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

As I will detail later in this newsletter, this week saw the departure of our Year 12 class of 2014 as they move into study and preparation for upcoming exams and/or the world beyond Mercy Regional College.

The prayer today is for these students and the examination period ahead of them:

*Help me to keep things in perspective and not to worry about the exams too much or care too little. When pressure overwhelms me, remind me that you hold my future in your hands, and that all does not rest on the results of this study. Help me to manage my time well, to make time to rest and play as well as study. Help me to revise effectively, and that all I have worked on throughout the year may bear fruits. May I always give you thanks for the glory you bestow,*

*Amen.

Class of 2014 departs
Wednesday saw the departure of the Year 12 class of 2014 with our traditional final day celebrations of homeroom time, Mercy’s Got Talent and the Year 12 Final Assembly. Congratulations to everyone involved in what is a large and challenging undertaking at a number of levels but particular congratulations to the Senior School leaders – Mrs. Lesa Thornton, Mr. Justin Staunton and Mr. Lachie Lee, to all the teachers and staff who assisted on the day and during the days and nights preceding, to the parents, grandparents, friends and families who joined us for Mercy’s Got Talent and the Year 12 Final Assembly, to Anya McKenzie (12C) who led the Year 12 Assembly and, most importantly, to the Year 12’s of 2014 who celebrated their end of formal schooling respectfully, joyfully and safely.

Congratulations to the 10+ acts who entertained the school community during Mercy’s Got Talent and, especially, to the Year 12 boys band of Joseph Arundell, Henry Kissick and Brodie Hill who took home the judges’ prize.

Shire of Corangamite Youth Achievement Awards
The College did very well at the recent Youth Achievement Awards presented in Terang on Friday 17th October. Five out of the 13 awards went to either individual students from Mercy or to the College. Many of our students were nominated and a number performed on the night as well. Congratulations to all nominees and award recipients and to the Corangamite Shire who organised the awards. Overall, a most impressive night for the College.

Individual Performing Arts Winner
Gemma Lees

Group Community Service Winner
MRC Social Justice Group

Group Performing Arts Winner
MRC Showcase

Group Alternative Sport Winner
MRC Equestrian team

Individual Community Service Award Winner
Caitlin Smart

Individual Sport Award Nominations
Patrick Smith
Harrison Wickenton
Amy Hammond

Individual Sport Award Nominations
Polly Moloney

Individual Community Service Award Nominees
Emma Lucas
Briony Kent
Jacoba Mungane
Ailie Bateman
Meg Lenehan
Also of note on the night were:
Georgia Buchholz who opened the night welcoming all to the Awards and assisted with all the presentations. Ripley Watt who performed a dance solo. Marti McKenzie and James Anderson who performed with a group from Holiday Actors.

Buildings Update
Tenders have been received for Stage 1 of the College’s building project following a formal process by the Catholic Education Office Ballarat. AW Nicholson from Ballarat has been awarded the contract. Fr. Gerry and Fr. Matthew have obtained formal approval from Bishop Paul to commence the project and we hope that this will occur in early November. There will be some changes to classrooms but no effect overall on students’ learning with all classes continuing.

Parents’ Consultation Group
Last term, I highlighted my wish to convene a new group that would take on some of the role of the existing Mercy Regional College PTFA and, in particular, be an important means for me and other senior leaders in the school to consult with parents on important issues and initiatives. Thanks to those parents who have expressed interest in becoming involved in this and can I warmly encourage anyone else who would like to be involved to join us at our initial meeting on Monday 10th November at 5.00pm on the McAuley Campus Board Room.

Mercy Arts Night and Car Raffle Draw
Could all parents, families and friends please note in your diaries that the annual Mercy Arts Night will be held next month on Wednesday 12th November starting at 7.30pm in the de Chantal Stadium with students’ work on display across a range of Visual Arts and Technology. Also on the night will be the draw of the Mercy Car Raffle at 8.30pm.

A reminder to all parents, families and community members to ensure that your raffle tickets are returned sold or unsold ahead of Arts Night.

Student Activities
In addition to the departure of our Year 12’s, a number of other student activities are noteworthy:

- Last week’s assembly saw the presentation of the certificates to our high achieving students in the annual Australian Mathematics Competition. In addition to 9 distinctions and 31 Credits received by Mercy students, special congratulations go to Josh Newcombe (Year 8D) who achieved a rank in the top 0.3% of the country and received a medal and book voucher.

- Sunday 12th October saw the culmination of several months training for many involved in the Mercy Running Club with participation in various events associated with the Melbourne Melbourne Festival. The College had 30+ students, staff and parents involved and we were easy to spot in bright red running tops. Of particular note was Will Keough (Year 12) who completed his first full marathon in the time of 3hr 27mins. This time placed him 5th for his age in the race and earned him an invitation to compete in the Australian Championships on the Gold Coast next July. Thanks to all who supported the runners but especially to Mrs Berni Sinnott and Ms Stacey Hillman as overall coordinators of the Running Club.

- Our Year 9 students spent yesterday in Geelong attending the Reach Heroes Day. Reach is a youth organisation initially established by the late Jim Stynes. They also travelled to Ballarat today for the Humanities Domain Active Learning Day at Sovereign Hill.

- A number of sporting competitions have continued including Super 8’s cricket, State athletics and shooting events in Warrnambool and Minyip. Special congratulations to Courtney Stevens (12A) who placed second in her age group for shot put at the recent Victorian School Sports Championships.

Long Service Leave
I will be away from the College from next Friday 31st October until Monday 10th November on a family holiday to Fiji. I hope all in the Mercy community enjoy the mini break across the Melbourne Cup weekend.

Yours in Mercy,

DR. DARREN EGBERTS
PRINCIPAL
Deputy Principal Wellbeing
Mr. Kerin Glennen

Exams not just for the Year 12s.
You can work so hard to study large quantities of information for an exam, but if you don't prepare yourself mentally and physically before that exam, all that hard work can sadly go to waste.
- 3 tips that any student can use;
- Get a good nights sleep;
- You need to have an average of 8 hours of sleep a night;

Exercise for at least 30 minutes a day, everyday.
Often students stop exercising when it comes exam time because they begin to think they do not have enough time.....big mistake! Exercise helps you study more effectively.....it helps relieve stress and gets the blood flowing to your brain.

Drink plenty of water:
Often when we can't think clearly and you have a foggy memory, it's because our brains need to be hydrated. Keep sipping water.

Focus on what you know rather than what you don't know:
You are better off focusing on the fact you that you know so much more than you did before and then a large number of exam questions you'll be able to answer.

These are some tips that any student can use to assist them. Good luck to all students who have exams.

VCE Dance
Freya Egberts - VCE Dance Teacher

Congratulations to Victoria Conroy, Isabelle Corneby, Martinique McKenzie and Kia Rethus (Cobden Technical College) for completing their VCE Dance Performance Exam, the first externally assessed VCE Exam at MRC. This exam is followed up with a written exam mid-November worth 25%.

On Thursday 9th October, these four year 11 students headed off to Melbourne to begin their preparation for the VCE Dance Performance Exam to be held on Friday 10th October. MRC hired a studio at the exam venue so the students could rehearse and familiarise themselves with the space and floor in preparation for the following day.

On Friday we rose early and headed off for a walk around Albert Park to begin their pre-performance preparations then back up the road to the exam venue. Here, each student individually prepared themselves to perform their two solos. Their first solo was based on showing their dance skills and the second on their choreographic skills.

I am very proud of these four students and wish them well for their upcoming written exam. Thank you ladies for all your hard work. I have enjoyed watching you develop in both dance and maturity through your VCE Dance journey which began with me in 2013. Congratulations.
Sports Report
Stacey Hillman

Cross country in America
Kate Hallyburton and Nick O’Connor were amongst a group of 30 athletes from across Australia that participate in cross country in America during the Term 3 holidays. Nick and Kate competed in three races while they were in America as well as lots of sightseeing. They were mainly based in Los Angeles and Las Vegas. Disneyland, Universal Studios, the Grand Canyon, Hoover Dam and a trip across the border to Mexico were included in the itinerary.

The three races were all held in Las Vegas in extremely hot conditions. Three coaches from Australia were the tour leaders who also gave Kate and Nick invaluable coaching sessions on improving their running style and technique.

Nick and Kate both achieved wonderful results. In all of their races there were over 150 competitors in each event. All races were 5km. The College congratulates both Kate and Nick on their outstanding achievements.

Nicks Results:
First race finished 46th – 19.13sec
Second Race finished 22nd – 20.45sec
Third race finished 16th – 18.05sec – received a medal for finishing top 20.

Kate’s results:
First Race finished 5th - 21.23sec
Second Race finished top 20 – 24min
Third Race finished 11th – 21.21sec – received a medal for finishing top 20.

Courtney Stevens (below) and Kate Hallyburton competed in the School Sport Victoria State Athletics held in Melbourne on Friday October 17th. Courtney placed 2nd in the Shot Put with a throw of 9.51m and 5th in the Javelin with a throw of 25m. Kate placed 10th in her age group in the 1500m. Both girls should be so proud of their achievements as they came up against some quality opposition.

Running Club
Berni Sinnott & Stacey Hillman

Mercy Regional College’s Running Club for 2014 came to an end at the Melbourne Marathon Festival on Sunday 12th October. Twenty-eight students plus a number of staff competed in either the Marathon, Half Marathon, 10km or 5km events.

A highlight of the event was Year 12 student Will Keough completing his first full marathon in a time of 3 hours 27 minutes securing him a place to run at the Australian Marathon Festival to be held in 2015.

We wish to thank all of the sponsors throughout the year for making this trip possible, the staff and parents who attended the training sessions, breakfast club and the festival.

Will Keough

Zach Sinnott
Group of everyone who ran on the day

Greater Western Athletics
A group of around 40 athletes travelled to Ballarat on Friday 10th October for the Greater Western Athletics carnival held at Llanberris Reserve. All students participated to a very high standard and we came away for a few medals at the end of the day. Kate Hallyburton (1500m) and Courtney Stevens (javelin, discus, shot put) progressed onto the State Finals held in Melbourne on Friday 17th October.

Mercy’s Got Talent
Mr. Luke Bouchier

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All performers deserve the utmost congratulations. It takes a lot of bravery to stand up in front of 500 people and put yourself on the line.

Particular congratulations must go to Brigitte MacDonald (third place) for a rousing performance of ‘Skinny Love’, the Year 10 Music class (second place) for an upbeat mashup of ‘Geronimo’ and ‘Magic’ and to the Year 12 group (first place) who brought the house down with ‘Feel Good Inc’ and ‘Come Together’.

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Super 8s Cricket Carnival
The junior cricketers had a great day at the Super 8s carnival held in Warrnambool in week 2. All students thoroughly enjoyed their day and gained some excellent skills for the future. The 9 & 10 cricketers play in week 4.
Monday 27 October  
* Junior Oratory Competition

Wednesday 29 October  
* Outdoor Ed Bush Walking Camp  
* VCAA Exams commence

Thursday 30 October  
* Outdoor Ed Bush Walking Camp  
* Super 8s Cricket – Years 9 & 10

Friday 31 October  
* Outdoor Ed Bush Walking Camp

Monday 3 November  
* College Board Holiday

Tuesday 4 November  
* Melbourne Cup Holiday

Thursday 6 November  
* Year 9 Boys Immunisations at McAuley Campus  
* Junior Debating in Geelong

Monday 10 November  
* Greater Western Basketball for Years 7 & 8

Wednesday 12 November  
* Mercy Arts Night and Car Raffle Draw 7:30PM

Friday 14 November  
* Year 11 Exams

Monday 17 November  
* Year 11 Exams  
* Presentation Ball 2015 Meeting 7:30-9:00PM

Tuesday 18 November  
* Year 11 Exams

Wednesday 19 November  
* Year 12s 2015 Transition commences

Friday 21 November  
* Year 12 Graduation Mass 6:00PM @ St Pat’s  
* Year 12 Graduation Dinner 7:30PM
Mercy Regional College presents

Art and Design Exhibition

The de Chantal stadium
Wednesday 12th November 7.30pm
Car raffle drawn 8.30pm

Featuring work from students in Art, Design Technology, Food Technology, Media, Textiles and Visual Communication Design
Careers Information  
Mrs. Jenny Phillips

Federation University Scholarships  
Year 12 students who have applied for a course at Federation University for 2015 can apply for a $2000 scholarship. However, a scholarship application must be endorsed by the school and the Principal can only endorse 1 applicant. Any student who would like to apply for this scholarship must submit their application to Dr. Egberts by Friday 24th October. Application forms are available from the Careers Room.

Francis Gregory Scholarships  
An email with the details of the Francis Gregory Scholarships available for 2015 has been emailed to all Year 12 students. To be eligible you must be an Australian citizen and the majority of your family's income must be derived from farming. Applications close on 24th December, 2014 and your application must be endorsed by the Principal.

Hospital Work Experience This Summer With Gap Medics

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Many students aspire to be doctors or nurses; however, finding the right experience early on in their careers can prove difficult. With huge competition for places at medical school, a high ATAR is not enough. Meaningful work experience is becoming an essential part of the application process.

Gap Medics offers hospital-shadowing experience overseas to students who are interested in medical careers. Students work closely with local healthcare professionals who act as their mentors, guiding them through each procedure. Popular departments include paediatrics, surgery, obstetrics and internal medicine.

Our Australian Summer Special has arrived just in time to help our Australian students prepare for their UAC and direct university applications! We are offering students two-week medical placements in Tanzania and Thailand on the following dates:

21st December 2014 – 3rd January 2015  
28th December 2014 – 10th January 2015  
4th January 2014 – 17th January 2015  
11th January 2014 – 24th January 2015

For US$2290, students will receive their clinical placements, classroom-based tutorials, secure accommodation, delicious food and unlimited support from our staff in the UK and overseas. This combination of medical work experience and independent travel could prove to be the deciding factor in their admission to medical school.

For more information, contact one of our student placement advisors today by email: info@gapmedics.com or visit our website: www.gapmedics.com.au.

We look forward to speaking to you soon!

Kind Regards,

The Gap Medics Team
FOCUS ON SUMMER SCHOOLS

Campion College Summer Program:
- **Who:** Year 10 – 12 students.
- **Where:** Campion College, Sydney (includes accommodation).
- **When:** 11 – 16 January 2015.
- **What:** The program gives interested students the opportunity to live College life for five days and nights. Each morning, participants taste subjects such as literature, Latin, history, philosophy, theology etc. This is followed by various activities such as sport, bush walking, a beach trip, ballroom dancing and trivia.
- **How:** For more information, go to [www.campion.edu.au/](http://www.campion.edu.au/)

National Computer Science School (NCSS)
- **Who:** Year 11 and 12 students.
- **Where:** University of Sydney (includes accommodation).
- **When:** 4 – 13 January 2015.
- **What:** NCSS is about challenging students to think like computer scientists as they learn to program robots and develop social networking applications. Participants will visit major IT companies.
- **How:** Applications are due by 15 November, [www.ncss.edu.au/summer_school/](http://www.ncss.edu.au/summer_school/)

The ConocoPhillips Science Experience
- **Who:** 2014 Year 9 students.
- **Where:** Four venues in the Melbourne area.
- **When:** January 2015.
- **What:** You will be able to go behind the scenes and sample the exhilarating world of science. You will perform experiments, participate in field excursions, listen to university lectures and experience the excitement of life on campus.
- **How:** For more information, go to [www.scienceexperience.com.au/](http://www.scienceexperience.com.au/)

FOCUS ON SUMMER SCHOOLS

MU Student Union VCE Summer School
- **Who:** 2014 Year 10 – 11 students.
- **Where:** University of Melbourne (includes accommodation).
- **When:** 12 – 23 January 2015.
- **What:** This event provides an introduction to the VCE and assists students to develop practical and academic skills. You will be able to participate in VCE workshops and tutorials, and you will get to know other students from across Victoria.
- **How:** For details about the program, how to apply and about bursaries for financially disadvantaged students, please go to [http://union.unimelb.edu.au/summerschool/](http://union.unimelb.edu.au/summerschool/)

Discover Architecture, University of Technology Sydney (UTS):
- **Who:** 2014 Year 11 students.
- **Where:** University of Technology, Sydney.
- **When:** 12 – 22 January 2015.
- **What:** The program will be structured around a diverse range of learning experiences that encompass design studio and computer lab based design exercises, seminars, lectures and field trips. Only 40 students can participate, so apply now!
- **How:** For more information, go to [www.utsarchitecture.net/discoverarchitecture/](http://www.utsarchitecture.net/discoverarchitecture/)
FOCUS ON SUMMER SCHOOLS

Filmmaking Summer School
- **Who:** Students of all ages passionate about film making.
- **Where:** Trinity College, University of Melbourne (includes accommodation).
- **When:** 7 - 28 January, 2015.
- **What:** This intensive summer school is taught by Australia’s leading film industry professionals and is suited to people from all ages and backgrounds.
- **How:** For more information, go to [www.summerfilmschool.com](http://www.summerfilmschool.com/)

Hands on Monash Indigenous Summer Camp
- **Who:** Indigenous secondary students.
- **Where:** Monash University, Clayton Campus.
- **When:** 7 - 9 December 2014.
- **What:** Students will undertake cultural, sport and social activities; participate in hands on workshops in areas such as law, engineering, health sciences, art and design, information technology, business and education; and receive careers and course advice.
- **How:** For information and an application form, please contact Kristel Keleher on 03 9905 8699, kristel.keleher@monash.edu

National Mathematics Summer School
- **Who:** Mathematically gifted secondary school students.
- **Where:** Australian National University, Canberra. Students will stay in College accommodation.
- **When:** 4 – 17 January 2015.
- **What:** Students will extend themselves in higher level mathematics, undertake excursions, participate in social activities and explore their passion for all things maths!
- **How:** For information and how to register, go to this link: [http://rmss.edu.au/](http://rmss.edu.au/)

FOCUS ON SUMMER SCHOOLS

Trinity Young Leaders Summer School:
- **Who:** Students aged 14 – 17 years.
- **Where:** Trinity College, University of Melbourne.
- **When:** 30 November – 14 December 2014.
- **What:** Students will have the opportunity to: engage in interactive teaching; participate in excursions and group work; develop skills in critical and creative thinking, teamwork, public speaking, communication etc.; and immerse themselves in a ‘themed week’ (i.e., biomedicine, social justice, arts).
- **How:** For information and to register, go to [www.trinity.unimelb.edu.au/young_leaders](http://www.trinity.unimelb.edu.au/young_leaders)

Dookie Agricultural Science Experience
- **Who:** Rural and regional students in Year 9 and 10 who have a passion for agriculture.
- **Where:** Dookie College, University of Melbourne (accommodation included).
- **When:** 26 – 28 November 2014.
- **What:** Students will participate in hands-on workshops, including science activities in the laboratory and paddock, and will learn how important agricultural science is to current world issues. Cost is $150.
- **How:** For information and to apply before 1 November, go to [www.scienceexperience.com.au/when-where/victoria/dookie](http://www.scienceexperience.com.au/when-where/victoria/dookie)

VOCATIONAL & HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS

Are you an international student studying at a NSW or Victorian school? If you are considering studying at the University of Melbourne in 2015, you can make a 30-minute one-to-one appointment with a course adviser to discuss your course options. Please book your appointment time at the following link: [www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/international-yr12](http://www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/international-yr12)

[The University of Melbourne]
Scholarships at William Angliss: The institute offers courses in areas such as events, tourism, hospitality, foods, travel and resorts. If you are planning to enrol in a course in 2015, vocational course scholarships are due by 15 November and for higher education courses by 9 March 2015. William Angliss offers VCAL for secondary students and also VET subjects. For information, go to www.angliss.edu.au

UMAT Interviews and Effective Communication Skills Workshop: If you are intending to apply for undergraduate medicine in the future or have applied for a course to start in 2015, you will have to undertake an interview for most programs. The National Institute of Education (NIE) is running an interview preparation workshop in Melbourne on 19 December. Cost is $399 and you can also purchase the NIE UMAT Interview Preparation Book. For information and to book your place, go to www.nie.edu.au

Change the world with the Bachelor of Arts (International Studies) at RMIT: Learn on the job through overseas internships and develop professional skills in international relations, cultural communications, diplomacy, business and humanitarian policy. From policy making in China to community development in South America, graduates of International Studies at RMIT land upon a range of dynamic careers across the globe. View the following video to find out more- www.youtube.com/watch?v=1BqDSSWtSak

Environmental Engineering Photography Competition: High school students are invited to show off their photography skills in an RMIT environmental competition. Locate an environmental issue such a dry river bed, a rare species of animal or a local garbage tip (with permission from the owner) and photograph it. Submissions should include a caption detailing the issue and a possible solution to the problem. A total prize pool of $1500 is up for grabs. Further Info: www.rmit.edu.au/engineering/photo-comp

Graduate Exhibitions: Viewing student work from institutions you are interested in studying at is a great way to assess your possibilities and view the amazing student work on display. The following are two upcoming exhibitions:

- Whitehouse Institute of Design: Their Melbourne Graduate Exhibition is being held 3 and 4 December from 6pm. You will be able to view the work of students graduating from interior design, fashion design and creative direction and styling, http://whitehouse-design.edu.au/

- RMIT Art, Design and Media Exhibitions: You will be able to view vocational and higher education graduate student work. The Exhibition runs between October to December, www.rmit.edu.au/events/adm-exhibitions

Access Monash Ambassador Program: is an amazing opportunity for students who are enthusiastic about working with young people and want to make a difference. It involves working with the Access Monash team to enthuse and inform secondary school students about university, by assisting with outreach activities and programs run for Access Monash partner schools. You will receive $4000 per year, and you must receive an offer for a Monash University course in 2015. Applications close 31 October, www.monash.edu.au/access/ama-application.html

Women in Information Technology Scholarship: Calling all IT girls! Monash University is offering 50 x $6000 scholarships to girls who enrol in an IT course in 2015. You don’t need to apply for the scholarship, your application will be assessed based on your ATAR. For information about Monash IT courses, check out this link- www.infotech.monash.edu.au/

Sports Management at La Trobe University: La Trobe has recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Kings XI Punjab of the Indian Premier League (IPL). This will see ten students working as interns for the cricket team, tackling issues related to sport management. The interns will undertake research projects on Indian cricket and the sports industry with the aim to identify challenges as well as suggest solutions.
**VOCATIONAL & HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS**

Missed the recent Swinburne University Advice Night? Don’t stress! They have uploaded videos of the following sessions:

- Welcome and the student experience
- Pathways available at Swinburne
- VTAC presentation

You can download the videos via this link: [www.future.swinburne.edu.au/information/career-practitioners/documents-resources/](www.future.swinburne.edu.au/information/career-practitioners/documents-resources/)

Interested in pharmacy? La Trobe University Pharmacy students regularly win major awards. They have again achieved success at the Pharmacy Guild of Australia’s 2014 National Student Business Plan Competition. To read about their business plans and achievements, go to [www.latrobe.edu.au/news/media-releases](www.latrobe.edu.au/news/media-releases)

**LA TROBE UNIVERSITY**

Interested in architecture, science, engineering, or information technology? Deakin University is hosting an Experience Day for students in Years 9 and 10 who have an interest in these course areas. The event will be held Thursday 30 October at the Melbourne Burwood Campus. Students will be able to choose two of the following four activities on offer:

- Building structures from everyday materials
- Interactive IT games
- Science and environment activities
- Engineering design

For more information and to register by 24 October, email sebe-seminars@deakin.edu.au
You can also join the new Faculty of Science, Engineering and Built Environment Twitter account at [www.twitter.com/DeakinSEBE](www.twitter.com/DeakinSEBE)

Discover Deakin Warrnambool: Students in Years 10 and 11 have the opportunity to spend the day at the Warrnambool campus, enjoy a free lunch and entertainment and undertake three hands on workshops in their areas of interest. The event will be run 31 October. For information and to register your place, email Student Recruitment Officer Jenna McMeel at jmcmeeel@deakin.edu.au

**VOCATIONAL & HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS**

Education at Swinburne University: From 2015, Swinburne will be introducing the four-year Bachelor of Secondary Education at the Hawthorn campus. Students will be able to study the Bachelor as a single degree or combine it with a Bachelor of Arts, Business or Science. For information on prerequisites, go to [www.future.swinburne.edu.au/courses/](www.future.swinburne.edu.au/courses/)

Scholarships for high achievers at Swinburne University: The following three scholarships are for high achievers. Students must be in Year 12 and receive an offer for an approved course in 2015 at Swinburne. They will receive a one-off payment of $2000 towards an international study experience.

- **Vice-Chancellor’s Scholarships** are guaranteed to students who achieve an ATAR of 95 or above. Recipients will receive $5000 per annum for the normal duration of their chosen course.

- **Dean’s Scholarships**: for students with a minimum ATAR score of 90. Applicants are ranked on order of academic merit. Recipients will receive $2500 per annum for the normal duration of their chosen course.

- **George Swinburne Scholarships**: require a minimum ATAR of 85 for a student to be considered and also consider extra-curricular and community activity in determining the award. Recipients will receive $1000 per annum for the normal duration of their chosen course.

**Victory University’s (VU) 2014 Kirby Moot in contract law was a resounding success for VU. All VU teams made the quarter finals, with VU again finishing ahead of all Victorian law school teams. VU encourages law student participation in mooting competitions as an opportunity to practice what they are learning in the classroom. Recently VU was awarded the winner of the 2014 Shanghai Moot competition, competing against 28 international law schools. For information about what sets the Victoria University Faculty of Law and Justice apart from other institutions, go to [www.vu.edu.au/law-justice](www.vu.edu.au/law-justice)**
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Drawn Wednesday, 12th November, 2014 at 8.30 p.m.
At the Mercy Regional College Arts Night
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- Looking for summer holiday work? Join us at Nicos Pizza & Pasta Port Campbell, for more details phone 0439 397 982.
- Theo’s Gardens in Camperdown is looking for casual employees to work over the summer period. If you are interested contact Geanelle on 0407 950 209.

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WHEN: November 26, 2014 / TIME: 6.30pm for 7pm-9pm
WHERE: Deakin on Timor, Warrnambool City Centre, 165 Timor St, Warrnambool
COST: Free / REGISTRATION: Essential for admission to this event
AUDIENCE: Parents/carers of grade 5/6 & secondary school students
REGISTER NOW! Visit http://nellywarrnambool.eventbrite.com.au

EVENT ENQUIRIES:
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Wednesday 22nd October 2014
Time: 7.00pm
Location: Noorat Community Centre
Cost: $20
Receive: Free drink on arrival, lucky entrance & lucky spots,
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Proceeds to: RSL Hall for a new stove.
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This Workshop is suitable for Teens & Adults aged 13 yrs and above.
No experience necessary. All welcome!

Date: Friday 24 October 2013 • Time: 6.30pm - 9.30pm
Venue: Cobden Technical School, McKenzie St, Cobden
Price: $60 for 3-Hour Self-Defence Workshop

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Camperdown Little Athletics Centre

Family, Fun and Fitness!
Little Athletics is back again for 2014-15
For all Girls and Boys, 5 to 16 years of age.

Registrations and Competition
commencement this Friday 17th October, 4.20pm
All new members welcome to come and try

Venue: Aths Track, Fuller/Frederick St (behind Basketball Stadium)

Please register online at www.lavic.com.au and click on McDonalds Registration logo (Cost $120 for entire 14/15 season)

For additional information, contact
Mick Kavanagh (Pres.) 0407353923 or Kathy Hallyburton (Registrar) 0419671300