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From the Principal's Office



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

❖ *We encourage excellence and perseverance in learning,*

❖ *We strive for continuous improvement*

***God of hope and compassion,
You remind us of the need to
turn away from our own desires,
and to care for our global family,
particularly at a time that has
seen great loss and suffering.
We pray that during this
time of Lent, we may grow in
understanding of the challenges
faced by those who are
marginalized and vulnerable in
our world as we make a home for
them in our hearts. We especially
send our prayers to those in the
Ukraine who are experiencing the
upheaval and uncertainty of war.
And as we see the challenges of
others, may we respond with love
and hope,
now and for all future generations.
Amen.***

Year 8 Camp Wednesday

This week we are delighted that we are able to send our Year 8 students on camp in Anglesea, especially after the last twelve months of cancellations and disruptions for this group. We know it has not been an easy introduction to secondary school for the students or their parents, especially for families new to Marian College. Time together on camp to build relationships, understand each other and the values that are so important to the Marian community, are

critical aspects of the camp program. I ask that to assist the school to keep the Year 8 students as safe as possible, that all students RA test prior to arriving at school Wednesday morning. Masks must be worn on the bus. If any students are unwell on camp parents will be contacted immediately. We wish them well for a safe journey to the coast.

2022 Key School Improvement Priorities

1. *Drive, support and track whole school improvement in literacy.*
2. *Strengthen intervention processes to engage all students.*
3. *Adopt the College Master Plan as a staged approach for continual improvement to the learning environment for high student engagement and continual growth.*
4. *Promote and enhance positive culture and behaviour informed by Gospel values. In 2022 our focus is through the lens of Compassion.*

This year we continue to work with Melbourne University and Catholic Education Ballarat on Improving Literacy in the Secondary Years program (ILSY). The aim is to improve literacy growth across the College, to offer extension opportunities and to address any performance gaps. All teachers are engaged in Professional Learning teams to adopt, implement and review literacy skills in each area of the curriculum.

Adopting the three-tiered approach to intervention, Marian College continues

to develop and implement processes, programs and policies to support and extend learning through individualized, small group, and targeted support and extensions to ensure all students can access the learning and grow at high levels.

We have this week finalized our Grant Application for Stage 1 of our Master Plan: The development of a new Resource Centre/STEM Centre for Excellence located adjacent to the UH Wing. With flooding issues once again over the Christmas period, an absence of flexible learning space, and the need to address inadequate and unsuitable library facilities, this new building is intended to provide an inviting, contemporary, flexible learning environment for all students. Once the new building is completed, the second part of stage 1 is to demolish the three classrooms and offices in the UH Wing, address the drainage issues in this area, and create an outdoor space for students protected from the sun and wind. Refurbishment of the oval will be included in this stage. Plans are in their early stages for the new building. If we are successful in our application more details and designs will be made available as they emerge.

As a Catholic secondary school, everything we do in our role as educators is underpinned by our mission, values about beliefs about what it means to be Marian staff, Marian students and a Marian community. This understanding informs our culture and behaviours, including how we relate to one another, and to the stranger. In this Year of Compassion, it is our intention to focus on the compassion we demonstrate online, in our language and in our welcome, especially of those who are different.

COVID Update and Isolations

Thank you to the many parents and families who have navigated COVID isolations over the last couple of weeks. I know it has been a difficult adjustment often with little notice. Maintaining full staffing at this time while not

disappointing students who are excited to finally go on camp has been a balancing act each day. For Parents, while we will do our best, please understand that it is not possible to provide the same support in isolation as students received when the whole school was in remote learning. Teachers are teaching face-to-face throughout the day with the additions of yard supervisions and meetings. Work will be forwarded for students to undertake at home over the week but there will need to be some independent learning aspect of this work. Thank you for your understanding.

Over the last week we have seen an increase in positive COVID cases within the college, with fourteen new positive results reported this morning across years 7-10. It is essential at this time that students wear masks on buses at all times and ensure social distancing where possible. Masks are encouraged throughout the day in year levels where numbers appear to be higher (Year 7), but there are positive cases in all levels. If your child is unwell please keep them home as a precaution. If they are a close contact to a positive case they must remain home for seven days. Most students who have tested positive have been at school the previous day. Once again, thank you for your understanding.

Welcome to new staff member, Paul Kelly.

A warm welcome to Mr Paul Kelly who joins our Wellbeing team as staff member for the Responsible Thinking Classroom. Paul comes with a very good understanding of schools and the needs of teenagers, and has begun very positively in this space.

All the best to Year 8 students and staff heading to Anglesea on Wednesday.

Have a wonderful week.
Carmel

IN MY WORDS *with Jemima Harney* *Synnott House Leader*

On the 17th of May 2004, my incredible parents Fiona and Tim Harney welcomed their firstborn child into the world. For a very peaceful and calm 15 months of my life, I was the centre of attention, until they decided it was time to welcome another child into the world, my sister Bel. I was no longer an only child and was given the responsibility of being the oldest. Bel and I had three years of making trouble together until our family became complete with the arrival of my brother, Jack in 2008.

I have been fortunate to grow up on the edge of Stawell surrounded by the beautiful Ironbarks and only a few kilometres away from my Grandparents. For as long as I can remember I have always enjoyed spending time out on the farm and riding around on my bike every chance I got, and I still do to this day! Growing up so close to my Grandparents has been a very special thing to me, we are forever spending our Sunday afternoons in winter with them for a BBQ.

2009 is when I embarked on my education at Cooina Kinder in Stawell. Although I don't remember much from kinder, mum tells me that when I graduated from kinder, I proceeded to cry for a week because I missed my teacher, Kathryn so much. Kinder was where I picked up a much-loved hobby of mine, tennis which I continue to play today.

In 2010 I started primary school at St. Patrick's Primary School in Stawell, where I met some extremely special people. Primary school was pretty cruisy for me, it was like another home (literally). Due to Mum being a teacher there, I would get to school before 8 am and not leave until 6 in the evening, I used to love it though, well most of the time at least. After the school bell rang in the afternoon it meant there were no longer any rules on the playground or monkey bars and we could literally do whatever we wanted. There was definitely some mischief we got up to. I have had some very special opportunities throughout primary school such as being school captain, school camps and all the friends and connections I



was lucky enough to make. Primary school was where I began many of my sporting hobbies. Once I started Prep I began ballet which I continued to do until Year 8, I also picked up netball for Great Western and continued to play tennis. My weekends also consisted of bike riding and helping Dad and Pop at the farm, well I thought I was a pretty good help at least. Ever since Prep I have always loved going to school and that love has followed me all throughout my schooling. I have definitely been very lucky to have had such a positive experience throughout my schooling years!

2017 just like everyone else in my year is where I began my journey here at Marian College and five years later, here I am, still standing. I was definitely an unusually excited kid to be starting Year 7. I was lucky enough to have a few friends from St. Pat's that travelled with me on my journey to Marian College which definitely made it so much easier. I have made a lot of great memories over my time at Marian. Some highlights for me would definitely have to be all the school camps our year level were able to go on, Fred Hyde days and Year 9 electives were always a blast. The last two years definitely have not been my favourite at all with the constant lockdowns we have had to go through, but I am very excited to be back to some type of normality and face to face again, especially for my last year of school!

I have been fortunate enough, thanks to my parents to have had some amazing experiences over the years. Memories such as staying in Port Fairy over the summer holidays with my cousins, going to the snow to ski with my family, and driving up to Queensland for a month are memories I will never forget. Due to most of my cousins and all of Mum's family living in Warrnambool, school holidays were always the best fun down there especially staying with my Nan. I have also been lucky enough to have had no other choice but to barrack for Collingwood thanks to dad, which meant having the opportunity to go see them play at the MCG a few times throughout each season!

I feel very blessed to have made it this far in my schooling at a school that has been nothing but supportive and enjoyable for me. But I know I wouldn't have made it this far without my incredibly supportive teachers and friends. They have all honestly made my schooling so much easier and enjoyable, so thank you all so much! I would also like to thank my parents and family for their continual support and love!

I feel absolutely honoured to be your Synnott House Captain this year and cannot wait for what's to come. I wish everyone good luck this year as they continue to travel through their schooling and encourage everyone to do their best. To my fellow Year 12s, thanks for a great 5 years together and all the best for what's to come, I'm sure you'll all achieve great things!

Jemima Harney



IN MY WORDS *with Mia Lardner*

Synnott House Leader

This has seemed to come around a lot quicker than I had hoped it to but I guess it is time... On May 4th 2004 at 5:25pm the stubborn little girl, Mia Rose Lardner was brought into this world. Born to my amazing parents Fiona Wood and Paul Lardner. I was the second of four, I know four of us! And I would love to say I was the favourite but mum doesn't approve of that. My older sister Taylah is 21, she is meant to be the role model for me but that hasn't happened when I matured before her. Then in 2006, my only brother Connor made his appearance into the world. I loved having a brother to play with when I was younger until he grew up and now on the rare occasion wants to hang out with me. Then in 2009 the youngest and craziest of them all came up out of nowhere, Addison. We got a handful when she came along and made our family a lot busier, but we all couldn't imagine our lives without her.

I started my journey at Jack and Jill Kindergarten, to go back to making mud pies and doing finger painting would be the ultimate dream. I made some of my lifelong friends that have kept me on my toes throughout the years and just to name a few, Mia Robb, Ivana Donnan and Nellie Hitchcock. Kinder is a bit of a blur now but my only vivid memory is Ivana and I going as quick as we can to make it to the cubby so we could make a mud pie shop every break we got. - We were obsessed!

The next step was Ararat West Primary School where I began my official schooling years. I went through Ararat West with my kinder friends and continued to make even more lifelong friendships. Primary school was the easy days but also included some of the hardest, it brought me some of the best experiences that I would go back to in a second. The first one being a part of the skipping team, throughout primary school it was everyone's dream to be a part of that family, it was such a special part of Ararat West. I will never forget competing at Nationals in Sydney to represent Ararat West alongside



Nellie and two others. They were the best four days of my life!! I'm not even kidding we lived off Subway, Nerds lollies and Pringles the whole time we were there. Another great experience was the traditional Grade 6 camp in Canberra. A 12 hour bus ride there and back wasn't the best but it was all worth the week we spent up there. We went to some of the best places that you would never take yourself in your spare time. A great experience!

Next, was Marian College. All I remembered of this place was the big staircase from when Nanny Pat worked there and let me tell you looking up those library stairs when I was only 5 years



old made me believe the school was way bigger than it actually was. Throughout my Marian years I made friends with some of the kindest girls ever, just a few that mean more than ever to me Mia Carter, Macka Metcalf, Greta Pinniger, plenty more beautiful people and of course I still have my lifelong kinder friends. Thank you for sticking by my side from the first day of good old year 7. As much as I say everyday how much I don't like school, now that it's my final year I do have to say I would love to take some of that back. I'm also so grateful for my TA teacher Mrs North for putting up with me for the past 6 years, you have done very well and I know I'm hard work. To all of my teachers that have kept pushing me to get through it, Thank you!! But a big thank you to the teacher that cops the worst of it all every day Mrs Venn (Barbara) she is my therapist, my teacher and has become a friend. Thank you for dealing with me for the past two years and I can't wait to see what this final year brings for us. This year is going to be a hard one but I can't wait to see what it throws at me.

To my year level, thank you all for the past 6 years. I have made some of the best friendships with most of you that I will cherish with me forever. I probably won't see some of you after this year so good luck with whatever brings you in the future. To my group, you are the best bunch of people to have matured with and we have all made some of the best memories and I can't wait to see what is ahead.

To my parents, you are both and will forever be my biggest role models in life. I can't thank you both enough for all the opportunities you have given me over the years and the person you have both raised me to be, I hope I'm making you proud. Thank you for sticking by my side through my toughest of times, I wouldn't be where I am today without you!! x

All I have to say to you all if you have even gotten this far, please don't throw away your high school years. They may get boring at times but they are the best years of your life and I bet you will all be saying the same thing when you are where I am. Thank you also for giving me the opportunity to be the Synnott House Leader of 2022, I have loved taking on the role so far and look forward to leading the school with the rest of the Year 12 students.

Mia xx



Lions Youth of the Year 2022

Congratulations to Jayde McMurtrie who was declared overall winner and public speaking winner at the Lions Youth of the Year Competition Zone Final held in Mortlake on Sunday 7th March.

Jayde took part in an interview with a panel of local identities who quizzed him on his thoughts about current issues including Ukraine and the recent Australian floods. He then spoke exceptionally well in both the impromptu and prepared speech sections. Jayde's passion for cricket was evident in his appeal for greater support for grass roots cricket. He also impressed the judges during the two impromptu speeches by speaking without any preparation, for the full two minutes required in response to the topics 'What can younger people learn from the older generation?' and 'What would you change in society and why?'



Jayde now progresses to the Regional Finals which will be held in Casterton on Saturday 26th March.

Stephanie Mansell
Head of English and
Languages



YEAR 11 & 12 PARENT/STUDENT/ TEACHER ADVISOR EVENING

WEDNESDAY 23RD MARCH, 2022

The purpose of these discussions is for parents and our senior students to meet with their TA teachers to discuss their progress and raise any concerns, issues or questions they may have. This is a worthwhile opportunity for you to explore options for your student and discuss how they are currently progressing.

Bookings for these conversations with the TA teacher are available through the Parent Access Module. They will be conducted either in person, by phone or via a zoom meeting. **Please note that you will be required to produce your vaccination certificate and wear a mask if you chose a face to face meeting.**

The format for the evening is as follows:

3.30pm – 4.30pm Individual bookings for TA interviews.
Parent/Student/TA Teacher.

Interviews will be either by in person, phone or a zoom meeting. Please select your preferred option when making your booking.

BOOKINGS ARE OPEN



PROJECT COMPASSION

The season of Lent began with Ash Wednesday on March 2nd, which also marks the beginning of the annual Caritas Australia Project Compassion Appeal. Donations to Project Compassion allows Caritas Australia, the Catholic Agency for International Aid and Development, to work with local communities around the world to end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity.

The theme of Project Compassion 2022 is 'For All Future Generations' and reminds us that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come. It invites us to make the world a better place by working together now and finding long-term solutions to global issues. We encourage you to put your compassion into action this Lent through your prayer, fasting and almsgiving by supporting Project Compassion. Each TA, the Front Office and the Canteen have received a Project Compassion box for their donations or you can donate online via the Caritas Australia website at: lent.caritas.org.au



Each week we will be sharing a story of someone whose life has been impacted thanks to your support of Project Compassion.

This week through Project Compassion we learn about Biru who lives in a rural village in India's east. He lost mobility in one of his legs, after contracting polio as a child. Biru worked as a shepherd, looking after other people's cattle, to support his wife and four daughters. Keeping up with the cattle was a challenge.

Biru taught himself how to repair bicycles by watching other people, but he never dreamed of using those skills to start his own business. With your generous support, Biru was able to access an entrepreneurship and livelihoods training program, run by Caritas Australia's partner, Caritas India. He gained the support and skills he needed to start his own bicycle repair business. Now, Biru earns enough money to support his family.

Watch a short film about Biru's story

<https://www.caritas.org.au/project-compassion/biru-story-video>

Please support Project Compassion:

lent.caritas.org.au



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BLACK RANGES SWIMMING CARNIVAL

The Black Ranges Swimming Carnival was held last Tuesday at the Horsham Pool. Marian College won the overall shield by a large margin against schools from the Horsham region!

Winners from this event progress to the Greater Western Region competition.

We had several students win individual events including Hazem Ali, Billie Donnan Ivana Donnan, Marissa Flavell, Al Galoso, Navasha Madex, Jayde McMurtrie, Krys Syrota and Sabaya Woods.

Our "Swimmer of the day" goes to Krys who won 3 individual events!

We also had several relay teams win so there will be a large team ready to compete at GWR next week.

Well done to all students who competed and thanks to those parents who traveled to Horsham to support our swimmers!

Thanks also to the staff and students who assisted with timekeeping on the day.

Paul McLoughlan



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CAREERS NEWSLETTER

NEWS, RESOURCES, EVENTS & INSPIRATION



Wednesday 9 March 2022

YEAR 12 STUDENTS

Scholarship

Australia National University (ANU) – Tuckwell Scholarship

If you are planning to study at ANU in 2023, you should consider applying for the prestigious Tuckwell Scholarship. Applications are now open and close in April.

<https://tuckwell.anu.edu.au/>

ADF Gap Year Program

Applications will open in March. Students are encouraged to start the applications process now and book their aptitude test. For information, visit <https://bit.ly/3dCELlb>



Applying for Medicine or Dentistry?

Applications for the UCAT ANZ (University Clinical Aptitude Test) are now open and 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

UCAT Guide

Download a UCAT Guide developed by UCAT Masterclass, <https://bit.ly/3HMyzTS>

Medicine Information Sessions (online)

UNSW, Tuesday 15 March, <https://bit.ly/3sOcaAM>

Charles Sturt University, Tuesday 29 March, <https://engage.csu.edu.au/medicine-info-nights>

Monash University, Wednesday 6 April, www.monash.edu/discover/events

Apply for university now!



Early admission applications are now open for the following universities. You could receive a guaranteed offer before your exams!

University of New England

Applications are now open for the direct early entry program and will close in September. Offers will be made in November before your final ATAR and results are released, <https://bit.ly/3Hxaosl>

Charles Sturt University (CSU)

Applications close for the Charles Sturt Advantage Program on 31 March. You could receive a guaranteed offer in May, <https://bit.ly/2UmOlgT>

Australia National University (ANU)

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

Secure your place at La Trobe University early

Year 11 and 12 students looking to secure their spot at La Trobe university early can apply now for the La Trobe Prepare program. It starts from May 2022 and is 100% online and free.

The program is suitable for VCE (including unscored), HSC, IB and VCAL students. You will receive a La Trobe Entrance Score that you can use instead of, or as well as, an ATAR when applying for eligible Bachelor degrees.

Information - <https://bit.ly/3vOIG7R>

La Trobe University

Applications for the La Trobe University Aspire Early Admission Program will open Tuesday 26 April.

The University is hosting an online information session about the program on Tuesday 15 March, 5pm – 6pm. Information and registration, www.latrobe.edu.au/events

ALL STUDENTS

University campus tours

Students are invited to participate in on-campus university tours during the upcoming term break. The following are examples of universities who are running tours:

Deakin University

11 – 21 April: participate in a general, accommodation and/or a study area tour (e.g., health, business & law) at one of the Deakin campuses, <https://bit.ly/3w4hpyr>

Monash University

11 – 22 April: participate in a campus tour at Clayton, Caulfield, and Peninsula campuses, www.monash.edu/discover/events

La Trobe University

Bendigo campus: Talk and Tours, 11 – 14 April, www.latrobe.edu.au/events

Albury-Wodonga campus: contact Jessica Chalmers-Borella, <https://bit.ly/3Mxhznp>

Australian Catholic University

Register for a campus tour via <https://bit.ly/3Hq5zAE>

Charles Sturt University

Register for a campus tour via www.csu.edu.au/contacts/campus-tour

Swinburne University

Register for a campus tour via www.swinburne.edu.au/forms/campus-tour

Career Events

Charles Sturt University

Year 10 - 12 students are invited to participate in the Charles Sturt University Explore Day at the campus of their choice. Students will be able to explore two study areas through one-hour workshops.

Wagga Wagga, Tuesday 22 March
Albury-Wodonga, Tuesday 29 March
<https://study.csu.edu.au/life/events>



Monash University

Monash has a huge range of course information sessions running between March and May:

March

30	Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Science
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April

6	Monash Science Experience
6	Biomedical Science & Medicine
21	Courses at Monash Peninsular

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

For information and to register your place, visit www.monash.edu/discover/events

Australian Catholic University (ACU)

ACU is running the following online 'Talk with Industry Series' events in April:

- 5: Talk with Teachers
- 6: Talk with Lawyers & Criminologists
- 7: Talk with Business & IT Professions

The sessions will be held between 6 – 7pm and are open to prospective students, www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events/talk-with

ACN Nursing and Health Expo

The Australian College of Nursing (ACN) is hosting a virtual Nursing and Health Expo on Saturday 2 April. You will be able to explore career pathways and find out about educational opportunities. Registration, www.acn.edu.au/events/nursing-health-expo



Victoria Police

The following career information sessions are running in March:

17	Police Officer & PCO - Warrnambool
22	Police Officer - online
23	Police Officer & PCO - Bairnsdale
29	Specialist – Air Wing, online

www.police.vic.gov.au/police-information-sessions

Australian Defence Force

You can find out about careers in the Australian Defence Force through participating in a free information session, www.defencejobs.gov.au/events

Endeavour College of Natural Health

The College is located at Melbourne and offers higher education courses in:

- Naturopathy
- Acupuncture
- Nutritional and Dietetic Medicine
- Myotherapy
- Complimentary Medicine
- Remedial Massage (Diploma)

The College is running an open day on Saturday 9 April. Prospective students will be able to tour the campus, speak to course advisers and current students and learn about the application process.

For information and to register your place, visit www.endeavour.edu.au



Calling all creatives!

The following institutes are running career events for students passionate about creative occupations such as media, film, gaming, music, and art.

Australian Institute of Technology (AIT)

AIT is running an online industry speaker series. The following events are running in March:

16	The world of live and digital experiences, with Spaces Interactive.
17	Make your work: game play by Chaos Theory Games
18	The art of VFX by Rising Run Pictures

Information and registration, https://info.ait.edu.au/industry_speaker_series

JMC Academy

JMC has several campuses across Australia. The academy is running the following events for Year 9 – 12 students on Saturday 26 March at the Melbourne Park Street campus:

- Immersive Audio Workshop
- Songwriting Workshop

Information, www.jmccademy.edu.au

SAE Creative Media Institute

SAE has several campuses across Australia. The Institute is running two events at the Melbourne campus.

Create for a Day

Saturday 9 April. Students in Years 10 – 12 can participate in a workshop focussed on one of the following study areas: Animation, Audio, Design, Film, Games, Music production, Songwriting.

Film Masterclass

Wednesday 13 April. This event is for filmmakers who would like to break into the world of showcasing short films.

Places are very limited, so register now, <https://sae.edu.au/whats-on/>

New York Film Academy (NYFA)

NYFA are running a series of online workshops for students interested in film, screenwriting, TV directing and acting. The workshops start in May and run for several weeks.

Cost is \$1,500 per course. Information, www.nyfa.edu.au/online-workshops-evening/

VCE and Careers Expo 2022

One of the biggest events on the calendar!

Students and families are invited to attend the annual VCE and Careers Expo.

Over four days you can attend seminars on topics including:

- VCE subjects including English, Maths, Biology, Business Management, Psychology, Health and Human Development
- Tertiary courses
- Careers
- Employment opportunities
- Gap year options

You can speak directly to organisations with:

- Information and resources for the VCE
- Information about 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

Information:

Dates: Thursday 28 – Saturday 30 April

Venue: Caulfield Racecourse, Caulfield

For information and to purchase tickets, visit www.vceandcareers.com.au

The HSC and Careers Expo will be held in June, www.hscandcareers.com.au



Do you have a passion for science and the ocean?

Have you considered studying one of the amazing programs at the Australian Maritime College located in Tasmania? They offer courses in:

- Maritime engineering – majors are offered in marine & offshore engineering; ocean engineering; naval architecture
- Global logistics and maritime management – majors are available in logistics & supply chain management, maritime technology management, and maritime business management.

To learn about their programs, go to www.amc.edu.au/

5 Really Wild Careers to Know About

Explore Careers has written a fantastic article that features 5 careers working with wildlife, <https://bit.ly/3MLaccv>

Working with wildlife isn't just about animals; it also involves flora (plants and plantlife) and sea life. Careers span everything from care and rehabilitation to conservation and preservation. Let's take a look at five possible careers you could pursue:

HERPETOLOGIST

Got a passion for all things reptilian and amphibian? This is the career for you! [Herpetologists](#) are biologists who specifically study reptiles and amphibians.

They're involved in a variety of areas, including research, education, species preservation and conservation of habitats.



ICHTHYOLOGIST

Reptiles not your thing? What about SHARKS? [Ichthyologists](#) are biologists who study various species of fish classified as bony, cartilaginous, or jawless. This includes sharks and rays – a perfect career for coastal-loving Aussies!

The role involves a variety of duties around species research, education, and conservation. You might work out in the field (or sea, perhaps!) or for research departments, universities, charities, or museums.



PRIMATOLOGIST

If cold-blooded creatures aren't inspiring you, what about a species that's a little closer to home? [Primatologists](#) study primates such as gorillas, orangutans, chimpanzees and lemurs. Like other biologists who work with specific species, their role can take them across

different areas, including biology, medical research, anthropology, conservation, and zoology. You may study extinct and living species to better understand the evolution of primates across the centuries.



WILDLIFE BIOLOGIST

If you can't narrow down your passion for wildlife to just one species, then a career as a Wildlife Biologist could be right for you. Wildlife Biologists study a variety of animals and their ecosystems and have a variety of responsibilities related to this.

This may include tagging animals and helping them relocate to new habitats, monitoring species' populations and working to ensure commercial or residential developments won't negatively affect species and their habitats.

WILDLIFE CONSERVATIONIST

Similar to Wildlife Biologists, Wildlife Conservationists also work to preserve the habitats of various animal and plant species. They study water, plants and soil and seek to understand and prevent environmental degradation caused by different activities, including natural events like bushfires.

A core part of their role is to ensure that different habitats of species are maintained so those species can continue to survive and thrive. They also work to restore habitats, encouraging dissipating species to return and thrive once more.



Each occupation will require at least a Bachelor's degree at university in wildlife biology, zoology, or other related fields and possibly graduate studies.

MORE INFORMATION

Use Course Seeker to explore university courses around Australia, www.courseseeker.edu.au

Find your career crush

Maximising your strengths, personal preferences and aspirations, Torrens University will match you with a career crush persona, careers and courses you're compatible with and more. Take the survey at www.torrens.edu.au/career-crush



Interested in Engineering, Science and Maths?

Careers with STEM have developed amazing career guides for students. You can download them for free via <https://careerswithstem.com.au/read-it-here/>

Focus areas include:

Space Science	Indigenous
Technology	Cyber Security
Engineering	Maths
Science	Economics
Health Science	Data Science
Digital Retail	Computer Science

A-Z of health jobs

Kick off your career research with this handy A to Z list – which barely even scratches the surface of all the health jobs out there! Included is info on what to study after school, and links to career profiles in this area. There's a biomedical scientist, cardiologist, dietician, paediatrician and more that use STEM skills in their jobs every day.
<http://bit.ly/3sLfUjH>

What's that STEM job?

The Careers with STEM Job Kits are free downloadable 8-page e-mags which offer a complete introduction to individual STEM careers. Discover what a specific STEM job is all about, meet real people working in that job and find out what you can do right now to set your career on the right path, <https://bit.ly/2PqnP7D>



Focus on the myfuture website



Myfuture has been the go-to careers website for students and families over the past 20 years. It has a wealth of information and resources and has been designed to be a one stop shop for young people who are curious about exploring their career options.

Students are able to:

Create a personalised career profile

Complete activities to identify interests, values and skills, and view suggested occupations to explore career pathways.

Occupations

Explore over 350 occupations describing tasks, skill levels and current labour market information.

Industries

Access important information (including employment prospects) for each industry.

Career articles

Discover practical information to support your career exploration.

Courses

Discover a course for you by viewing current higher education and vocational education and training (VET) courses.

Career bullseyes

Find out what career pathways are related to school subjects.

Career stories

Learn tips and tricks by reading real-life career stories about personal experiences.

Job seeker resources

Discover resume and cover letter templates and other resources to help find and gain a job.

Students can create an account and explore the site via <https://myfuture.edu.au/>

Parents are also able to create an account to explore the site.

Passionate about sport?

Not sure if you would like to go straight to university after school? Enjoy playing sport and would like to combine your sports career with study in 2023? The following are three programs you may like to explore:

Richmond Institute of Sport Leadership

This is a partnership program between Richmond Football Club and Swinburne University. As part of the 12-month program, students will study a Dual Diploma in Sports Development and Leadership and Management. Campuses are at Richmond, Mildura and Albury-Wodonga. For information and to book for an open day, visit <https://richmondinstitute.com.au/>

Carlton College of Sport

This is a partnership program between Carlton Football Club and La Trobe University. As part of the 12-month program, students will study a University diploma in Sports Coaching and Development or Elite Sports Business. Classes will be held at Ikon Park, Carlton Football Club grounds and La Trobe University, Bundoora. For information and to book for an open day, visit <https://carltoncollegeofsport.com.au/>

St Kilda Football Club/Holmesglen Institute

Students will study a dual Diploma of Sports Development and Diploma of Events Management through Holmesglen Institute, and study at both Holmesglen and St Kilda Football Club. For information, visit <https://bit.ly/2OL4Bfq>



La Trobe University

New Indigenous pathway program: RISE

This new pathway for Indigenous high school students is a culturally adept introduction to university. You'll gain access to a range of activities, workshops, and events, which include academic learning, cultural activities and connections, mentoring, academic assistance and introductions to university life.

Then, once you've successfully completed the pathway program, you'll be given a conditional offer to study at La Trobe University. For information, visit <https://bit.ly/3Mx4Dho>

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		YEAR 8 CAMP		
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28	29	30 YEAR 7 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT EVENING (TBC)	31	1 April

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4	5 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL	6	7	8 STATIONS OF THE CROSS END OF TERM 1 EARLY DISMISSAL 2.15 pm