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 2014
In the Mercy tradition, we seek to act with love, fairness, tolerance and compassion to all.

The first school term is almost complete, with the coming school holidays bringing the opportunity for students and staff to rest and reflect on what has been a hectic but also difficult two months for Mercy Regional College. This newsletter opens with a reflection on one of my favourite themes, the vocation of teaching in a Catholic school.

In the challenging two weeks since the Mercy community laid Grace Howard to rest, one constant has been the bright optimism of the staff in this school – both teaching and non-teaching. I have highlighted previously how important their support was for students, families and the broader Mercy community as we struggled to reconcile the death of someone so young. But, at a deeper level, this care and support reflects the essential Catholic Christian nature of this school.

A Canadian Archbishop, Michael Miller, wrote a great little book in 2006 that examined the five key components of a Catholic school; key amongst these was the principle that the Catholic nature of a Catholic school must be created and sustained by the witness and example of those who work and teach there. He argues that parents ultimately choose to send their children to a Catholic school not because the school is Catholic but rather those who work there are Catholic. And to be Catholic requires Christians who don’t just talk the talk but, when required, they walk the talk as well. This term, the staff of Mercy Regional College have certainly given witness to what constitutes a Catholic school.

May God’s blessings be on all the staff of Mercy Regional College.

Parent-Teacher Interviews
Next Thursday and Friday will herald the first opportunity for parents and students to chat to teachers at Parent-Teacher Interviews. They will run from 4.00 – 8.30pm on Thursday and 9.00am – 1.00pm on Friday in the de Chantal Stadium, McAuley Campus, Camperdown. Bookings are made online through the school’s PTOnline facility and any queries on this booking system can be directed to Mr. Chris Grant, Deputy Principal – Teaching and Learning on 5593 2011 or cgrant@mercy.vic.edu.au.

End of Term Arrangements
A reminder to all students and families that first term will conclude next Thursday 3rd April at 3.10 pm and second term commences on Tuesday 22nd April (following the Easter Monday public holiday). Week 1 of next term is a three day week with the Anzac Day public holiday on Friday 25th April.

Susan McLean – Cybersafety (Monday 28th April)
On Monday 28th April, Mercy Regional College is very excited to host Australia’s foremost expert in the area of cybersafety and young people, Mrs. Susan McLean. Susan is a former policewoman who was the first Victorian police officer to be appointed to a specialist role in cyberbullying and young people. Susan will be presenting four sessions across the day to Year 7 – 10 students, staff from Mercy and other HCSN schools as well as a special session for parents and friends of Mercy in the evening. This public session will run from 6.00 – 7.40 pm in the de Chantal Stadium, McAuley Campus and is free. Further information is included on the flyer enclosed.

I strongly encourage any parents interested or concerned about the world of cyberspace, social media and what the online world is like for adolescents to come along. She is without question the most outstanding speaker I have heard on this most important topic.

Student Activities
There are a number of student achievements to highlight from recent weeks and also some to look forward to when we return next month:

- Congratulations to all Year 8 students and staff on a most successful Year 8 Camp this week. After a number of years, the camp returned to its traditional home at Princetown with students asked to plan and bring their own
accommodation, food and clothing for the three
days. I was very pleased to see the great spirit
with which these challenges were embraced and
congratulate the staff in charge – Mrs. Grinter,
Mr. Wynd and Mrs. Sargeant.

- In the last couple of days, Year 7 & 9 students
have spent a day on retreat being entertained
and challenged by the words and music of Mr
Chris Doyle.
- Congratulations to all students who have been
involved with interschool swimming and athletics
events for Mercy in past weeks.
- Last week, Mercy Regional College was delighted
to host a number of Japanese students who were
staying locally as part of an equestrian exchange
program.

Caritas Fundraiser
Footy Colours Fundraiser for Caritas will be held next
Thursday for students in Years 7 – 12. Students are
permitted to wear jumpers or scarves in appropriate
colours.

I wish all families the very best for the upcoming
holidays and hope that the joy of the Easter Triduum
that concludes the two weeks brings happiness to
each of you.

Yours in Mercy,

DR. DARREN EGBERTS
PRINCIPAL

COMING EVENTS

Wednesday 2nd April
HSSSD Athletics Carnival
Camperdown Stadium Sports Track
Commencing 9am

Thursday 3rd April
Parent / Teacher Interviews
4:00pm – 8:30pm

Friday 4th April
(Student Free Day)
Parent / Teacher Interviews
9:00am – 1:00pm
Uniform Shop will be open
(9am – 1pm)

Term 1 concludes

Term 2 commences Tuesday 22nd April
Holiday - Anzac Day Friday 25th April

Wednesday 30th April
Central Australia Information Night @ 7pm in
the Multi-purpose room.
PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

Parents are invited to the following information night which is free of charge.

SUSAN MCLEAN
from
Cyber Safety Solutions
www.cybersafetysolutions.com.au

Date: MONDAY 28th APRIL, 2014
Time: 6:00PM - 7:40PM
Where: De Chantal Stadium, Camperdown

Growing up online- what all kids need to know about cyberspace but what technology fails to teach them!

With the explosion of cyber technology, we are also seeing a dramatic rise in negative impact of such technology. The issue of cyber bullying, harassment and ‘sexting’ is emerging as the number one issue confronting the safety and wellbeing of young people and wider community.

Teens are often not aware that their words or photos, which may have been intended for a small audience, sometimes find their way to a larger one, often with both unexpected and undesirable consequences.

This session will cover what parents need to be aware of and the positive benefits of technology!

Topics covered include:

- Popular sites for youth, social networking, online games, apps that children are using
- The difference between an ‘online friend’ and ‘stranger’
- Online grooming-what is it and when/how does it occur?
- Misuse of mobiles, email, skype, blogs, webcam, including legal consequences and criminal charges (what is cyber bullying and harassment)
- Potential dangers
- Safety tips- how to assist children to stay safe online
- Learn the lingo...converse with your children in the language of cyberspace
- Be confident in setting rules and boundaries around internet use in the home
PARISH EASTER CEREMONY TIMES

CAMPERDOWN – [COBDEN, DERRINALLUM, LISMORE, CAMPERDOWN]

17th April  Holy Thursday: Cobden 6:00pm
          Camperdown 8:00pm

18th April  Good Friday: Cobden - Stations of the Cross 10:00am
           Camperdown 3:00pm
           Lismore 5:30pm

19th April  Easter Vigil: Camperdown 7:00pm

20th April  Easter Sunday: Derrinallum 9:00am
           Camperdown 11:00am

MORTLAKE – [CARAMUT & MORTLAKE]

18th April  Good Friday: Mortlake 1:00pm

20th April  Easter Sunday: Mortlake 9:00am

TERANG

17th April  Holy Thursday: Terang 7:30pm

18th April  Good Friday: Terang 3:00pm

19th April  Easter Vigil: Terang 6:00pm

20th April  Easter Sunday: Terang 10:30am

TIMBOON – [SIMPSON, TIMBOON]

17th April  Holy Thursday: Timboon 6:00pm

18th April  Good Friday: Timboon 3:00pm

19th April  Easter Vigil: Timboon 7:30pm

20th April  Easter Sunday: Simpson 9:00am
Dear Parents and Students,

My name is Ms. Janet Backhous and I coordinate the Instrumental Program at Mercy Regional College. Our Instrumental Music Program complements the work we cover in Classroom Music, with students wishing to learn an instrument able to choose to have a private lesson.

Instrumental Music Tuition is presently available for the following instruments – Piano, Violin, Viola, Cello, Bass, Guitar, Flute, Clarinet and Saxophone. Please email me if you would like to have Instrumental lessons – jbackhous@mercy.vic.edu.au - I will then be able to follow up your requests and do my best to provide teachers for you.

The instrumental teachers for 2014 are, Ms. Michele McKinnon – Piano, Flute, Voice and Choir, Ms. Fiona Pugh – Strings – Violin, Viola, Cello and Bass, Mr. .Tony Forbes – Guitar and Bass guitar, Ms. Kelly Kerr – Flute, Clarinet and Saxophone, and Mr. Peter Sharp – Guitar and Bass guitar.

I am sorry that we cannot provide a singing teacher at school. If you are looking for a singing teacher please contact me, and I can suggest a teacher in the area for you.

**We now have a Brass teacher available to teach at Mercy. If you are interested in learning a Brass instrument please email me and I will contact Ron Eichler.** Ron has taught Brass instruments for many years and his students always achieve great results. I have personally known Ron for many years as he is a member of the Colac Music Teachers Association, and he has taught at Trinity College, and in Colac for many years.

So again – please email me if you are interested in learning an instrument. Once I have your details I will discuss your lessons with the instrumental teachers and they will contact you to organise your individual program.

I look forward to meeting you and working with you.

Janet Backhous
Music/Drama Teacher and Instrumental Music Coordinator

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**FUN FOR KIDS FESTIVAL**

Spare time during winter school holidays? Why not volunteer at this year’s Fun4Kids Festival – Sunday 29th June to Sunday 6th July 2014?

Sign up now for one or more days (two 4 hour shifts each day of the Festival) and be part of the wonderful Fun4Kids Festival volunteer crew. Secondary School Students who wish to volunteer must be 14 years of age or over at the start of this year’s Festival.

There is a variety of workshop areas in which to volunteer – lots of Art and Craft areas; Computers/Robotics; Cooking; Lego; Painting; Science/Electronics; Scrapbooking; Volunteer Staff Cafeteria; Ten Pin Bowling; Woodwork.

Secondary School Students with internet access are able to complete and return a SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENT VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION WEBFORM – see website [www.fun4kids.com.au Click on 'GET INVOLVED'](http://www.fun4kids.com.au)

OR contact the Fun4Kids Volunteer Manager, Sharon Wohlers on 5559 4834 or swohlers@warrnambool.vic.gov.au for more information or to request a hard copy of the Secondary School Student Volunteer Registration Forms to be posted out.
CAREERS INFORMATION

Please find below some great programs available to our students in 2014

**Werribee Open Range Zoo’s Keeper for a Day program**
Are you thinking of a career in working with animals? Come and join us for a day and participate in range of hands on experiences designed to provide you with an insight into the role of a zoo keeper. This is a great opportunity to find out first hand from keepers the skills and experience recommended to gain a position as a Zoo keeper amongst a competitive field of applicants.

**Ages:** 13-18 years.
**Cost:** $103.00 (includes morning tea); $92.70 zoo members
**Dates:** April 8, 10, 14 & 16
**Bookings:** 9285 9406

**Healesville Sanctuary’s Keeper for a Day program**
Go behind the scenes with some of our most precious and endangered Australian animals. Come and work alongside our threatened species keepers at Healesville Sanctuary and learn how you can help fight extinction.

**Ages:** 13-18 years.
**Cost:** $103.00 (includes morning tea); $92.70 zoo members
**Dates:** April 8, 9, 15 & 16
**Bookings:** 9285 9406

**Defying the Drift – Build a Great Future**
Defying the drift is a program for secondary students considering a career in agriculture and related industries. It is an initiative of Rotary District 9780 which includes around 60 Rotary Clubs located throughout western Victoria and into South Australia.
Defying the Drift is run in partnership with Marcus Oldham College at Waurn Ponds near Geelong. The inaugural program took place in 2010, it had to be cancelled in 2011 due to the flooding that affected much of rural Victoria, but the program ran again in 2012 and 2013.

**Defying the Drift is a 2 stage Program**
Stage 1: Defying the Drift starts with a challenging residential weekend at a leading tertiary agricultural institute, Marcus Oldham College, where participants learn new skills, discover many rural futures, meet some great young agriculture role models and have a great time. Stage 2 is when participants bring it all together and make a presentation to a local Rotary Club or similar organisation if a Rotary Club is not available. Presentations are expected to cover what participants have learnt through the Defying the Drift program and their personal reflections on possible rural futures.

**Who’s it for?** Year 9, 10 & 11 students (approx. 15 -16 YO) interested in rural career options.
**Where and when?** Stage 1 Residential Course Marcus Oldham College, Waurn Ponds, Geelong, Monday 30th September, 2014 to Wednesday 1st October, 2014. Stages 2 Presentation October to November 2014

**How much?** A nominal fee of $100 per participant is payable and local Rotary Clubs are encouraged to assist by contributing part of the fee.

MAILING ADDRESS Defying the Drift c/o Unit 1/116 Macpherson Street NHILL VIC 3418
FURTHER INFORMATION Ms. Helen Teakle, Enrolments coordinator email: [dtd@ruralsupport.org](mailto:dtd@ruralsupport.org) [www.ruralsupport.org](http://www.ruralsupport.org)
Weekly Career News
TERM ONE

Tuesday 25 March 2014

HEALTH & COMMUNITY SERVICE CAREERS

Why work in the HCS industry?

- One of the most diverse industry groups in the Australian workforce - there are over 500 different occupations (not just doctors, nurses and paramedics)

- Tipped to be the fastest growing industry in Australia in the next 5 years due to our ageing population, demand for children’s services, high consumer demand and skill shortages

- Highest number of national and regional skill shortage occupations out of all industries in Australia

- As technology develops, so do the jobs (i.e., medical engineering, nuclear therapies, dental prosthetics)

- Lots of new jobs are yet to be invented over the next 10 yrs (i.e., work and research with stem cells)

- You can work here or overseas and in many occupations you can work flexible hours and travel and also open your own business (i.e., Massage)

- If you don’t want to work directly with people, there are many occupations where you can work “behind the scenes” in research, policy development, health information management and information technologies

Careers: There are over 500 occupations in the HCS sector.

Community services include occupations such as Youth Work, Mental Health, Juvenile Justice, Alcohol and Other Drugs Work, Child Protection, Disability Work, Child Care and Aged Care.

Health occupations include Nursing, Speech Pathology, Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy, Medicine, Dietetics, Podiatry, Prosthetics, Medical Imaging and Radiology etc.

HEALTH & COMMUNITY SERVICE CAREERS

Education: Choosing the right subjects at school that will support further education and training pathways will depend on what HCS occupation you would like to pursue. See your career adviser for up to date advice

Employment Prospects: Currently there is a shortage of skilled workers in many HCS occupations, such as nursing, child care, medical specialists, and health technicians. There is also an ageing workforce, which will create many jobs for young people over the next 5 – 10 years when many skilled workers will retire.

“Expansion is anticipated in diagnostic services, allied health, complementary and alternative health services, childcare, aged and community support services”.

Pathways into HCS careers: Depending on what occupation you would like to pursue, you can undertake study through vocational education, university study or through a traineeship.

You can study HCS courses at the majority of TAFE and university institutes and also private colleges like the Southern School of Natural Therapies and Endeavour College of Natural Health.

What next?

- Check out health occupation videos on YouTube at www.youtube.com/workthatmatters

- Go to http://www.australianaturaltherapistsassociatio n.com.au/therapies/therapies.php to learn about careers in natural therapies

MEET YOUNG PEOPLE STUDYING HEALTH

Madelaine Moore
Bachelor of Health Sciences/
Master of Orthoptics,
La Trobe University, Bundoora

Madelaine took a gap year after school to study overseas and then changed her course from science to orthoptics.

“I am studying orthoptics, which is the diagnosis and treatment of eye diseases. The first year is broad anatomy and health subjects. Then the course goes into neuroscience, ocular pathology and specific orthoptic subjects. The best part of this course is that there is a strong demand for orthoptists. When I finish I want to work alongside an ophthalmologist (eye surgeon)”.

For information on this degree, go to
http://www.latrobe.edu.au/courses/orthoptics

Melissa Rowland
Bachelor of Health Sciences/Master of Speech Pathology
La Trobe University, Bundoora

http://www.latrobe.edu.au/courses/

In first year I loved visiting the ‘speechies’ at the hospital and sitting in on sessions with a range of patients - little kids, elderly people and everyone in between. I love how extensive the role of a Speech Pathologist is as it will give me so many opportunities and chances to learn. Not many people realise how involved they are in brain injury patients and swallowing as well as working with speaking disorders. I would like to be engaged in a broad field of work after graduation before specialising in a particular field - possibly traumatic brain injury or children.

Hannah Faul
Diploma of Enrolled Nursing,
Victoria University (TAFE)
Bachelor of Nursing,
La Trobe University, Wodonga

Hannah completed the 2 year Diploma of Enrolled Nursing. This allowed her to transfer into the second year of the Bachelor of Nursing at La Trobe. “TAFE is packed full of everything you need to know very quickly as the course is only 18 months. We did anatomy and physiology in 6 months, where in the first year registered university course they do it over a year.

MEET YOUNG PEOPLE STUDYING HEALTH

After 5 weeks at TAFE we had a 2 week placement and university has only 1 week after their first year of studying. In 18 months we did 5 x 2 week placements and then go into 2nd year university where the only experience they have is 1 week. Tafe placements were amazing!

They were very hands on and had them often compared to first year uni. Major difference is depth of knowledge. Best thing about Tafe was how many placements there were. Best thing about uni is how much lab time you get to practice.

My goals for the future are to finish my registered nursing then undertake the program that Albury/Wodonga Health provides in distance education for midwifery, and eventually travel the world and work as I go!

Diploma of Nursing-

Bachelor of Nursing-
http://www.latrobe.edu.au/courses/nursing

Grace Hodgkin
Bachelor of Physiotherapy
Charles Sturt University
Albury-Wodonga

As a part of my course I study many areas including biomechanics, physiotherapeutic diagnoses and provide appropriate programs of therapeutic exercise and treatments to those primarily with physical conditions.

We study both musculoskeletal physiotherapy and cardiovascular roles in physiotherapy and well as neurological conditions.

Best thing about my course is that I love helping people and that is the most rewarding aspect of this career path for me. I feel as if I am making a difference to the wellbeing and physical health of patients. I also really enjoy placement, as you get to experience hands-on what the job entails and the areas that you really enjoy in physio

Goals for the future- I really hope to start off by getting experience doing hospital work, but I hope to one day specialise in women's health physiotherapy and to run my own practice. I also really enjoy paediatric work

http://www.csu.edu.au/courses/undergraduate/physiotherapy/
MEET YOUNG PEOPLE STUDYING HEALTH

Katherine Flanagan
Bachelor of Health Science/Master of Podiatric Practice
La Trobe University, Bundoora

I enrolled at La Trobe University in Melbourne, and I completed a semester of my Bachelor of Health Science/Masters of Podiatric Practice abroad in Edinburgh, Scotland.

Best aspects of the course is the ability to reinforce the theory learnt in a clinical setting and also working with such a close knit group of people, who all share similar interests. Currently I am finishing my final year with the intention of working in the Northern Territory, travelling abroad and investing in my own private practice somewhere down the track.

http://www.latrobe.edu.au/courses/podiatry

Hayley Maggs
Bachelor of Science, Monash
Master of Medical Radiations (Radiation Therapy), Monash

I completed an undergraduate science degree at Monash majoring in developmental biology and human pathology. Towards the end of this course I knew I wanted to be in the health profession, but not exactly sure in what capacity. So I began researching post grad courses, and found the Masters of Radiation Therapy, also offered by Monash. It is a 2 year accelerated course.

The question I get asked the most is what is a radiation therapist? Most people think that I have something to do with chemotherapy or radiography. Radiation therapy utilises high energy X-rays to target cancer cells, while sparing healthy tissue. It is a highly technical profession, requiring excellent problem solving skills.

It combines a technical background with patient care, which is something that I love and is very rewarding. I have lost count of the number of boxes of chocolates I have received from patients, even as a student!

There are two areas of radiation therapy - planning and treatment. Planning is the more technical side of the job where you are required to analyse the patients scans to decide the best method or attack. It is basically a problem solving task requiring you to determine the best way to get the radiation in while saving all the healthy tissue and organs.

http://www.latrobe.edu.au/courses/podiatry

MEET YOUNG PEOPLE STUDYING HEALTH

Dave Hammat
Bachelor of Social Work/
Bachelor of Psychology
RMIT

Dave is studying a combined degree in both psychology and social work.

Overview of my degree: “Psychology scientifically combines all the psych schools of thought- social, cognitive, biological, humanistic, psychodynamic (Freud) etc and explores what we know about human nature. Through this exploration, psych shows us what influences our behaviour and thinking. It provides us with the knowledge to assist people in setting up protective factors in their life and give a very brief introduction to counselling skills.

Social work - looks at the pragmatic influences on our life, economics, public policy, politics, class divisions, and discourses (ways of thinking and speaking that disempower people e.g. sexism, homophobia etc.). It gives you a deep understanding of how to conduct individual counselling, group work, working with violence and abuse and readyes you to be a therapist who’s more frontline (can do case management and do therapy in the car on the way to court or in the homeless shelter) then a psychologist.

The difference between the degrees is that undergraduate psychology is not a degree in counselling. Undergrad social work will ready you to be a counsellor however you will come out with a lower pay grade than if u do 6 years of Psychology

Work Experience: I undertook work experience with Department of Human Services working with high profile criminals for a unit called disability justice

The best thing about my course is that I’ll be qualified world wide, generally to a higher standard than most countries. I’ll never wait for a job as I’ll always be in demand, and when you are working with the lives of people who have endured the most and are on the extreme fringes the content in classes/work is never dull”

http://www.rmit.edu.au/browse;ID=BH106
Free Chemistry & Biology VCE Lectures at Monash University: The Faculty of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences at Monash is offering free lectures to students studying VCE Units 3 – 4 in Chemistry and/or Biology. Lectures will be delivered by expert VCE teachers. The next lectures will run on the following dates – Biology: 2 April, Chemistry: 11 June. To register, go to www.monash.edu.au/pharm/about/events

Indigenous Student Experience Day at Monash: 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 Friday 2 May. For further information or to RSVP, please contact Kristel Keleher at kristel.keleher@monash.edu or (03) 9905 8699

Billy Blue College Open Day: Billy Blue offer courses in

• Communication Design
• Interaction Design & Motion Design
• 3D Design & Animation
• Branded Fashion Design
• Commercial Interior & Residential Interior

Their next Open Day will be held on 10 May at the Melbourne Campus, http://www.billyblue.edu.au/

VCE Help Days, Academy of Design Australia: The Academy is running several days to assist students studying VCE Visual Communication and/or Product Design & Technology with starting and developing their folios. The first event will be held 17 May and is designed to assist students to start their folio. For information and dates, go to http://www.designacademy.edu.au/

UPCOMING EVENTS - MARCH

• 27: At Monash Seminar Series, Teaching, Sport & Outdoor Recreation, www.monash.edu/seminars
• 26: Engineers Australia Careers Expo, Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre, www.engineeringexpo.org.au

UPCOMING EVENTS - APRIL

• 7: Science in the City, RMIT, http://www.rmit.edu.au/appliedsciences/
• 11: Forensic Science Careers Day, Victorian Institute of Forensic Medicine, http://www.vifm.org/
• 11: Experience La Trobe University, Bundoora and Bendigo, http://www.latrobe.edu.au/experience
• 11: A Day at Melbourne, University of Melbourne, http://futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/
• 15: Day in the Life, William Blue College, Sydney, www.williamblue.edu.au
• 29, 30: At Monash Seminar Series, Architecture (29), Interior Design (30), www.monash.edu/seminars
CAREER EVENTS
March - April 2014

MONASH UNIVERSITY

At Monash Seminar Series: Monash showcases different faculties within the University. The seminars run over several months and students have to book in advance. You will be able to attend seminars in areas such as engineering, arts, sport, education, health, design etc. Most seminars run in the evening, so you can attend after school. Parents are usually welcome as well.

Dates for March are as follows

- 20: Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences
- 25: Arts (Social Sciences and Humanities)
- 26: Design & Fine Art
- 27: Teaching, Sport & Outdoor Recreation

For more information and to register, www.monash.edu.au/study/life/student/seminars/

ENGINEERING CAREERS EXPO

Interested in Engineering? The Engineers Australia Careers Expo will be held Wednesday 26 March, 12pm – 5pm at the Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre.

You will be able to:

- Participate in interactive workshops
- Talk to over 70 exhibitors from engineering, science and technological industries
- Attend inspirational engineering presentations.

For more information, go to www.engineeringexpo.org.au

MEET MELBOURNE UNI

University staff will be visiting regional Victorian centres and selected Melbourne metropolitan locations to give students and parents in the area the chance to find out more about:

- Scholarships, accommodation, course costs, student services
- Courses and career outcomes, including the Melbourne degrees and graduate pathways
- Unique opportunities to enrich your degree such as studying a concurrent diploma or going on exchange
- Access Melbourne scheme

For a list of dates and locations, go to http://futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/explore/events/victoria_and_interstate/victoria/meet_melbourne_2014

NURSING EXPO

Interested in Nursing? You can become an enrolled nurse through studying a vocational qualification and a registered nurse through studying at university. The Australian College of Nursing is hosting a Nursing and Health Expo on April 12 at The Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre between 9am – 1pm. You will be able to

- Meet a range of nursing and health organisations
- Explore career pathways
- Find out about educational opportunities

For more information, go to http://acn.edu.au/expos

Meet Melbourne
Visiting Regional Victoria
FORENSIC SCIENCE

Have you considered a career in Forensic Science? Then you should attend the next Forensic Science Careers Information Day on Friday 11 April, 12.30 – 4.00pm at the Victorian Institute of Forensic Medicine (VIFM), Southbank.

Work at the VIFM includes

- Forensic pathology
- Clinical forensic medicine
- Medico-legal death investigation
- Paternity testing
- Forensic science services
- Preparing coroners reports
- Offering expert opinions on a range of issues

You will receive information on careers in the industry, but you will not be able to participate in a tour of the Building. There are limited spaces available so you will need to register quickly.

For more information and to register, go to http://www.vifm.org/about-us/careers-at-vifm/

SCIENCE IN THE CITY @ RMIT

Science in the City, RMIT: You and your parents will be able to learn about the science programs on offer at RMIT, which include biology, biotechnology, chemistry, environmental science, food science, nanotechnology and physics. You will also be able to undertake a laboratory tour at the City Campus and speak to lecturers about how you can broaden your career options and give yourself a competitive edge.

The event will run Monday 7 April. There are limited spaces, so register now- http://www.rmit.edu.au/appliedsciences/discover

EXPERIENCE LA TROBE UNIVERSITY

Experience La Trobe is designed especially for future students to get a taste of what it’s like to be a La Trobe student for a day. You will be able to:

- Chat with staff and students
- Participate in 3 hands-on workshops focused on your desired career/ course
- Meet student ambassadors and talk to them about studying at La Trobe

You can participate in workshops across a huge range of areas- this is an event not to be missed

The event will be held Friday 11 April at the Bundoora and Bendigo campuses.

For more information and to book your workshops, please go to http://www.latrobe.edu.au/experience

HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT

Interested in Hospitality? William Blue College will be hosting a ‘Day in the Life’ workshop at the Sydney campus. You will be able to

- Tour a 5-Star Sydney restaurant
- Learn about the amazing courses at William Blue
- Enjoy a three course lunch at William Blue Dining
- Undertake practical workshops in hotel management, culinary arts management, and food and beverage management

The event will be held Tuesday 15 April. To register, go to www.williamblue.edu.au
CAREER EVENTS
April - May 2014

ZOOKEEPER FOR A DAY

Are you in years 7 – 12? Do you want to work with animals? Healesville Sanctuary and Werribee Open Range Zoo present a day of activities where you get to work alongside their Zookeepers.

Keeper for a Day, If you are keen to find out what it takes to work in a zoo, caring for the amazing array of animals, then you may be interested in attending the Keeper for a Day program, which is running at Werribee Open Range Zoo and Healesville Sanctuary


Vet for a Day, This program allows students in Years 7 – 12 to work in the Healesville Sanctuary Vet Hospital for the day. You will be able to assist the veterinarian’s with jobs such as

- Suturing
- Diagnosis
- Animal contact
- Health checks
- Rehabilitation
- Post Mortom

Dates are 9, 10, 16, and 17 April, [http://www.zoo.org.au/healesville/whats-on/healesville-sanctuary-vet-for-a-day](http://www.zoo.org.au/healesville/whats-on/healesville-sanctuary-vet-for-a-day)

UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE

Students in years 10 - 12 have the opportunity to attend the ‘A Day at Melbourne’ program at the University of Melbourne on Friday 11 April.

You will be able to learn about-

- Courses and careers including the ‘New Generation’ Melbourne undergraduate and post graduate programs
- Unique opportunities to enrich your degree such as concurrent diplomas, going on exchange and study abroad or participating in community involvement activities
- Access Melbourne and Melbourne Scholarships
- Accommodation options by visiting the residential colleges

For more information and to register, go to [www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/accessallareas](http://www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/accessallareas)

MONASH UNIVERSITY

At Monash Seminar Series: Dates for April & May are as follows

**April**
- 29: Architecture
- 30: Interior Architecture

**May**
- 1: Psychology
- 6: Medicine & Biomedicine
- 7: Law
- 13: Health Science & Social Work
- 20: Teaching & Nursing
- 28: Biomedical Science, Radiography, and Nutrition & Dietetics
- 29: Engineering

For more information and to register, [www.monash.edu.au/study/life/student/seminars](http://www.monash.edu.au/study/life/student/seminars)
THE AGE VCE & CAREERS EXPO

This is a fantastic annual event which enables senior school students and their parents to be able to participate in a diverse range of over 150 seminars related to VCE subjects, gap year opportunities, vocational and higher education courses, career pathways and VCE study skills.

Over 190 organisations will be in attendance, enabling students to be able to talk to course and program advisers directly about their services. Cost is $10 per student and schools have been sent free passes.

The event is being held at Caulfield Racecourse between Thursday 8 to Sunday 11 May. To find out more, go to www.vceandcareers.com.au, 1300 190 290

SHORT COURSES @ RMIT

Design Bytes, Saturday 3 May: "Participants will gain a competitive edge when applying for tertiary studies, particularly in the field of design. The course will enable participants to improve their ability to select the most appropriate studies. Institutes and career paths, whilst learning about what is current in the design world"

Fascinating Fashion, Tuesday 20 May: "This course will explore all areas of fashion design - from developing fashion figures to designing garments and accessories. Techniques used include: Collage Montage, Lincar work, Conte Ink, Water colour, Pens and pencils"

To register for these short courses, go to http://www.shortcourses.rmit.edu.au/

NATURAL HEALTH

Endeavour College of Natural Health offer the following courses at their South Melbourne campus:

- Acupuncture
- Homeopathy
- Massage
- Population Health
- Complimentary Medicine
- Musculoskeletal Therapy
- Naturopathy
- Nutritional Medicine

The next Open Day is running on Saturday 3 May, http://www.endeavour.edu.au/

Curious about health and natural therapies? The Australasian College of Natural Therapies is hosting an Open Day on Saturday 3 May at the Sydney Campus. You will be able to

- Find out about healthy eating
- Discover herbal treatments
- Find out the best way to burn fat and build muscle
- Explore careers in health and wellbeing.

To register, go to http://www.acnt.edu.au/about-us/events/
Discover Agriculture
Victoria

6 Day Program

Put yourself in the picture!

May 18th–23rd, 2014

Want to know more?
Contact Roger: 0438 514 560 or discoveragriculture@gmail.com
www.facebook.com/DiscoverAgriculture.program
PARENT AND STUDENT TERTIARY INFORMATION NIGHT.

April 2, 2014  6.00 pm–7.30 pm
Warrnambool Bowls Club, 75 Timor Street, Warrnambool

Victorian tertiary institutions have come together to offer parents and students an information night. At the event, you will have the opportunity to speak with a number of Universities, TAFE’s and independent tertiary colleges and learn more about:

- the VTAC application process
- courses, prerequisites and extra requirements
- costs, scholarships and key dates
- transitioning to further study, life on campus and student support services
- pathways to University.

From 6 pm, there will be a presentation on transitioning from VCE to Tertiary Education and a presentation from Centrelink on the financial assistance available to rural students.

deaquin.edu.au/parent-and-student

PUBLIC NOTICES

EASTER EXTRAVAGANZER

Monday 7th April - Friday 11th April
Open 10:30am till 4:00pm Monday-Friday
Phone: 0438 407 777

Come and join us for a family day full of Easter fun and activities.

- Bumper Balls
- Fairy Floss
- Bike Hire
- Easter Hunt
- Colouring Competition

Easter Rail Trail Hunt Per Person: $10.00
Family Rail Trail Hunt (2 Adults & 3 Children): $40.00 price includes free transport back from the trestle bridge.

Colouring Competition: FREE

Transport from the trestle bridge to our shop is available at $10.00 per person upon request.

Located at the back of the Timboon Distillery at the start of the Rail Trail.
YOUTH THEATRE GROUP 2014
FREE for 12-25 year olds
Starting Term 2, 23rd April
Every Wednesday 4.30 – 5.30pm
Upstairs @ Timboon District Healthcare Service

- Improvisation
- Script development & Writing skills
- Games
- No pressure, fun activities
- develop ways to build performance, Self-confidence and expression, Social skills, and team work!!

Contact Leanne, Youth Worker
Phone 5558 6000 by 16th April to register

YOUTH WEEK AT TDH
Presents the following movies
THE HUNGER GAMES, PG 13 +
followed by
CATCHING FIRE, PG 13 +
THURSDAY 10th APRIL 5pm – 10pm
Doors open 4:30pm (free event, no passouts)
Showing in Conference Room, upstairs @ TDHS,
using the data projector, with surround sound...
HOT FOOD AND MILKSHAKES WILL
BE PROVIDED DURING INTERMISSION
POP CORN DURING THE FILM
STRICTLY NO DRUGS OR ALCOHOL
THIS IS A SMOKE FREE VENUE
THIS IS A SUPERVISED EVENT

YOUNG PEOPLE UNDER 18 NEED SIGNED
PARENT/GUARDIAN CONSENT (forms available
at the door)
Contact Leanne – Youth Worker for enquiries or
bookings.
Phone: 5558 6000

Come and Try TOUCH FOOTBALL
Following on from interest after Recreation Give it a
Go!, Touch Football will be offered at this stage on a
Wednesday night at Mockridge park, Thornton Street
Camperdown. Sessions will start this Wednesday 19th March 6pm with skills drills and small game.
In the event of wet weather there will be rules and
drills at Camperdown old stadium, located behind
Theatre Royal with access from Bath Street.
All the family are welcome (Rec Give it a Go come n
try night included adults and 7 year olds - everyone
loved it!). Feel free to tap people on the shoulder and
extend the invitation. For further information contact
Brooke Love at Council offices on 5593 7100. Hope to
see you there!

“Give it a go!” Program Table Tennis
The Shire has sponsored two table tennis sessions
where Level 2 Table Tennis coach Trevor McDowell
will be available to help anyone of any age have an
enjoyable introduction to table tennis.
These sessions will be held at the Timboon Stadium on
Friday 21st March from 4pm-6pm and at the
Terang Stadium on Wednesday 26th March from
4pm-6pm.
There is no cost involved, so come along anytime
between 4-6pm and give it a go. Terang run a
competition from May to September on Wednesday
evenings which you may decide to play in.
Contact Pat Nicholson 0418 173 854 for further details.

Cobden Winter Tennis
Winter tennis will commence with a social hit when
School Returns after the holidays. It is a fun, relaxed
and enjoyable competition, so come along and try.
Monday April 28th 2014 12.00 -2.00pm at the
Cobden Recreation Reserve. Everyone is
welcome......beginners or seasoned
campaigners. We require players for teams or
filling in occasionally.
Competition will start on Monday 5th May. Past players
please confirm your intention to play. For more
information please contact: Nicole McVilly 043 7846
984 or Alison van der Schans 5595 2282.