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Welcome!

This is the first edition of the Opportunities and Pathways newsletter. This document includes a wide range of announcements and resources that may be of assistance to Northside Christian College Senior School students and families. Students are encouraged to read the Opportunities and Pathways newsletter regularly and attend relevant events to expand their understanding of course and pathway options.

Careers Support at Northside Christian College

Northside Christian College provides Senior School students with support and information sessions and encourages students to make careful decisions about their future pathways based on their capabilities and learning styles.

Students and their parents are provided with up-to-date information about tertiary study and post school opportunities through a dedicated Schoology page.

Year 10 is an important year for decision making and includes much preparation for the students' Senior School phase of learning.

This includes completing a Work Studies course, attending Career Expos and participating in a range of training programs.

Year 10 students will also participate in a compulsory Work Experience Program during Term 3 to enable them to experience the world of work and to assist them with their career decision-making. Students may choose to trial the work environment that they may be considering studying at university - e.g. Physiotherapy or Education - or trial a Vocational Education pathway - e.g. Hairdressing or Hospitality.

In preparation for Work Experience, students carry out a range of vocational tests, are provided with tips on applying for positions and complete their Safe@Work Occupational Health and Safety certificates. In addition, students are provided with information about writing resumés and cover letters and are assisted to write their own resumé. Many students find their Work Experience a valuable tool in making decisions about their future career pathway.

For more information about the Careers program at Northside Christian College, please contact Mrs Lenna Waters at lwaters@ncc.vic.edu.au

VCE Winter School Programs

NEAP VCE Winter School

NEAP Winter School is running in July 2018 at Victorian University, Flinders Street Campus.

- Review Unit 3 content and be ready to jump into Unit 4 material at the Neap program.
- Get early preparation on Unit 4 topics and concepts to help you boost your Study Scores.
- Acquire strategies and problem-solving methods to boost your exam performance.

For more information, please visit:

https://smartstudy.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/website-Winter_school.pdf

Creative & Connected Winter School for Students

Tuesday 3rd July, 9am - Wednesday 4th July, 4pm
NGV International

Across two days of immersive learning and activity, VCE senior students are connected with artists, works of art, the creative process, and other students. The program provides a unique opportunity to build on folio work and gain inspiration for Semester Two.

This program focuses on current exhibitions including MoMA at NGV: 130 Years of Modern and Contemporary Art, Top Arts 2018 and Colony: Frontier Wars. The program includes a printmaking workshop inspired by MoMA at NGV, led by Annalise Mayer, recent recipient of the James Northfield Lithography Scholarship.

Cost \$120

Access Education

Bundoora, La Trobe University - 2nd - 4th July

The Access Education Mid-Year Lectures are a unique and comprehensive program during the first week of the July School Holidays. For more information about this opportunity to prepare for Semester 2, please refer to: <http://www.accesseducation.com.au/Event-Program/85/mid-year-lectures-2018>

Access Education Daily Challenge App

Access Education have developed an exciting revision app. The VCE-specific quizzes are delivered to your device. Questions are sent daily. The app assists with a range of subjects including Biology, Business Management, Chemistry, Food Studies, Health and Human Development, Legal Studies, Physical Education, Physics and Psychology. Available exclusively at: www.accesseducation.com.au

VCE Winter School University of Melbourne

This winter the Faculty of Arts at The University of Melbourne offers VCE students an unparalleled opportunity to prepare for History: Revolutions, Australian History, Literature, Italian, French and Indonesian exams with scholars and teachers who are experts in their fields.

VCE Winter School 2018 Flyer:

https://arts.unimelb.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0019/2713060/vce-winter-school-poster-2018-1.pdf

Please refer to:

<https://arts.unimelb.edu.au/engage/extended-and-community-learning-programs/vce-programs-and-kits/current-programs/vce-winter-school-2018>

Career Planning

Career Action Plan

The Career Action Plan from the Victorian Government is useful for all Senior School students in planning their futures. It includes handy checklists to help prepare for tertiary study and job applications.

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/teachers/teachingresources/careers/carframe/Pages/cap.aspx>

Job Jumpstart

Job Jumpstart is a resource from the Australian Government's Department of Employment that can help with finding a job, exploring study options, and planning a career.

<https://jobjumpstart.employment.gov.au/>

My Big Tomorrow

Students can investigate a range of career pathways with this interactive website. You may find out about a career you didn't know existed or see what a day in the life of your dream job is like.

<http://www.mybigtomorrow.com.au/>

Myfuture

On the Myfuture website you can build a career profile, discover different occupations, search for courses and much more!

<https://myfuture.edu.au/>

Grow Careers

Grow Careers provide resources for current and former students, parents and staff as people who support the career development of students and as people with their own career development concerns. The career information and resources that can be accessed from this site are targeted to the particular needs of the different users of this website. Select your category from the menu to access the information and resources relevant to your needs.

<https://www.growcareers.com.au>



University Open Days

Senior School students are encouraged to consider participating in a University Open Day during August.

On Open Days, universities provide students with an opportunity to tour facilities, speak with staff and gather additional course information. They usually include live entertainment, free activities, food trucks, competitions and fun giveaways. Some universities have multiple campuses with Open Days on different dates at their regional or smaller campuses.

Now is a good time to plan your dates for visiting universities later in the year. Please note that there is additional information published on the individual university websites.



La Trobe University

- Shepparton Campus - Friday 3rd August 2018
- Melbourne Campus (Bundoora) - Sunday 5th August 2018
- Albury-Wodonga Campus - Sunday 12th August 2018
- Mildura Campus - Wednesday 15th August 2018
- Bendigo Campus - Sunday 26th August 2018

<https://www.latrobe.edu.au/openday>

University of Melbourne

Sunday 19th August 2018

<http://openday.unimelb.edu.au>



RMIT

- Bundoora Campus - Sunday 5th August 2018
- City and Brunswick Campus - Sunday 12th August 2018

<http://openday.rmit.edu.au>

Australian Catholic University

- Melbourne - Sunday 12th August 2018
- Ballarat - Sunday 26th August 2018

http://www.acu.edu.au/student_experience/student_life/experience_uni_before_you_start/open_day

Deakin University

- Melbourne Burwood Campus - Sunday 26th August 2018
- Geelong Waterfront Campus - Sunday 19th August 2018
- Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus - Sunday 19th August 2018
- Warrnambool Campus - Sunday 5th August 2018

<http://openday.deakin.edu.au/>



Federation University

Mt Helen, Gippsland, Berwick, SMB, Camp Street Campuses
- Sunday 26th August 2018

<https://federation.edu.au/future-students/study-at-feduni/information-sessions-and-events>

Monash University

Peninsula Campus - Saturday 4th August 2018
Caulfield and Clayton Campuses - Sunday 5th August 2018
Parkville Campus - Sunday 19th August 2018

<https://www.monash.edu/open-day>



Swinburne University of Technology

Hawthorn Campus - Sunday 29th July 2018

<http://www.swinburne.edu.au/openday/>

Victoria University

Footscray Campus - Sunday 19th August 2018

<https://www.vu.edu.au/study-at-vu>

University Updates



DeakinInspire

Melbourne Burwood Campus: Tuesday 3rd July 2018

Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus: Thursday 5th July 2018

A unique one-day event to inspire young minds. DeakinInspire will unleash ideas to transform your way of thinking. Aimed at Year 10, 11 and 12 students, it's designed to empower you to reach your potential and inspire you with exciting ideas of how your future could look. Be there to hear inspirational stories and connect with meaningful experiences - be there to discover the future YOU. For more information, please refer to:

<http://www.deakin.edu.au/about-deakin/events/deakininspire>

Aspire Early Admissions Program

Applications Open 1st June 2018

La Trobe offers an Early Admissions program called Aspire. This program is designed to acknowledge secondary students who work hard to make positive changes in their schools and communities through volunteering. The Aspire Early Admissions Program acknowledges a student's volunteering efforts when they apply. As a successful applicant, students receive an offer into their course in September before they receive their ATAR. Applications close on the 31st August 2018.

<https://www.latrobe.edu.au/study/aspire>

Monash Scholars Program

The Monash Scholars Program is a prestigious program for high achieving secondary school students. The program gives prospective students a unique head start into university life by providing opportunities for personal and academic development. The program also provides students with the knowledge, skills and confidence to make decisions about future study options and enables them to build a network of peers, academic, and employment contacts.

The Scholars Program is suitable for students who are in the top 10% of their cohort, are university-focused, and who demonstrate leadership ability and a willingness to contribute to their community. Students begin the program in Year 10, continuing on through years 11 and 12. Over 1200 students participate in the program every year.

Applications for the 2018 intake will be open from Tuesday 1st May 2018. Students who apply for the program must be endorsed by the school to complete the application process. For more information about applying, including student eligibility criteria, please visit Monash Scholars Program 2018.

<https://www.monash.edu/study/why-choose-monash/information-for-high-achieving-students/monash-scholars/application-form-2018>



Monthly Physics and Astronomy Public Lecture

Last Tuesday of every Month

6.30pm: Activity

7.00-7.30pm: Lecture

Location: G29, New Horizons Building, 20 Research Way, Monash University, Clayton

Further lectures in this series:

- Tuesday 26th June - Large Hadron Collider (to be confirmed)
- Tuesday 31st July - Seeing the birth of solar systems - Assoc Prof. Daniel Price



Early Leaders Program (ELP) at Swinburne

The Early Leaders Program (ELP) provides secondary students with the opportunity to be recognised for extra-curricular activities, making themselves attractive candidates for future employers. The ELP is open to all students who are undertaking Year 11 in 2018. Completion of the Early Leaders Program can be a great achievement to include in applications for employment and further study. Undertaking it also provides a range of valuable benefits to students. For more information, please refer to:

<https://www.swinburne.edu.au/study/options/other-programs/early-leaders-program/>

ACU's Community Achiever Program

As a Year 12 student, do you demonstrate leadership in your school or workplace, coordinate a community initiative, volunteer in a local cultural, sporting or religious group or provide care to someone in need? ACU's Community Achiever Program is designed to acknowledge commitment to our local communities.

The Community Achiever Program (CAP) recognises a student's potential to achieve great things. A successful CAP application means a student could receive a provisional university offer as early as August to study at ACU. Being part of this CAP group also offers successful students unique opportunities to enhance their leadership and volunteering skills, while they study at ACU.

CAP applications to study in 2019

- Open - Tuesday 1st May 2018
- Close - Midnight Tuesday 31st July 2018
- Offers released by end of August 2018

Students are encouraged to start gathering their required documentation now to submit with along their application. Failure to meet all the requirements for the CAP will result in not being considered for the program.

Find out more at Community Achiever Program (CAP):

http://www.acu.edu.au/study_at_acu/pathways_and_entry_schemes/year_12_student_entry/early_entry

'My Melbourne Future' Series

Senior School students should note that during the months of May and June, the University of Melbourne will be hosting a series of free 'My Melbourne Future' Information Sessions at the Parkville Campus in the early evening, aimed at informing prospective students about the courses on offer and the career and personal development opportunities available to graduates. Hear from current students, academic staff and recent graduates about what it is like to study that degree or course at Melbourne. These events will include a Careers of the Future presentation, a sample lecture, student experience insights with Q&A and a courses expo.

Registrations will open soon, but students can pre-register for updates from the University of Melbourne at:

https://futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/explore/events/victoria_and_interstate/victoria/my-melbourne-future

Tuesday 26th June - My Future in Engineering

Wednesday 27th June - My Future in Fine Arts

Northern Melbourne VET Cluster



Northside Christian College is a member of the Northern Melbourne VET Cluster (NMVC). The NMVC is a consortium of secondary schools that have joined forces to improve the provision of VET programs in the Northern Region of Melbourne. The NMVC has 45 member schools from the State, Catholic and Independent education sectors. For more information, please refer to:

<https://nmvc.vic.edu.au>

Features of VET

- It is an accredited vocational education and training program (usually over two years).
- It enables students to complete a nationally recognised vocational qualification (e.g. Certificate II in Hospitality) and a senior secondary certificate such as VCE and/or VCAL at the same time.
- It allows students to go directly into employment or receive credit towards further study.
- It focuses on students developing industry specific and workplace skills.
- It is a vocationally oriented school program designed to meet the needs of industry.

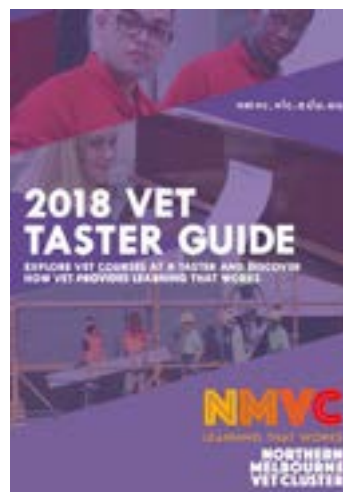
Source: Northern Melbourne VET Cluster

Year 10 VET Tasters During June, July and August

VETiS (Vocational Education Training in Schools) can be an exciting pathway of education for students to undertake as one of their options during Year 11 and 12. Doing a VET course will often help students make more informed decisions about VCE subject selection and post-secondary education pathways. For this reason, we have invited the Year 10 students to attend up to a maximum of three Taster Days at local VET venues during June, July and August. Taster Days give students a hands-on experience of the course.

Students are advised that some sessions can book out quickly; as a result, students are encouraged to register early. Students are asked to speak with Mrs Lenna Waters to find out additional details about the VET Taster Days.

We look forward to hearing about the experiences of our Year 10 students.





Apprenticeships

FAQs about getting an apprenticeship

<https://www.migas.com.au/news/get-an-apprenticeship-the-five-most-asked-questions/>

The difference between an apprenticeship and a traineeship

<https://www.migas.com.au/news/the-difference-between-an-apprenticeship-and-traineeship/>

Why be an Apprentice or a Trainee?

Directions offers information about apprenticeships and Traineeships for students wanting to enter these areas of further education.

<https://www.directionswa.com.au/job-seekers/%20apprenticeships-traineeships/>

Australian Apprenticeships Pathways Quiz

If you're thinking about doing an apprenticeship, this survey can help you work out where to start.

<https://surveyanyplace.com/s/aapathwaysat>

TAFE Career Quiz

This quiz uses brief multiple choice questions to determine prominent characteristics and then which career paths suit these.

<https://tafensw.instructure.com/courses/658/quizzes/39874>

AusAppPathways - Explore Apprenticeships & Traineeships

AusAppPathways is a free app that will help students and jobseekers explore the many careers that can begin through an apprenticeship or traineeship pathway. This free app can be downloaded on the App Store, or for Android users, on Google Play.

<http://www.ausapp.com.au>

My Gain Videos

These videos, brought to you by Australian Apprenticeships Pathways, show the stories of people working as apprentices and trainees in a huge variety of fields.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/AAPathways/videos>

How to ace an apprenticeship interview

This page provides information on what interviewers are looking for in an apprenticeship interview, including knowledge of the industry and English and Mathematics skills.

<https://www.migas.com.au/news/apprenticeship-interviews-what-do-we-look-for/>



Scholarships & Competitions

Scholarships

Good Universities Guide

There are a wide range of university scholarships available for undergraduate students. A scholarship can assist with the costs associated with course fees, textbooks, accommodation, transport and living expenses.

The Good Universities Guide website has a search engine for scholarships around Australia.

Please refer to:

<https://www.gooduniversitiesguide.com.au/scholarships>

New Scholarship at The University of Melbourne

From 2020, the University of Melbourne will be offering the new Hansen Scholarship to 20 high achieving students who may have experienced barriers to their education. The scholarship is worth between \$84,000 - \$108,000. For information on eligibility requirements and how to apply, please refer to:

<https://scholarships.unimelb.edu.au/hansen>

Competitions

One Minute Film Competition 2018

Entries close: Friday 3rd August

This competition is for students that want to use their creativity through media or just have a go! Open to all ages, film or animation. The topic is 'memory'. For terms and conditions and tips on how to film, please refer to the link below. Presented by ATOM. Entries are now open and close midday AEST on Friday 3rd August.

<http://1-minutefilmcompetition>

VCE Leadership Awards

The Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA) is encouraging students to apply for the 2018 VCE Leadership Awards. The awards recognise the efforts of students undertaking VCE studies in government and non-government schools to promote leadership and participation in their school and local community.

VCE Leaders will be selected in August 2018, and each leader will then meet with the VCAA selection panel in September-October for a ten-minute interview (in person, via skype, or over the phone). The VCE Leader of the Year will be selected from this group, and announced at the VCE Leadership Awards 2018 ceremony on Friday 23 November 2018 at Treasury Theatre in Melbourne.

Complete applications must be received via email or post by close of business on Friday 10th August 2018 to be considered. For more information, or to apply, visit the VCE Leadership Awards webpage.

<http://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/Pages/excellenceawards/vceleadership/index.aspx>



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There are many useful sources to assist students with finding out information about opportunities and pathways for Senior School students. These include:

- General careers websites
- University and TAFE websites
- Pamphlets and booklets available at school and institutions
- University and TAFE Open Days
- Career Expos

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Before acting on information in Opportunities and Pathways newsletter please check that all details, requirements and links are up to date as these are subject to constant revision.