from students who achieved top ATARs.
  See them at: www.youtube.com.au/user/monashunivideo.

- **THE MONASH ‘SEAS’ ESTIMATE CALCULATOR**: The Special Entry Assess Scheme (SEAS) provides consideration in admissions for students who have experienced disadvantage.
  SEAS adds points to the aggregate study score, based on the type/level of difficulty experienced.
  The ATAR score is then recalculated with the additional points included.
  See: www.monash.edu/seas.
• **INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS** who are studying Year 12 can book a 30-minute talk with University of Melbourne staff about study options, VTAC applications, and support services.
  
  **When:** 2-5pm, Tuesday 24 & Wednesday 25 September, 2-5pm on Wednesdays, 2 October to 18 December
  
  **Information:** [www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/international-yr12](http://www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/international-yr12)
  
  **Registration:** ksnance@unimelb.edu.au

**GIRLS IN ENGINEERING AND IT...**

Monash University wants to see more women study and pursue careers in these fields and, as a result, the Faculties of Engineering and IT are hosting an event by women for women, especially Year 10 girls. So, ‘Discover Engineering and IT at Monash’: discover the world of engineers and techies, meet women who are in engineering and IT. If you are in Year 10, like maths, science and technology, and enjoy solving problems, join EngenuITy 2013.

**When:** 10am-3.30pm, 3 October

**Where:** EH2, EH3, EH4, Building 60, Clayton


**AUDIOVISUAL WORKSHOP...**

Interested in working in audio, lighting and video? Then go to RMIT’s Cert IV in Audiovisual Technology workshop. Check out AV services in entertainment, corporate and other areas.

**When:** 10am-3pm, 23 September

**Where:** RMIT, 23-27 Cardigan St, Carlton, Building 94, Level 2


**NMIT PRAHRAN CAMPUS...**

NMIT will have courses at the former Swinburne campus, emphasising creative arts, but also have hospitality, tourism/events, beauty/hairdressing, business/legal studies and liberal arts


At ‘Super Thursdays’ you can check courses, facilities, and information ([www.nmit.edu.au/superthursday](http://www.nmit.edu.au/superthursday)).

**Information:** 9269 8400, courses@nmit.edu.au.

**DISCOVER DEAKIN – HOLIDAY PROGRAM...**

Did you miss Open Day?

At ‘Discover Deakin’ you can see campuses and talk to current students/staff.

**When/Where:** Melbourne (Burwood), 10am-11.30am, 24 September, Warrnambool, 10am-11.30am, 25 September, Geelong Waurrn Ponds, 10-11.30am, 26 September, Geelong Waterfront, 1-2.30pm, 26 September

NEW COURSE AT DEAKIN (BURWOOD)...
A new combined degree, the Bachelor of Food and Nutrition Sciences/Bachelor of Commerce will run in 2014 with a major in marketing or management. The course lets food and nutrition students develop business skills. There is a need for food and nutrition scientists with business, economic and financial skills (VTAC Code: 1400510111).

MONASH GIPPSLAND NEWS...
In 2014, Monash Gippsland campus is merging with the University of Ballarat to become Federation University. Prospective students should apply to the new university in Gippsland for 2014 using the existing Monash Gippsland Campus VTAC codes. These will transfer to the new university.
VTAC codes at www.vtac.edu.au or www.monash.edu/gippsland/courses.

YEAR 10’s AND MONASH UNIVERSITY...
Try out FutureYou to figure out where your career could go.
See: www.monash.edu/futureyou.

WANTING AN APPRENTICESHIP?
Employers want more in their apprentices than 20 years ago.
Employers like apprentices with Year 12, a driving licence/vehicle, and a pre-apprenticeship.
Group Training Companies (GTOs) employ about 30,000 apprentices/trainees, and work in areas like automotive, construction, electrical, plumbing, engineering, horticulture, hospitality, retail and business.
GTOs place apprentices with host businesses who provide on-the-job training. They see that entitlements are paid, check progress, and offer support.

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