FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear members of the Avila community,

This past fortnight has seen numerous learning opportunities happen within the walls of Avila College and, in addition, extended opportunities into the wider community and some vastly different places of learning.

Students from Year 8 Pink, Purple, Red and Silver have just completed their week of City Experience and from hearing and seeing first hand the presentations made to their parents last Friday evening in at City Cite – there certainly was new and interesting learning that took place during the week. My thanks are extended to Marina Kelly, our Discovery Learning Co-ordinator, and the staff who supported the students throughout the week.

Our Year 7 and 9 students recently undertook their three days of NAPLAN testing and our Year 9 students are the first cohort of students throughout the country to have undertaken NAPLAN tests for the four targeted years – Years 3, 5, 7 and this year as Year 9’s. These tests provide valuable data for us as a school community to ensure our learning and teaching programs are ‘keeping pace’ with national standards. As a constructive opportunity for learning, students approached these tests in a positive manner. Staff reminded students that the tests were about “doing your best”.

Other opportunities for students this past fortnight have included: Reflection Days for students in Years 9, 10 and 11; our student ambassadors leading tours for over 200 visitors throughout the College at our Open Morning this week; our Athletics team coming third overall at the SCSA Athletics held at Lakeside Athletics track; and some outstanding results in the recent Aerobics competition held in Geelong by both our team and single entrants. Well done to all on these outstanding achievements. I would like to pay particular thanks to all the staff who so often give of their own time after school and on weekends to support students in these various events.

I know that one of the challenges facing our students when they leave school and enter the workforce will be to break through the so called ‘glass ceiling’. Lucinda Nolan, Deputy Commissioner of Victoria Police is a great example of just how it can be done. We are very fortunate to have Ms Nolan visiting the College to speak about Building Resilience for Strong Female Leaders. I encourage both parents and students to attend this presentation, as it is a wonderful opportunity to hear from someone who has attained great success in her 30 years with the force. The event, organised by the PFA, will be held from 7.30pm in Bunjil on Wednesday 4 June. To book, go to the College website, News and Events, Bookings. Entry is via Gold Coin donation to support the Blue Ribbon Foundation on the night.

On a personal note I would like to thank all staff, students and parents who were recently invited to be part of my Year 4 Principal Formative Review conducted by the Catholic Education Office. In the near future I will receive a report outlining commendations and recommendations for the next three years of my principal contract.

With God’s blessing to all members of our Avila community.

Louise Gunther
Principal
LEARNING AND TEACHING NEWS

Parent Access Module (PAM)

Parents will be able to access their daughters’ Semester One reports via Avila College’s online Parent Access Module (PAM) on Friday 27 June. As part of a shift to making effective use of digital technologies, hard copies of semester reports will not be distributed. Online reports can be easily downloaded and archived for ready reference when needed. All parents have been issued with personal login information for PAM earlier this year. Semester reports from the second semester of 2010 onwards are available to parents via PAM. When Semester One reports are finalised on 27 June, parents will be sent an email to alert them that they are available.

All students use our online learning management system (SIMON) every day and have access to their semester reports through it. This means that if parents have concerns about accessing reports through the Parent Access Module (PAM), they may ask their daughter to access the report from SIMON. PAM also provides parent access to real time attendance data and to students’ timetables. Any parent with queries about PAM may contact the College Help Desk via email support@avilacollege.vic.edu.au or phone 9831 9634. The IT Help Desk is open each school day and IT staff will be available to respond to technical queries in the first week of the mid-year school holidays (30 June - 4 July 2014).

NAPLAN

Like students all across Australia, Avila College students in Years 7 and 9 sat the NAPLAN tests last week. Students are commended for their co-operative approach to this formal testing program. The results from the tests are expected in September and will be mailed home to parents and used by teachers to inform their teaching too.

Madeleine Franken
Deputy Principal Learning and Teaching

Home Economics Victoria Suzanne Russell Leadership award

College Principal, Louise Gunther was recently awarded the Home Economics Victoria Suzanne Russell Leadership award. The recipient of this award is someone who demonstrates exceptional leadership qualities of vision, guidance and advice, a commitment to social justice, honesty and integrity within Home Economics Victoria and the Home Economics profession. 2014 marks Louise’s tenth year of service as President of Home Economics Victoria. She is the longest serving President of HEV, and has seen the organisation through a number of changes, as well as hosting the International Federation of Home Economics World Congress in 2012. The Avila community congratulates Louise on this outstanding achievement.

Rebecca Cetrola
Deputy Principal Administration

AVILA Uniform Shop News!

Please note that PSW, our school uniform suppliers, have advised that their store will be closed on Mondays during Terms 2 and 3, this year.

Opening hours at the Mount Waverley outlet will be:

Tuesday-Friday: 8:30am- 5:00pm
Saturday: 9am-2pm

However, if you need Winter uniform items, there are many second hand items in good condition available in the Avila Second hand uniform shop. There are lots of skirts, jumpers (both maroon and navy), blazers, blouses and track tops. So consider the savings before you buy!

The Avila Second Hand Uniform Shop will be open, from 1-4pm on:
28 May and 18 June, 23 July 2014.

The Second Hand Uniform Shop is located behind the VCAL House, diagonally opposite the front gates of the school. Students can visit the shop during their lunch break or after school.

If you need a second hand uniform but cannot come on the dates above, please phone the Avila Office 9831 9600 on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday mornings to arrange another time.

Alternatively, you can email vnicoll@avilacollege.vic.edu.au with any query about a second hand uniform.
Magistrates’ Court Visit
On Monday 12 May, nineteen Year 10 World Of Commerce students visited the Melbourne Magistrates' Court. As part of the Legal Studies component of the unit, students examine the operation of the Victorian court hierarchy. The girls met and were addressed by Judicial Registrar Barry Johnstone and then had the opportunity to view the court in session.

Philip Cornell
Year 10 World Of Commerce Teacher

Melbourne Uni Engineering Workshop
On Monday 14 April, at Melbourne University, we were Engineers for a day! We embarked on an experience we will never forget. Our journey began with a workshop conducted by Robogals. Robogals is a student-based team, which helps to involve girls in engineering topics. With Robogals, we were able to make a LEGO car move, with the help of technology of course. We toured through many stations at Melbourne Uni. Our first station was the 3D printer. It was a once in a lifetime experience, seeing these printers print objects, which could be physically handled. We made our way down to the fluid labs, wind tunnel and wave pool. We had the experience of seeing the largest wind tunnel in the world. Our last stop was the thermodynamic lab and it was a time for us to look and examine many large machines. Once lunch arrived I could smell the pizza, which we filled our stomachs with. Now it was time to get dirty! We made Oobleck, a non-newtonian fluid, which had unique properties, in other words it was a fluid which acted like a liquid when being poured but a solid when a force was acting upon it. Our day came to an end but it was a day we will always remember.

Amanda Disilvestro and Jovita Thomas
Year 10 Students
The Charles St Chocolate Factory

A deliciously marvellous performance was one way to describe Avila’s Creative Arts Festival this year. The theme was “Charlie and the Chocolate Factory”, with the festival appropriately being titled “The Charles St Chocolate Factory”. The Orchestra, led by Ms Beth Lyall, opened the exciting night with some famous tunes such as “The Willy Wonka Medley”, which included hits from the movie - “Pure Imagination” and “I’ve got a Golden Ticket”. Throughout the night, we watched the exciting story unfold. We witnessed in delight (and sometimes shock) Augustus Gloop go down the chocolate river, Violet turn into a blueberry, Veruca Salt being too greedy for her own good, Mike TV disappearing into a TV, and finally Charlie winning the contest. This was all made possible by the fabulous drama, dance, multimedia and music items, including an array of talented students from all year levels in fantastic costumes and on a stage designed by the Art department. These items all worked together seamlessly to create the magical mystery that is Creative Arts.

The spectacular finale, with all students involved dancing to “I Want Candy” played by the ‘rocking’ rock band, was the perfect way to end the spectacular night.

All would not have been possible without the talents of many; the sensational Stage crew, who worked tirelessly under the guidance of Mr Allan Kennedy, Miss Madeleine Scott-Jones, Miss Jill Woffenden, Mrs Donna Bell, Mr David Bullock and Ms Chris Nichols; the ‘dramatic’ Drama Department; under the guidance of Miss Darcie Kane-Priestley, the ‘musical’ Music Department; under the direction of Ms Roxane Lascaris, the fabulously co-ordinated dancers and choreographers; organised by Ms Lauren Stute, the ‘artistic’ Arts team; inspired by Mrs Jolenta Kirkwood, the well dressed actors in their costumes; designed by Mrs Lisa Walsh, the support of Miss Rebecca Cetrola and the Leadership Team and the technological wizardry of Mr Jason Isma and his team. A huge congratulation is owed to all people who made this evening the amazing night it was and to all students involved on stage - what a night it was!

Relive the magic with the DVD available at the library, information available through the student bulletin. Chocolate may or may not be included in this deal.

Julia Prestia and Catherine Smith
Year 12 Drama Captains

Year 11 Psychology - Piaget's Theory of Cognitive Development

The Year 11 Psychology class have been learning about Piaget's stages of cognitive development. Jean Piaget's theory was first translated into English in the 1920s. He proposed that all individuals move through four distinct stages of cognitive ability. As part of their assessment this semester, the three Year 11 Psychology classes interviewed Year 1 & 2 students from Holy Family Primary School, and Year 7 students from Avila College, to investigate any differences in cognitive development between the age groups.

The Year 11s engaged their participants in a variety of activities and cognitive tasks, including some abstract thinking. One of the girls from Holy Family had this (rather gorgeous) response to our question:

"If you could have a third eye any where on your body, where would you put it and why?"
"I'd put it in my chest.. because that is where all of my important organs are kept."

Our thanks are extended to the students we interviewed from both Avila College and Holy Family Primary School, and to Mr Paul Wakeling (Principal, Holy Family Primary School).

Madelaine Scott-Jones and Kelly Bunning
Year 11 Psychology Teachers
Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA)

On the 3 and 4 of May, we, along with Sophia Elliott and Shruti Soni, attended the Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA). MUNA is a public speaking and debating competition held by Rotary annually, to mimic the United Nations and their response (or lack of response) to current issues. Student pairs are allocated a country to represent. Sophia and Shruti were allocated Saudi Arabia and we were allocated Spain. We prepared arguments on issues, such as women's rights, the death penalty, and Russia and Ukraine; debating from the angle of our countries. The event was held in Parliament House, in the Legislative Assembly and the students from the different schools were gifted with a short tour of the building and the opportunity to eat lunch in the Member's dining room.

MUNA was a valuable and enlightening experience, which taught us many public speaking skills and allowed us to meet people we would never have otherwise met. Mrs Bunning and Mrs Valladares accompanied us on the Saturday and Sunday respectively, having helped us prepare for the challenging, but rewarding, opportunity to express our interests in current world issues. We were able to understand the difficulties and lengthy processes that our world leaders endure on a regular basis. By the end of the weekend, all participants had honed their skills in debating and camaraderie. Despite having debated against each other passionately, at the conclusion of the event we were sad to say goodbye. It was an experience we will never forget, and we will be eternally grateful to both the Rotary Club Mount Waverley and Avila for providing us with this wonderful opportunity.

Margaret Hurley and Felicity D'Art
Year 11 Students

MGA Exhibition

Many of you may already know and frequent the Monash Gallery of Art (MGA), a local gallery that focuses on collecting Australian photography. The gallery, situated on Ferntree Gully Road in Wheelers Hill, is recognised as one of Australia’s leading public galleries promoting excellence, access and education. This gallery has been a great source of inspiration for myself, other photography teachers, and students here at Avila College since it opened in 1990. Currently the gallery has a photographic exhibition of Australia’s own and loved photo-journalist Rennie Ellis but also on show until 8 June is the annual exhibition called TOPSHOTs which celebrates the best of the photomedia work produced by graduating students of the past year. Each year MGA receives over a hundred images from VCE Art, Media & Studio Arts students. This year we are very excited to inform you that our very own 2013 Art Captain and Studio Arts Photography student Rachelle Criticos has had her work selected for display. Rachelle is currently studying a Bachelor of Visual Communication Design at Monash University Caulfield. This is a great honor for Rachelle, and Avila College, and we are very pleased to have a student selected for this prestigious exhibition.

The gallery also displays the students’ process workbooks and visual diaries so you can see their progress from concept to final work and all the trials in between. I highly recommend that students intending or considering studying Studio Arts in Year 10, 11 and in particular Year 12 in 2015 attend this exhibition. The gallery is free and open on weekends too. Please use the link below to check the hours and have a preview.


Jolenta Kirkwood
Curriculum Leader The Arts
Year 11 Formal


Oh, what a night! Friday May 9 had FINALLY, after many months of preparation and anticipation, arrived and did not disappoint! An early finish saw girls rushing from school to all their pre-booked appointments, faster than you could say, “See you at the formal!”

It was the evening that saw the Year 11 students evolve into beautiful butterflies. As each group arrived at the Lincoln of Toorak, some making a grand entrance with their luxurious limousines, the girls and their partners were greeted and directed by some staff to the ball. The official welcome was delivered by two of the S.R.C. leaders, followed by the delicious three cheese ravioli with napoli sauce…yum! However, not even food could stop teenage girls getting their professional photo’s taken by Hikari Events Photography and taking advantage of the PhotoBooth.

Like any true Avalonian event, the dance floor was filled all night with gorgeous girls dressed immaculately, and their partners dressed to impress. Besides the backflips and the twirling, it was the teachers that showed the students how dancing is really done, by busting out some moves.

A perfect evening could not have just happened without the many months of planning. It is a true credit to the VCAL students for organising such a successful and memorable night, with the help of Ms Jenny Dunn, Miss Rebecca Cetrola and Mrs Anna Marvelli. Thankyou to the photographers, the DJ and the staff at the Lincoln of Toorak, for their part in making our night one we will never forget. To all the staff that attended the Year 11 Formal, thankyou for showing us how dancing should really be done. Thank-you to all of our parents who had to do all the running around for us; every single student looked absolutely gorgeous!

And now, the countdown to our Year 12 Formal begins…9 and a half months and counting!

Kate Lentini
Year 11 Student
MEET... THE SPORT CAPTAIN & SPORT VICE-CAPTAIN

Maryanne Harley

It was an incredible honour to be elected Avila College Sports Captain for 2014 and to be given the opportunity to lead such an enthusiastic and hard working team. Without a doubt, the most rewarding part of my experience so far has been seeing such high levels of participation and being able to share my love and passion for sport, which Avila so wonderfully nurtured, with all of my peers.

What I love about the culture of sport at Avila is the power it has to bring different people together. I have represented the college in a number of sports from football to athletics and basketball and it is this involvement, particularly in netball, that has enabled me to befriend so many of my peers whom I otherwise wouldn’t have met. It is these friendships that I will cherish as my fondest memories of my time at Avila College which is why this year I have and will continue to encourage everybody of all skill abilities to become involved.

Rebecca Abbott

Sport has always been a massive part of my life. From an early age, I was a swimmer, netballer and did gymnastics. At Avila, right from the start, I met girls with the same interests as me, and those girls have become some of my best friends.

In my time at Avila, I have been part of the Athletics, Gymnastics and Netball teams as well as a member of the Swimming Team. It has been my absolute pleasure to lead the Swimming Team in 2014, as many fantastic girls have done before me.

Sport is so much more than whether you win, or lose, and my experiences with the sports teams only affirms this. It is where friendships begin, and mates are made for life. This year, I am so honoured to be part of the sport leadership team, and with Maryanne, I hope that we can encourage more girls to get involved, and give sport a go.

MATHS HELP

Catch up Corner

Maths help is offered at Catch Up Corner at lunchtimes for students in Years 7 to 10 who need extra help or a more detailed explanation of a more difficult concept. These sessions are held in Room 66.

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VCE Maths

VCE students are encouraged to maximize their opportunities for learning within class time. Of course, if a student has a particular concern, she may make an appointment to meet with her teacher at lunchtime or in a study lesson. If an appointment is made, a student should have a very clear list of the work she wishes to review.

Mathsonline.com.au

All Years 7 to 10 students have been given log in details for this Maths website. Maths Online guides your daughter through maths topics, lesson by lesson, allowing her to pause, rewind and repeat all or part of any lesson. Your daughter has access to skills from other year levels, which provides her with the opportunity to revise skills previously learnt or to attempt more difficult skills. Each lesson includes a test so that your daughter can see how well she has understood the work. Your daughter’s teacher may set specific lessons for her to do or your daughter can attempt lessons any time.

Rosie Ryan
Curriculum Leader Mathematics
Year 8 City Experience

Last week saw Melbourne’s CBD blessed with both beautiful weather and the company of students from Year 8 Pink, 8 Purple, 8 Red and 8 Silver for the first of two Year 8 City Experience programs for 2014. The students in these four classes started the week off by exploring the CBD both on foot and from above, with visits to a range of popular CBD locations and the Eureka Tower. The next three days saw them investigate a range of social justice issues in the CBD through visits to the Magistrate’s Court, Urban Seed's Credo Cafe and the Big Issue classroom. Students also learnt more about Melbourne's unique character through exploring street art and sculpture and tasting the many delights on offer at the Queen Victoria Market.

In groups, students also explored a ‘Big Question’, related to many of the activities we did throughout the week. The students surveyed members of the public, interviewed experts and key stakeholders, and put together both digital and poster-board displays of their findings. These findings were presented to classmates on Friday afternoon, and to parents on Friday evening through an eagerly awaited and highly successful parent presentation ceremony.

Many thanks must go to the dedicated staff who accompanied the students to the city for the program: Mrs Anne Graham, Mr Paul Ekers, Mrs Brenda Dent, Ms Fiona Russell and Ms Rebecca Cusmano. The Year 8 Co-Ordinator, Miss Ingrid O’Sullivan, is also extended thanks and appreciation for the hard work put in to making the program a success.

Students in 8 Blue, 8 Gold, 8 Green and 8 Orange will attend the City Experience program on October 6 - 10. Parents of students in these homerooms are reminded that this is the first week of Term 4, and are asked to be mindful of this when making holiday plans for the September school holidays.

Marina Kelly
Discovery Learning Co-Ordinator

From left - Olivia Lee, Chloe Simoni, Logan Sharrock, Jade Morgan and Leah Whiting visiting St Paul's Cathedral. Olivia Lee and Logan Sharrock plan the next stage of their City Experience adventure.

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PARENTS AND FRIENDS REPORT

I was delighted to attend the Open Morning on Tuesday 20 May at the College. It was lovely to see our daughters escorting potential students and parents on tours around our school. The families I spoke to over a cup of tea afterwards were very impressed with the warm welcome they received and all of the opportunities that Avila has to offer.

Lucinda Nolan Presentation Evening

Building Resilience for Strong Female Leaders
7.30pm Wednesday 4 June
Bunjil

If you have not booked for our Guest Speaker Evening on Wednesday 4 June, please do so through the College website, News and Events, Bookings.

Lucinda Nolan is the Deputy Commissioner of Victoria Police and I am sure we can learn a lot from her about resilience and success. I think it is an excellent opportunity for our girls to hear from a great role model, so book now to secure your seat. The event is for both parents and students. There is no cost to attend but we will be collecting a Gold Coin Donation for the Blue Ribbon Foundation.

Parent Gala Evening with BABBA

BABBA Parent Evening
7.30pm Friday 8 August
Gym

Preparations are well underway for our Parent Gala Evening featuring BABBA.

BABBA will be performing at a special parent evening in the Gym from 7.30pm on Friday 8 August. Now is the time to think about getting together a table or you can book tickets individually. Tickets are $35 per head and it will be B.Y.O. food and soft drinks. Wine and beer will be available at bar prices on the evening.

Places are limited so book now at the College website, News and Events, Bookings to be part of what will be an amazing night for our community.

Mother’s Day Raffle

I would like to congratulate the following winners of the Mother’s Day Raffle:

1st Prize Marlene Storey
2nd Prize Gabriella Macpherson-Caldeira
3rd Prize Blanca Camacho
4th Prize Sylvia Cooper
5th Prize Audrey Chew
6th Prize Karen Roache
7th Prize Genevieve Cuthbert
8th Prize Bec Mazzarella.

I look forward to seeing you at the Lucinda Nolan presentation on June 4.

Please feel free to join us at our next PFA committee meeting in the Dining Room on Wednesday 18 June at 7pm.

Loretta Stapleton
President, Avila College PFA
SCSA Athletics Carnival

After numerous weeks of Tuesday and Thursday evening trainings, the athletic squad of 60 girls arrived at school eager to compete in their track and field events. It was an early morning that started with an expedition of yawning and half awake students in the gym foyer. However, as the beginning drew nearer the girls quickly kicked into gear, stepping off the bus with an abundance of blankets and hoodies to keep the athletes warm between races. With fewer numbers of senior students due to other commitments we were relying on a big lift from the younger athletes.

The day started with the hurdles, followed by the lengthy 1500 meter run. After the first score check Avila was placed in sixth position, which wasn’t too bad but we all secretly knew we could redeem ourselves in the 100m sprints, and redeem ourselves we did placing third after the second score update.

It was a busy day for all the athletes, which saw some having to juggle with switching between two events at once. The girls worked hard throughout the day ensuring Avila in third place on the podium, an excellent achievement! The commitment to training and hard work has paid off. Thankyou to all the girls who participated and to the teachers who made the day possible, particularly Mr Bullock and Mrs Bell for coaching the team.

A special mention for extraordinary performances on the day goes to Grace Cross and Monique Larose. Also to Maggie Minchin, Edwina Williamson and Stephanie Smith for their efforts on the day.

Simone Louey and Tamara Ludekens
Athletics Captains

Upcoming Trials

- NETBALL – Trials for netball have been completed. Team lists will be posted shortly
- HOCKEY – The second Hockey trials conclude this week, Juniors Tuesday 3.30-4.30pm and Seniors Thursday 3.30-4.30pm. Teams will be posted shortly

Trainings

BASKETBALL
- Juniors – Tuesday – 3.30-4.30pm
- Intermediates – Wednesday – 3.30-4.30pm
- Seniors – Thursday – 3.30-4.30pm

CROSS COUNTRY – training is Wednesday morning. Arrive in the gym foyer at 7am. The run is from 7.15-7.45am. All welcome

Upcoming Tournaments

SCSA Basketball – Monday May 26 at the Melbourne Sports and Aquatics Centre, Albert Park
PATHWAYS NEWS

The Careers Hub has continued interviewing Year 12 students so they should now be in a position to further investigate and consider their options for 2015 and beyond. Each Year 10 class will now be allotted a week when students can make an appointment for a Careers interview so they too can begin to think about their future Course / Career Pathway. Further information will be provided on Tuesday 29 July when Year 10 and Year 11 students have a Careers Day. Year 9 students are having a Careers Day on Friday 20 June. This will provide them with an opportunity to consider their interests and possible course and career goals. Any past students or friends of Avila College who would be willing to speak to Year 9 students about their Career pathway please contact Geraldine McKenna in the Careers Hub.
Email gmckenna@avilacollege.vic.edu.au

An Avila College Careers Guidance website is under construction. It contains links, latest news and information about the Careers Program at each Year Level at Avila. The link is now on Simon.

Latest News / Upcoming events:
Below is a list of information sessions coming up next month at the Defence Force Recruiting Centre (DFRC) in Melbourne:

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RMIT News

RMIT is both a university and a VET provider, with campuses in the City and at Bundoora. RMIT has many opportunities to learn about their courses in the next holiday break.

CHECK OUT SCIENCE AT RMIT – ’Science in the City’ is a specialised tour of RMIT’s facilities where students and parents can learn more about science programs. Find out about the wide range of single and double degree science programs available at the city campus including biology, biotechnology, chemistry, environmental science, food science, nanotechnology and physics. You will also gain knowledge of career options. When: 11am-1.30pm, Mon 30 June and Mon 22 Sept; Register at: www.rmit.edu.au/appliedsciences/discover.

RMIT EXPERIENCE DAYS – RMIT has events for Year 10-12 students giving insights into life on campus. Mon 30 June, Accounting and Finance, Trades Day; Tues 1 July, Community Justice, Engineering (City), Health and Medical (Bundoora), Journalism and Audio Visual; Wed 2 July, Information Systems and Logistics; Thurs 3 July, Advertising, Marketing and Public Relations, Engineering (Bundoora), Environment; Fri 4 July, Art & Design, Science; Wed 1 Oct, Project Management. Information and Registration: www.rmit.edu.au/experiencedays.

RMIT HOSPITAL LABORATORY VISITS - Hospital laboratory visits are for students interested in careers as medical scientists. Tours give a chance to see the inner workings of a laboratory, and to observe where current students are completing their professional practice. Covering laboratory medicine and nuclear medicine, the sessions are held at major teaching hospitals from 2-11 July. Register: RMIT Medical Sciences, 9925 7075, medicalsciences@rmit.edu.au.

‘At Monash’ Seminars

- Biomedical Science, Radiography, Nutrition and Dietetics Wednesday 28 May;
- Engineering 29 May.
- More dates and bookings: www.monash.edu/seminars.

Deakin

- Undergraduate Information Evening
  Burwood Campus Tuesday 27 May 5 - 7.30pm
- Open Day
  Burwood Campus - Sunday 24 August
Melbourne University
Focus on Melbourne seminars. Explore your options, meet staff and students, and hear about courses and careers.
- 27 May – Focus on Commerce
- 28 May – Focus on Environments
- 3 June – Focus on Science
- 4 June – Focus on Agriculture
- 10 June – Focus on Law
- 11 June – Focus on Engineering and IT
- 18 June – Focus on the Conservatorium of Music
- 25 June – Focus on the Victorian College of the Arts (VCA)
More information and bookings: www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/events2014

La Trobe University News
New courses for 2015 are the Bachelor of Commerce and the double qualification, Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Laws. In addition, the Bachelor of Science and Society, the Bachelor of Creative Arts, and the Bachelor of Media and Communications will be re-designed.

In 2015 there will be a new 4 aggregate point bonus for students completing a 3/4 LOTE subject
A new Early Admissions Program is being introduced (Aspire Program). Conditional offers will be awarded on the basis of a school principal's recommendation, and the applicant's demonstrated non-academic contribution and leadership, based on the requirement of a minimum ATAR of 50.3 (some exceptions apply), the applicant's VTAC application for the course, and an application to La Trobe. Applications open on 1 July and close on 31 August 2014. Offers made in September. Program updates: www.latrobe.edu.au/aspire.

Biology and Chemistry Seminars
The Faculty of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences at Monash University (Parkville campus) is offering support to current Unit 3 & 4 Biology and Chemistry students. Seminars are designed to reinforce key learnings, delivered by qualified VCE teachers.
Dates: Biology - 5.30-7pm, 4 June, 27 Aug and 8 Nov (one already held);
Chemistry: 4.30-6pm, 11 June, 3 Sept and 15 Oct (one already held).
Where: Monash University (Parkville), 381 Royal Parade, Parkville;
Cost: Free;
Register: www.monash.edu/pharm/about/events/vce-seminars.html;
Info: Tom Day, phone 9903 9594, tom.day@monash.edu.

Open day dates 2014
Sat 2 Aug: Monash University (Berwick & Peninsula campuses)
Sun 3 Aug: Deakin (Warrnambool)
Monash University (Caulfield, Clayton & Parkville)
Swinburne Uni & TAFE
Sun 10 Aug: Australian Catholic Uni (ACU) (Melbourne)
Deakin (Geelong)
RMIT Uni & TAFE (Bundoora, Brunswick, City)
Sun 17 Aug: La Trobe Uni (Bendigo)
University of Melbourne
Sun 24 Aug: Box Hill Institute
Deakin Uni (Melbourne)
La Trobe (Melbourne)
Victoria Uni
William Angliss Institute
Sun 31 Aug: ACU (Ballarat)
Federation Uni (Ballarat & Gippsland)

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