



Wyndham Central College Career News

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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 Student Services Centre, 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 have been completed to assist students with the momentous decisions facing them this year. Year 9-11 Career Interviews will commence in May. Parents/guardians are welcome to take advantage of the services provided. Appointments can be made to discuss the future pathways of their children. The Years 7 to 11 Careers Programs will commence this term. More information to follow shortly.

REMINDERS.....

- **Year 9 – 11 Career Interviews:** Staggered commencement in May. Letter to go home to parents shortly
- **Introductory Parent Information Evening (Years 9, 10 & 11):** Tuesday 10th May. Letter to go home to Parents shortly
- **WRICA 2016 Careers & Employment Expo, Werribee Racecourse (Years 10 – 12):** Thursday 19th May (Year 12 students) & Friday 20th May (Years 10 & 11 students). Excursion Forms being finalised
- **Year 7 – 9 Jobs Expo:** Wednesday 18th May, Sessions 1 – 3
- **Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admission Test (UMAT): Register** by 3rd June
Test date: 27th July (required by undergraduate Medicine at Monash University)
- **VCE and CAREERS EXPO** – Caulfield Racecourse from Thursday 5th – Sunday 8th May
Cost: \$10, \$25 families
Information: www.vceandcareers.com.au
- **'INSIDE MONASH' SEMINARS:** 26th April – Architecture; 27th April – Interior Architecture; 28th April – Psychology
Information and Bookings: www.monash.edu/inside-monash
- **'FOCUS ON MELBOURNE' Seminars - Engineering** Tuesday 17th May (6.30-8.00pm); **Veterinary Science** Wednesday 18th May
Information/register: <http://futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/focus2016>.

VCE AND CAREERS EXPO 2016 REMINDER...

This annual event is coming up VERY soon. It is a great opportunity to **start collecting information** and to **talk with representatives** from a wide range of education providers. It is **thoroughly recommended** for student in Years 10-12. Hopefully Year 12 students have already done a lot of career research and they will find **Open Days** at institutions particularly useful as well. Universities, TAFE and training providers will be at the EXPO, along with GAP year and study advisers.

When: Thursday 5 – Sunday 8 May

Where: Caulfield Racecourse

Admissions: \$10 and \$25 per family

Information: www.vceandcareers.com.au.



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WHY RESEARCH CAREERS?

Researching ideas for careers and training while at school is becoming **increasingly important**. With **automation of many jobs** developing rapidly, many unskilled jobs (and some skilled jobs as well) are rapidly disappearing. A willingness to **obtain qualifications** and to **re-train** when necessary will be VITAL for a young person's future. It is believed that **at least Certificate III level qualifications** (preferably higher) will be essential to obtain on-going work (ie Certificate IV, Diplomas, Advanced Diplomas and Degrees).

Resilience, determination, and education will be essential to remain employed.

Remember too, the importance of **STEM careers** – those involving **Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths**. These are some of the areas offering growth and opportunity in employment. Research shows that **75% of the fastest-growing occupations now require STEM skills**, so we must build a workforce of tech-savvy future employees. Digital literacy is vital for everyone. The digital revolution has led to many new jobs and new ones will develop that we have never begun to think of.

An **excellent website** to check out is www.joboutlook.gov.au. Here you will find details of what hundreds of **jobs involve**, what the **average salary** is, and, more importantly, what is the **likelihood of employment growth** in that job.

INDIGENOUS ENGINEERING WINTER SCHOOL...

Do you like to solve problems, like working with your hands and fixing things, and are interested in making the world a better place? If yes, then engineering might be the careers for you.

Melbourne, Swinburne, RMIT and Monash Universities are collaborating to bring the 2016 **Victorian Indigenous Engineering Winter School (VIEWS)**. This is a 5-day program where students will experience first-hand the **work of engineers**, meet **Indigenous engineering professionals**, discover **pathways to engineering**, explore four **university campuses** and hopefully open up a **world of possibilities** in engineering.

Who: Year 11 and 12 students

When: Monday 4 - Saturday 9 July (applications close 9 May)

Cost: No charge

Information: <http://www.eng.unimelb.edu.au/engage/indigenous/views>

Information: eng-views@unimelb.au.

INDIGENOUS STUDENT EXPERIENCE MONASH DAY...

Want to get a taste of university life? The Indigenous Student Experience Day is a chance for secondary students to get a hands on experience of what Monash has to offer. There will be **interactive sessions** where participants will be able to **select areas of study** they are interested in. Meet **staff and students** in all study areas, find out about **how to apply for university** and what **support** is available for Indigenous students.

When: 10am – 2pm, Friday 24 June (lunch included)

Where: Robert Blackwood Hall, Clayton campus

Book: kristel.keleher@monash.edu

Phone: 9905 8699.

See www.monash.edu.au/study/life/indigenous.

A free event sponsored by Yulendj – Indigenous Engagement Unit.



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'INSIDE MONASH' SEMINARS CONTINUE...

If you would like to explore courses and careers at Monash University, then book into the **'Inside Monash'** Seminar series as it continues into May with the following sessions:

- 3 May – **Teaching**
- 4 May – **Music**
- 5 May – **Information Technology**
- 10 May – **Teaching**
- 11 May – **Medicine and Biomedical science**
- 12 May – **Engineering**
- 17 May – **Science Advanced**
- 18 May – **Law**
- 19 May – **Health Sciences**
- 25 May – **Biomedical science, Radiography, and Nutrition and Dietetics.**

Information and Bookings: www.monash.edu/inside-monash.

'FOCUS ON MELBOURNE' SEMINAR DATES...

These seminars provide a great opportunity for you to check out University of Melbourne courses and careers. The series continues with:

- 19 May – Focus on **Biomedicine**
- 24 May – Focus on **Agriculture**
- 25 May – Focus on **Information Technology**
- 31 May – Focus on **Science**

More seminars in June.

Registration/Information: <http://futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/focus2016>

DREAMING OF FLYING?

Discover how you can **make it happen** at the **Lilydale Flying School** by attending the **Flying School Open Day**. Speak with **pilots and instructors** and discover **career and recreation pathways** in Aviation. You can find out about career pathways including **air traffic control, air force and commercial pilot applications**. Also included will be a BBQ, tours, speakers, displays, a women pilots' forum, and competitions.

When: 12 noon – 4pm, Saturday 30 April

Where: 13 Macintyre Lane, Yering.

Information: www.yarravalleyaviation.com.au, info@yarravalleyaviation.com.au

Phone: 0418310587.

CONNECT WITH DEAKIN AT MELBOURNE KNOWLEDGE WEEK...

The Faculty of Science, Engineering and Built Environment at Deakin University is hosting a number of free events during Knowledge week.

See www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/knowledgeweek for details of events and bookings. Some are in the city in school time, but parents may be interested to attend as well:

- **Building Startups** the Silicon Valley Way, at Deakin Edge (Federation Square), 6.30-8pm 2 May. Free – book online



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- **Virtual Reality Lounge** – MKW Festival Hub, 1000 Pound Bend, 361 Little Collins St, Melbourne, 10am-10pm, 2 May – 8 May. Free, book online or drop in
- **Life in the Cyber-Physical World**, MKW Festival Hub, 6-7pm, 5th May. Free, book online
- **Seven Billion Reasons for Staying Cybersmart and Cybersafe** – MKW Festival Hub, 12.10-12.55pm, 5th May. Free, book online
- **Girls in Stem; Making it Happen** – Deakin City Centre, Level 3, 550 Bourke St; 1-3.30pm, 5 May. Free, book online.

More information on Deakin events: sebe-mkw@deakin.edu.au.

SO YOU WANT TO BE A GRAPHIC DESIGNER...

Graphic Designers make visual communications for reproduction in print and electronic media (newspapers, books, magazines and websites). They also develop images for corporate use and advertising. Qualifications can be gained at VET providers and at university. Many TAFEs provide Diplomas in Graphic Design (eg RMIT, Box Hill, Swinburne) as do private providers such as the Academy of Design Australia and Tractor Design School.

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