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From the Head of Learning & Teaching



Dear Parents, Carers, Friends and Students of Marian College,

❖ *We encourage excellence and perseverance in learning,*

❖ *We strive for continuous improvement*

***God grant me the serenity To
accept the things I cannot change;
Courage to change the things I
can;
And wisdom to know the
difference. Amen.***

(prayer attributed to Reinhold Niebuhr,
1892-1971)

The first two weeks of term two have been massive. The calendar is jam packed not only with learning, but with a multitude of activities on offer for the students to participate in. I would like to thank staff who have kindly volunteered to organise and attend these events. Without a willing staff many of these activities (which we have missed for two years) could not occur.

COVID Update

Last week all families would have received another allocation of RAT tests. Families are asked to continue to encourage students to test twice weekly and to follow the current State Government advice.

The Week that was.

ANZAC service Tuesday

Tuesday saw the whole school come together for our ANZAC day service. Thank you to Mr East and the student leaders for preparing and presenting a very moving service.

Top Arts Melbourne

Senior students participated in an excursion to Melbourne. Thank you to the staff who organised and attended the day.

State Swimming

Marian College had one student representative at the State Swimming. Congratulations to Marissa Flavell on an excellent effort to make the States.

Intermediate and Senior Girls Football

Congratulations to all the girls who played football last week and to Mr Harricks and the staff who attended. From all accounts the girls had a great day.

The Week ahead.

Junior Girls Football

This week see's Junior girls football taking place. All the best to the girls and staff attending.

Year 9 Camp

A very big thank you in advance to all the staff attending the Yr 9 camp. A lot of work has gone into the organisation and preparation of this. I wish the Yr 9's a fantastic time away.

Reach Foundation

Thank you to Mrs Smith for organising the Reach Foundation incursion that are taking place this week. This is a fantastic

opportunity for all our students to participate in a valuable program.

Black Ranges Athletics

A huge number of students are participating in the Black Ranges Athletics on Friday. Congratulations and good luck to all the participants. Again, a very big thank you to all the staff attending to make this possible.

Upcoming Year 7 2023 Information Evening

Please note that the Year 7 2023 Information evening will be held in the Gymnasium on Tuesday 17th May, 2022 commencing at 6.30 pm. Please save the date.

Matthew Summers
Head of Learning and Teaching

Social Media and Protecting Children

Social media provides many benefits in fostering community engagement and in keeping in touch with relatives and friends, especially when we cannot be together physically as we have experienced recently. Unfortunately, there is also the potential to cause harm, especially when the user remains anonymous to bully, intimidate, ridicule and demean another.

We have addressed behaviours this week with students creating inappropriate videos or images on Tik Tok to demean, embarrass or belittle other students. While those involved in the creation of these sites may be only a very small number of students, the impact can often have widespread impact. Some of these videos were created over the Easter/holiday break and have continued into Term 2. We have been clear with students about the need to protect all students and that these sites must be removed immediately. I would especially like to congratulate and thank the students who quickly brought this to our attention for their care for others

in our community. Use of the mobile phone in Year 7-10 is currently under review pending any further concerns with social media and online bullying. While we would like students to learn from this experience and take responsibility and ownership for their behaviour online in keeping with our College values, our highest priority is child protection.

I seek the support of all parents in partnership with the school to address this matter and to please check your child's online profile. Sometimes children will not disclose they are being bullied or harassed, or may not know how to respond and report the matter. There are a number of websites with helpful information including esafety.gov.au and Cyberbullying (for parents at kidshealth.org). I thank you for your support in this matter and students develop and learn the most appropriate ways to communicate with compassion.

Carmel Barker (Principal)

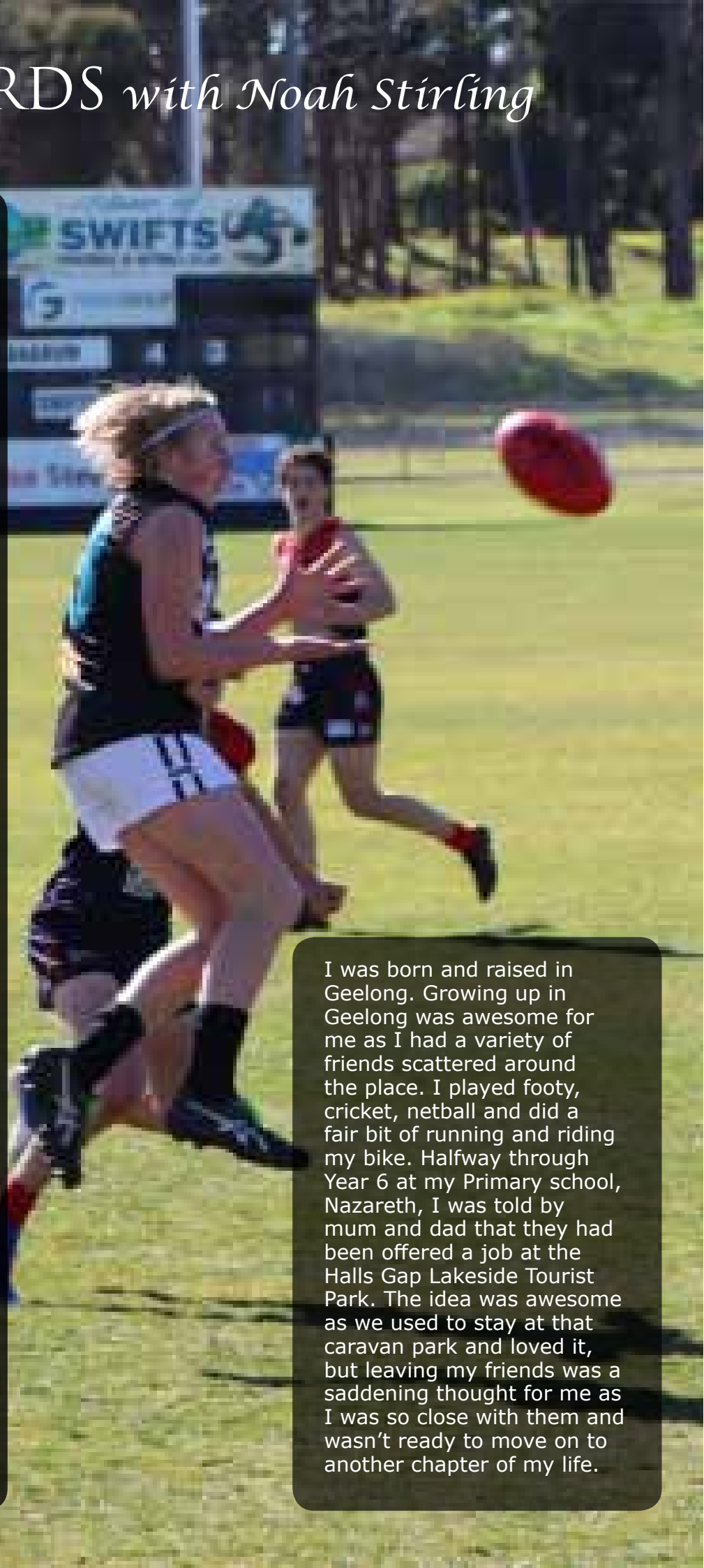
IN MY WORDS *with Noah Stirling*

On the 27th of July 2004 the world was blessed with me. I was born to my loving parents, Jason and Marika Stirling. I am the middle child of two other siblings, older sister Ella and younger brother Bailey. I've always been the least shy and most outgoing out of us three.

Ella and I used to fight a lot growing up. She has authority and power when she talks over me so I've always been intimidated by her and still am to this day. She has always been the 'bossy cow' as Mum would call her, and I completely agree. She used to always pinch me and I cried every time, until one day she pinched me and instead of crying, I held back the tears and she was shocked by my bravery. Since that day she now bows to me when she wants to talk to me.

I was roughly 5 when Bailey came into our world. It was a little weird not being the youngest anymore but I picked up on it quickly. There isn't much to say about Bailey and me growing up because he was only 2 and I was asking him to come kick the footy with me. I've always been a role model to Bailey and I loved feeling like a leader. I'd like to say that I am both my siblings favourite, but the best part about them is the funny jokes and the sense of humour we all share (mostly me) and the way that we can all get along over years by simply all jumping back on the Wii, playing Lego, or doing something else that sparks a childhood memory.

I was born and raised in Geelong. Growing up in Geelong was awesome for me as I had a variety of friends scattered around the place. I played footy, cricket, netball and did a fair bit of running and riding my bike. Halfway through Year 6 at my Primary school, Nazareth, I was told by mum and dad that they had been offered a job at the Halls Gap Lakeside Tourist Park. The idea was awesome as we used to stay at that caravan park and loved it, but leaving my friends was a saddening thought for me as I was so close with them and wasn't ready to move on to another chapter of my life.



I started Year 7 here at Marian College not knowing a single person besides my sister. It was daunting as everyone at primary school knew me. Ella seemed to find friends on her first day of school but it took me a bit to come out of my bubble. I finally met a friend that I got to sit with on the bus. He was a little intimidating as he was so tall, had a deep voice and had so much leg hair compared to me. His name was Harley and we became best friends.

I started playing cricket again in Year 7 for Halls Gap and started footy again in Year 8 for the Stawell Swifts through the influence of Harley. Up until today I finished my last year of cricket last season and still play footy for Swifts as they're so welcoming and a great club. I also have taken up golf which I am loving playing. I started working at the Lakeside Tourist Park in Year 7 just doing little things around the place to help dad but now I work there every weekend and almost every day during the holidays doing maintenance and grounds keeping work. The people and the advice I have gathered from workers over the years will always be close to me and I love and appreciate my colleagues so much.

At the end of last year we moved from the caravan park over the other side of the mountain to Pomonal. We built our house to get away from the noisy park. I now live in peace and quiet with my family, 3 dogs, 3 sheep, 2 cows, 2 alpacas and a lizard and wake up to a gorgeous mountain view with the sun glazing over us in the morning. The views and scenery are unreal and I love being able to go hit golf balls around the acres that we own.

From being a nobody at school, to having amazing friendships with boys and girls all throughout the school in all different year levels is something very special to me. I am now in Year 12 finishing up the school year in VCE. I love being a leader and role model to all students and I wish all students and especially Year 12s success for the upcoming years. If you bump into me outside of school, don't be shy and say hi... I don't bite, most of the time.

Good luck to everyone and stay safe.

Noah



IN MY WORDS *with Harley Healy*



When I entered this world on the 15th January in 2004 through my loving parents, I was welcomed by my older brother Jaxon who took me under his wing immediately and tried to teach me how to have fun and play games even if it meant messing around and creating a mess for our parents. From day one he has always been there to show me the ways and teach me everything he knows which according to him is everything. After two years of causing crime as a duo Belinda and Simon brought another child home to create the trio we have today, this was my younger sister Dakota who immediately took after Jaxon and my ways of mischief by biting everyone she could get her hands on. Soon we three were inseparable and caused havoc around the house. I am truly grateful for what my siblings have done for me over the years. I love you both dearly.

My schooling started in Stawell West Primary School where I participated in all sorts of activities such as school discos, push carts, mini markets, school concerts and more. I made some close friends and fun memories while at Stawell West and I learnt many skills and manners that have shaped me to become the person I am today.





After finishing my primary school journey I moved onto Marian college which was a scary but an exciting change. Luckily I had some mates from Stawell with me in my Year 7 class which helped me get used to a new environment but it didn't take long to make new friends with the people in my class. Soon my friends and I were labeled the worst class in our year level causing havoc everywhere we went. I would like to apologise to my teachers for being a pain because I don't know how you all have dealt with my annoying voice coming from the back of the class every year. Some of the friends I made in Year 7 were not in my Year 8 class which was a bit disappointing but it gave me the chance to make new friends and this occurred every year and every year I would become friends with someone new. All of these new people have become good friends to me and are all wonderful people and have felt like we have all grown together and become like a mini family.



To all the Year 12s I am glad that we have shared so many memories and fun times together. Thank you for making my time at Marian so much more enjoyable and those long days go quicker. Our year level is truly the best.



I have not decided what I'll be doing after school or where I will go and there is no rush, you should enjoy your time at high school because it will be over before you know it.

I would like to thank my Mum and Dad for always standing by my side even when I would be causing them grief, you both have taught me so much over the years and I love you both. I would also like to thank Charlotte who has been there for me through thick and thin, and has always been a pillar of support for me to lean on. You all have shaped me into the man I am today.



To the Year 12s good luck for the rest of 2022!!



BARRON

NEWS



FROM YOUR HOUSE LEADER

This week is a big one! Today we have our school cross country event before lunch. I encourage students to have a go (keen runner or not) and do their best. I will be on-course chasing everyone along, inviting some cheeky kids to race a bit, and picking up those social walkers sauntering along at the back. Look out!

Good luck today to junior girls playing at Black Ranges footy.

VCAL has organised a Reach Foundation incursion on Wednesday and Thursday for years seven, eight, ten, and eleven (year nine will have theirs at a later time). This is a wonderful initiative and we are grateful for the opportunity to be involved.

On Wednesday, all year nines head away to Cape Bridgewater for their year level camp. This is part of the school program and attendance is not optional. There has been a lot of time and energy spent organising the camp, and staffing is based on expected attendance. It's going to be a lot of fun! Students will challenge themselves in a variety of activities while enjoying the beautiful coastal location. I look forward to this very much.

Friday finds a huge cohort of students competing in the Black Ranges Athletics carnival. There is a huge amount of skill and talent... and speed! It should be a wonderful day of competition and sportsmanship for all. On Friday, Naval crew from HMAS Ararat are visiting the school, as the HMAS Ararat is being decommissioned. We continue our connection to this ship and crew after their visit to Ararat and participation in our school fundraiser (Colour Run) several years ago.

Finally, please remember that we are in Term 2 and into our winter uniform. Optional jackets (warm and rainproof) are available from Fosters. Non-uniform sports shorts are NOT a part of the uniform and must not be worn. Please be respectful of the uniform expectations.

Have a great week.

Erica McConachy
Barron house Leader



STATE SWIMMING



On Thursday Marissa Flavell competed at the State Swimming Finals at the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre. She swam in the 50m butterfly and completed the event in a fantastic time of 37.82 seconds placing her 8th in the State. This was a fantastic achievement from Marissa! Congratulation Marissa on making it to the state finals.

Michael Harricks
Head of Sport



Marian College



Information Evening Tuesday 17th May 2022

For Year 7 Students and Families for 2023

Marian College Gymnasium

6:30pm

"Take the first step in a journey of life long learning"

Enquiries: 5352 3861

Email: principal@mcararat.catholic.edu.au



UPCOMING PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS



Parent Teacher Interviews will be held on Wednesday 25th May in the College Gymnasium from 1.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

Please note this is a PUPIL FREE DAY

See next week's Newsletter for more information



Ararat Fire Brigade



Invites the Community
to attend an

OPEN DAY

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- Tour the Station
 - View the tankers
 - Displays and Exhibitions
 - Juniors
 - Community Safety
 - SES / VicPol / SES and DELWP
 - Interested in becoming a member? Speak to our Volunteers
 - BBQ available from 10am - 2pm

Saturday, 7 May from 10am to 2pm
Ararat Fire Station – Tuson Street, Ararat

And



TORCHLIGHT PARADE

Saturday, 7 May from 7pm
Barkly Street, Ararat (Post Office, Queen St, Moore St and Tuson St to Fire Station)

2022 Year 10 Work Experience

Monday 20 to Friday 24 June (last week of Term 2)

All Year 10 students should participate in the Work Experience Program. Students are encouraged to organise their own work experience placement as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

Why do Work Experience?

Work Experience provides students with the valuable opportunity to:

- Develop employability skills
- Explore possible career options
- Understand employer expectations
- Increase their self-understanding, maturity, independence and self confidence.

Students are placed with employers primarily to observe and learn, not to undertake activities which require extensive training or expertise.

A final reminder that if your child is participating in Work Experience all relevant forms must be handed into the front office by the cut-off date of Friday 13 May.

Any student not participating in Work Experience is expected to be at school for that week.

If you have any questions, please contact Andrea Knights.
Email: knightsa@mcarrarat.catholic.edu.au

Andrea Knights
Careers Officer



CAREERS NEWSLETTER

NEWS, RESOURCES, EVENTS & INSPIRATION



Thursday 28 April 2022

YEAR 12 STUDENTS

ADF Gap Year Program

Applications are now open: Current Year 12 students can apply for a 12-month position in the Air Force, Army or Navy to begin in 2023. To view the amazing roles on offer and start your application, visit <https://careernews.click/gapyear>



Apply for university now!

Australia National University

Applications close for the Australia National University direct entry program on 23 May. You could receive a guaranteed offer by September, www.anu.edu.au/study/apply

La Trobe University

Applications for the La Trobe University Aspire Early Admission Program are now open and will close in September. The University is hosting an online information session about the program on Tuesday 10 May, 5pm, www.latrobe.edu.au/study/aspire

Charles Sturt University

Round 2 Applications for the Charles Sturt Advantage Program will close Friday 24 June. You could secure a guaranteed offer by late July, <https://careernews.click/advantage>

University of New England

Applications are now open and close in September. Selection will be based on a recommendation from your school, www.une.edu.au

Note: for most courses at the universities listed, you can start the degree in 2023 or defer your studies until 2024.

Medicine and Dentistry

UCAT ANZ

Applications for the UCAT ANZ (University Clinical Aptitude Test) will close 17 May. If you are planning to apply for medicine or dentistry for the 2023 intake, you may be required to sit this test. Visit www.ucat.edu.au

ATAR Notes provides paid tutoring for the UCAT <https://atarnotes.com/>

ALL STUDENTS

Competitions

High School Mocktail Film Awards

As part of their annual Martini Film Festival & Awards, JMC Academy hosts the High School Mocktail Film Awards. To enter, you will need to submit a short film (e.g., film, documentary, animation, television commercial, film clip) by Sunday 8 May. There are amazing prizes to be won, <https://careernews.click/mocktail>

STUFFit Student Film Competition

This is a film festival competition for high school students. The winner and runner-up for each category will receive an awesome piece of film equipment for their prize. Early bird applications close Friday 27 May, www.stuffitfilmfest.com

Win a 20k travel voucher!

Swinburne University has an amazing online program you can interact with called 'Swintopia'. The website will assist you to learn about TAFE and university courses at the institute. For information on how exploring Swintopia can win you a \$20,000 travel voucher visit <https://careernews.click/swintopia>

UNSW Bragg Student Prize

This exciting competition is now open for students in Years 7 – 10. The UNSW Bragg Student Prize is a science writing prize designed to complement and enrich your science and English study. Applications close 19 August 2022, <https://careernews.click/bragg>

Career Expos

The following two events are running in April/May.

VCE and Careers Expo 2022

Dates: Thursday 28 – Saturday 30 April
Venue: Caulfield Racecourse, Caulfield
For information and to purchase tickets, visit www.vceandcareers.com.au

Note: the HSC and Careers Expo will be held in June, www.hscandcareers.com.au

Victorian Careers Show 2022

Dates: Thursday 12 – Saturday 14 May
Venue: Melbourne Show Grounds, Ascot Vale.
For information and to purchase tickets, visit www.victoriancareersshow.com.au

At each event you can attend seminars and speak directly to organisations. You can get information on:

- Resources for the VCE
- Tertiary study, university, TAFE and training courses
- Career advice
- Study advice
- Employment advice and opportunities
- Apprenticeship and traineeship advice
- International exchange and gap year programs
- How to choose Year 10 subjects



Tutoring

ATAR Notes TuteSmart program

Students studying Year 11 and 12 classes may be interested in exploring the ATAR Notes TuteSmart program. Participants can pay to undertake weekly tutoring classes and private tutoring, <https://tutesmart.com/vce>

Research your university and TAFE course options

Tertiary Admission Centres

State-based Tertiary Admission Centres process course applications on behalf of universities, some TAFE institutes, and some private providers.

You can research courses, prerequisites, selection criteria and ATAR profiles for the 2022 intake.

Courses for the 2023 intake will be updated mid-year but you can use the archived information as a guide.

Websites are listed below

Victoria	www.vtac.edu.au
NSW & ACT	www.uac.edu.au
QLD	www.qtac.edu.au
SA & NT	www.satac.edu.au
Tasmania	www.utas.edu.au
WA	www.tisc.edu.au

Australia wide search

Course Seeker is a fantastic website that enables students to explore courses for each state on the one website.

You can research courses, prerequisites, selection criteria and ATAR profiles for the 2022 intake. Course information for the 2023 intake will be updated later in the year, www.coursesseeker.edu.au



TAFE

MySkills is the national directory of vocational education (VET) organisations and courses. You can search for courses or occupations and use a location search.

You can also browse courses and occupations by industries such as health & community services, manufacturing & engineering, and arts & culture, www.myskills.gov.au



National Security Careers

Do you have what it takes to work in intelligence?

The Australian Signals Directorate (ASD) defends Australia from global threats and advances the national interest by providing foreign signals intelligence, cyber security and offensive cyber operations, as directed by the Australian Government.

You can work for ASD through university or apprenticeship pathways:

Apprenticeship

Year 12 students can apply for the Australian Government Digital Apprenticeship program for the 2023 intake. Visit <https://careernews.click/digital> to check for application dates when they are available.

For information on careers and entry pathways, visit www.asd.gov.au/careers

ASD Cyber Security and Robotics Work Experience

Applications are now open for this incredible program running between 11 – 15 July at Canberra. Year 11 and 12 students are welcome to apply as well as high achieving Year 10 students. For information on this unique opportunity visit <https://careernews.click/cyber>



Interested in construction?

Complete this short course and go into the draw to win \$5000!

Year13 have partnered with Construction Skills Queensland to develop a short course for students interested in pursuing a career in construction called 'The New-Print of Construction'.

You will complete quizzes on the following 4-modules:

- Skills of the industry
- Working in construction
- Making it happen
- Gearing up for the job

One successful applicant will win \$5000! For information and to start the program, visit <https://year13.com.au/academy/CSQ>

Dates for your diary

The University of Melbourne

Focus on Melbourne

The University of Melbourne is hosting the following course information seminars for prospective students in May and June.

May

11	Engineering
12	Commerce
23	Design
25	Science
25	Fine Arts
26	Agriculture
26	Law
31	Biomedicine
31	Teaching and Education

June

1	Vet Sciences
1	Arts
2	Music
7	IT & Computer Science

For information and to RSVP, visit <https://careernews.click/focusonmelb>

Meet Melbourne

The University is hosting information seminars for prospective students at the following locations in May and June:

May

31	Warrnambool
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June

1	Horsham
7	Bendigo
8	Echuca

For information and to RSVP, visit <https://careernews.click/meetmelb>

Australian Catholic University (ACU)

The University is holding the following online information sessions for prospective students and their families:

ACU regional and remote student information session. Tuesday 10 May. 6pm – 6.30pm

ACU entry and pathways for Year 12 students. Tuesday 24 May. 6pm – 6.30pm

Information: www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events

University of Wollongong

The University is hosting an information session for prospective students and their families at Albury on Wednesday 25 May and an online information session on Tuesday 14 June, www.uow.edu.au/study/events/

Dates for your diary

Monash University

Course Information Sessions

Monash has a huge range of course information sessions running in May:

17	How to become a teacher
17	IT: discover a world of possibility
18	Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Paramedicine
19	How to become a teacher
19	Public Health, Nutrition, Health Science
24	Fine Art and Art Curatorship
25	How to become a designer
25	Nursing & Midwifery
26	How to become an architect
26	Radiography & Medical Imaging, Radiation Science, Psychology

Information Evenings

The University is hosting information seminars for prospective students at the following locations in May:

25	Shepparton
26	Bendigo
31	Mildura

For information and to register your place for the course information sessions and the information evenings, visit www.monash.edu/discover/events



JMC Academy – Open Day

JMC Academy is a creative media college located in the Melbourne area. Courses are offered in:

- animation, game design
- audio engineering & sound production
- contemporary music performance
- design (visual communication)
- entertainment business management
- film & television production
- game design

The institute is running an open day on Saturday 14 May. You will be able to tour the Park Street campus, participate in information sessions, watch live events and demos, and speak to course advisers. For information and to register, visit www.jmcacademy.edu.au/events/open-days

MYSci, Monash University

MYSci is a three-day science program specifically designed for students who are in Year 11 and 12.

This program schedule will include:

- hands-on workshops
- access to our Monash teaching facilities
- opportunity to meet research scientists
- exposure to potential career pathways
- activities with the Young Scientists of Australia
- social activities

28 - 30 June 2022

Monash Science Precinct, Clayton campus

Cost: \$110 per student

<https://shop.monash.edu/mysci-2022.html>



Collarts – Open Day

Collarts is a creative media college located in the Melbourne area.

Courses are offered in:

- animation & VFX
- comedy
- audio engineering
- digital & social media
- entertainment journalism
- entertainment management
- fashion marketing, fashion sustainability
- interior design
- music production, music performance
- screen & media.

The institute is running an on-campus and online open day on Saturday 7 May. For information and to register, visit www.collarts.edu.au/open-day

The Santos Science Experience

Year 9 and 10 students are welcome to apply for the following amazing science programs running this year. Note – places fill very quickly, so please register early:

27 – 29 June: Federation University, Ballarat
6 – 9 July: Swinburne University of Technology
18 – 20 July: Swinburne University of Technology, Wantirna
www.scienceexperience.com.au

RMIT University – Discover What's Next

As part of their annual Discover What's Next initiative, RMIT is running the following webinars about their courses for prospective students and their families:

May

3	All you need know about RMIT
5	Business & Law
10	Art & Photography
12	Fashion
17	Architecture
19	Design
24	Social Science
26	Media & Communication
31	Property, Building & Trades

June

2	Education
7	Flight Training & Aviation
21	Health Science
23	Biomedical Science

July

12	Science
14	Education
19	Information Technology

For information and to register your place, visit www.rmit.edu.au/events/discover-whats-next

Victoria Police

Learn about careers in the Victoria Police at an information session. Sessions are running at the following locations in May and June, <https://careernews.click/police>

May

24	Moonee Valley
26	Bendigo

June

2	Bundoora
24	Horsham
23	Online
28	Box Hill

Australian Defence Force

The following information sessions are running in May, www.defencejobs.gov.au/events

2	Virtual Navy Careers
2	Virtual: Women in Defence
3	Virtual: Trade Careers
3	Shepparton: Defence Careers
4	Melbourne: Submariners careers (Navy)
5	Albury: Defence Careers
9	Melbourne: Women in Defence
11	Virtual: Army Officer
24	Swan Hill: Defence Careers
31	Virtual: Army Careers
31	Melbourne: Army Careers

May 2022

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2 JUNIOR GIRLS FOOTBALL HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY	3	4 REACH FOUNDATION INCURSION	5 REACH FOUNDATION INCURSION	6 BLACK RANGES ATHLETICS
YEAR 9 CAMP				
9 BLACK RANGES CROSS COUNTRY	10	11	12	13 JUSTICE & PEACE SEMINAR - KILBREDA COLLEGE VICTORIAN CAREERS SHOW
Years 7 & 9 NAPLAN 10th - 20th May				
16 VCE PRODUCT DESIGNS EXCURSION	17 YEAR 7 2023 INFORMATION NIGHT - 6.30pm	18 YEAR 12 BIOLOGY EXCURSION	19 BLACK RANGES SENIOR BOYS & GIRLS FOOTBALL	20
Years 7 & 9 NAPLAN 10th - 20th May				
23 VET & VCAL FIRST AID TRAINING	24 BLACK RANGES INTERMEDIATE BOYS & GIRLS FOOTBALL	25 PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS (PUPIL FREE DAY)	26	27