LOCAL NEWS

HALLAM SC subscribes to WIRL CAREER, a website with a Careers Quiz and lots of Audio Visual Clips of people in various jobs talking about what they do. Check it out at:
www.wirl.com.au
USERNAME: hallamsc
PASSWORD: galaxy28

LOOKING FOR WORK? uWorkin & Casey Employment and Training have launched a local Jobs Portal. LIVE LOCAL, WORK LOCAL, EMPLOY LOCAL:

WOW CLASSES for Semester two are running smoothly with students currently preparing for their Mock Interviews that will be held at the Drum Theatre in Dandenong on Tuesday 10th September.

YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE, FOR ALL YEAR 10 STUDENTS, is scheduled for October 21 – 25. Students are expected to have arrangements in place and signed work experience forms are due in to Rose Schiavello in the Careers Office.

LOOKING FOR AN APPRENTICESHIP OR TRAINEESHIP? Come into the Careers Hub on Thursday lunchtimes, dates to be advertised on the Electronic Display Screens, to meet with Apprenticeships Services representatives from VECCI Apprenticeships Advisory Program and LINK EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING.

REMININDERS
• Occupational Therapy information evening; 5.30-8pm, Thurs 12 Sept; Austin Hospital, Studley Rd, Heidelberg; Register: email Monica.williams@austin.org.au
• Medical Radiations tours at Peter Mac; Sun 15 Sept; Information: ph 9656 1375, RTEducation@petermac.org.au, www.petermac.org.
• Deakin University’s school holiday program; 23-Fri 27 Sept; Info: www.deakin.edu.au/discover.
• Fashion Camp: 23 -27 Sept); Kangan Institute, Richmond; Cost: $785; Ages: 15 – 18 years; Book: www.kangan.edu.au/short-courses-melbourne/fashion-camp/aosc/tfashn12/
• Monash Year 11 Inspiration Day – explore options, university life, discuss your future; 26 Sept; Caulfield; Register: www.monash.edu/year11-day; Info: Eddie 9903 1613 or onshore-events@monash.edu.
• Nuclear Medicine Hospital Visits – What is nuclear medicine? Find out on a visit to a major hospital; 26-27 Sept; Info: medicalsciences@rmit.edu.au, see www.rmit.edu.au/medicalsciences/nuclearmedicine.
CAREERS IN PSYCHOLOGY – Many students indicate an interest in studying psychology, and are unsure what it involves. Find out by attending a ‘Careers in Psychology’ free information evening run by the Australian Psychological Society (APS) Student Society. **When:** 6.30-9.00pm, Fri 20 Sept; **Where:** Advanced Technologies Centre, Swinburne University of Technology, 427-451 Burwood Rd, Hawthorn; **Parking:** [www.swinburne.edu.au/corporate/facserv/parking.html](http://www.swinburne.edu.au/corporate/facserv/parking.html). Bookings not required.

YEAR 12 STUDENTS –

- **APPLYING FOR COURSES** - A reminder that you need to apply for courses through VTAC for 2014 by 27 September ([www.vtac.edu.au](http://www.vtac.edu.au)). The cost of applying up to that date is $27.00. If you apply after this date the charge rises to $91.00. You can apply without paying at the time, but be aware that if you do not pay at all, you will not receive an offer of a place in January 2014. Remember that once you apply, you can change your application. The final time you can change your application is at noon on 23 December.

- **SEAS application support for Category 3 ‘Difficult Circumstances’** is available through the Student Wellbeing Office. Students must book an appointment to speak to one of the social workers.

- **SCHOLARSHIPS** – Reminder: All current Year 12 students are advised to apply for Equity and Merit scholarships via VTAC. VTAC scholarship applications for domestic students close at 5pm on 18 October 2013. See: [www.vtac.edu.au/applying/process.html](http://www.vtac.edu.au/applying/process.html). Also check individual institution websites for other scholarships. There are also Student Start-Up and Relocation Scholarships available to students receiving income support; these are administered by Centrelink. Indigenous Commonwealth Scholarships are administered by institutions and will be allocated to students who meet the Commonwealth eligibility as described on the Centrelink website and have had their indigenous status confirmed.

- **OFFERS** – VTAC has announced that offer letters will no longer be mailed to applicants. When offers of places are released on 17 January 2014, applicants will be able to view their offers in their VTAC user account. Offers may also be published by newspapers with the applicant’s permission. NOTE: Verbal offers have no status; if you receive a verbal offer, ask for the name of the person making the offer and contact VTAC.

INTERESTED IN WORKING WITH ANIMALS? Werribee Open Range Zoo and Healesville Sanctuary are offering opportunities to find out more about what it takes to work in these environments, and to find out about careers. Check out the duties of keepers including feed preparation, animal enrichment, exhibit maintenance and animal encounters. **Werribee - When:** 24, 26 & 30 Sept and 2 Oct; **Book:** [www.zoo.org.au/werribee/whats-on/keeper-for-a-day.html](http://www.zoo.org.au/werribee/whats-on/keeper-for-a-day.html). **Healesville - When:** 24 & 25 September and 1 & 2 October; **Book:** [www.zoo.org.au/healesville/whats-on/keeper-for-a-day.html](http://www.zoo.org.au/healesville/whats-on/keeper-for-a-day.html). **Cost for any day:** $103 (incl morning tea). Healesville also has a **Vet for Day** program on 25 & 26 Sept and 2 & 3 October; **Book:** [www.zoo.org.au/healesville/whats-on/healesville-sanctuary-vet-for-a-day.html](http://www.zoo.org.au/healesville/whats-on/healesville-sanctuary-vet-for-a-day.html); **Cost:** $125. **Enquiries for all sessions:** 9285 9406.

AUTOMOTIVE MODERN APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM – Vantage Automotive P/L is a major provider of government funded vocational learning and outsourced services to major vehicle manufacturers. Applications are being sought from people interested in joining the motor trade. Applicants from all over Australia are encouraged to apply, and if you are selected will be offered full time employment at a dealer close to your home. Positions are already available for 2014. **Info/apply:** [www.vantageautomotive.com](http://www.vantageautomotive.com). Another suitable organisation is the Victorian Automobile Chamber of Commerce (VACC); see [www.vacc.com.au](http://www.vacc.com.au) and go to Apprenticeships and Training.

NURSING AT LA TROBE UNIVERSITY – From time to time, universities change the prerequisites for their courses. La Trobe university has announced that from 2016 (applicable to current Year 10 students) the Bachelor of Nursing and the Bachelor of Nursing/Bachelor of Midwifery will require a
study score of at least 20 in one of Units 3 & 4 biology, chemistry, physics, any maths, psychology, physical education or Health and Human Development (in addition to Units 3 & 4 English (any), currently the only the prerequisite).

LA TROBE MELBOURNE – La Trobe Melbourne is a pathway into a degree from La Trobe University. La Trobe Melbourne is part of the Navitas group, an internationally recognised education provider with the knowledge and resources of staff in more than 50 different college and campuses worldwide. The diploma programs are in Business, IT, Mass Media and Communication, Bioscience and Health Science. These diploma programs are equivalent to the first year of a University degree, but with smaller class sizes and increased academic contact. After you have completed the Diploma, you progress into second year of a range of Bachelor degrees at La Trobe University (see pages 230-231 of VTAC Guide).

NOTE: This is similar to the Melbourne Institute of Business and Technology's (MIBT) relationship with Deakin University. Monash College also has pathways to Monash University; Swinburne has UniLink. Another pathway to university is a TAFE Diploma. As a rule, two years at TAFE equals one year at university (in a related field).

NOTE ALSO: These programs and similar at Monash College are Domestic Fee Places where you must pay the full cost of the course without a government subsidy.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY (ACU) BONUS SCHEMES – ACU offers a number of bonus schemes to Year 12 applicants, including the Early Achievers Program (EAP) and the Elite Athlete Bonus (5 point bonus). Some of these schemes apply to applicants automatically, while others require an application form. For details see: www.acu.edu.au/accessacu. Applications for EAP close on 21 October; applications for the Elite Athlete Bonus scheme close on 1 November.

MORE THAN ONE CAREER – A LAW PANEL EVENT – The Faculty of Law at Australian Catholic University (ACU) is hosting a panel of law professionals to discuss the benefits and opportunities from studying law. It is an opportunity for students to find out about the range of careers that ACU law graduates may undertake. Some panel members have pursued the traditional employment path, while others use their degree to influence policy or fulfil a critical role in organisations. Guest panel members include Cr Jackie Fristacky, Mayor of Yarra City Council, George Georgio SC, Barrister, Peter Seidel Partner, Arnold Bloch Leibler and Danielle Taske General Counsel, Work Safe.


JMC ACADEMY – has workshops in the holidays to help you find out what a career in the creative industries can be like. JMC specialises in courses in 3D animation, audio engineering and sound, entertainment business management, film and TV production, games design and contemporary music performance. Where: JMC, 171 Bank St, South Melbourne; Cost: $10 per day (with lunch);


AUDIO-VISUAL TECHNOLOGY - Do you want to learn the broad skills of the audio-visual industry including lighting, sound, TV production, design, installation and event management while working on real-life productions and events around Melbourne? If so, you might be interested in the one-year Certificate IV or the two-year Diploma in Audio-Visual Technology at RMIT. Audio-visual technologies have a worldwide presence in home, shopping, government and corporate environments, and their evolving applications are one way for companies to differentiate themselves from competitors. As AV technology is aligning with computer technology, new job roles are being created to cater for a new market. Industry professionals often look to employ RMIT graduates due to their professionalism and strong can-do attitude. Info: www.rmit.edu.au/programs/c4230.