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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*

Dear Lord,

***Bless the week ahead.
May its challenges not
overwhelm us,
Circumstances not discourage
us,
and in all things may we
remember you are with us in
our journeying,
your love our fuel,
your word our guide,
today and always.***

Now two weeks from term break, the school is a hive of activity as the Outdoor Education students return from Halls Gap after their challenging four days away, and the Year 9 Students head away on camp to Portland from Wednesday until Friday. Thank you to our staff for the generous way they step in to provide these opportunities. We know often students are very different outside that classroom environment and show talents and skills in new and different ways. We wish them well for a productive time ahead. The purpose is to help students build positive relationships, their willingness to have a go, and support for each other.

School Review Process

The Leadership team will meet with Catholic Education staff today in our preparation for a Full School Review in June. This will be an ongoing process

over a number of months to collect, collate and analyse a broad range of student performance data. Reviews are a normal process for all schools and a time to reflect upon what Marian College does well, and where we can develop growth and improvement. Input towards this Review will involve parents, students, staff and an external educational panel. This will help us develop our next Five Year goals for school improvement.

Harmony Week

Last Tuesday we celebrated Harmony Week at the College with students raising money for the Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project (BASP). With our strong college value for Hospitality, the day to recognise our welcome, inclusion and unity, especially for the most vulnerable in our community is an important reminder for the work that continues across communities to support those whose life is difficult through no fault of their own. Thank you to all staff and students involved.

Support in our Community

After the last week of sadness and loss, we know that students often will grieve in their own way and at their own time. Please know that support at the college will continue over the days and weeks to come. While grief is normal, feelings of anxiety or sadness may last longer for some, or may occur at times disturbing their mood or motivation but not at other moments. There are some excellent resources available through Headspace

<https://headspace.org.au> and Be You/ Beyond Blue <https://beyou.edu.au/fact-sheet.grief> that may assist parents support their children. There is not one answer or solution, each child may need or not need strategies to support them. This is important as students head into the Easter break on Thursday 6th April.

Please contact any of the following of the East Grampians Health or medical centre if you have concerns.

Further Resources:

- <https://headspace.org.au/>
- <https://kidshelpline.com.au/>
- <https://www.lifeline.org.au/>
- <https://www.beyondblue.org.au/>

I would like to express my sincere thank you to so many in our community for the support we have seen and experienced over the last two weeks since the sad loss of Sophia. It is an incredibly caring community that I know share our thoughts and prayers for Sophia's family at this difficult time.

The Term Ahead.

After the Easter break I will be absent for four weeks to finally schedule Long Service Leave delayed over the COVID years - like most people! In my absence the college will be in the very capable hands of Matthew Summers supported by our strong Leadership Team. We will continue to provide support for students who may need time. Matthew will keep me in the loop for any more urgent matters. I know you are in very good hands.

The College Leadership includes:

Mr Matthew Summers - Acting Principal -
25th April until 22nd May

Ms Stephanie Saravanja - Head of Wellbeing

Mr Stephen East - Head of Pathways and Organisation

Mrs Leonie McGuckian - Business Manager

Ms Alexandra Abela - Head of Staff Development.

Take care and go gently, Carmel.

IN MY WORDS *with Jai Te Hau*

Kelly House Leader

On the 3d of November 2005 I was born in the Ararat Hospital to my mum Elisha and my dad Shane. I'm the oldest of five. My brothers are Max, Taj, Rhiver and Eddie. During my childhood and still to this day I have severe asthma, so bad to the point where one of my ribs is deformed due to how badly I breathed. So on the left side of my body one of my ribs sticks out. From a very young age I was an

annoying child partly due to my ADHD but I was also a quiet one. During my schooling years I went to St Mary's Primary School and then later Ararat 800. At 800 I had a good group of friends consisting of Ethan, Braiden, Koopa and a few others. Our favourite thing was trying to knock each other off the playground and trying not to get caught by teachers.



During Grade 6 I was the vice school captain and now I'm the Year 12 Kelly house captain.

When I first came to Marian I didn't have many friends however throughout Year 7 and 8 I became friends with Fraser, someone I would call my best friend. We bonded over video games and our shared bad sense of humour. Through Fraser I became friends with Jayde, Kade and later Joel who I would call my main group.

As I near the end of my high school years, I have my sights set on going to university to study photography. Using a camera has always been a passion of mine, and I love capturing the beauty of nature. I have fond memories of getting lost in the bush while taking pictures, which was good because that meant I was able to capture different parts of the bush.

In my free time, I love being outdoors, fishing, hunting, camping, and hiking. These activities

are even more enjoyable when I can share them with my mates, and we often spend holidays camping at Jayde's farm or kayaking for hours on end. Being surrounded by nature and my friends is the ultimate form of relaxation for me.



IN MY WORDS *with Ruby Preston*

Synnott House Leader



Wow, this is surreal being my turn to write my life story to date and share the many special memories I have made. To begin where everyone does, on the 4th of March 2005 my loving parents Judi Debney and David Preston, welcomed their second child and only daughter Ruby Ruth Preston. Being the second child means I'm lucky enough to have an older brother Charlie and a younger brother Samuel. I was born in Wodonga, but lived in Corowa for the first year of my life. Then in 2006 my Dad got a job here, meaning we moved to Ararat and this is where we have been ever since. Now that I have introduced my family, I would like to include a thank you for them. Mum and Dad, your ongoing support and love means everything to me, thank you for shaping me into who I am today. I will be forever grateful for you and I strive to always make you proud! My brothers Char and Sam, thank you for bringing so much light and laughter into my life, I admire how the both of you carry yourselves through each day.

Now back to my journey, I don't have much recollection of my early childhood memories, other than spending time looking up to Charlie and copying what he did, which usually meant playing with Bob the Builder. Then in 2010 I attended Jack and Jill Kindergarten. At kinder I remember playing in the sand pit as well as playing Mums and Dads with Mackensie, where I most likely bossed the other kids around, as I always wanted to be the Mum. After a fun year at kinder, I was ready to start my schooling journey, meaning in 2011 I started primary school at Ararat West. I made some of my fondest memories at Ararat West, and discovered my love of learning with help from all of my homeroom teachers, specifically Mrs Walker and Mrs Harris.

Along with beginning school, I started dancing which has been a massive part of my life up until this year. I have danced at Dynamic Dance for 11 years, participating in a range of styles, including: ballet, pointe, jazz, tap and contemporary. I competed with dancing for many years, attending: Melbourne, Geelong, Bendigo, Ararat and Warrnambool Eisteddfods and being lucky enough to place a few times which was very rewarding for the hard work my troupe and I had spent rehearsing.



I will always hold a special place in my heart for the trips Mia (my duo partner), Debbie (her mum) and my Mum did with dancing, they were always so much fun! This year I decided to stop dancing, saying that the memories, life lessons and friendships made through dance will last a life-time.

I have been very fortunate to have some special holidays throughout my life, but what tops these are the trips we have made to Echuca-Moama as much of my family lives here. Some of my happiest memories have been made with my cousins, aunts and uncles, such as when we would spend hours swimming in my cousins' pool, laughing with each other and simply just mucking around with not a care in the world. Echuca will always hold a special place in my heart.

In 2018, I became a Year 7 here at Marian. The journey has gone incredibly quick but I have thoroughly enjoyed my time here and the friendships I have made. There have been countless happy memories at Marian, I wish I could name them all. However, a couple that stick out right now is the fun of Year 10 science with Mr Baker and the chats my friendship group have had with Mr Summers when he is doing his favourite job, yard duty. To all the teachers I have throughout my school journey here thank you for all your support, you have all had a large impact on my life. Special mention to the teachers I have this year, I will appreciate your dedication to my education forever. Beyond Year 12, I hope to go to university studying either teaching or psychology. I would also love to do some travelling, but I will see where life takes me.

Lastly to all Year 12s, I simply want to say thank you for making high school a memorable time. The beginning of Year 12 has shown how strong we are as a cohort. Thank you for the support you have offered me and one another recently, I don't know where I would be without it. Best of luck for the remainder of the year, you all deserve happiness and to achieve your goals.

Ruby xx



IN MY WORDS *with Abbey Rigby*

PEAT Learning Captain



It's crazy to think that I have read every single "In My Words" since I was in Year 7, and now here I am, writing my very own.

On the 14th of April 2005, I, Abbey Marie Rigby, a raging feminist with a love for music and performance, was the second and last born to Joanne and Scott Rigby, making me the younger and only sister to Zoe Rigby. I started my journey in Sydney, and although I don't remember any of the time I spent there, it still holds a warm place in my heart.

I couldn't tell you where I went to kindergarten, nor could I tell you what friends I remember from there. My primary schooling started in 2011 at Lara Primary in Geelong. I spent my first two years there and it is where I found my love and passion for the band ABBA. Not only did ABBA have the coolest music I had ever listened to, but the name contained 3 letters of my very own name. I then ventured off to St Arnaud, where I spent 3 years, and attended 2 schools. After the adventure of St Arnaud, my family decided to park it here in Ararat, where I attended Ararat West Primary School for the rest of my primary schooling.

I have been at Marian College for 5 years now, completing my 6th and final year. The last 5 years have not been what I imagined and I'd like to have a serious talk with Peter Barsocchini (the writer of High School Musical) for painting a false reality of what high school really is. It's safe to say I am thoroughly upset I have not seen nor been included in a musical flash mob about some teenage boys' girl troubles, but so far, I have lived.

I have been so lucky with the teachers I have had in my schooling life. It's not very often a student gets to say they enjoy seeing their teachers and learning from them and for that, I am very grateful. Throughout school, I have tried many different hobbies. I quite liked sports and competitive highland dancing at one stage of my life believed that I would find a career in either one. But as I've gone along, I've been introduced to the many aspects of theatre and performing which really struck a chord in me (Mr East if you're reading this I hope you laughed at that). Luckily for me, my family is one with music, so I have been able to embrace my performing side with a full heart. I should have known I was made for

the stage when I had my dear grandparents listen to me sing 6 rounds of "Somebody that I use to know" with interpret dances (on key!) when I was 5. Bless their poor souls. Luckily for them, I am now quite fond of the hustle and bustle backstage.

In the future, I would like to be Taylor Swift. Unfortunately for me (probably very fortunate for many that know me) that cannot happen :(On a serious note, I would love to pursue a career in theatre, film and tv or concert production. It's hard to pick what aspect of that industry I would really love to do because everything just seems so interesting to me. Wanting a career in this industry is a headache to get into, let me tell you, I know, but I hope, with enough hard work, dedication and passion, I will be able to make it.

I would first like to thank my teachers, for encouraging me to learn, in school and outside of school.

I would like to thank Teresa Tonks, for bringing back my love for theatre when it went astray. Without you, I wouldn't have the passion I do now.

My friends, thank you for keeping me somewhat humble and for always listening to my useless chatter.

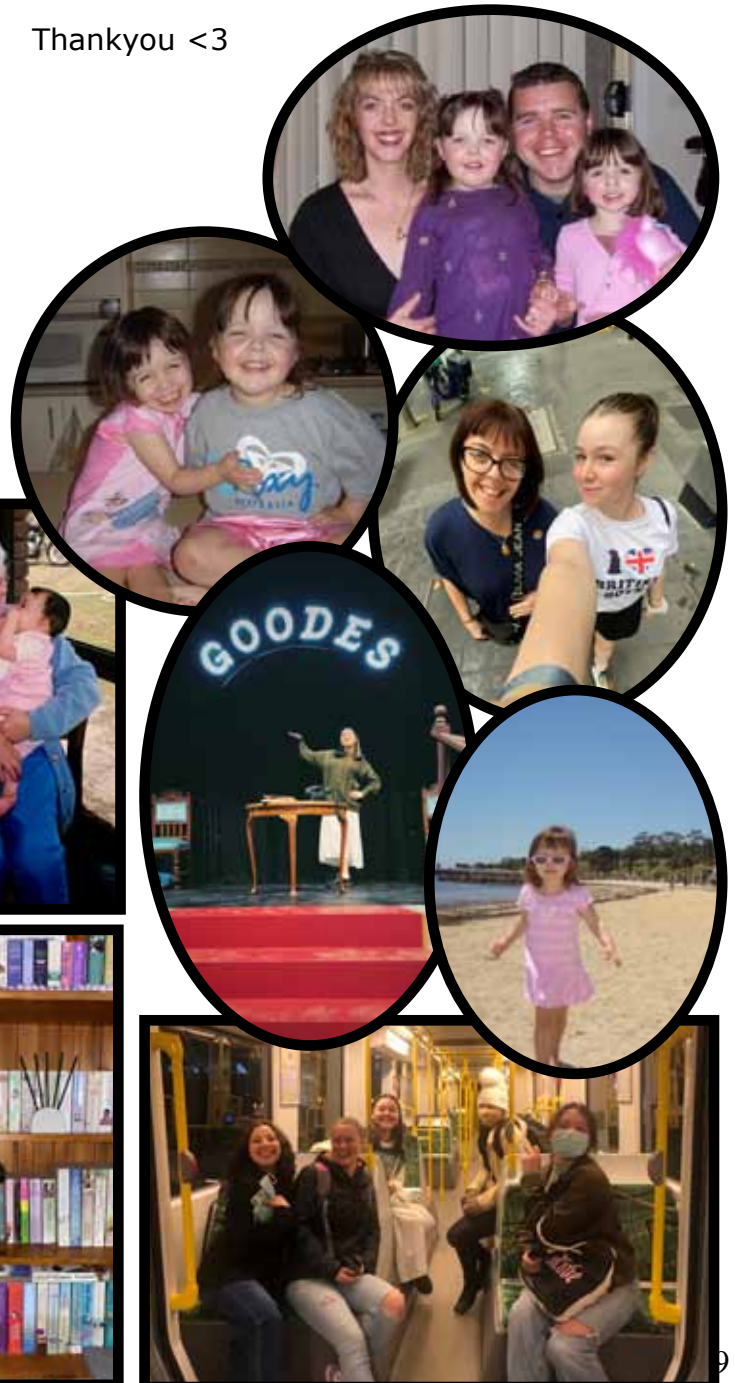
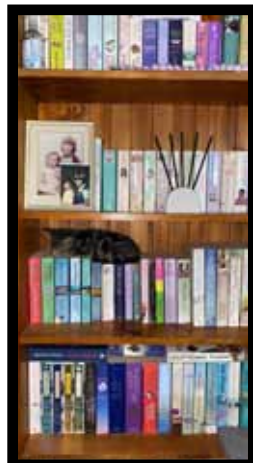
My parents, for taking me to every sporting event, every singling lesson, every acting class, for all the support you've shown, you are the reason I am where I am.

My sister, for giving up her own time to help me, for constantly telling me it will be okay, and for being the best friend I could ever have.

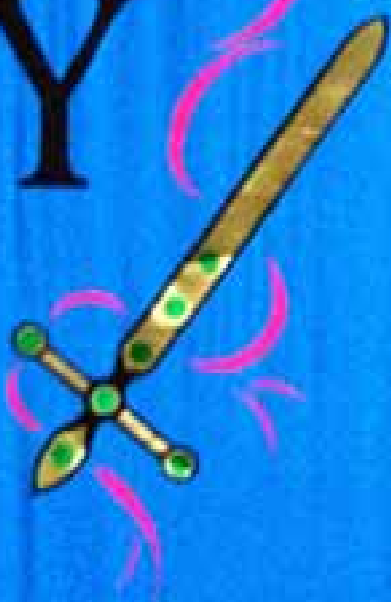
And finally, to Apple Music. Even though you cost me an arm and a leg to use your platform, every artist that I have an unhealthy parasocial relationship with is there for me whenever I need 24/7 for only \$6.99 a month :').

Good luck everyone, I hope you live your life to the fullest and with absolutely no regrets. And as Taylor Swift says "be yourself, chase your dreams, and just never say never"

Thankyou <3



K E L L Y



NEWS

FROM YOUR HOUSE LEADER

As I start writing my Kelly House article tears start rolling down my cheeks. My special little friend Sophia Van Opstal chose to say good-bye to us. I have many fond memories of Sophia and I would like to share them with you. It was when I first saw her playing netball for the Ararat Football Netball Club in 2017. Oh my, she had an amazing tank and did not give up for 4 quarters. Her ability to run a game out in centre and play with such intensity was impressive. My regret is I didn't get to coach her.

Sophia would often make me laugh with her smart wit and directness. She would tell it straight, especially if she didn't fancy doing what she was forced to do (like going away with her brother's basketball team). I would saddle up next to her after a game to get her opinion about the game. Sophia was quick to tell me she would prefer to be home riding her horses.

To Jo, Alex and Lara my heart aches for you. I will miss my little chats with Sophia. She was one beautiful and strong willed young lady.

To those who knew her, especially the Year 12 students, try to focus on the good times you all had together because I know that's what Sophia would want. She will always be in your heart.

Often during these times of deep sorrow you see another side to students. Along with the Kelly TA teachers; Natalie Wirper, Michelle Hogan, Ben Naus, Nathan Baker and Olga Milne we would like to express our appreciation for the love, support and understanding shown by the Year 12s over the past week. Your parents should be extremely proud of you all.

We have now started Term Two. You will need to check your timetable and make sure you have the appropriate books and equipment for your classes. At this stage we will have a straight forward week.

The final week before the school holidays will be a short week with the Athletic sports on Tuesday the 4th of April. All students will be expected to go straight to Alexandra Oval on that day. It is a full school day, therefore can I please ask if you are picking your child up from the oval then it will be after 3.00 pm. We would appreciate all students to be present until the end of the day for the presentations and to help clean up.

Our final day of term will be on Thursday the 6th of April. At this stage periods 1 to 4 will be as normal. The dismissal will be after the final break at 2.15. When you return after the break all students will be expected to be in the full Winter Uniform for Term 2 and 3.

Next week our Year 9>s go on camp with Ms. McConachy. Hopefully they will make the most of our final week of Daylight savings. Special thanks to the staff who have been so generous in giving up their own time to go to camp. Can I please ask all Year 9>s, whilst on camp to; behave, have fun and go to sleep when told.

Let's make the start to Term 2 a positive one.

Donna Spalding



Athletics Carnival



**Please note the Athletics Carnival is a compulsory school day
ALL students are required to attend!**

The Marian College Athletics Carnival will be held on Tuesday 4th April, 2023. Parents are most welcome to come along and support our athletes at Alexandra Oval, Ararat but we will need to have parents located separately to students.

Students have had an opportunity at school to select the events they wish to enter. It is expected that all students participate in at least one event. Where this is not possible (eg. injury), students will be given roles to assist officials in the running of the carnival. Students will remain at Alexandra Oval during the day and will not be permitted to leave the venue. The carnival is a fun, active and colourful day and we look forward to seeing students getting into the spirit of the day by participating and supporting their team.

What: Marian College House Athletics Carnival.

When: Tuesday 4th April, 2023

Where: Alexandra Oval, Ararat.

Wear: PE uniform or house colours.

Food: Kiosk food will be available or bring own lunch.

No take away food is to be delivered by parents please.

Time: Students are to travel directly to the venue by 8.50 am. The school day will commence at 8.50 am with rolls being marked at the oval.

Buses: **Stawell and Country buses will drop off and pick up at the oval.**

Students will be dismissed from Alexandra Oval at approximately 3.15 pm.

Bring: Hat, drink, sunscreen. Warm layers if the weather is cold.

The Addams family

Cast List



Maiara Barry Goncalves
as
Morticia Addams



Cinta Kelana as
Gomez Addams



Laura Kondis as
Wednesday Addams



Aiden Bennett-Fathing
as
Uncle Fester



Jack Bartlett as
Lurch



Bella Bartlett as
Grandma



Charlie Bartlett
as
Pugsley Addams

Beineke family

Lucas Beineke - Ayden Linsley

Alice Beineke - Aubrey Wineberg

Mal Beineke - Isobel Leggett

Ancestors:

Asher Dunks, Charlie Sherer, Jackson Wilkins, Bella Smith, Amara Jagan, Ezealyn Jardine, Ava Hine, Ishika Gauram, Haylee Sobey, Luci Grayling, Bella Thomson, Zia Van Straaten, Michael Segedinski, Salman Alfarisyi, Darcy Venn, Amber Mayes, Monique Mayes, Elsa McConachy, Charlie Wilson, T Hendy, Penelope Bulger, Jude Bulger

GOLF COMPETITION

On Tuesday we had 6 students travel down to Ballarat to compete in the SSV Golf competition at Midlands Golf Club. In the Senior Boys competition we had Jack Clementson and Jacob Dunn. Junior Boys was Charlie Dunn and Levi Weppner and in the Junior Girls competition we had Elsa McConachy and Bridie Price. All students had fun day on what was a really toughly setup Midlands. The greens were quick and the pins were in tricky positions but Charlie Dunn handled it all really well to shoot 89 off a handicap of 21 to win the Junior Boys comp. It was tight coming down the last 4 holes with a few boys a chance to win. But Charlie made pars on the last 4 holes to win by 2 strokes. Charlie will progress on to the State Finals later in the year!!

Michael Harricks
Head of Sport



Recently, 58 Year 8 students spent 3 days in great weather, on Retreat in Angelsea at Camp Wilkin. While on camp students worked with Youth Ministry Team Leaders from Melbourne and staff from Marian College. The retreat provided all students with the opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of themselves as people of God, helped them better understand their talents and abilities, understand what self-image is and how to be more inclusive of others and how to respect themselves and others better. Students also tested their skills and sometimes their fears by "giving it a go" on

outdoor physical activities including canoeing, mountain bike riding, high ropes course and climbing wall. High ropes and canoeing were definite highlights for students who had a great time.

Thank you to Ms Glasson, Mr Armstrong, Mrs Walker, Ms Guan, Mr Clayton and Mr Casey who accompanied me and supported the students on camp. Without you, these opportunities would not be possible.

Mary-Lou Boatman



YEAR 8 RETREAT





On the 15th March all of us Years 8s took a two and half hour bus ride to Camp Wilkin, Anglesea. When we arrived we dropped our bags on shelves and had an introduction from the instructors of Camp Wilkin. We were then introduced to the Youth Mission team. They taught us about 'Self Image' in such a way it didn't feel like being taught. Our activities consisted of mountain bike riding, high ropes, canoeing, rock wall and a beach walk at night. On the religion side of things we were taught about God always being present through our life. There was also a games room located downstairs.

Jaz Bolzon



This year, me, along with the other Year 8s went to Camp Wilkin, it was fantastic. Over the duration of the camp we learnt valuable skills and spent time with friends. It was fun doing things like rock climbing and mountain biking, and to top it off we had Youth Mission Team Australia come in. They taught us very important life lessons, and they made it fun. It was a fantastic camp and we learnt in the process. 5 stars.

Wyatt Tunstall

YEAR 8 RETREAT



Year 8 Camp in Anglesea was fun because I got to hang out with all of my friends and get to know different people. My favourite part was playing volleyball with everyone.
Addi Lardner



CAREER NEWSLETTER

NEWS, RESOURCES, EVENTS



Thursday 23 March 2023

YEAR 12 STUDENTS

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR HIGH ACHIEVERS

The University of Melbourne – Hansen Scholarship

If you are planning to study at The University of Melbourne in 2024, you should consider applying for the Hansen Scholarship. Stage 1 applications are now open and close on Thursday 30 March (early bird applications have closed). You must be able to prove financial disadvantage to be eligible. <http://bit.ly/2TeHYgn>

Australia National University (ANU) – Tuckwell Scholarship

If you are planning to study at ANU in 2024, you should consider applying for the Tuckwell Scholarship. You are required to apply direct to ANU by 3 April for the courses you are interested in and by 13 April for the scholarship, <https://tuckwell.anu.edu.au/>

MEDICINE, DENTISTRY, ORAL HEALTH

Register for the UCAT ANZ

Year 12 students who are planning to sit the UCAT this year can now register to sit the test. Registrations will close on Wednesday 17 May, www.ucat.edu.au

Medicine Information Sessions (online)

Monash University
Wednesday 29 March, 5pm – 6pm
Book via www.monash.edu/discover/events

Charles Sturt University
Wednesday 29 March, 6pm – 7.30pm
Book via <https://study.csu.edu.au/life/events>

Private companies

The following are examples of companies that offer preparation courses and programs:
NIE, www.nie.edu.au
Medentry, www.medentry.edu.au
UCAT Masterclass, www.ucatmasterclass.com



AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE

Applications will open soon!

Year 12 students can apply for a 12-month position in the Air Force, Army or Navy to begin in 2024. Applications will open soon, www.defencejobs.gov.au

EARLY ENTRY APPLICATIONS OPEN

Charles Sturt University

Charles Sturt Advantage
Selection is based on Year 11 results and a soft skills assessment.
Applications close Friday 7 April
www.csu.edu.au

La Trobe University

Aspire – Year 11 Conditional Entry.
Selection is based on Year 11 results and a school endorsement.
Round 2 applications close Thursday 6 April
<https://www.latrobe.edu.au/study/aspire>

Australian National University

Direct Entry
Selection is based on Year 11 grades and meeting the service and co-curricular requirements.
Applications close Monday 15 May
www.anu.edu.au

University of New England

Early Entry
Selection is based on a school recommendation.
Applications close Friday 15 September.
www.une.edu.au



YEARS 9 – 12 STUDENTS

WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAMS

Note: families are responsible for all costs associated with these work experience programs, including transport and accommodation. To apply, please see your career adviser first to discuss dates and required paper work.

Science and Mathematics (Year 9 & 10)

Swinburne University offers week long work experience placements in the following study areas:

Applied Mathematics
Astronomy & Astrophysics
Biotechnology & Biochemistry

The work experience placements will be held at the Hawthorn campus. For information on dates and to apply, visit <https://bit.ly/4osprmN>

Laboratory Science (Year 10)

Deakin University is offering laboratory science work experience for 36 lucky students from Australia at their Melbourne Burwood campus. The experience is for high achieving Year 10 students who are interested in molecular biology and cell science. Dates for the experience are 12 – 16 June 2023. Applications are now open and students can apply via www.deakin.edu.au/sebe/outreach

Electrical Engineering, IT and Electrical Trades (Year 10 – 12)

CitiPower and Powercorp run a work experience program called 'Bright Sparks'. The week-long program offers female-identifying and non-binary students the chance to explore what a career in electrical engineering, IT or electrical trades might look like. The work experience will be held in Melbourne. For information and to express your interest, visit <http://bit.ly/3yXK1tm>



WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAMS

Female students - IT

Tata Consultancy Services'go IT Girls is a week-long work experience program aimed at female students in Years 10 and 11.

Participants meet senior executives from TCS and its client organisations, who provide insight into the various STEM roles that exist across the business spectrum with the goal of inspiring a new generation of innovators, problem solvers and technology professionals. goIT Girls will be offered as an in-person or virtual experience in 2023.

For information and to apply, visit <https://bit.ly/3lv58zT>

Games Design Work Experience

JMC Academy is offering a week of work experience at their campus in Sydney. Year 10 and 11 students are welcome to apply. Applications close Friday 31 March and the placement will run between 29 May – 1 June. There are limited places available. Apply via <http://bit.ly/3T1fCUe>

Australian Defence Force (ADF) Work Experience

The ADF offers work experience to Year 10 – 12 students. There are work experience placements available in the following roles:

ASD Cyber Security and Robotics
Indigenous Youth Placement: RCM Duntroon
Army Officer Overview: RMC Duntroon
Navy Aviation Overview
Air Force Aviation Program for Women
Indigenous Youth Placement: Army

Information - <http://bit.ly/3DaOThp>

Powerhouse Museum & Sydney Observatory

This work experience program gives insight into the operational aspects of a cultural institution, including museum practices, entertainment, education programs and visitor services. Students will support the delivery of public programs at the Powerhouse Museum, Sydney Observatory and the Museums Discovery Centre, working alongside staff and volunteers. Applications for July placements open on 1 May. Visit <http://bit.ly/3TwnLAd> for more information.



ALL STUDENTS

VETERINARY SCIENCE

Have you considered pursuing a career in veterinary science? Entry into Vet science courses is very competitive. You can apply to enter courses via undergraduate (straight from school) or graduate (complete a university degree first) entry. It's never too early to start preparing for course entry. The following are important tasks to focus on:

Subjects

It's important you are studying subjects that will enable you to enter undergraduate entry courses and be prepared for the rigour of university study. Recommended high school subjects are:

Chemistry, Biology and Physics
Advanced Mathematics.

Some undergraduate entry courses have prerequisites in Chemistry and Advanced Mathematics.

Work experience

Some courses will require you to demonstrate a 'commitment to the animal industry'. For these courses, you will need to supply evidence of work experience and/or volunteering as part of your application.

Interview

Some courses will require short-listed applicants to participate in an interview. Build your interview skills through practising with friends and family, and through engaging in community programs, employment, sport, and leadership programs.

For information on entry requirements for Vet science courses in Australia, visit <https://bit.ly/3TyVF7m>

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY (ANU)

Missed the recent Open Day? The University recorded the presentations and students and families can watch them on demand. Learn about the amazing courses, student services, accommodation and scholarships at ANU by watching the videos from the comfort of home, <https://openday.anu.edu.au/watch-listen>



UNIVERSITY COURSE SEARCH TOOLS

Course Seeker

There are many university courses at various institutions across Australia. It can be a daunting task to research your options, but the Course Seeker website has been designed to make this an easy process for you.

It contains a national course comparison tool which enables students to search, select and compare higher education courses and filter search results by ATAR, study area and location, www.courseseeker.edu.au

View course ATARs

If you would like view the ATAR profiles for university courses for each state, you can do this by using the course search functions on state based Tertiary Admission Centres.

Students will be able to view the lowest ATAR and lowest selection rank (ATAR inclusive of equity and academic bonus points) to receive an offer for the 2023 intake.

Course ATARs can be used as a guide when planning for post school studies. It's important to note that as selection ranks are based on the demand for a course, they may rise or fall for the 2024 intake.

Use the following websites to access up to date information.

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

BUSINESS + STEM

Do you love business and IT? Have a passion for analytics, apps, and entrepreneurship? Want to make an impact on communities and improve the lives of people and the environment? The team at Careers with STEM have written several excellent articles showcasing business + STEM occupations. Check out the huge range of careers you can explore and read profiles of people working in this exciting field, <http://bit.ly/4ztRqyo>

ACADEMIC INSIGHTS PROGRAM

The National Institute of Education (NIE) Australia has partnered with Immerse Education to bring you the Academic Insights Program for:

Medicine
Psychology
Veterinary Studies
Engineering
International Relations
Business Management, and
Creative Writing

The program will see students live and study at The University of Sydney between 3 – 13 January 2024. Participants will attend lectures, tuitions, complete a research assignment, and be involved in an array of social and cultural activities. Students will live at St Paul's College (University of Sydney) for the duration of the program.

The academic components of the program will be facilitated by academics from Oxford and Cambridge Universities, who will fly in and stay for the 10-day duration of the program.

In addition to all other activities, students will be receiving a Certificate of Completion, a detailed personalised performance review, and a personalised letter of recommendation, which they can use for applying to universities and various scholarship programs.

Program Inclusions:

- 10 nights' accommodation in a college at the University of Sydney
- Breakfast, lunch, and dinner in College Hall
- Accommodation in an individual bedroom
- 35 hours of academic sessions from Oxford University and Cambridge University tutors
- Carefully designed study and lecture materials
- Mentor program and access to support material
- Formal hall dinners at the University of Sydney
- Visits to iconic landmarks including Sydney Opera House, Darling Harbour, and the Taronga Zoo
- Cultural and social activities including Australian Football, Cricket, and opportunities for BBQ
- Graduation ceremony and certificate
- A detailed evaluation written by the tutors
- Mentor family photograph
- Free premium membership to UniPrepare's 'Nurture' plan

Note: the cost of this program is \$9,690 (11 days inclusive). For detailed information about the cost and how to enrol please visit:

www.nie.edu.au/academic-insights-program



WILL ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE REPLACE CERTAIN JOBS?

ChatGPT has recently been launched and this has increased online 'chatter' about the impact of artificial intelligence and automation on jobs and how this will impact young people.

When we look at huge changes resulting from automation in the past (e.g., the industrial revolution), we know that there is usually a period of change to tasks, skills and jobs and that whilst some jobs become obsolete or the demand lessens, other jobs are usually created.

In terms of AI, for people who are tech savvy, programs like Chat GPT and Microsoft Copilot will have a beneficial impact on their jobs in occupations like business administration, business analytics, marketing, content creation, research, and finance.

It may have a detrimental impact on occupations like copywriting, editing, and strategic planning as people who are tech savvy and know how to utilise the functions of these programs may have a lesser need to engage with people who provide these services.

What does this mean for you?

It's crucial to recognise that AI is a permanent part of our technological landscape. We've already witnessed the launch of game-changing AI programs this year, and as this sector presents a lucrative opportunity for entrepreneurs, we can expect to see a steady stream of new programs in 2023 and beyond.

Not all occupations will be impacted, but if you are planning to move into an occupation that will be, it's essential you understand what skills you will need to be able to keep up with changes in workplace tasks.

Workplaces will adapt to new technologies as they evolve and you will need to as well. Skills like digital literacy, understanding ethics, problem solving, critical thinking, collaboration, adaptability and technical skills will be essential.



JOBS IN ROBOTICS & AI

The team at Careers with STEM has written the following article for students interested in exploring careers in this exciting industry.

7 career and study pathways in robotics in AI

"With the increasing accessibility of free AI platforms, fresh grads with AI skills are in serious demand. In Australia, just over 20% of startups say AI is relevant to what they do, and by 2030 we'll need an extra 161,000 AI specialists to fill yet-to-be advertised jobs.

Not sure where to start with your studies? Suss our list of real-life AI role models doing incredible, innovative things in areas like machine learning, language, space, wildlife conservation and healthcare", <http://bit.ly/4zuZZse>



AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE ACADEMY

Students who would like to combine university study with a military lifestyle and career should consider applying for the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA), Canberra.

Students will receive a fully subsidised university degree from UNSW, a wage, and military training in the role you apply for.

Undergraduate degrees include:

- Arts
- Business
- Engineering – Aeronautical, Civil, Electrical, and Mechanical
- Aviation
- Computing and Cyber Security
- Science

Civilians can also study at ADFA, Canberra. For information and to start your application, visit www.unsw.adfa.edu.au



INTERESTED IN STUDYING BUSINESS?

Not sure where to start or what business specialisations will suit you? If you decide to study a business degree at university, you will choose a specialisation – this is called a major.

Majors are a sequence of subjects you study during your degree. When you are exploring business and/or commerce degrees at universities, it's important to research what majors they offer. This can help you to narrow down your university choices.

Monash University has developed an excellent website that enables you map your 'business personality' to business majors. You can explore the site at www.monash.edu/business/business-explorer

AUSTRALIAN JOBS REPORT 2022

The newly released 2022 Australian Jobs Report presents a user-friendly summary of employment patterns in Australia. It can help young people to understand the labour market and emerging skill trends and what skills will be in demand in the future. The team at My Career Match have created a visual breakdown of the report results. Download it here, <https://bit.ly/3CpL6JA>

COMPETITION - FILMMAKING

Calling all High School filmmakers

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 14 May. There are amazing prizes to be won, <https://bit.ly/3qmBaog>

AUSTRALIAN HARVARD MODEL UN CONFERENCE

For the first time, the prestigious Harvard Model UN Conference is coming to Sydney! With 1000+ Year 9-12 students expected to participate, this is an opportunity not to be missed. Visit the website to register your interest in this four-day event as an individual delegate. Visit www.hmunaustralia.org for more information.



NEW EXERCISE SCIENCE DEGREE

Deakin University has just announced a new degree starting in 2024 for high achievers – Bachelor of Sport and Exercise Science Advanced (Honours). The course aims to distinguish graduates in the field of exercise and sport science and will be offered at the Geelong Warrnambool Campus.

Leveraging Deakin's strong industry partnerships, students will complete 220 hours of placement experience within a variety of environments such as: professional sporting clubs, governing bodies, high performance centres, recreational gyms, and rehabilitation clinics ensuring they graduate job-ready. Learn about the course via <https://bit.ly/3lvS25w>

BACHELOR OF POLITICS, PHILOSOPHY & ECONOMICS (PPE)

Do you have interests in humanities, global studies and business but don't know what you would like to study at university in the future?

The Bachelor of Politics, Philosophy and Economics (PPE) might be the perfect choice for you! Here are some reasons why:

It's a mix of politics, philosophy, and economics, which can give you a broad understanding of how these fields intersect and influence each other.

You'll learn how to think critically about complex social, political, and economic issues from multiple perspectives.

PPE can lead to a variety of careers in law, public policy, government, business, and more.

You'll gain an understanding of global issues like economic inequality and international conflicts.

PPE can prepare you for further studies in law, public policy, economics, and philosophy.

You can study this degree at the following Victorian universities:

Monash University, www.monash.edu
Deakin University, www.deakin.edu.au
La Trobe University, www.latrobe.edu.au



TRAIN TO BECOME A FLIGHT ATTENDANT

Flight attendants (also known as cabin crew) ensure the check in and out of passengers on domestic and international airlines. They provide exceptional customer service and give clear guidelines to passengers about safety processes. They also provide food and beverage services to passengers and work closely with the pilot/s.

Interesting information about flight attendants in Australia:

78% are female

The average age is 38

There are 8,500 flight attendants employed

51% work full time

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

To become a flight attendant, you don't need formal qualifications, however some workers have completed the Certificate III in Aviation (Cabin Crew).

William Angliss Institute offers the Certificate III in Aviation (Cabin Crew). To find out about the course, go to www.angliss.edu.au

Requirements for flight attendants:

Search flight attendant jobs on www.seek.com.au to learn about employment requirements for different air carriers.

Common requirements include:

- Excellent health and fitness
- Able to swim 50 meters fully clothed
- Able to reach 180cms on flat feet
- 18 years +
- Security check
- Responsible Service of Alcohol
- First Aid certificate
- Experience in customer service
- Have a passport
- Can work a 24/7 roster

Did you know?

You can work as a cabin crew professional in the Air Force? You can also apply to complete a gap year in the Cabin Crew role. Information, www.defencejobs.gov.au



One of the best ways to develop ideas for occupations and courses is to participate in career events. Check the Career Newsletter for upcoming events and join social media accounts for any higher education provider or training institute you are currently interested in to ensure you are up to date with events. The following are events you may be interested in.

YEAR 9 & 10 STUDENTS

THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE

A Day at Melbourne

A Day at Melbourne is an exciting event for Year 9 and 10 students running at the Parkville campus on Saturday 22 April. Students will choose two hands-on workshops, participate in information sessions, and speak one to one with course advisers. Parents will be able to participate in two parent specific sessions. For information and to book your place, visit <http://bit.ly/3Jt8Kub>

MONASH UNIVERSITY

Girl Power in Engineering & IT (Year 9 students)

Year 9 female students are invited to apply for the exciting 4 year Girl Power program, including a three-night camp at the University of Melbourne, work experience in year 10 and mentoring opportunities in year 11 and 12, <http://bit.ly/3JocDSB>

Hands on Engineering and IT (Year 10)

Year 10 students can register to participate in free exciting engineering & IT workshops during the term break, <https://bit.ly/3SVAqfw>

YEAR 10 – 12 STUDENTS

SAE CREATIVE MEDIA INSTITUTE

SAE has several campuses across Australia. The Institute is opening its doors this April for a one-day program, designed to expand your skills and get you working on inspiring creative projects in the fields of Animation, Audio, Design, Film, Games, Music Production, or Songwriting. The event at Melbourne will be held on Saturday 29 April, <https://sae.edu.au/whats-on/>



YEAR 11 & 12 STUDENTS

MYSCI, MONASH UNIVERSITY

MYSci is a three-day science program specifically designed for students who are in Years 11 and 12. The program will run between 12 – 14 April at the Clayton campus. Program activities will include:

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

Cost: \$115 per student. This is a fantastic event! <https://shop.monash.edu/mysci-2023.html>

ALL STUDENTS

COLLARTS

Save the date! The Collarts Open Day is running on Saturday 13 May. The College offers a wide range of creative media courses such as design, animation, film, music, comedy and fashion marketing. Campus locations are at Collingwood, Fitzroy and Melbourne, www.collarts.edu.au/open-day

FLIGHT TRAINING

Flight Academy Australia (FAA)

FAA is running an Airline Pilot Workshop for students interested in aviation. The program will take place at the Essendon Airport on 18 and 19 April. The cost is \$1000. For information and to register, visit www.flyfaa.com.au

Smartair

Smart is located at the Albury Airport. They are running a 5-day school holiday program for students interested in aviation. The cost is \$1,400 and applicants will complete 5 x one-hour flights with an instructor. For information and to register, visit www.smartair.com.au



ACN NURSING AND HEALTH EXPO

The Australian College of Nursing (ACN) is hosting a Nursing and Health Expo on Saturday 1 April at the Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre. You will be able to explore career pathways, research courses, and speak directly to nurses working in a variety of practice areas. To register, visit www.acn.edu.au/events/nursing-health-expo

MONASH UNIVERSITY

Monash has the following course information sessions, campus tours, and information evenings running in March and April, www.monash.edu/discover/events

March

29	Discover Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences
29	Discover Medicine (online)

April

4	Monash Information Evening - Peninsula
5	Monash Information Evening - Warrnambool
19	Clayton campus tours
20	Caulfield & Peninsula campus tours
20	Discover Business

Access Monash: the following events will be held online, <https://bit.ly/3kVijth>

March

30	Regional student experience: introduction to university
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May

4	Study skills session
10	Law student panel
11	Nursing, Midwifery & Health Sciences student panel
16	Medicine & Biomedicine student panel.

AUSALIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (AIT)

AIT offers courses in games design, games programming, 2D and 3D animation, film, interior design, and mobile app development. The Institute is running an information evening at their Melbourne campus on Tuesday 4 April between 5.30pm – 8pm. For information and to register, visit www.ait.edu.au/upcoming-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, and remedial massage (Diploma).

The College is running a Natural Health Open Day on Saturday 15 April. You will be able to: tours the campus facilities, learn about student life, and chat to course advisers and academics.

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

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY (ACU)

Talk with Industry Series

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

- 18: Talk with Teachers
- 19: Talk with Lawyers & Criminologists
- 27: 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/

Discover ACU

Discover ACU events are designed to give students a taste of university life. Students will have the opportunity to participate in hands-on workshops with faculty experts, explore first-class facilities, chat with current students and alumni as well as take a tour of the beautiful campuses. The first Discover event will be held at the Ballarat campus on Thursday 20 April. For information and to register, visit <http://bit.ly/4o4WhEf>

NEW YORK FILM ACADEMY (NYFA)

NYFA is located on the Gold Coast, Queensland. The Academy offers courses in filmmaking, screen writing and acting and has campuses across North America, Europe, and the Asia Pacific. They are running an open day on Saturday 15 April. For information and to register, visit www.nyfa.edu.au/nyfa-events/



HIGHER EDUCATION CAMPUS TOURS

Students are invited to participate in on-campus higher education institution tours during the upcoming term break. Tours will be conducted by student ambassadors and specialist course advisers and will generally run for around 45 minutes.

Tours provide a perfect opportunity for prospective students and their families to ask questions about courses, student services, accommodation, and scholarships etc. The following are examples of institutes who are running tours:

Deakin University

12 – 20 April: participate in a campus and accommodation tour at the Deakin campus of your choice, <https://bit.ly/3w4hpyr>

Monash University

19, 20 April: participate in a tour of the Clayton, Caulfield, and/or Peninsula campuses, www.monash.edu/discover/events

18 April – April: Medicine, Nursing & Health Science tours, <https://bit.ly/3Yd4mM>

La Trobe University

Albury-Wodonga campus: book a campus tour by emailing Marcella Bulic, M.Bulic@latrobe.edu.au

Australian Catholic University

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

Charles Sturt University

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

Swinburne University

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

Box Hill Institute

Register for a 'talk and tour' session at the Box Hill (28 March) or Lilydale (30 March) campus. Register via, www.boxhill.edu.au



VCE AND CAREERS EXPO

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 a range of seminars on topics including:

- VCE subjects
- Tertiary courses
- Careers
- Employment opportunities
- Gap year options

Dates: Thursday 4 – Saturday 6 May

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

AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE

You can find out about careers in the Australian Defence Force through participating in free information sessions. There are sessions running at various locations across Victoria and NSW and online sessions, www.defencejobs.gov.au/events

THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE

Girls Programming Network

Whether you're just starting out or you're a programming pro, this free full day programming workshop is run by girls for girls. These events are one Saturday per term with the first event on 25 March, <http://bit.ly/3L5D3Ka>

Colleges – Open House 2023

If you're considering studying at The University of Melbourne in the future and would like to live on campus, you should consider attending Open House 2023. You will be able to tour the ten Residential Colleges and speak directly to advisers and current residents. The event will be held on Saturday 6 May 2023, 11am-4pm. For information and to register, visit <https://bit.ly/42yqpcy>

March 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
27 JUST A FARMER EXCURSION	28	29	30	31 VCE TOP DESIGNS EXCURSION
YEAR 9 CAMP				

April 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	4 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL	5 LEGACY SHRINE EXCURSION	6 STATIONS OF THE CROSS (POSTPONED) LAST DAY OF TERM 1 - EARLY DISMISSAL 2.15 pm	7 GOOD FRIDAY
HOLIDAYS				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
24 STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	25 ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	26 STUDENTS COMMENCE TERM 2	27 STATE SWIMMING	28 INTERMEDIATE & SENIOR GIRLS FOOTBALL

May 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY	2	3	4	5 BLACK RANGES ATHLETICS
YEAR 11 CAMP				