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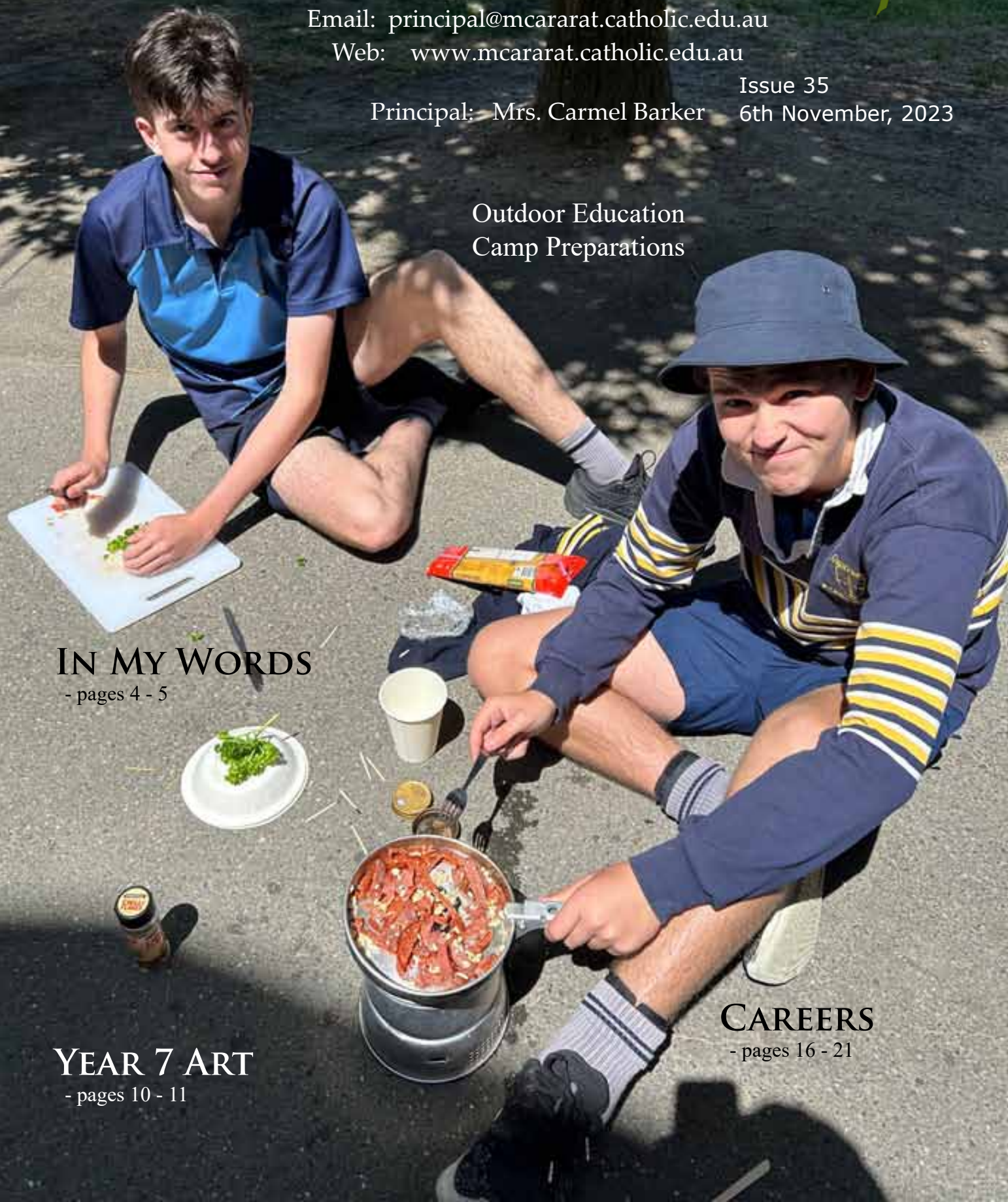
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# From the Business Manager



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

❖ *We encourage excellence and perseverance in learning,*

❖ *We strive for continuous improvement*

## **St. Brigid's Blessing**

***May Brigid bless the house wherein you dwell.***

***Bless every fireside, every wall and door.***

***Bless every heart that beats beneath its roof.***

***Bless every hand that toils to bring it joy.***

***Bless every foot that walks its portals through.***

***May Brigid bless the house that shelters you.***

## **Remembrance Day, Saturday 11th of November**

Why is this day special to Australians?

At 11 am on 11 November 1918 the guns on the Western Front fell silent after more than four years of continuous warfare. The allied armies had driven the German invaders back, having inflicted heavy defeats upon them over the preceding four months. In November the Germans called for an armistice (suspension of fighting) in order to secure a peace settlement. They accepted allied terms that amounted to unconditional surrender.

The 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month attained a special significance in the post-war years. The moment when hostilities ceased on the Western Front

became universally associated with the remembrance of those who had died in the war. This first modern world conflict had brought about the mobilisation of over 70 million people and left between 9 and 13 million dead, perhaps as many as one-third of them with no known grave. The allied nations chose this day and time for the commemoration of their war dead.

## **Exams**

Year 12 students continue with their end of year exams. We continue to hold them in our thoughts and prayers as they continue the journey of completing year 12.

## **Year 12 Graduation**

Donations of flowers would be greatly appreciated.

Thursday the 16th of November is our Year 12 Graduation. This is such a special event we hold at the College and each year we ask the year 12 students to choose a theme to decorate the gymnasium. This year the students have chosen the theme of Spring. If you have any spare flowers, potted colour or vases we may use it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact the front office if you are able to help us out.

## **Bus Behaviour**

A reminder to all students the importance of appropriate behaviour while travelling on school buses to and from school or while going on excursions. Students need to be respectful of the driver and

the other students on the bus. Students must remain seated at all times, use a standard conversational tone, not use offensive language, do not throw any items out of the bus window and not leave any rubbish on the bus. Any misbehaviour or vandalism will be reported to the College. I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents/guardians that we have a code of conduct for bus travel signed by the students and their parent /guardians. A copy of this can be found on the College Website <https://www.mcararat.catholic.edu.au/uploads/2022-Bus-Information.pdf>

### School Fees

A reminder it is a requirement that school fees are to be paid in full by the end of November 2023. If you would like to have your fees put on a payment plan of a weekly, monthly or by term payment

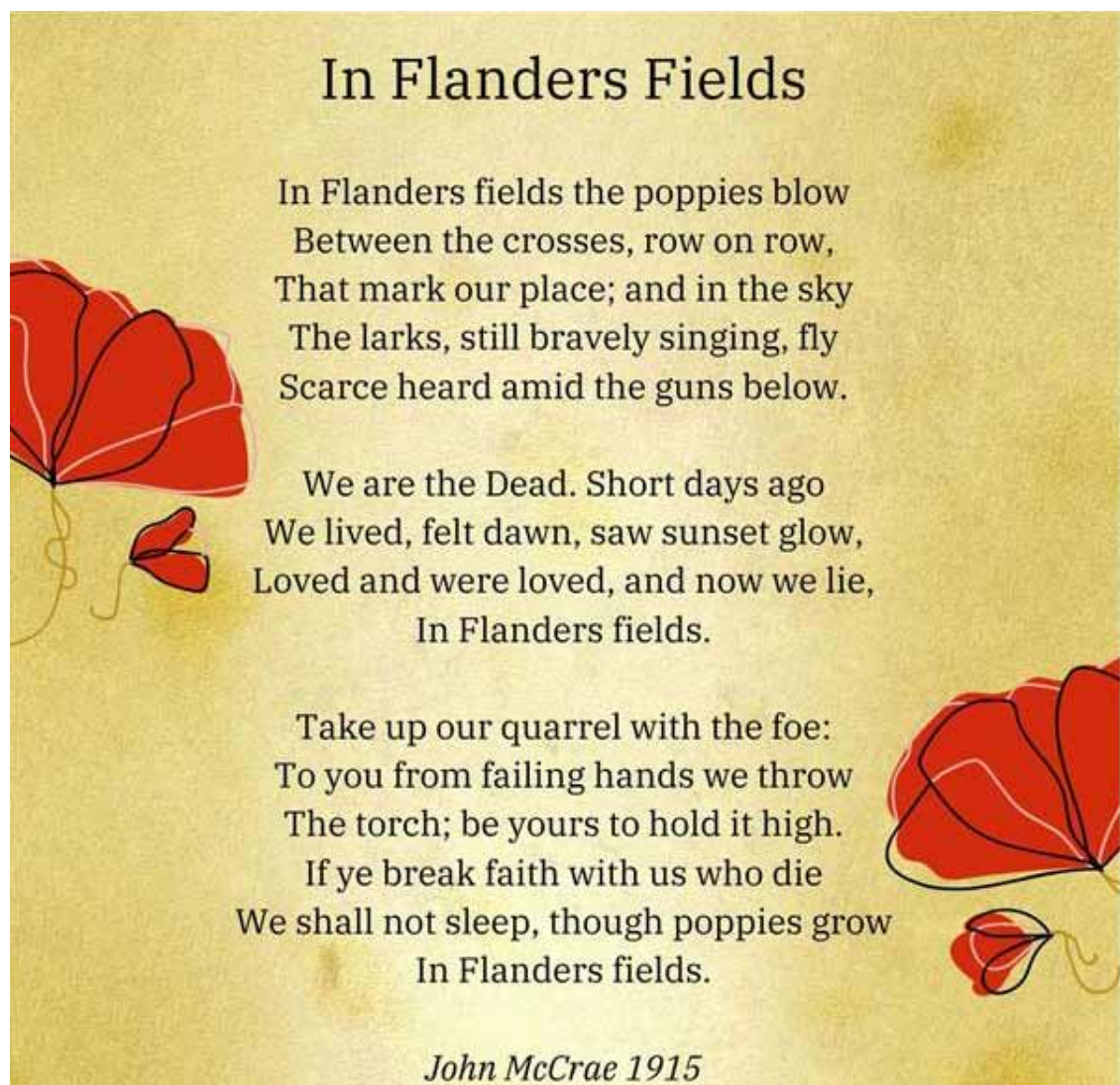
direct debited out of your accounts please contact our accounts payable to assist you in setting this up.

*"You cannot get through a single day without having an impact on the world around you.*

*What you do makes a difference, and you have to decide what kind of difference you want to make."* Jane Goodall

Leonie McGuckian

Business Manager





# IN MY WORDS *with Holly Bowden*



The world was graced with my presence on the 22nd of November 2005. My parents, Tracey and Glenn could never have prepared themselves for the loud and impulsive daughter I soon grew up to be. My older sister, Claire, loved having a younger sibling, that is until I got sick of her bossing me around all the time. I'm not gonna lie she was quite a nuisance to me when I was younger and we had our fair share of rivalries but now that we've gotten older and grown closer, I guess I can say she's alright sometimes.

My parents split up not long after I was born, my father decided he didn't want any more children and later on, met my step-mum Shar. Then in 2007, my younger brother, Sam, was born. Ironical, isn't it? Unlike my sister, I wasn't a huge fan of having a younger sibling, it's safe to say that he wasn't my favourite person for a long while then but again, we grew older and are quite close now. We all spent a fair amount of time together growing up, and are currently the most iconic trio you'd ever see. We've lived with my grandparents ever since I was born, meaning I spent a lot of time with both my Nan and Pop. My Nan herself is a character, I think I got a lot of my attitude and language from her, and I reckon she's pretty good company. My Pop is someone I spent more time with as a child than I do now, as he's always off on

his own little adventures with his friends, or watching the footy.

I'm a mother to 5 beautiful babies, Swim Shady and James Pond were my firsts (RIP to you both), they were my two fish. Gizmo was my second, he (or she, we aren't entirely sure yet) is a 10-month-old Green Cheek Conure with the biggest personality I've seen in a bird. My most recent two are my new fish Zuko and Enzo (his name changes daily, bear with me). We also have a dog, Dusty, although he isn't mine, I do see him as one of my best friends. Animals have been a big part of my life for as long as I remember and are something I cherish dearly.

My hobbies rapidly change every week, but the few that stuck with me seem to be reading books, making candles, occasionally playing games on my PS5, music, building legos, art and rearranging my room a new way every month, some might call that interior design, but I call it *\*revamping\**. I'm interested in so many things varying from nature, especially the ocean and its inhabitants to space or dinosaurs. I don't really think I'm influenced by anyone in particular, but I would say my friends play a big part in that role. They taught me a lot of what I know, and I'll be real, I would not have made it this far in school without

them. Rewriting their work in Year 9 and "changing the words" really got me through it. High school taught me a lot I'm sure you can tell.

All of my memories and things I've learned over the years have definitely shaped who I am as a person and I'd like to thank my family, friends and teachers for supporting me through this journey. Also, I'd like to thank Gemma, Jaqueline and Colin Readman for being there since I was just a small 13-year-old with no ideas for the future. Year 12 was challenging, but the good memories kept me going (trust me it was a close call).







# YOU'RE INVITED MARIAN COLLEGE ART & TECHNOLOGY EXPO

November 15  
3pm - 7pm  
@ Brigidine Centre

View artworks and enjoy live music  
Supper provided

## Year 10 and 11 Exams November 2023

All exams will be held in the Brigidine Centre

Monday 20/11	Subject	Reading Time	Writing Time
9am	Year 11 English	15 mins	3 hours
1pm	Year 10 English	10 mins	2 hours
Tuesday 21/11			
9am	Health & Human Development	15 mins	1.5 hours
	Business	15 mins	1.5 hours
	Physics	15 mins	1.5 hours
	Literature	15 mins	1.5 hours
1pm	Psychology	15 mins	1.5 hours
Wednesday 22/11			
9am	Biology	15 mins	1.5 hours
	Chemistry	15 mins	1.5 hours
1pm	Physical Education	10 mins	90 minutes
	Specialist Maths	10 mins	90 minutes
Thursday 23/11			
9am	Methods	10 mins	1.5 hours
	General	10 mins	1.5 hours
1pm	Art	10 mins	1.5 hours
Friday 24/11			
9am	Year 10 Maths	10 mins	1.5 hours
12:30	Year 9 Maths	10 mins	1 hour

## CANTEEN restricted service over VCE Exam Period

Over the VCE exam period, all of the exams will be held in the Gym which will restrict access to the Canteen during exam times. Because of the need to limit any distractions to students sitting exams, the Canteen will operate a restricted service during the closure days outside the tech room. There will be no hot food or lunch orders available during this period.

Closed Wednesday 8th November to Monday 13th November



# FAIRFAX YOUTH CAMP

Marian College was recently asked to nominate students who would benefit from participating in a creative arts opportunity 'Fairfax Youth Camp' for young people. Designed for young people the camp aims to build resilience through creative arts whilst providing a range of creative/performance arts workshops and performance opportunities. Asher Dunks was fortunate to be able to take up this opportunity.

Asher has shared her experience of the camp:

Throughout the 1st to the 7th of October I was lucky enough to go to Swan Hill and participate in the Fairfax Youth Festival. On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday we participated in workshops ranging from "Shape-shifting movement - The power of bodies to express the story", "Feel the beat - Percussion" and "Devising Theatre: Long story short" among many others. The workshops allowed us to develop our skills which we put to use in the final event on the Saturday. Fairfax improved my confidence in my talents and abilities. It was amazing to be around people with the same goals and passions as myself. Over the week I got to work with amazing artists that have taught me so many skills. If you have the chance to participate in something like this I highly recommend it.

Asher Dunks





## FROM YOUR HOUSE LEADER

Hello everyone,

Welcome to another edition of Synnott news.

Year 12s are currently completing their VCAA exams. The finish line is close. They will then have graduation to look forward to. This is always a great way to end their schooling journey and promises to be a great evening.

For the rest of our students, school life continues to be busy, with a few weeks left until our early start program is in full swing. The next few weeks will require students in the junior school to be completing assessments and finalising their coursework. Make sure you plan accordingly and ensure all tasks are completed on time. Students, if you have any concerns, please talk to your TA or subject teachers.

There will be a staff versus students netball match on the 16th of November. This will provide some entertainment and give students a chance to spectate during lunchtime. Well done to the sport and recreation students who are organising this event.

I hope everyone is enjoying the long weekend.

Nick Lloyd  
Synnott House Leader



# YEAR 7 TEXTURAL ART





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# OUTDOOR EDUCATION CAMP PREPARATION







# Marian College Ararat



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Applications are invited from suitably experienced person for the position of Leadership.

## **Head of Learning & Teaching Junior School**

commencing Term 1, 2024

The successful applicant will have an understanding of Catholic education and the safety and wellbeing of children.

Application information including position description is available on the Marian College website.

Applications close at 4.00pm on  
Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023

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Applications are sought from enthusiastic and suitably qualified teachers with current VIT registration, a commitment to Catholic education as well as the safety and wellbeing of children.

Applications are invited for multiple Classroom teaching positions and a Position of Responsibility.

**ENGLISH/HUMANITIES**

**PE/MATHS/SCIENCE**

**ART/TEXTILES**

**CHINESE**

**Sport Coordinator**

Ability to teach Religious Education an advantage.

**(Full time commencing Term 1, 2024)**

Employment pack including position description, application form and application guide is available on the Marian College website.

Applications close at 4.00pm on  
Friday 10th November 2023.

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Expression of interest from a suitably experienced person  
for the part time administration position of

## **Finance Officer**

commencing 2024

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# CAREER NEWSLETTER

## NEWS, RESOURCES, EVENTS



Friday 3 November 2023

### ALL STUDENTS

#### EXCITING PROGRAMS

##### Overseas work experience and volunteering

Companies such as Projects Abroad offer work experience and volunteer programs for high school students. Examples of programs include:

Medical interning  
Rainforest conservation  
Volunteering with children  
Wildlife conservation  
Diving and marine conservation.

Countries include:

Nepal  
Peru  
Cambodia  
Tanzania  
Botswana  
Ghana  
Thailand  
Costa Rica  
South Africa etc.

Explore the Projects Abroad website for information, [www.projects-abroad.com.au](http://www.projects-abroad.com.au)

##### Young Endeavour Program

In the Young Endeavour program, young people work together to operate a sailing ship over 10 – 13 days and develop leadership and teamwork skills. This is an amazing program and it's very competitive to gain a place. Dates for 2023 and 2024 are available on the Young Endeavour website. Cost is \$2,300 and includes accommodation and meals on the ship. For information, visit <https://youngendeavour.gov.au/>



##### RISE Global Leaders

Rise is a program that finds promising young people and provides them with opportunities that allow them to work together to serve others over their lifetimes. An initiative of Schmidt Futures and the Rhodes Trust, Rise is the anchor program of a \$1 billion commitment from Eric and Wendy Schmidt to find and support global talent.

##### Key benefits

All Rise Global Winners receive access to the following benefits and participate in the following programs upon selection:

- Access to need-based scholarships at any accredited university
- Mentorship and career services for personal, academic, or professional guidance
- Access to the Global Winner Network, and much more.

Information - [www.risefortheworld.org](http://www.risefortheworld.org)

Applications close for the program on 17 January 2024. A virtual information session is being held on 4 November, register here - <https://ventures.uq.edu.au/rise>

##### US and UK academic tours

If you're keen to study at a US College or a UK university, you may be interested in applying for an academic tour organised by Crimson Education.

The next tour is the Ivy League Model United Nations Delegation in January 2024. Students will visit top US universities and learn about campus life, visit Tiger Global, United Nations and the US Capitol, learn about US history and culture, and make friends from around the world. For information, visit <https://bit.ly/3u3TgbZ>



##### EMPLOYMENT

With the summer holidays coming up, now is the perfect time to start applying for jobs. There are several methods for finding employment. The following explores three.

##### 1. Cold Calling

Did you know that many jobs aren't advertised? These employers rely on word of mouth and/or contact people who drop in resumes to their business. This is called 'cold calling'. What does this mean for you? It means you have to be:

##### Proactive

Get your resume and cover letter together, use/buy/borrow a smart outfit and hit the streets. Employers love young people who demonstrate initiative and independence.

##### Organised

Ask someone to go over your resume to look for spelling and grammatical errors. Ensure it is formatted correctly and no more than 2-pages. Be careful of using online resume builders as often the formatting looks poor. Youth Central has excellent sample resumes, [www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au](http://www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au)

##### Engaged

Let everyone know you are looking for casual employment. Word of mouth is a powerful tool for finding a job. Contact the referees on your resume to let them know they may receive calls from employers.





## 2. Register with businesses

Some businesses allow prospective employees to register with their organisation and apply for jobs advertised on their website. Simply Google the name of the business + the term 'jobs' for information on how to express your interest in working for the company. For example, 'KFC jobs'.

## 3. Search for advertised jobs

The following websites are great to bookmark and check regularly:

[www.seek.com.au](http://www.seek.com.au)  
<https://au.jora.com>  
<https://au.indeed.com/>

Also check the classified section in your local newspaper.

Use the Summer Jobs website to search for jobs in your area - <https://summerjobs.com.au/>

## Excellent job seeking resources

For job seeking tips, and resume/cover letter templates, check out the resources at Youth Central- [www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au](http://www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au)

## Rights and responsibilities

Know your rights and responsibilities when starting a new job, [www.fairwork.gov.au](http://www.fairwork.gov.au)

## Tax File Number (TFN)

If you don't have a TFN, you will need to apply for one via the Australian Tax Office - [www.ato.gov.au/Individuals/Tax-file-number/](http://www.ato.gov.au/Individuals/Tax-file-number/)

## Learn about safety in the workplace

It's very important to understand safety in the workplace. Learn how to stay safe at work - [www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/young-workers](http://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/young-workers)



## BUILT ENVIRONMENT CAREERS

### STEM + Built Environment

Love design, business, environmental sustainability, STEM, and/or law?

Want to be part of shaping future cities and improving our current ones?

Do you love teamwork, solving problems, being innovative, have great communication skills, and excellent attention to detail? The built environment industry needs you!

Examples of built environment occupations include:

Architecture  
 Landscape architecture  
 Urban planning  
 Urban design  
 Land surveying  
 Building surveying  
 Property valuation  
 Civil engineering  
 Construction management  
 Real estate development  
 Heritage consulting

For information on jobs in this exciting industry, download the Careers with STEM Future Cities Shaper Job Kit via <https://bit.ly/359Oqts>

## Quiz: Explore Your STEM + Design Career Knowledge!

Are you intrigued by the prospect of shaping future cities? Dive into the exciting world of STEM + design and construction careers to test your understanding of the diverse roles in this field. You might uncover a new career path that sparks your interest! Take the quiz, <https://bit.ly/3SpEW7Z>

## Unlocking the Magic of Liveable Spaces with STEM!

Imagine a world where architects, designers, urban planners, and construction wizards join forces to create spaces that not only cater to our needs but also protect our planet's beauty. From preserving trees to using sustainable materials, these STEM superheroes make our world a better place, one building at a time! Read more via <https://bit.ly/3Skober>



## COOL OCCUPATIONS

### Early childhood education

Early childhood education officers play a vital role in a child's life. They create a nurturing environment that sparks curiosity and sets the stage for lifelong learning. These caregivers and educators help kids grow, explore, and build a strong foundation for their bright futures.

Year13has put together a brand-new short course called Serious about Play in conjunction with the Department of Education and Training Victoria. This program gives a look into the attributes, skills and qualifications needed to begin an exciting journey as an Early Childhood Teacher or Educator, <https://year13.com.au/academy/>

### Aviation Protection Officer (APOs)

APOs are the superheroes of the airport! They're the ones who keep you safe and make sure your adventures in the sky are worry-free. They prevent security issues from happening, respond to emergencies, and make sure everyone follows the rules. The next time you take a flight and go through the scanning area with your bags, check out how professional the APOs are. Interested in learning more? Check out this exciting occupation via <https://bit.ly/45W6XHd>

## CYBER SECURITY

### The Australian Defence Force Cyber Gap Program (Year 11 students)

This program is for you if:

- You are an Australian citizen
- You want to be a cyber-warrior or be on the front line in cyberspace
- You are planning to study cyber security at university or TAFE in 2025
- You would like assistance and mentoring
- Would like assistance with your course fees – you will be reimbursed up to \$15,000.

At the end of your studies, there's no obligation to join the ADF. Year 11 students can apply for this amazing program during Year 12 for the 2025 intake. Bookmark the following page and check for application dates next year, <https://dta.gov.au/cybergap>



## SUMMER SCHOOLS

The following programs are running during the Christmas break.

### Magnify Music Camp

Magnify is an intensive high-level skills camp for high school students between the ages of 14 – 18 who are serious about career success in the field of music. Run by Box Hill Institute, the camp will run between 15 - 20 January 2024. There will be a final concert on Friday night, where students can show off their newfound skills. Entry is by audition and there are only 30 places. The cost is \$450, <https://bit.ly/45jdxrc>

### Insights Program

NIE and Immerse Education offers an amazing 11-day residential program in Sydney for students who are passionate about academics. The program will run between 3 – 13 January 2024 and most streams are almost full.

Streams cover study areas such as medicine, business, creative writing, veterinary studies, international studies, and psychology. The cost is over \$10,000 and students will stay on campus at a University of Sydney College. For information and to apply, visit [www.niecareers.com.au](http://www.niecareers.com.au)

### Future Doctors Program - Medicine Work Experience

NIE offers a 4-day intensive work experience program for students interested in medicine. Cost is \$2,290 and doesn't cover transport or accommodation. The Melbourne program will run between 19 – 22 January 2024 and is currently 45% full. For information and to apply, visit [www.niecareers.com.au](http://www.niecareers.com.au)

### University of Melbourne - VCE Summer School

The University of Melbourne will run a two-week summer school in January for students entering Year 12 in 2024. Applications haven't opened yet, but students can read about the program and complete an expression of interest for the program via <https://bit.ly/47RACUg>



### Filmmaking Summer School

Filmmaking for the Digital Age: this intensive summer school is taught by Australia's leading film industry professionals and is suited to people from all ages and backgrounds.

When: 12 -14 January 2024.

Where: Dancehouse, Carlton North, Vic.  
[www.summerfilmschool.com/](http://www.summerfilmschool.com/)

### Campion College Summer Program

The immersive four-day program provides the opportunity to reside on campus and interact with like-minded peers. We have a fun-filled program including movies, trivia, dancing, and sports, as well as sample lectures from our history, literature, philosophy, and theology professors. Must be 16 – 20 years old.

When: 9 – 12 or 16 – 19 January 2024.

Where: Campion College, Toongabbie, NSW.  
[www.campion.edu.au](http://www.campion.edu.au)

## UPCOMING CAREER EVENTS

### SANTOS SCIENCE EXPERIENCE

The University of Melbourne is running an exciting 3-day program at the Dookie campus between 29 November – 1 December 2023 for Year 9 and 10 students. Dookie campus is a working farm- a centre of agricultural research and teaching.

You will join scientists and agricultural student mentors in hands on activities in the laboratory and paddock investigating real world issues. There are 8 places left and accommodation is available at an additional cost. Book your place via [www.scienceexperience.com.au](http://www.scienceexperience.com.au)



### MEDICINE AND DENTISTRY

Current Year 11 students who are considering applying for undergraduate medicine and/or dentistry courses in the future may need to sit the Undergraduate Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT) in Year 12 for the 2025 intake, [www.ucat.edu.au](http://www.ucat.edu.au)

NIE is running a free webinar on 15 November that will cover questions about the test. Students and their families can register for the webinar via [www.nie.edu.au](http://www.nie.edu.au)

### HOSPITALITY BOOTCAMP

The Gordon, Geelong, is running an exciting 4-day hospitality bootcamp for young people keen to explore a career in hospitality between 20 – 23 November. The program aims to prepare students for the summer season of work through interactive workshops and the completion of short courses such as RSA, espresso coffee basics, food service skills, and point of sale. For information and to apply for the program, visit [www.thegordon.edu.au](http://www.thegordon.edu.au)

### AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE

Interested in a career in the Army, Navy or Air Force? Check the amazing career information sessions running across the country and online, [www.defencejobs.gov.au/events](http://www.defencejobs.gov.au/events)

### MONASH UNIVERSITY

Year 10 and 11 students are invited to explore the Peninsula campus on Thursday 23 November. A series of exciting workshops will be run focussed on business, nursing, and health & physical education teaching. Students will participate in two workshops, tour the campus, and have a free lunch. For information and to register your place, visit <https://bit.ly/46Bpc5Z>

### ACADEMY OF INTERACTIVE ENTERTAINMENT (AIE)

AIE is a creative media college offering exciting courses in areas such as: Game Art, Game Design, 3D Animation & Film FX, and Filmmaking. The Academy is running an open day on Saturday 18 November at the Melbourne, Sydney, Adelaide, and Canberra campuses. Information and registration, [https://aie.edu.au/aie\\_event/open-day/](https://aie.edu.au/aie_event/open-day/)



## FOCUS ON TAFE COURSES

Did you know that by November 2026, an estimated 91.7% of job opportunities will require post-school qualifications?

These qualifications include vocational training that you can pursue at institutions like TAFE and polytechnic institutes, which are widely accessible across Australia.

These institutes offer a range of programs, including vocational courses and, in some cases, higher education options. Some of them are even affiliated with universities.

In Australia, there are six 'dual-sector' institutes, meaning they provide both TAFE and university courses. In Victoria, the following institutes fall into this category:

RMIT University  
Swinburne University of Technology  
Victoria University/Victoria Polytechnic  
Federation University

These institutions can offer you a diverse range of educational pathways to prepare for the changing demands of the job market.



### Why should you consider studying at TAFE?

- Can give you the opportunity to trial an industry or career area before you commit to university study.
- Can give you a qualification you can use to gain part time work whilst undertaking university study.
- Employers love candidates with job ready skills!
- Obtain a qualification in a relatively short time frame.
- You won't need an ATAR or prerequisite school subjects for most courses, so the courses are accessible for most school leavers.
- Higher level courses (e.g., Diploma) can provide a direct pathway into university courses with credit.

Source: <https://labourmarketinsights.gov.au/>

### Examples

**Luke** would love to work with animals in the future but he isn't sure what to study. He explores TAFE courses such as:

- Veterinary nursing
- Captive animals
- Animal studies
- Companion animal services
- Pet grooming
- Racing (stable hand, trackwork rider)
- Horse breeding
- Equine studies.

Luke can't decide between veterinary nursing or zoo keeping as a pathway, so decides on the following plan:

#### Start with a general qualification

2024: Complete the Certificate II in Animal Studies and combine this with part time employment at a local boarding kennel or volunteer with a local wildlife rescue organisation.

#### Zoo Keeping pathway

Apply for the Taronga Zoo Certificate III in Wildlife and Exhibited Animal Care (at the Melbourne campus).

#### Veterinary Nursing pathway

Complete the Certificate IV in Veterinary Nursing via a traineeship or partnership between a vet clinic and a registered training organisation such as the Australian College of Veterinary Nursing.



**Rohan** is a 'people person'. He loves interacting with people, is the socialite of the group, loves organising events, and is an excellent communicator. He explores courses such as:

- Hospitality management
- Hotel management
- Resort management
- Event management
- Travel and tourism
- Aviation (Cabin Crew)

**Jane** knows she loves working with people, has excellent written and verbal communication skills, is creative, loves thinking outside the box, is highly organised and enjoys solving problems. She explores the following TAFE courses:

- Public Relations
- Marketing
- Advertising
- Professional Writing and Editing
- Broadcast Journalism
- Liberal Arts
- Library and Information Services



**Sheridan** loves sciences and health and is considering working in rehabilitation, medical sciences or allied health in the future. She explores the following courses:

- Dental Technology
- Nursing
- Massage and Myotherapy
- Allied Health Assistance
- Laboratory Technology
- Pathology Collection

**Paul** knows he loves helping people and that he would like to work in counselling, case management, or human services in the future. He explores the following courses:

- Community Services
- Youth Work
- Disability Services
- Mental Health
- Alcohol and other Drugs
- Aged Care



To search for TAFE courses, use the following websites:

Victorian Skills Gateway website - [www.skills.vic.gov.au/s/](http://www.skills.vic.gov.au/s/)

TAFE NSW - <http://bit.ly/1mgtM05>

Your Career (Australia wide) - [www.yourcareer.gov.au](http://www.yourcareer.gov.au)



## TAFE COURSES CONTINUED

Examples of occupations with predicted employment growth by November 2026 include:

- aged and disabled carers
- general clerks
- chefs
- ICT support technicians
- electricians
- education aides
- child carers
- plumbers

Applications are open for most TAFE and polytechnic institutes and private providers. The following is important to know:

Competitive courses may have early closing dates.

You may need to complete additional tasks as part of your application such as portfolios, literacy and numeracy tests, information sessions, applying for a Working With Children Check, etc.

Contact the TAFE for information.

## APPRENTICESHIPS & TRAINEESHIPS

Now is a great time to be searching for your dream apprenticeship/traineeship!

There are many positions available for enthusiastic young people who are keen to work hard, earn while you learn, and obtain a portable qualification.

### Get specialised support

Register with local Group Training Organisations (GTOs) and Australian Apprenticeship Support Network (AASN) providers. Staff from these organisations are highly skilled and can assist you through all stages of finding, securing, and undertaking an apprenticeship or traineeship. Search for organisations via [www.australianapprenticeships.gov.au](http://www.australianapprenticeships.gov.au)



## INTERESTED IN TAKING A GAP YEAR?

### What is a gap year?

Traditionally a gap year was taken by Year 12 students who deferred their universities studies for 12-months. Now gap years are taken by students who would like to delay their TAFE or university studies or apprenticeships.

### What are the benefits of taking a gap year?

There are many benefits for young people – the following are several:

**Financial:** save money to fund future study/training.

**Career development:** complete a traineeship, TAFE course, volunteering etc., before starting university studies. This may improve your graduate employment prospects and give you practical employment skills.

**Take a break:** if you're feeling burnt out from study, taking a break may be beneficial for your mental wellbeing.

**Give you time to firm up your future goals:** if you're feeling unsure about your study or training plans, a gap year may give you time to explore your goals, attend open days, participate in work or training related to your interests, and give you more time to make sure the course or training you want to do in the future is right for you.

### Gap year programs

Year13 have put together a list of companies that offer working holidays, travel, and volunteer gap year programs, <https://year13.com.au/explore/travel>



## YEAR 12 STUDENTS EMPLOYMENT

### J.P. Morgan -Business Traineeship

Attention all Year 12 grads who are passionate about pursuing a career in finance. J.P. Morgan has an exciting 2-year traineeship position available at Sydney. You'll gain real work experience and exposure to top professionals within the bank. By developing essential knowledge, skills and industry connections, you'll take a powerful step towards a future career in finance. For information on the position and to apply, visit <https://bit.ly/3fodaHW>

### Farm jobs in regional areas

If you are looking for a casual farm job over the summer holidays, Harvest Trail Information Service is a company that can assist. This is a free service to job seekers, <https://bit.ly/31Qhoy>

## EARLY ENTRY PROGRAMS

Congratulations to all students who have received an early entry offer or offers. There are a few early entry programs still open. The following are examples:

### CQUniversity

Principal's Recommendation Scheme Victorian, NSW, and QLD courses  
Applications close 1 December 2023 [www.cqu.edu.au](http://www.cqu.edu.au)

### Federation University

Early Offer Program, Victorian courses  
Applications close 1 December 2023 [www.federation.edu.au](http://www.federation.edu.au)

### Deakin University

Regional Access Scheme, Victorian courses  
Applications close 4pm, 13 December 2023 [www.deakin.edu.au](http://www.deakin.edu.au)

### Torrens University

Early Entry Program, NSW, QLD and SA courses.  
Applications close – TBC [www.torrens.edu.au](http://www.torrens.edu.au)





## YEAR 12 STUDENTS

### TERTIARY DATES: VICTORIA

Download early entry and VTAC guides via <https://slmcareerresources.edublogs.org/>

#### November

##### Applications close for

- 19 La Trobe University - Elite Athlete Adjustment Factor Application.
- 21 Australian Catholic University – Elite Athlete and Performer Program.
- 24 Victoria University – Elite Athlete Program
- 29 Deakin University – Elite Athlete and Performers Adjustment Scheme.

#### December

##### Applications close for

- 1 The University of Melbourne, Elite Athletes and Artistic Performers Scheme.
- 1 CQUniversity – Principal's Recommendation Scheme
- 1 Federation University – Early Entry
- 13 Deakin University – Regional Access Scheme

##### VTAC Applications

- 1 Personal Statement applications close
- 11 VCE results and ATAR released
- 13 Last day to finalise course preferences (Vic students)
- 14 Last day to finalise course preferences (NSW students)
- 21 December round offers released
- January offer round 1 released on 12 January 2024.

### TERTIARY DATES: NSW & ACT

Download early entry and UAC guides via <https://slmcareerresources.edublogs.org/>

#### November

##### University applications – UAC

- 3 Preferences close for Schools Recommendation Scheme
- 10 Offers released for Schools Recommendation Scheme
- 23 Educational Access Scheme - applications close for December Round 2 offers.

#### December

##### Early entry applications close for:

- 1 CQUniversity – Principal's Recommendation Scheme

##### University applications – UAC

- 8 Equity Scholarships – applications close for December 2 Round of offers.
- 21 December Round 2 offers released (main round for Year 12 applicants).

## SCHOLARSHIPS

### Australian Catholic University(ACU) - scholarship seminar

Participate in an information webinar on 22 November and learn about scholarships at ACU, [www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events](http://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events)

#### Resource

For a list of examples of 'external' tertiary scholarships, visit <https://slmcareerresources.edublogs.org/>

### Scholarships – now open

#### Gardiner Foundation Tertiary Scholarship

For students planning to study a TAFE or university course in agriculture. Focussed on the dairy industry. Applications close 20 November, [www.gardinerfoundation.com.au](http://www.gardinerfoundation.com.au)

#### Charlie Bell Scholarship for Future Leaders

Charlie Bell Scholarship for Future Leaders: for students who have been treated at a Children's Hospital for Serious Illness or Injury and will be eligible to attend a tertiary or vocational institution such as University, College, or TAFE in 2024. Selection will be made by the Ronald McDonald House Awards Committee. Applications close 30 November 2023, [www.rmhc.org.au/charlie-bell-scholarships](http://www.rmhc.org.au/charlie-bell-scholarships)

#### Rural Pharmacy Scheme and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Pharmacy Scholarship Scheme

These scholarships are for students planning to study a degree that leads to a registrable qualification as a Pharmacist. Applications close 31 November 2023, [www.ppaonline.com.au](http://www.ppaonline.com.au)

#### Westpac Young Technologists Scholarship

Scholars must be intending to commence a STEM related degree at one of five partner universities: RMIT University, University of Wollongong, Queensland University of Technology, Murdoch University, or Western Sydney University. Applications close 15 January 2024, <https://scholars.westpac.com.au/>

# November 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6 <b>PUPIL FREE DAY</b>	7 <b>MELBOURNE CUP PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>	8	9	10
VCAA EXAMS		VCAA EXTERNAL EXAMS		
13	14	15 ART & TECHNOLOGY EXPO	16 YEAR 12 GRADUATION	17
VCAA EXTERNAL EXAMS		VCAA EXTERNAL EXAMS		
20	21	22	23	24
YEAR 10 & 11 END OF YEAR EXAMS				
27 EARLY START PROGRAM COMMENCES ALL YEAR LEVELS	28	29	30	<b>DECEMBER 1</b>

**Due to VCE Exams CANTEEN closed 8th November to 13th November - further details page 7**