

MERCY REGIONAL COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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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 2015

"Through the Mercy tradition we encourage our community to seek knowledge, to nurture curiosity and to love learning".

From the Principal

A short article from me as I enjoy an extra week's holiday working on our house and garden.

Mercy Regional College Board of Management

The Mercy Regional College Board has a fundamental governance and oversight function which is defined in the College's Constitution. In particular, the Board provides an important consultative role in tasks such as policy development, financial management and, when necessary, in the appointment of the College principal. The Board meets eight times a year on the evening of the third Tuesday and, last week, held our 2015 AGM and March general meeting.

The membership of the Board should broadly represent the various local communities that constitute Mercy Regional College; last week's AGM saw three members finishing their time on the Board and three new people were welcomed. At this time, I would like to offer sincere thanks to Mr. Brendan Williams and Mr. Stephen Watson who have been board members for four years and to Mr. Terry Harney who has completed two years on the Board as the HCSN representative.

2015 Mercy Regional College Board

Fr. Matthew Thomas	Canonical Administrator (Parish Priest - St Patrick's Camperdown)
Fr. Gerry Prunty	Canonical Administrator (Parish Priest – Terang & Mortlake)
Dr. Darren Egberts	Principal
Mr. Gerard Ryan	Chair
Mr. Bill Slatter	Catholic Education Office Ballarat
Mrs. Jenny Phillips	Staff representative
Mr. Michael McKenzie	HCSN representative
Mrs. Rachael Johnstone	Parent
Mrs. Ida Bone	Parent
Mrs. Trish Gibson	Parent

Mrs. Lynn Wadley
Mrs. Sue Bohm

MRC Business Manager
Executive Secretary

Please feel free to make contact with any of our College Board members if you feel there is a matter that needs to be raised with us.

Open Day & Information Evening

On Wednesday 6th May, Mercy Regional College will be holding its annual Open Afternoon and Information Evening at the College's O'Keeffe Campus, McKinnon's Bridge Road, Noorat from 3:15pm-7:00pm. Information sessions will run at approximately 4:30pm and 6:00pm. The afternoon and evening provide a great opportunity for prospective students and parents to walk around the O'Keeffe Campus and see the range of activities and classes that are available at Mercy. Enrolment packages and application forms will be available on the night.

Good luck Mr. Glennen

Our Deputy Principal Wellbeing, Mr. Kerin Glennen will be taking 6½ weeks Long Service Leave from Wednesday 15th April. I wish Kerin all the best for this very well deserved break and hope that the joys of travel are many. Mr. Chris Grant will add Kerin's responsibilities to his own during this time.

School holidays and Easter

I wish all in our Mercy community a safe, restful and happy school holiday break and hope that the sacred time of the Easter Triduum brings time for reflection and family.

Yours in Mercy,



DR. DARREN EGBERTS
PRINCIPAL

Immersion to Cambodia Trip in 2016

Mrs. Jo-Anne Saunders Director of RE

It is with great excitement that I share the news of a Mercy Regional College immersion trip to Cambodia in 2016. On 17th March the proposal for a Social Justice based trip was presented to the College Board meeting. The Board gave approval and now the adventure truly begins in earnest!

Two of the parameters for planning this trip were: use of a provider company to cover all ticketing and coordination of the trip as well as a connection to the Sisters of Mercy. Darren and I have met at length with Clint Miller, co-director of *Destination Dreaming*, the service provider company. We feel very comfortable that the vision of *Destination Dreaming* is in keeping with our school vision and part of the presentation at the Board meeting included the links between our Vision and Mission statement and the company.

Proposed dates are 20th March to 30th March, 2016. Catering for Years 10 and 11.
A group of up to 15+ students is required.

Clint Miller will be presenting at a special parent meeting on 29th April, 2015. More news will be sent out to parents of students who are currently in Year 9 & 10.

The trip will begin at the Jesuit Retreat Centre in Siem Reap and our contact at the centre will be Sister Denise Coghlan (RSM). We then continue on to roughly five days in a more remote area at schools, helping to teach children English and in the afternoons learning more about the culture and history of Cambodia. Then another day or two back in Siem Reap for a time of deep reflection on our experiences. We look forward to this trip and the exciting opportunities it will open up for our students as they become more aware of themselves as true global citizens.

*"The suffering of Cambodia has been deep
From this suffering comes great compassion
Great compassion makes a peaceful heart
A peaceful heart makes a peaceful person
A peaceful person makes a peaceful family
A peaceful family makes a peaceful community
A peaceful community makes a peaceful nation
A peaceful nation makes a peaceful world
A peaceful world makes a peaceful universe"*



Deputy Principal Wellbeing

Mr. Kerin Glennen

Why it's important to chill out....

Relaxation is really important for our mental health and wellbeing. Everyone needs time in their everyday lives to chill out and enjoy themselves, but it's easy to forget this when things get busy. If you know how to relax and make the effort to actually relax when you need to, it can be a great coping strategy to help you when you're stressed out. People who are able to relax are more likely to bounce back from tough times, tend to be happier, have better physical health and are less likely to develop serious mental health difficulty.

There are a number of ways to chill out and relax, go for a walk or run, go fishing and or read a book. There are many other ways to relax, even turn off the mobile, the iPad and or the TV, give yourself time to think away from where everyone may want a piece of you.

Sometimes it can be really hard to unwind. It seems ironic to get stressed out about not being able to 'chill out' to reduce stress, but it can be a frustrating experience. However, if you think about having some chill out time then work at having some time to "chill out" and relax, then everyone is a winner.

I hope all families have a wonderful and happy Easter.

Street Retreat Report

Mrs. Jenni Lenehan

Kerin Glennen and I had the privilege of accompanying 10 of our Year 11 students to Melbourne on 18th/19th March, for the first of many Street Retreats for 2015. The students were a credit to themselves, their families and our school. Well done everyone!

Jackie McKay: Street Retreat has shown me that under the glamour of the city, in the most surprising places, the 'faults' of our society are living there; hungry, without shelter or a safe place to call home. The trip has opened my eyes and heart to this 'hidden' world.

James Tucker: The experience was shocking because some people have no one; no family, or they just don't care about them.

Olivia Martin: The experience was incredible. It was a real eye opener and I look at things differently to how I use to.

Josh Mason: Going on Street Retreat was a very new experience and gave me a new perspective on life.

Matt Murray: Street Retreat was a very good experience because giving to people in need was a good thing to do and we will all take a bit out of it.

Ella Kissick: Going on Street Retreat gives you a whole new perspective on these people's lives and the challenges they face.

Jordy Hickey: The Street Retreat has been an eye opening experience for me. I would be happy to do this again someday.

Julian Hill: The Street Retreat was something that I had never done before and it was a worthwhile experience. As well I got to see how far (literally) some people go for food.

Rhys Casson: The Street Retreat was something that was very confronting but at the same time a great experience. You really see how people there were.

Tineke Jehu: The Street Retreat has opened my eyes as to how, even though some look like us, they are homeless. Some are willing to give away the little they have to make someone happy. They are quite humble even though they have nothing.



Middle School News

Mr. Ben Brisbane

Is it Easter holidays already? Where did it go?

These have been common questions around McAuley Campus this week and it is a hard question to answer. One thing to be certain is that you can blame a hectic schedule for making the time appear to disappear. It is always a very enjoyable term but at the same time very stressful for both staff and students.

Firstly, I would like to take the chance to congratulate all the Year 9 and Year 10 students for their efforts in making the start to 2015 a smooth one. It began with the way the students responded and understood our uniform focus and especially our concerns of not wearing hats out in the sun. During recess and lunchtime it has been a sea of maroon hats, it even made the hats economic value triple. Hats were pulled from everywhere so students could be outside enjoying the sunshine. Well done to parents and students in helping this happen. This year we have also introduced a Uniform Process that has helped us keep track of students that are not wearing the uniform properly. SMS messages have been sent home and students are made accountable. Thank you again to all parents and students for accepting that uniform plays an important role in making Mercy Regional College an even better place to learn.

Year 9s have made the transition to McAuley in successful fashion. They have all been actively involved in all the College has to offer in Term 1. From athletics to swimming to the retreat all Year 9 students have made a contribution. I encourage all Year 9s to keep this contribution happening. It has been a challenge for all students to make the most of the space while building construction is in process. The sports captains are currently devising a plan to keep students using the stadium starting Term 2 ready for the weather to turn. So watch this space.

During December last year we held elections to vote in our Middle School Captains. This was voted by their peers and approved by staff. The students mentioned below were elected into these positions and we are looking forward to working with these four students to make Middle School an even better environment for all.

Captains



Ailie Bateman (10B)



Mitchell Wyss (10A)

Vice Captains



Meg Kenna (9B)



Martin Robbins (9B)

Over the last few weeks there have also been interviews held for our Corangamite Shire Youth Council representatives. These candidates will regularly meet with the council to discuss and decide on ways to improve the environment for our youth in the Shire.

Our representatives from Middle School are:
Ripley Watt / Chloe Gibson / Meg Kenna

Congratulations to these girls and good luck!

We have also elected class captains to assist homerooms to run this term. Well done to all that have been elected into these positions and we are looking forward to Mr. Richardson's challenges starting in Term 2. These students have made significant steps to becoming prefect leaders in years to come.

Term 2 will provide Middle School with the chance for some quality learning with less timetable interruption and consistent classroom time. I'm sure every student is looking forward to this.

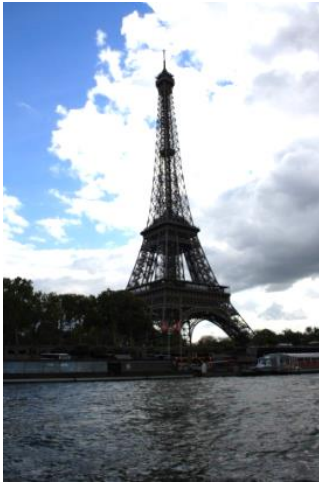
There is a break in the schedule for Year 9s without BRICK's (Building Resilience in Corangamite Kids) program running early Term 2. It involves three days focusing on building adolescent resilience to the stresses this age group encounters. A very valuable experience and one that will decide whom our BRICK's leaders will be in 2015.

I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable Easter.

Thank you again to all families for your support with everything that has occurred in Term 1 especially your support for Caritas Australia.

We are looking forward to seeing the students come back with batteries charged ready for Term 2.

France & Belgium Battlefields Tour 2015



The Paris of today is easily one of the most recognisable cities in the world. The wide, tree lined boulevards and crowds of well-dressed, urbane Parisians are iconic images of this most famous of places. This is also the Paris that young Australians would have visited on leave from the terrors of the front in the years 1916-18. We can imagine the wonder with which many of them saw Paris especially those who had rarely visited a city before the war. Those also who had been in Egypt and Gallipoli would have seen the delights of Paris in stark contrast to the heat and discomforts of the Peninsula and the desert.

Yet, the Paris that they wandered through in many ways was a relatively recently 'renovated' metropolis. From 1830 until 1900 successive French governments had pulled down the old streets, some of which had dated from the medieval period. There were a number of reasons for this including hygiene; the old city had become crowded and disease and sanitation were problems in an increasingly growing population. One of the major reasons was also security. The French Revolution had demonstrated to the French the power of the Parisian crowd. This crowd had become a political weapon in its own right. This had been reinforced in rebellions in 1830, 1848 and in the Paris Commune following France's defeat in the Franco-Prussian War of 1870. Thus, the new wide boulevards allowed governments to defend the city more readily from enemies within and without.

Paris has plenty of open public spaces such as the Place Bastille. This was the site of the Bastille a royal fortress which was captured by revolutionary forces on 14 July 1789, seen as one of the pivotal moments of the French Revolution. In the modern square amidst the busy traffic, one can see outlined in different coloured cobbles on the pavement, the site of the ancient fortress. I make a point of indicating this to our students as we pass by, particularly those who are studying VCE Revolutions. For the French their history is never far away.



On another note we will also visit Bullecourt in the north of France. This is the site of two battles which the Australians fought in April and May in 1917. The First Battle of Bullecourt was fought on the 11 April 1917. It was a disaster in the manner of many actions fought on the Western Front. The Australian 4 Division attacked the German lines in the early morning without the aid of artillery. The new weapon, the tank was meant to destroy the wire but these primitive machines failed and the Australian troops were held up by the wire in front of the Australian lines. The Australian 14 Battalion, a Victorian unit with many from the Western District, suffered terribly. Year 10 student Chloe Gibson's great, great uncle was from Marungui in northern Victoria. He was 19 when declared missing at Bullecourt on 11 April 1917. His body was never found and he is remembered on the Australian Memorial at Villers Bretonneux

which has 11,000 names of those Australians who have no known grave.

We will remember him when we visit Villers Bretonneux and Bullecourt this year.



The picture shows a wayside shrine near the site of the Battle of Bullecourt. The 14 Battalion attacked near here.

Head of Teaching & Learning – Senior School

Mr. Lachie Lee

Year 11 Exams 2015

Senior teachers had a series of meetings at the end of 2014 and at the beginning of this year to discuss the effects of the busy timetable on the Year 11 exam program at the end of Term 4 and ways that this may be addressed. We have decided to make some changes to the timing of the Year 11 exams to be held at the end of Semester 2 and to modify the mid-year exam process. As I have said, these decisions are as a result of timetable pressures on Year 11s at the end of the year. One of these pressures is the impact of the Unit VCE Unit 3/4 exam period on the Year 11 internal exams. Students who are completing a Unit 3/4 subject as a Year 11 student tend to prioritise this subject at the expense of the Year 11 subjects. The change is aimed at helping to reallocate those priorities.

Therefore, the end of semester 2 exams will be held in Week 2 Term 4, from **Wednesday-Friday 14-16 October**.

Also as a result of our discussions, an initial suggestion not to have a structured mid-year exam period for Year 11 students has been modified so that individual classes can run practice exams or tests in class time in **Weeks 9 and 10 of Term 2**. A timetable of these exams and tests will be collated and distributed during Term 2.

A reminder to all that the VCE Unit 3/4 exams are no longer held at mid-year. The GAT remains and will be held for all our VCE students who are studying a Unit 3/4 subject at Camperdown College, Wilson Street Assembly Hall on **Wednesday 10 June 2015, 10.00am-1.15pm**.

If you have any queries please contact me or Chris Grant.

Head of Sport

Mr. Matt Harkin

Swimming

Glorious day at Warrnambool on Wednesday for the swimming. Our swimmers competed well against tough opposition. Hannah Justin won her breaststroke race and we had the under 15 F/S female relay also win. Brianna Thompson also collected a number of medals.

Thanks to the staff who assisted on the day and it was great to see so many parents there supporting us.



Golf

Students represented the school very well in gold at the Port Fairy golf course. Chelsea Baker finished 3rd in the girls section. Hayden Brett finished equal 5th in the boys and Scott Carlin also qualified for the next round.



VCAL – Disco Report

Report by: Kasey Zentai & Grace Veenstra

Last week the Mercy VCAL students organised and held the first St. Patrick's Disco for 2015. The theme was 70s Disco Inferno and the turnout was awesome. We prepared and sold cupcakes, brownies, fruit salad, popcorn, jelly etc. along with a sausage sizzle, lollies and drinks. Chris Barks was the DJ, the kids really enjoyed the music and his setup blew everyone away!

Dance competitions were organised (the boys rocked it to take out the title) as well as Karaoke, which saw some kids star. Students were asked to come dressed up for the theme and try and win 'Best Dressed'.

It was a great experience for the kids and taught us a great deal about organizing an event! Outcomes addressed included, Working in a team, event management, self-management, leadership skills, and time management. We look forward to using the feedback gained from those at the disco to make the next disco even bigger and better!



Year 8 Humanities

Mrs. Sharyn Grinter

Classes at the O'Keeffe Campus have recently completed a unit entitled 'Landforms and Landscapes'. Students have studied Mount Noorat and the surrounding district and looked specifically at how this area has been utilized since early times. Focus points of interest have included aboriginal use of the land, agriculture and industry, and the geography and topography of Mount Noorat. The students spent time on the Mount and various methods of presenting their findings concluded this task.



Leadership Report

Sam Watt & Laura Kemp - Communications Captains

Term 1 has been a fast paced, busy time for everyone. As Year 12s it is our last, from Swimming and Athletic Sports to Year 12 Retreat and it has been a choca-block first eight weeks.

As Year 12 leaders we have been meeting every second Monday to plan upcoming events aiming to increase the Year 12 involvement in school events. House and Sport Captains have actively helped run the sport days, ensuring all students get up and have a go and enjoy the lighter side of school life.

Other leaders such as School Captains and Vice Captains participated in Lions Youth of the Year in both Terang and Camperdown respectively.

Aside from these happenings, the leadership group have been working with the Social Justice Group to raise money for 'Relay for Life. Students such as Darcy

Collins, Tyler Mungan, Tim Woodmason and Lachlan MacDonald shaved their heads and Olivia Hickey had her hair trimmed all to raise money for cancer awareness. We also dressed up in Periwinkle Blue in support of the fundraiser.

Communications Captains along with other members of the Year 12 group have been selling raffle tickets to help fund the Year 12 Graduation. It has been an overwhelming success for the year level and the money raised will go a long way towards an enjoyable graduation.

A very busy first term, but much has been achieved by both Leadership and the Year 12 groups, which is a promising start to a big year for everyone.

Year 12 Retreat Group



PARISH EASTER CEREMONY TIMES

CAMPERDOWN – [COBDEN, DERRINALLUM, LISMORE, CAMPERDOWN]

2nd April	Holy Thursday:	Cobden Camperdown	6:00pm 8:00pm
3rd April	Good Friday:	Cobden Camperdown Lismore	10:00am [Stations of the Cross] 3:00pm [Veneration of the Cross] 5:30pm
4th April	Easter Vigil:	Camperdown	7:00pm
5th April	Easter Sunday:	Lismore Camperdown	9:00am 11:00am

MORTLAKE – [CARAMUT & MORTLAKE]

3rd April	Good Friday:	Mortlake	3:00pm
5th April	Easter Sunday:	Mortlake	9:00am

TERANG

2nd April	Holy Thursday:	Terang	7:30pm
3rd April	Good Friday:	Terang	3:00pm
4th April	Easter Vigil:	Terang	7:30pm
5th April	Easter Sunday:	Terang	10:30am

TIMBOON – [SIMPSON, TIMBOON]

2nd April	Holy Thursday:	Timboon	6:00pm
3rd April	Good Friday:	Timboon	3:00pm
4th April	Easter Vigil:	Timboon	7:30pm
5th April	Easter Sunday:	Simpson	9:00am

Term 2 - 2015 Dates

Wednesday 15 April

- * State Swim Carnival
- * Unit 1 Biology Zoo Trip
- * France and Belgium Tour Group Family Meeting (4:00 PM-5:00 PM)

Monday 20 April

- * Mercy Parents' Consultation Group (5:00 PM-6:30 PM)

Tuesday 21 April

- * HSSSD Athletics Carnival

Wednesday 22 April

- * Unit 3 O.E Sovereign Hill Excursion

Wednesday 29 April

- * Country Cup Netball – Year 10 & 11
- * Year 11 Street Retreat

Thursday 30 April

- * Year 11 Street Retreat

Tuesday 5 May

- * Year 11 Mock Interviews Day 1
- * Immunisations @ O'Keeffe Campus

Wednesday 6 May

- * MRC Open Day @ O'Keeffe Campus 3:30pm – 8:00pm
- * Year 11 Mock Interviews Day 2

Wednesday 13 May

- * Year 11 Street Retreat

Thursday 14 May

- * Year 11 Street Retreat

Monday 18 May

- * MRC Cross Country

Tuesday 19 May

- * MRC Board Meeting 7:30pm

Wednesday 20 May

- * Hampden Cup F/N – Years 7 to 9

CAREER EVENTS

March - May 2015

ANIMALS & AGRICULTURE

The Faculty of Veterinary and Agricultural Sciences at the University of Melbourne is hosting an Agriculture & Veterinary Science Careers Day on **Saturday 21 March**, 10.00am – 3.00pm, 250 Princes Hwy, Werribee, Victoria.

You will be able to:

- Explore the popular Bachelor of Agriculture and the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine programs
- Discover Masters and higher research programs in veterinary, agricultural and food science
- Explore careers in science, veterinary nursing, and equine studies
- Tour the world class Veterinary Teaching Hospital

For more information and to reserve your place, go to <http://fvas.unimelb.edu.au/>



SCIENCE - 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 30 March**. There are limited spaces, so register now- www.rmit.edu.au/appliedsciences/discover

MEET MELBOURNE UNI

University staff will be visiting regional Victorian centres and selected Melbourne metropolitan locations in March, April and May 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://tinyurl.com/lb9zbtj>

Meet Melbourne
Visiting Regional Victoria

UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE

A Day at Melbourne University: You will be able to find out about courses at the University of Melbourne on **Friday 10 April**. You can learn about:

- Undergraduate degrees and graduate pathways at Melbourne
- Unique opportunities to enrich your degree such as concurrent diplomas and going on exchange and study abroad
- Admissions and entry requirements
- Access Melbourne and Melbourne Scholarships
- Accommodation options
- How parents can help with the transition to university.

You will also be able to participate in a session focusing on the course you are interested in. To register, go to <http://tinyurl.com/mgk92vz>

CAREER EVENTS

March - May 2015

MY DAY- CHARLES STURT UN

Charles Sturt University MyDay events: Each year, Charles Sturt University showcases their courses via a series of hands-on events. The following MyDays will be running in March & April:

- 23 April: Nursing & Paramedics, Bathurst
- 24 April: Nursing, Albury-Wodonga
- 30 April: Accounting, Business & IT, Albury-Wodonga

For more information and to register,
<http://www.csu.edu.au/go/myday>



ASIA SKILLS

Discover how Asia skills can lead to exciting global careers: The Asia Institute at the University of Melbourne in partnership with Asia Education Foundation is holding an Opening a Door into Asia event on **Thursday 30 April** at the University of Melbourne. This event will enable students in Years 9 – 12 to:

- Learn about the importance of studying an Asian language at school and university
- Speak to university students, recent graduates, academics and Asia Literacy Ambassadors
- Learn about global careers for Asia language graduates

For more information and to register, go to <http://tinyurl.com/mpfrdpn>

For information about careers for Asia studies graduates, go the to website Asia Skills: Australian Stories. <http://tinyurl.com/k6rtsgo>

FORENSIC SCIENCE

Have you considered a career in Forensic Science? Then you should attend the next Forensic Science Careers Information Day on **Wednesday 1 April**, at the Victorian Institute of Forensic Medicine (VIFM), Southbank.

Work at the VIFEM 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 www.vifm.org/about-us/careers-at-vifm/



DESIGN

Billy Blue College of Design: offer courses in Communication Design, Digital Media (Motion, Interaction, and 3D Design & Animation), Commercial & Residential Interior Design, Branded Fashion Design, and Communication Design.

They will be running an Open Day at the Melbourne campus **Saturday 2 May**. For more information and to register, go to www.billyblue.edu.au/

CAREER EVENTS

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THE 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 7 to Sunday 10 May**. To find out more and to order tickets, go to www.vceandcareers.com.au, 03 9596 8881



MONASH UNIVERSITY

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

April

- 21: Design & Fine Art
- 28: Architecture
- 29: Interior Architecture
- 30: Psychology

May

- 5: Medicine & Biomedicine
- 13: Law
- 14: Teaching
- 19: Health Sciences (Radiation Science, Public Health, Emergency Practice, Human Services)
- 26: Nursing
- 27: Biomedical Science, Radiography, and Nutrition & Dietetics
- 28: Engineering

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

MELBOURNE ZOO PROGRAMS

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:

- **Werribee Open Range Zoo**, March 31, April 2, 8, 10, www.zoo.org.au/werribee/whats-on/keeper-for-a-day
- **Healesville Sanctuary**, March 31, April 1, 7, 8, www.zoo.org.au/healesville/whats-on/keeper-for-a-day

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 Mortem

Dates are April, 1, 2, 8, 9, www.zoo.org.au/healesville/whats-on/vet-for-a-day



CAREER EVENTS

March - May 2015

GAMING & ANIMATION - AIE

Academy of Interactive Entertainment (AIE) is a private college located in Melbourne. They offer vocational and higher education courses in:

- Game Art & Animation
- Game Programming
- Game Design & Production
- 3D Animation & VFX for Film

AIE will be running two career events for prospective students

- **Industry Experience Day:** you will undertake hands on workshops, learn about what should be in a portfolio for entry into courses and learn about local and international game development. **Wednesday 8 April.**
- **Open Day:** You will be able to learn about courses of offer, view student art work, attend presentations, and speak to current students and lecturers. **Saturday 16 May**

For more information and to register you place for the above events, go to www.aie.edu.au

GAMING & ANIMATION - SAE

SAE Qantm is a private college which has campuses all around the world, including Melbourne. They offer vocational and higher education courses in:

- Animation
- Film
- Sound Production & Audio Engineering
- Games Development
- Graphic Design & Web Design
- Interactive Technologies

They will be running a campus information day on 18 April where you can tour the world class facilities, speak to current students and lecturers, and learn about their amazing courses, <http://sae.edu.au/>

MEDICINE

UNSW Rural Clinical School is running a Careers in Medicine morning tea at the Albury campus on **Tuesday 21 April**, at 10.00am.

Please contact Prue Barclay, Administration Assistant, Rural Clinical School, Albury Campus to RSVP, 02 6042 1311, p.barclay@unsw.edu.au

LA TROBE UNIVERSITY

La Trobe are running Experience Days in April at the **Melbourne (9th)** and **Bendigo (10th)** campuses.

Students and parents will be able to undertake 3 one hour workshops in their areas of interest from a huge selection of course and career areas.

Examples of course areas covered include:

- Science- Biomedical Science, Physics
- Health Sciences- Nursing & Midwifery, Physiotherapy & Podiatry, Orthoptics, Paramedicine, Speech Pathology & Occupational Therapy, Audiology etc.
- Student exchange, accommodation tour, campus tour
- Commerce, Accounting & Finance
- Media & Communication, Journalism, Events Management, Marketing, Arts, Media Studio
- Teaching, Environmental, Outdoor and Physical Education
- Politics, Law & Change, International Relations
- Engineering- Communications, Civil, Electrical, Robotics, Sport & Health
- Psychology & Social Work
- Sport degrees, Sport & Exercise Science
- Applications Development
- Animal & Veterinary Biosciences
- Sustainability & Development
- Archaeology

You will receive a free lunch and be able to speak with current students and lecturers. To view the full list of workshops and to register, go to www.latrobe.edu.au/experience



WESTERN DISTRICT TIS 2015
(Tertiary Information Service)

An invitation is extended to attend

A Parent & Student Tertiary Information Night
to be held on:

Wednesday 15 April, 2015

6:00pm – 7:30pm

at the

Lighthouse Theatre

185 Timor Street, Warrnambool.

This evening will address issues relating to
Tertiary Study.



Chocolate Drive 2015

The PTFA Chocolate Fundraiser is on again in Term 2.

In the interests of healthier fundraising, opting to take the chocolate box will be optional. Last year a large number of families decided to donate the profit per box rather than sell (or eat) the chocolates. Each student will receive a letter at the beginning of Term 2 to take home to their parents outlining the process.

If you wish to take up the offer of donating the profit per box of \$25 we ask you to complete the opt-out and donate section of the letter that will be sent home with students and return it to the College office by **Friday 24th April**.

Families who do not nominate to opt-out and donate \$25 will automatically receive a box of chocolates to sell.

Thanking you,
PTFA

NOTICES

Corangamite Lions Soccer Club



Debutantes, Graduates and Brides

Keep your dress and
save the date

Saturday October 10th 2015



Cobden District Health Services
will be hosting a
SPRING GALA EXTRAVAGANZA
event for you to showcase that
special gown once again to
family and friends

More information available soon.
Please email expressions
of interest to s-mason@outlook.com
Leave your name, address,
phone and email address.



JOIN THE 500 CLUB - CAMPERDOWN APEX PARK

Families and groups are invited to pool resources to raise \$500 for donation to Camperdown Apex Park. The park has evolved with the redevelopment offering so many fantastic opportunities for the whole family. Fundraising efforts have been continuous with all but 10% of the project cost now raised. Until we as a community raise the final funds, all of the planned play equipment for the park will fail to be realised. Your donation will help complete this project as well as gain permanent recognition as a *500 Club* member.

Join the McAdam family, Country Care Dental and Camperdown Psychology
in the *Apex Park 500 Club*.

For further information contact an Apex Park project Committee member:
Ruth Gstrein, Ann Cunningham, Peter Conheady

Interested in playing senior soccer?

Have fun, get fit and be part of the world game

Help us ensure the survival of Soccer in our district

Ages 16 and above, Men and Women

Training Tuesday's at Scott's Creek Rec Reserve 6:30 to 8:00

To register your interest contact Dean 0400 502 478

Season starts 19th April

TERANG MORTLAKE FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB NETSETGO

NetSetGo is a fun program developed for children from 5-10 years to learn the basic skills of netball.

Terang Mortlake Football Netball Clubs NetSetGo Program will be commencing Thursday 23rd April 2015. It will be held at the Terang Recreation Reserve for 10 weeks, 4-5pm.

If your child is wishing to participate in the program, registration is to be completed online.

Go to netsetgo.asn.au. Click on Start Playing and type 3264 in the postcode section.

Select Terang Mortlake and follow the registration prompts.

The cost of the program is \$47 and is to be paid the first week of play.

If you have any problems registering please contact Cathy Bell 0439 921 124.

We want YOU! → Families BIG or small!



All you need is a spare bed and a heart big enough to share it with an international exchange student.

STS Student Exchange has students from all over the world who come to Australia to experience our amazing country twice a year – July and January. We are looking for volunteer host families to share their home with an exchange student. Students have their own spending money and medical insurance. All you need to do is welcome them in and treat them like your own son or daughter.

If you are interested in hosting an exchange student or would like any information contact
Amelia – STS Local Coordinator for South West Victoria Phone: 0438 899 807

<http://www.sts-education.com/australia/hs/host-family/>



Special Event

The Camperdown & District Historical Society and the Camperdown RSL, invite you to attend a special event to commemorate the centenary of the ANZAC landings at Gallipoli in 1915

**Saturday 11th April, 2.00 pm
at the RSL hall,
14 Pike Street Camperdown**

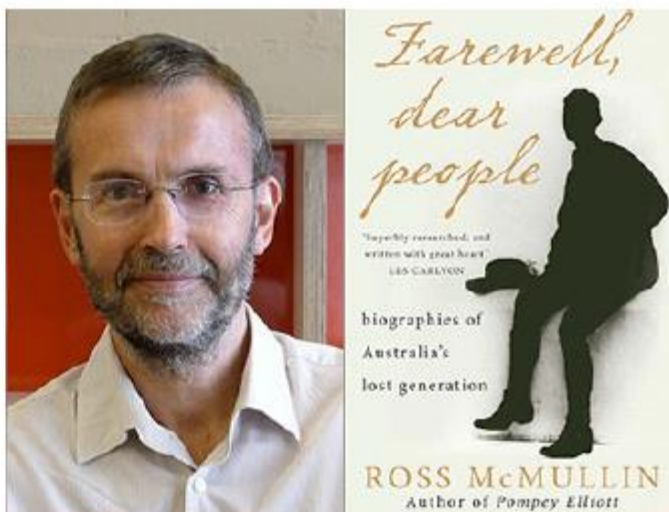
Guest speaker;

Dr. Ross McMullin

"Farewell, dear people"

We are very fortunate to have acclaimed historian and author, Dr. Ross McMullin, as our guest speaker.

Ross McMullin's latest book, **"Farewell, dear people"**, was the winner of the 2013 Prime Minister's Literary Award for Australian History. It contains detailed biographies of ten extraordinary men whose loss in WW1 was devastating to the nation, as well as to their families.



Dr. McMullin's illustrated presentation will examine the remarkable stories he has uncovered

Also on the day, there will be:

- **Special commemorative displays**
- **Afternoon tea provided**

\$10 per person, payable at door

RSVP by Friday 3rd April

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