



Dear Parents and Students,

Two weeks in the “World of Careers and Pathways” has passed at a ‘fast and furious’ rate! Our Year 11’s are Career Action Planning! Our Year 10’s are working hard to find Work Experience places and our Year 12’s are being encouraged to research tertiary courses or pathways beyond 2015. It’s a busy time in term 2. Happy reading!



Welcome to WIRL!



I am excited about a new premium career discovery tool that we have purchased for our students to explore and discover what a career is really like. This valuable resource will allow students to test themselves, receive feedback about their career interest areas and view clips related to a range of occupations. Pathways into professions or vocations are also provided.

Stay tuned for the launch of this Career Tool. It is ideal for all of our students from Year 10 through to Year 12, especially for those students who are undecided about their pathway beyond WHS.

Pasco Campus Reminders

1. Our Year 12 students are attending the **WRICA Careers Expo on Thursday 21st May**. This Career Expo is open to the public and free on 21st & 22nd May at Werribee Racing Centre 2 Bulban Rd, Werribee. See www.wrica.com.au for more information.

2. Our university presentations are continuing.

The [Victoria University](http://www.victoria.edu.au) Presentation is on Tuesday 12th May in the library 12.45-1.15pm
Unfortunately [University of Melbourne](http://www.unimelb.edu.au) will not be able to present at Pasco ☹️ but they will be available at the WRICA Expo. 😊

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Reminders

- **UMAT Register** by 5 June; Test Date: 29 July
- **‘At Monash’ Seminars** – Law 13 May, Teaching 14 May, Health Science (Radiation Science, paramedics) 19 May, Nursing 26 May, Biomedical science, radiography, nutrition/ dietetics 27 May, Engineering 28 May. www.destination.monash.edu/at-monash
- **VCE and Careers Expo** - VCE resources/ tertiary/career info; 7 - 10 May Caulfield Racecourse; www.vceandcareers.com.au.
- **Focus on University of Melbourne** - Biomedicine 14 May, Arts 20 May, Agriculture 21 May, Commerce 26 May, Environments 27 May, Science 2 June, Law 4 June, Engineering 11 June, IT 11 June, Music 24 June, and VCA 25 June (most 6.30-8.30pm). Register at: www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/events.
- **igIdeas EXPO** – a design program held during Melbourne International Design Week, May 11-17. Universities, TAFEs and independent colleges at the Careers Expo on 14 May at Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre. See: [Event details](#) »
- **Next Gen Youth Forum** – Year 10-12’s can get inspired by like-minded individuals wanting to make a difference. Speakers and workshops related to social justice and leadership. Friday 22 May at La Trobe University; Register interest at: next.gen@latrobe.edu.au.



1. **CAREERS IN SPORTS MEDICINE** – Students often wonder about careers in sports medicine. This is your chance to **find out**. **Olympic Park Sports Medicine Centre** has the annual **Careers in Sports Medicine**



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Evening - an introduction to the world of sports medicine for school students. Covers **sports medicine, nutrition, podiatry, psychology, massage therapy, physiotherapy and exercise physiology**. **When:** 7.15pm registration, 7.30-9pm, talks on Wed 27 May; **Where:** AAMI Park Stadium, 60 Olympic Blvd, Entrance F, Gate 4, Corporate Entrance, Olympic Room 2 (see: www.opsmc.com.au for map); **Cost:** \$25 per student (parent/guardian no charge; **Enquiries:**



events@opsmc.com.au; Registrations (essential):
<http://www.trybooking.com/HCCF>.

2. FOLIO PREPARATION COURSES – RMIT’s portfolio preparation courses are intensive practical courses in the holidays, designed to help those seeking entry to art, design and architecture courses to produce their best portfolio, as well as an overview of the industry and selection procedures. Up-coming courses: adobe illustrator and photoshop for fashion, Adobe InDesign for fashion, design jobs, portfolio preparation in 3D product design, graphic design, interior decoration, photography and in visual merchandising. Info: 9925 8111 or www.shortcourses.rmit.edu.au/page/high_school_students.

3. VICTORIA UNIVERSITY (VU) – BE YOU AT VU – VU offers certificates, diplomas and degrees, mainly at the Footscray Park Campus. Year 10 and 11 students can find out about VU by attending Be You at VU. Take part in course and career specific workshops with current students and staff, and explore your passions, interests and options. Meet representatives from each discipline area. When: 10am – 3pm, 8 July; Register and obtain more information: www.vu.edu.au/be-you-at-vu. AND VU are visiting us next Tuesday!

4. ENVIRONMENTAL AND MARINE CAREERS EXPO – Find out about career options in conservation and research and education, consider what school subjects could be helpful, and examine tertiary options. Also find out the latest information about career diversity, training and volunteer opportunities in the environmental and marine industry. When: Exhibitor times - 9.30am-5pm, Wed 24 June; Presentation times: 11am – 7pm (every 20 minutes); Where: Sea Life Melbourne Aquarium, Cnr King and Flinders St; Cost: \$20 before 4pm on 15 May, \$25 after that; Bookings: 9923 5911, bookings@melbourneaquarium.com.au; Info: www.melbourneaquarium.com.au/schools.



5. DEFENCE FORCE RECRUITING (DFR) – If you’re interested in an Australian Defence Force career and not sure where to start, DFR has a new Job Finder Tool on the website – www.defencejobs.gov.au. This is a fully responsive and interactive tool that suggests roles to you based on your personality.



The Defence Force also has a list of **priority jobs** in all three forces. They include pilot, artillery combat systems operator, communication and information systems sailor and many more. Go to the website and look for ‘Featured Jobs’.

The University of New South Wales and the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) (Canberra) will host the annual road show in July and August. Senior staff from UNSW and ADFA will showcase current opportunities, the recruitment process, information for current applicants and their parents/guardians. Presentations will take place in a number of locations including Melbourne. See the website for details, or call Defence Force Recruiting on 131901.

DFR holds regular information sessions. Coming up: Women in Defence on Wed 13 May, ADF careers on Thurs 14 May, Royal Military College on Tues 19 May, Wed 20 May on ADFA. To book your seat email CPTVIC@dfr.com.au with your name, phone number, and chosen session. Most sessions at 6pm, Level 14, 501 Swanston St, Melbourne.

6. SWINBURNE UNIVERSITY INFO NIGHTS – Are you looking for clarity in find-ing the next step forward in your career investigation? If so you could attend an Information Night at a Swinburne campus. When/Where: Croydon, 3-5pm, Tues 19 May; Wantirna 3-5pm, Wed 26 May; Hawthorn: 4.30-6.30pm, Tues 2 June. Register [here](#).

7. KEEPER/VET FOR A DAY – This program is running in the June/July holidays. Are you an aspiring zookeeper? Find out what it takes to care for an array of animals at Healesville Sanctuary and Werribee Open Range Zoo. Who:



Years 7-12; When: Healesville – 30 June, 1, 7 and 8 July; Werribee – 30 June, 2, 6 and 8 July. Do you want to be a vet? Meet veterinary staff at Healesville – 1, 2, 8 & 9 July; Info: www.zoo.org.au/education/careers-programs; Bookings: 1300 966 784.



projects, up to three-stories high. Employment prospects are quite good. See: www.joboutlook.gov.au.

10. VOCATIONAL EDUCATION & TRAINING

(VET) As a part of a VCE or VCAL program at Pasco Campus students can select from a number of VET courses/subjects within the Hobson Bay VET cluster. There is a large variety for students to choose from. Some of these offered at the Pasco Campus this year are: Cert 111 Music (Technical Production), Cert 111 Sport & Recreation and Cert 111 Media. Other courses offered in the VET Cluster that students can access are: Cert 11 Building & Construction, Cert 11 Automotive Studies, Cert 111 Catering Operations, Cert 11 Hairdressing and many more. Information about which VET courses the school will offer will be available early next term.

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Final Reminder for Year 10 students

Year 10 Work Experience Forms are **due Thursday 21st May**. Students should submit these forms to their Home group teacher or Ms Murray.

8. LA TROBE UNIVERSITY UPDATE

– La Trobe now has two Colleges – the **College of Science, Health and Engineering**, and the **College of Arts, Social Science and Commerce**. Among other things, this model allows collaboration across disciplines.

La Trobe is commencing to teach **law in the JD** in 2016. **Work integrated learning** is being used more often in the **Arts, Social Science & Commerce College**, with 22 subjects having this as part of the program. It is expected that this will continue expand.

Under the **world QS Rankings** for universities, La Trobe ranks **sixth in Australia for history teaching, seventh for sociology** and **ninth for communications and media studies**. La Trobe is also in the top 100 universities in the world in these areas. It is also in the top 200 in **linguistics, agriculture, psychology, account-ing and finance, education, law and politics**. In the Times Higher Education rankings La Trobe is 75th in the world, up 25 on last year.

The **Aspire program** is running again this year- applications open on 1 June and close on 31 August. More details later.

9. SO YOU WANT TO STUDY ARCHITECTURE?

If you want to become a qualified architect, you need to **study at university for five years**. Architecture degrees are offered at **Deakin (Geelong), University of Melbourne, Monash (Caulfield) and RMIT**. You will usually commence with a **three-year Bachelor of Architectural Design** and then complete a **two-year Master of Architecture**.

Deakin uses the ATAR at select students (currently around 70.00), **Melbourne** requires students to first complete the three-year **B. Environments** (selected on ATAR, currently around 85.00), **Monash** selects students on the basis of their ATAR, a supplementary form and interview, and **RMIT** selects on ATAR, an information kit and interview. Although the required ATAR for Monash and RMIT are not specified as they also use other selection criteria, the ATAR required is high.

An alternative qualification which you are encouraged to consider is the **two-year Advanced Diploma of Building Design (Architectural)** offered at several TAFE's (eg Box Hill, Chisholm, Swinburne, RMIT). This qualification, while not qualifying you as an architect, gives graduates skills to work on **designing quite major**



This is so true! 😊

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