FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Our Vision
Mercy Regional College serves a wide rural community which values growth and diversity in Catholic Education in the Mercy tradition.

Our Mission
In the Spirit of the Gospels we commit ourselves to the core values of community, inclusiveness, learning, care, justice and mercy, excellence and achievement.

Our Focus for 2013
Through the Mercy tradition we support, acknowledge and strive for personal excellence and achievement.

Welcome back to Term 2 and all that it offers. Thank you to all the parents and students who took part in Parent/Teacher Interviews at the end of last term. If, for any reason, you could not attend and wish to speak to any of the teachers, please phone the campus that your son/daughter attends and make a time for an interview or phone discussion.

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If for any reason a student is out of uniform then could you please furnish your son or daughter with a note for the Homeroom Teacher and Year Level Coordinator.

Week two and already Mercy has been involved in a Street Retreat in Melbourne, Year 9 Active Learning Excursion to Warrnambool, HSSSD Sports Athletics Carnival and VCE Tertiary Information Tour.

Thank you,

MR. KERIN GLENNEN
ACTING PRINCIPAL

Director of Religious Education
Mrs. Jo Saunders

HCSN Mass to welcome Bishop Paul Bird
We will welcome Bishop Paul Bird into our community on Wednesday 1st May when the four Catholic schools of the Hampden Network celebrate Mass together in the De Chantal Stadium at 9:45 am.

This will be a wonderful day for our network schools and a chance to gather as a Regional Catholic Educational Community. Whilst the stadium will be quite full with over 900 students and another 100 staff members, if parents or friends of the schools would like to attend you are welcome although there will be STANDING ROOM ONLY at the southern end of the stadium. Our HCSN Mass is a special occasion and the first one we have had in a few years. It will be a great occasion and a great deal of team work has gone in to making it special. It is fitting and fortunate that our four schools will gather during Catholic Education Week for our Diocese.

Our feast day is celebrated on May 24th which is the Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians. It is a feast day which has been part of our school history. Our Lady Help of Christians is the Patron Saint of Australia and is as such a very suitable day for us to celebrate being an Australian Catholic school! Being our fortieth Year there is much reason to celebrate who we are. On our Feast Day this year the Years 9, 10 and 11 classes will be attending Mass at St Patrick's at 11:30 am followed by a shared homeroom lunch to be coordinated by homeroom teachers.

Over at O’Keeffe Campus, our Year 12 students will attend a liturgy with Year 7 and 8 students. After the liturgy the Year 7 and Year 12s will have some ‘buddy’ activities together whilst Year 8 students have some fun house competitions. In September we have one last whole school Mass which celebrates our Mercy Heritage. This is the Our Lady of Mercy Celebratory Mass on 13th September at 11:30 am in the stadium.

This conference will take place from Saturday 13th July to Tuesday 16th July at Carmel College, Auckland NZ.

Fostering Mercy Spirituality and Ethos
The aim of the Association is to further Mercy spirituality and ethos for secondary education through sharing expertise and resources by providing national and international forums for Mercy educators.

God's Mercy to us is at the heart of our work as secondary educators. Catherine McAuley teaches us that "Mercy is the principal path marked out by Jesus for those who desire to follow him". To teach as she did is to help students grow in faith and in a joyful awareness of the providential Mercy of God in their lives.

Students in Year 10 and Year 11 are invited to apply for one of two positions on this trip to Auckland with a number of Mercy staff. Students will be billeted to other Mercy school student homes and be involved in workshops and conference activities suited to them.

We are excited to offer this opportunity to students, if interested an application is to be sent by email to both Mrs. Jo-Anne Saunders and Dr. Darren Egberts by Wednesday 1st May. Applicants should have shown a strong commitment to the Social Justice program at Mercy Regional College and be interested in supporting Social Justice activities into the future.

Year 8 Retreat
The Year 8 Retreat Day will be held at the Noora community centre on Thursday 6th June. This day melds with their current unit of studies of "A Just World". Students will experience, discuss and reflect upon Social Justice issues from around the world in a fun and interesting way. Staff involved will be the Religious Education teachers for Year 8 and Fr. Matthew Thomas, College Chaplain. This is a compulsory school Day and all Year 8 students are expected to attend and participate.

White Elephant Store
Year 10A are holding a 'White Elephant Store' (op-shop) on Wednesday 15th May in the MPA during lunchtime. It will be open to the general public after school. We are asking for donations of clothes, shoes, bags, toys etc. Any items that are not sold on the day will be donated to St. Vinnies appeal. All donations must be in good condition. To donate, please bring items to the office (at either campus). If you have any questions please contact Olivia Giblin in Year 10A.
Seeds of Justice

Theme “Who is Mercy?”

Dear parents and students,

Once again this year we have the opportunity for our students to participate in the Seeds of Justice programs which are a Mercy school based initiative. Seeds of Justice is about formation of students toward support of Leadership in Social Justice programs within our schools as a result of wonderful experiences with other Mercy students at special event in Templestowe on Thursday 23rd & Friday 24th May.

We offer this opportunity Year 10, 11 and 12 students however, the older students do get preference. Therefore, I am calling for interest from 5 or 6 students who have not attended before and who enjoy the links made with other Mercy students from around the state in the field of Mercy and Social Justice. There will be keynote speakers and then our students will go out in the evening spread across a number of aged care and soup van style activities. Please contact Mrs. Saunders by Friday 3rd May if you would like to attend.

O’Keeffe Campus Reports
Mrs. Fiona Sargeant

Career Planning Program
This term Year 7 & 8 students will be participating in a program that has been developed by Careers Education Association of Victoria (CEAV) in consultation with our Careers Coordinator, Mrs. Jenny Phillips. Students will work through a program which has been made available to them in digital format so that it can be completed using their iPads. For this reason we request that all students have the Good Reader App installed on their iPad, as outlined in the list of required apps provided at the beginning of the year.

The Discovering Careers (Year 7) and Exploring Careers (Year 8) programs are designed to “encourage young people to find their passions, explore their interests and assist them in exploring careers and education information”.

We hope that by promoting discussion with staff, parents and peers we are encouraging our students to develop skills and plan for the journey that we all undertake as we build career experiences and move through our lives. All students have received a digital copy of the workbooks so please look through them and allow some time to discuss your career experiences with your children.

Interactive World of Maths
Last week, Year 8 students participated in a 90 minute session of hands-on problem solving activities brought to the Junior Campus by the Word of Maths Facilitator. The format was easy to use and the students worked around a circuit of activity boards in small groups. Some quotes from the day:

“I wish all Maths lessons were like that.”
“It was fun and good to have a change.”
“I liked working with other people on the problems.”

Corangamite Arts Council
Next Thursday 2nd May, Year 7 students will be involved in a joint community project organised by the Corangamite Arts Council. Carole Wilkinson, a successful author, will be visiting Noorat Primary School to speak to students about her work and the novels she has written. We have a number of her novels in our school library and students will be able to ask general questions to further their interest. This may inspire our Year 7s to further develop their creative writing talents. Students will attend a combined one hour session with other local schools. For more information about this author see: www.carolewilkinson.com.au

Exploring Apps
Staff and students are constantly discussing new and interesting apps. Here are some apps which we have trialed recently and would like to share with you.

- **Flashcards** - Can make your own to study for a test or choose from a resource bank e.g. The Periodic Table of Elements.
- **My Script Calculator** - Allows students to write and complete calculations using a finger or iPad stylus to write directly on the screen.
- **King of Maths** - Interactive incorporating foundation Maths skills
- **Meteor Math** - Games for basic operations and problem solving.
- **Math vs Zombies** - Game to reinforce basic Maths skills
- **OhNoFractions** - Offers support for fractions work and engage students with visual building and comparison of fractions.
- **Khan Academy** - Instructional videos in Science, Maths and Humanities which can be used as tutorials at home.
- **School A to Z** - Provides practical help for parents and students in English, Maths, Technology and Humanities - produced by NSW Ed Dept.
**World of Maths**  
*Report by: Katie Hickey & Keira Blain*

Last week on Friday 19th April, the Year 8 classes were split into two groups for The World of Maths activities.

The World of Maths is an organisation which shows school groups across the country that learning Maths can be fun. There was a series of problem solving activities and games which got us thinking and seeing Maths in a different way.

We split into smaller groups of about three people and went around to each program to see if we could work out the puzzle. We found that not all Maths is boring and it is important to learn because in every career you will use some sort of Maths skills.

It was an enjoyable experience and great finding the different ways of learning Maths.

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**Year 7 Retreat 2013**  
*Report by: Louis Johnstone & Kyle Croft*

On Tuesday 19th March all of Year 7s walked to the Noorat football ground to meet a great guy called Chris Doyle. Once we got there we put our bags down and sat down. Once we were all seated he started playing his guitar and asked if anyone wanted to have a sing. After that we got into a team of 4-5 people and we all had to build a pyramid, car and the Eiffel Tower.

After all of that we went outside for recess and a bit of play. Most of the boys were playing footy and the girls were kicking the footy. It was a good snack. After recess we went back inside and we talked about life and its values. Then Chris got a few more people to have a sing, and then we had lunch and had a kick of the footy again.

We went back in and we made up songs about what love is. Some people made a really good song. Chris talked about his family and what happens with his life. After that it was time for the early bus travelers to leave and walk back to school. When they left we had to put things back in place and help Chris pack up. When we were done we started to walk back to school and thanked Chris for coming. It was a fantastic day.
**Battlefields Tour**  
*Mr. Lachie Lee*

During the first week of term, we have held briefings for the students who are travelling to France, Belgium and Britain as part of the 2013 MRC Battlefields Tour.

The students and staff are quite excited and are busy making preparations for the journey.

The tour will take in Paris, London and Bruges in Belgium, as well as the battlefields that the Australians served in during the First World War, around Amiens on the Somme and Ypres in Belgium.

Part of the reason for our tour to the battlefields of France is to enable the students to understand the enormity of the sacrifice made by the Australians and by all those from the great citizen armies which fought in this region. The fields of France and Belgium are now peaceful, pleasant and settled where once there was only horror and devastation.

In Villers Bretonneux, Australians are welcomed by the local people who come to the town to visit the Australian War Memorial and the site of one of the great events in Australian history. It is fascinating to wander these fields and to imagine those young Australians who were here under such different circumstances. The Unknown Soldier buried at the Australian War memorial in Canberra was disinterred from the Adelaide Cemetery here and returned to Australia in 1992. Our students will investigate the lives of some of those who served and we will share their stories while travelling.

Of course, among the highlights of our trip will be Paris, where we will climb the Eiffel Tower and tour through the wonderful Palace of Versailles, the home of the Kings of France and in London we will do a tour of the Tower of London as well as visiting Windsor Castle and Oxford. We will shop in the famous Harrods of London and visit Buckingham Palace and the other sights of this great city.

At present, the tour party consists of 32 passengers including staff and students. We are keen for those students who are interested in the trip to consider joining us. It is not too late!

**VCE Exams**  
*Mr. Lachie Lee*

This year for the first time there will be no Unit 3/4 mid-year exams. However, those VCE students who are studying Unit 3/4 subjects will be sitting the General Achievement Test (GAT) on Wednesday 12\textsuperscript{th} June. Specifically, this will include those students from Years 11 and 12 who are studying a Unit 3/4 subject in 2013. All Unit 3/4 VCE exams in 2013 will be held at the Camperdown College Hall.

Year 11 students will also sit the Mercy Regional College end of semester exams beginning Monday 17\textsuperscript{th} June. A timetable for these exams will be issued to students in the next few weeks and a copy included in the newsletter.

VCAA requires that all students from Years 11 and 12 who are studying one or more Unit 3 and 4 sequences are to sit the GAT. This task is sat over three hours in strict exam conditions. The results are used in helping the assessment of exams, in particular where there are difficulties in reaching an agreement over a particular result. I quote below the VCAA definition of the GAT’s role and its importance:

> Although GAT results do not count directly towards a student’s VCE results, they play an important role in checking that school assessments and examinations have been accurately assessed, and in determining Derived Examination Scores. So it is important to sit the GAT and do as well as possible on all parts of it. The GAT is used in these ways because achievement on the GAT is a good predictor of achievement on other assessments. If students have done well on the GAT, then their achievements are likely to be high on their school assessments and examinations. Clearly, some GAT questions relate more closely to achievement in particular studies. The VCAA takes this into account when it calculates students’ expected achievements in each study for each school. For example, GAT results in mathematics, science and technology play only a minor part in calculating students’ expected achievements in humanities studies.

- contributing to statistical moderation of School-assessed Coursework
- reviewing school assessments in School-assessed Tasks
- checking the accuracy of examination marking
- Calculating the Derived Examination Scores.’ (VCAA website)

Thus, it is important that all students sit the task and do so to the best of their ability. We will give the students, particularly those in Year 11, some individual instruction regarding the GAT including some practice questions. The GAT is not something that can be studied for but it should be done to the best of the student’s ability.

As the term progresses, students may be feeling quite stressed, therefore it is important that they are quite well organised and that those around them know what is going on. If you have any questions please contact James Castles, Lesa Thornton or myself at the school.
Street Retreat
Mrs. Emily Stephens

Last week I was privileged enough to attend a street retreat to Melbourne with a handful of Year 11 students.

Throughout this trip I witnessed students in an environment that is hard for some of us to grasp, however, all students took it in their stride and presented themselves in a manner that they should be extremely proud of. It was one of the most amazing projects that I have been a part of. The kids were incredible, they all showed a level of maturity well beyond their years. They interacted and had conversations with the under privileged showing respect and intrigue!

Mercy values were certainly on display throughout this experience and it is something that as a person and a teacher I was blown away by and extremely proud of. Throughout the experience students were to prepare the food, hand out beanies/socks/toiletries, hand out food and beverages and interact. The conversations that they struck up, the respect that they gave to who they were talking to and the natural 'chit chat' ('how are ya champ!!') that they had was certainly something that I feel privileged to witness.

I certainly believe this experience had a positive impact on me both personally and professionally! Well done to all students that attended, you are a credit to yourself, your family and your school.

Sports Report
Stacey Hillman

Mercy Regional College once again showed their dominance at the Hampden Secondary School Sports Division Athletics Carnival on Monday 22nd April. With a team of 94 students, the largest we have ever had, we came away with the Intermediate and Senior Shields and the overall Championship Shield albeit by a mere 26 points.

The competition between the schools is starting to become fiercer, however our students continue to perform at their best. Lachlan Bone was named the Under 15 Male Champion for the day and MRC students broke some records.

The Greater Western Zone Athletics is held in Ballarat on Monday 14th October with many MRC students progressing onto this stage. We wish them the best of luck!

The Term 2 - Sports Calendar is once again filling up. In the next couple of weeks Mercy Regional College students will be competing in the following sports.

- Tuesday 30th April: Country Cup Football and Netball in Terang.
- Friday 3rd May: Interschool Dirtbike Challenge in Panmure.
- Tuesday 7th May: Hampden Cup Football and Netball in Terang.
- Wednesday 8th May: Clay Target Shooting in Colac.

And don't forget the MRC Cross Country is only three weeks away on Monday 13th May.

Work Experience Reports

Report by: Ebony Reynolds

Work Experience brings forth a current of emotions, nervousness being one of them. I kept worrying if I would fit in, if people would like me. I should not have worried because my stay at St Patrick's School Camperdown was amazing, I loved every minute. The most enjoyable part of my stay was returning to my old school but I also loved talking to the students.

All in all, a great experience and I would recommend this to anyone. I have decided that teaching might be a career for me.

Report by: Lachie Evers

From Monday 15th to Friday 19th April I was on Work Experience at the Terang hospital. It was a great experience and it gave me a much better understanding of the way things work from a different perspective. I was allowed to observe medical procedures with patients' permission, and I also learned a lot about the importance of taking precautions to avoid any accidents or mishaps.

I'm glad that I chose a local hospital for Work Experience, as all of the staff were really polite and professional, and it was a very educational and productive week.
Careers Updates for Term 2
Mrs. Jenny Phillips

Year 7: Students will be undertaking the program ‘Discovering Careers’ during some of their pastoral care periods.

Year 8: Students will be undertaking the program ‘Exploring Careers’ during some of their Pastoral Care periods.

Year 9: Year 9A is currently undertaking their nine week careers unit, in which they are preparing for their Work Experience in 2014.

Year 10: This term Year 10 students will undertake a series of activities designed to increase their career readiness in preparation for the process of VCE subject selection next term.

Year 11: All students are currently preparing for their Mock Interviews on Friday 17th May.

Reminders: UMAT - Students interested in studying a number of Health Science Courses at some Universities are required to sit the UMAT. Registration for the UMAT closes on Friday 7th June.
Melbourne VCE & Careers Expo: 2nd to 5th May.

Warrnambool Careers Expo: 13th - 15th May (see advertisement on page 9).

Middle School Report
Mr. Ben Brisbane

If any parents are interested in the program below, can you please contact me by Friday 3rd May.

TUNING IN TO TEENS PROGRAM
“Tuning In To Teens” is a 6 week program for parents of teens and pre-teens run by Centacare.

Tuning In To Teens helps you to:
- Be better at talking with your teen
- Be better at understanding your teen
- Help your teen learn to manage emotions
- Help prevent behaviour problems
- Teach your teen to deal with conflict

Tuning into Teen shows you how to help your teen develop Emotional Intelligence – Emotionally Intelligent Adolescents:
- Are more aware, assertive and strong in situations of peer pressure.
- Have fewer mental health and substance abuse difficulties.
- Emotional intelligence may be a better predictor of academic and career success than IQ.

Cost $30 per person (which is $5 per session) - 20 spots available. The course will be held at McAuley Campus.

If interested, please contact the McAuley Campus Reception to express your interest and state whether morning or afterschool is preferred.

Once interest is taken we will let you know the session times.

Thank you,
Ben Brisbane
TERM 2

Tuesday 30 April
* Country Cup Football & Netball (Senior & Inter.)

Wednesday 1 May
* HCSN Mass with Bishop Paul Bird @ 11:30AM in the Stadium followed by the Battle of the Bands

Tuesday 7 May
* Hampden Cup Football & Netball (Years 7 - 9)

Wednesday 8 May
* Street Retreat

Thursday 9 May
* Street Retreat

Monday 13 May
* MRC Cross Country

Wednesday 15 May
* MRC Open Day

Friday 17 May
* Year 11 - Mock Interviews

Monday 20 May
* Year 9 Excursion to Sovereign Hill

Tuesday 21 May
* MRC Board Meeting 7:30pm Camperdown

Friday 24 May
* Mercy Feast Day

Monday 27 May
* National Reconciliation Week begins

Tuesday 28 May
* Top Designs Excursion to Melbourne
* Year 10 Immunisations
* RIST – Wool Overview Program for Year 9s

Wednesday 29 May
* HSSSD Cross Country
* Year 11 Street Retreat
* RIST – Wool Overview Program for Year 9s

Thursday 30 May
* Year 11 Street Retreat
* RIST – Wool Overview Program for Year 9s

Friday 31 May
* Student Free Day

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Parents are invited to our

“Beginners Guide to Year 12 Workshop”

Wednesday 1st May, 2013

Commencing at 7:30 pm
in the MPA at McAuley Campus

The session will focus on ATAR, Study Scores, Scholarships, VTAC Guide, applying for University, Exams, Accommodations, TAFE, and Trades.

The evening will provide a simple but comprehensive overview of the key components that are essential for the understanding of Year 12.

Year 12 can be a very daunting time for all involved; therefore this workshop has been designed to help provide parents with greater knowledge. The sessions will be targeting Year 11 & 12 students, although all parents are welcome to attend.

If you will be attending, please return the permission note on the bottom of the letter that was sent home earlier in the Term.

RSVP by Tuesday 30th April, 2013
All Warrnambool and District Secondary Colleges in conjunction with the region's Further Education providers will be combining to host the Biennial Careers Expo during Careers Week in May 2013. The primary aim of the Expo is to assist students and their parents to research a wide range of careers options in preparation for the important decisions students will make over the next few years.

The Careers Expo is conducted every two years and from past experience and testimonials is an invaluable experience and extremely useful in assisting students in their career decision making process.

Guest presenters are current practitioners in their chosen vocations and will outline the day to day tasks involved within their career, and outline the career paths and education and training required to obtain employment in their field / industry as well as further career prospects / advancement opportunities.

**Expo Dates and Venues:**

Monday 13 May – Brauer College  
Tuesday 14 May – Warrnambool College  
Wednesday 15 May – Emmanuel College

Each evening will commence at 7:00pm with an array of static displays. Presentations commence at the times listed below:

**Session Times:**

Session 1: 7:15 pm to 7:55 pm  
Session 2: 8:00 pm to 8:40 pm  
Session 3: 8:45 pm to 9:25 pm

Students are able to choose up to three different presentations on each of the three evenings. As it is possible to attend nine different career presentations during the week, we encourage all students and parents to take full advantage of this schedule.

Booking sheets for each of the Careers Expo evenings will be distributed to students in Year 9 to Year 12 – early Term 2.
Woolworths Earn & Learn is on again this year

It's simple to participate:
From Monday 8th April, parents who shop at Woolworths can collect stickers from the checkout operator. For every $10 spent on groceries you will receive one sticker (excluding liquor, tobacco, and gift cards).

Sticker cards will be available from the store to place all your stickers on. Once you have filled up a card you can place the card in the collection box provided, either at our school or at your local Woolworths store.

Closing Date:
The program finishes Sunday 9th June. After this date we will compile all of the stickers we have received and send them in to Woolworths for tallying.

Free Resources for the College:
Once all the points have been tallied up, Woolworths will tell us how much we have to spend. The College can then redeem all the points we have received to obtain resources from across every category possible. E.g. English, Maths, Science, Arts/Crafts, Music, Sports, and lots, lots more.

This is a great free resource for our school because last year we received over $2500 worth of goods for the College. So, thank you to all the parents who supported “Earn & Learn” and we would encourage everyone to do so again this year.

START COLLECTING YOUR STICKERS FROM MONDAY 8TH APRIL, 2013

PUBLIC NOTICES

Terang Table Tennis Association Season 2013
will soon be underway.
New players, all ages, all abilities - welcome.
Season runs: 2nd and 3rd school terms
Terang Sports Stadium
Wednesday nights, starting 7:30pm
Come for a try and a hit on 24th of April and 1st May.
Competition starts 8th May.
For more information contact:
President: Pat Nicholson, 0418 173 854
Secretary: Colin Venn, 0429 031 509

Do Ya Wanna Dance

At Terang Civic Hall – May 4th 2013
With: “Who Was That Cat”
Featuring Bill Hayley Tribute
Optional Theme: Guys – Braces
Girls – Stockings and Suspenders
Doors Open 7.30pm - Band from 8pm til late
Proceeds of Dance to LL Loggers Relay for Life
$20 p/p – BYO Nibbles and Drinks
Bookings – Leeanne 0478 129 314 or Hal 0488 864 970
Email: halgreer@hotmail.com

Australian Government Mobile Offices

Serving Regional Australia
Visit the Mobile Office to find out about Australian Government payments and services for rural families, older Australians, students, job seekers, people with disability, carers, farmers and self-employed people.

Near the local shops, Manifold Street
CAMPERDOWN
Thursday, 2 May 2013
9:00 am - 4:00 pm
VOCAIIONAL & HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS

Are you an international student? If you are planning to apply for Medicine, Physiotherapy, Veterinary Science and/or Dentistry at selected Australian universities, you may need to sit the International Student Admissions Test (ISAT).

The ISAT is a three-hour computer based multiple-choice test that assesses critical and quantitative reasoning skills. For information on the test and to register, go to http://isat.acer.edu.au

ACER International Student Scholarship: Are you an international student intending to apply for a business degree at an Australian university starting in 2014? You have the opportunity to apply for a $50 000 scholarship. For more information go to www.acer.edu.au/aiss

International volunteer opportunities:
‘International Student Volunteers’ are currently accepting applications from students aged 15 years and over who would like to undertake a volunteer or cultural/adventure program in Costa Rica, Thailand or New Zealand. Projects include

- Sea turtle egg collections
- Hatching and research programs
- Teaching children English
- Orphanage programs; and
- Environmental conservation and land management.

To find out more, go to www.isvolunteers.org or phone 02 9369 5556

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VOCAIIONAL & HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS

Interested in fashion design? RMIT Fashion Design and Technology students recently collaborated online in partnership with University of Salford, England students to design, customize, and create 60 protest T-shirts themed on environmental, ethical and sustainable issues, all within 7 hours. For more information and to see what the students produced, email Mandy Penton at mandy.penton@rmit.edu.au

UPCOMING MAY EVENTS

SAE Institute and Qantm College- Open Day: You will be able to explore the following courses-SAE Institute: audio production, film production and electronic music production and Qantm College- creative media, graphic design, games programming, games design and animation. The Open Day will be held Saturday 11 May. For more information and to register, go to http://openday.sae.edu.au/ http://www.qantm.edu.au/openday/

Next Generation Youth Forum: The Forum “aims to provide Year 10, 11 & 12 secondary school leaders with the opportunity to participate in a range of workshops on leadership and social justice topics, and to attend a keynote address which will inspire them to become the next generation of leaders who will make a difference”. It will be held Friday 17 May at the La Trobe Bundoora Campus. To register, go to http://www.latrobe.edu.au/next-gen

Impact Your World

La Trobe University
Australia
UPCOMING MAY EVENTS

**RMIT Folio Preparation & Career Discovery Courses:** You can undertake short courses to
- Develop your art/design portfolio
- Develop drawing skills in areas such as architecture and design
- Gain knowledge of the best pathways and courses you can undertake after school

For a list of upcoming events, go to [www.shortcourses.rmit.edu.au](http://www.shortcourses.rmit.edu.au)

**Information Session, Navitas College of Public Safety:** The College offers the Bachelor of Criminal Justice at the Melbourne Campus. You will be able to learn about the course and careers in criminal justice. You will also be able to undertake a campus tour and find out about the benefits of studying at this private college. The session will be held Thursday 2 May. For more information and to register, go to [http://www.ncps.edu.au/](http://www.ncps.edu.au/)

**Interested in Natural Health?** The Southern School of Natural Therapies is running an information session on Monday 13 May at the Fitzroy Campus. You will be able to find out about their courses in
- Chinese Medicine
- Naturopathy
- Clinical Myotherapy
- Massage

To register, go to [http://www.ssnt.edu.au/about/ssnt-events/information-sessions](http://www.ssnt.edu.au/about/ssnt-events/information-sessions)

**Interested in Beauty Therapy and Spa?** Elly Lukas is running an information session at the new City Campus on Saturday 18 May. You will be able to find out about their courses in spa management, beauty therapy, retail make-up and skincare. For more information and to register, go to [http://www.ellylukas.edu.au/](http://www.ellylukas.edu.au/)

UPCOMING MAY EVENTS

**Design Bytes at RMIT:** This short course is for students who want to know more about design, preparing folios, and preparing for interviews for TAFE and university courses.

You will also learn about design trends, and educational and career opportunities. The course will be held Saturday 4 May. For more information, search for Design Bytes at [http://www.shortcourses.rmit.edu.au/](http://www.shortcourses.rmit.edu.au/)

**Indigenous Student Experience Monash Day:** Indigenous Australian students in Years 9 to 12 are invited to attend and gain hands-on experience through a large range of interactive activities at Monash. The event will be held Wednesday 5 June. For further information or to RSVP, please contact Kristel Keleher at kristel.keleher@monash.edu or (03) 9905 8699

**Global Careers Day: RMIT are hosting a ‘Global Careers Day’, exploring careers in global caring, global diplomacy and global justice. Guest speakers are graduates of the RMIT Global Studies Program. You will find out how you can pursue a career working for organisations such as**
- AusAID
- The Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet
- World Vision Australia
- Red Cross
- Plan International
- Al Jazeera
- Austraining International

The event will be held Monday 20 May at Storey Hall, RMIT. For more information and to register, go to [http://www.rmit.edu.au/browse;ID=bjkoe3axlzyx#Registration](http://www.rmit.edu.au/browse;ID=bjkoe3axlzyx#Registration)

Use your passion to change your world.
SCHOLARSHIPS

Pilot training scholarship: The Royal Victorian Aero Club offers scholarships each year to young people aged 16 years and over who have an interest in a career in aviation. For information on eligibility criteria and how to apply, go to http://www.rvac.com.au/club/flying-scholarships.html

Marcus Oldham College offer courses in Horse Business Management, Agribusiness and Farm Business Management. It is located at Geelong, Victoria and is a private college. They have just released the list of scholarships available for the 2014 intake. For a list of the scholarships, closing dates and interview times, please go to www.marcusoldham.vic.edu.au

The Bachelor of Information Technology Co-op Scholarship: This program at the University of Technology Sydney is regarded as one of Australia's leading IT programs. It is a 3-year fast-track IT course with a business focus, designed to meet the needs of employers.

Students receive a scholarship of $48,000 paid over the 3 years of the course. You will need to apply for this scholarship by Friday 21 June to be considered for Round 1 applications. Go to www.it.uts.edu.au/courses/scholarships/bit/

International College of Hotel Management (ICHM) offer courses in International Hotel Management and Hospitality Management. Applications for their 2014 scholarships are now open and close on Friday 11 October. To download the application form, go to http://www.ichm.edu.au/admissions/scholarships

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL EVENTS

• 30: Information Session, William Blue College, www.williambblue.edu.au

MAY EVENTS

• 1: agidees 2013 Futures, Melbourne Exhibition Centre, http://www.agidees.net/
• 2: Massage Course Showcase, Endeavour College of Natural Health, http://www.endeavour.edu.au/
• 9 & 23, Monash University Parent Seminars, Albury (9) & Bendigo (23), www.monash.edu.au/parent
• 17: Charles Sturt University MyDay, Medical Science, Pharmacy, Nursing, Wagga Wagga Campus, http://www.csu.edu.au/go/myday
• 18: JMC Academy Open Day, South Melbourne Campus, www.jmcacademy.edu.au
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