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 exits 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.

REMINDER...

- Hear from students, graduates and staff at the ‘At Monash’ seminar series.
  Coming up (6.30-8.00pm): Business and Economics; Nursing, Midwifery and Emergency Health; Science; Physio-therapy and Occupational Therapy; IT; Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences.
  More dates below. Dates of other seminars and register: www.monash.edu/seminars.
  Info: 1800 MONASH.

MONASH UNIVERSITY NEWS...

- ‘AT MONASH’ SERIES – More Seminar dates for your diary:
  o Arts (Humanities and Social Sciences), Tuesday 25 March (Clayton)
  o Design and Fine Art, Wednesday 26 March (Caulfield)
  o Teaching, Sport and Outdoor Recreation, Thursday 27 March (Peninsula)
A fantastic opportunity to check out courses; more dates to follow.
See: www.monash.edu/seminars
- MONASH OFFERS – Monash has announced that offers of places made this year increased by 4.4% to 9749 on 2013 figures. This reflects the strong demand for Monash courses and underlines the university’s commitment to expanding higher education opportunities, said Vice-President Prof Edwina Cornish. The biggest increase has been in courses related to biomedical science, education, science, and business and economics.
- INFORMATION FOR PARENTS – Monash has a site for parents who wish to help their children in the transition from school to university: www.monash.edu/study/options/parents. It also looks at the reasons for studying at university, choosing courses, costs, and so on. A useful site.
- PHYSIOTHERAPY AT MONASH – As indicated in the last newsletter, the UMAT (domestic students) and the ISAT (international students) will no longer be required for students applying for the B. Physiotherapy for entry in 2015 and beyond. Applicants will still undertake an interview. Applicants will be ranked for interview eligibility based on the academic record (Year 12 equivalent studies or GPA) and demonstrated completion of prerequisite subjects. Applicants must be available for face-to-face interview at the designated time.
OPEN DAYS FOR 2014...
Attending Open Days at universities and TAFE’s is a great way of gaining information about courses, facilities, location, and generally considering whether you would like to study there. They are mostly held in August, however their dates are included here so that you can get them in your diary and treat them as a priority. They generally run from 10am till 4pm. You need to allow a couple of hours per visit.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Location</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>2 August</td>
<td>Monash University (Berwick &amp; Peninsula Campuses)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3 August</td>
<td>Deakin (Warrnambool), Monash University (Caulfield, Clayton &amp; Parkville), Swinburne Uni &amp; TAFE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10 August</td>
<td>Australian Catholic University (ACU) (Melbourne), Deakin (Geelong), RMIT University &amp; TAFE (Bundoora, Brunswick, City)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>17 August</td>
<td>La Trobe University (Bendigo), University of Melbourne</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>24 August</td>
<td>Box Hill Institute, Deakin University (Melbourne), La Trobe (Melbourne), Victoria University, William Angliss Institute</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>31 August</td>
<td>ACU (Ballarat), Federation University (Ballarat &amp; Gippsland)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

VETERINARY SCIENCE & HOSPITAL OPEN DAY...
A chance for animal lovers to experience working with animals.
Step behind the scenes at the University of Melbourne’s Veterinary Hospital. This Open Day is for the wider community and prospective students to tour the facilities, discover the range of animals, attend lectures, and see interactive displays and demonstrations. Speak to veterinary staff, current students or members of special interest groups.

When: 10am-3pm, Sunday 16 March
Where: 250 Princes Hwy, Werribee

INTERESTED IN PHYSICS?
To coincide with International Women’s Day, the University of Melbourne School of Physics and the Laby Foundation are hosting a free public lecture. The speaker is Dr Alicia Oshlack who took a PhD in astrophysics and is head of the Murdoch Children’s research Institute. Hear about the growing field of bioinformatics and how studying physics led her there.

When: 5.15pm, Thursday 6 March
Where: Hercus Theatre in the David Caro Building, cnr Tin Alley and Swanston Street
Enquiries and registration: Jacinta.den@unimelb.edu.au.

Note: although the talk is to encourage young women to study physics, the lecture is open to all members of the public.
KEEPER FOR A DAY AND VET FOR A DAY...

Thinking of a career involving animals? Then attend a Keeper or Vet day to find out the realities of these careers.

- **Werribee Open Range Zoo’s ‘Keeper for Day’ program** on 8, 10 and 14 April. Find out first hand from keepers, the skills and experience helpful in gaining a position as a zoo keeper.
  
  **Who**: 13-18 year olds  
  **Cost**: $103  

- **Healesville Sanctuary’s Vet for a Day program** on 9, 10, 16 & 17 April. Work alongside vets on real life cases at Healesville Sanctuary’s vet hospital.
  
  **Who**: 15-18 year olds  
  **Cost**: $125  

- **Healesville Sanctuary’s Keeper for a Day program** on 8, 9, 15 & 16. Get close to precious and endangered animals; help the keepers, and learn about a very rewarding job.
  
  **Who**: 13-18 year olds  
  **Cost**: $103  
  **Book**: 9285 9406

DEAKIN UNIVERSITY NEWS...

- **CRIMINOLOGY AT DEAKIN (BURWOOD)** – Those thinking of studying criminology at university will be interested to know that [Deakin University now offers this major at the Burwood campus](http://www.deakin.edu.au). Criminologists examine how those accused of crimes are brought to justice, reasons for crime, and how crime rates can be reduced. Deakin now offers the following: Bachelor of Criminology along with several double degrees with B. Criminology: Information Technology, Law, Psychological Science.
  
  **NOTE**: Criminology can also be studied at Federation (formerly Monash Gippsland campus), Monash, RMIT, Swinburne and Victoria Universities; it can also be studied in the Diploma of Justice at several TAFE Institutes.

- **STUDY SPANISH AT DEAKIN** – New to Deakin in 2014, Spanish offers a unique opportunity to learn about the history and culture of the Spanish-speaking world, whilst equipping you with increasingly sought after language skills. Spanish is the official language of 21 countries, including Spain and the nations of Central and South America. After Chinese, it is the largest world language in terms of the number of native speakers. Thus, the study of Spanish can open doors to new experiences and interests not accessible without a knowledge of the language. It can be studied in the B. Arts, the B. International Studies, and the Diploma of Language.

- **OPTOMETRY AT DEAKIN** – Deakin’s B. Vision Science/Master of Optometry will be offered from this year as a combined course. Students wishing to study optometry will be able to apply for the combined
course via the usual VTAC process. It is offered at the Geelong campus, providing students with purpose-built facilities. By taking advantage of the trimester system, this course makes it possible for students to obtain a professional optometry qualification in just three-and-a-half years. See: www.deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/find-a-course/optometry.

• CREATIVE ARTS AT DEAKIN – The School of Communication and Creative Arts and Education has outstanding creative and performing arts facilities, including animation labs, editing suites, sound studio, film screening rooms, wardrobe and costume department, green room and performance studios. Students may work collaboratively on major projects, developing project management, communication and collaboration skills required by creative artists and creative technologies industries. Students have access to the Deakin Broadcast Centre, a full high definition TV studio. Photography students work in both digital and chemical formats, with access to high quality dark room facilities. Students also learn in the Motion Lab, Australia’s largest and most sophisticated optical motion capture facility. Information: www.deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/find-a-course/creative-arts.

• DEAKIN STUDENTS SAY – The new YouTube videos may help you satisfy your curiosity about what it is really like to study at Deakin. Get a student perspective on courses, overseas study, and work placement opportunities by visiting www.youtube.com/user/deakinuniversity.

Mrs Kathy Karlovic
Pathways & Transitions Leader
Tel: 9741 4911 Ext.924/925