

# Marian College

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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

## Prayer for Justice

***In this our Year of Justice we prayer and work for "A world where the weak are protected, and none go hungry or poor; a world where the riches of creation are shared, and everyone can enjoy them; ... a world where peace is built with justice, and justice is guided by love. Give us the inspiration and courage to build it, through Jesus Christ our Lord". (From Xavier Education).***

As we begin this Lenten season with our Ash Wednesday service, we remember the most vulnerable in our community and beyond. During our Ash Wednesday service, Father Andrew reminded us of the many families who have walked a difficult path this year. In a very tangible example of this, Andrew brought along ashes for our ceremony from the bushfire ravaged areas around Bateman's Bay devastated in the Christmas fires. May the people of these communities and others who are struggling at this time find peace and comfort in the knowledge that others care.

This week we begin fundraising for Project Compassion across all Teacher Advisor (TA) groups. 'Project Compassion is Caritas Australia's annual Lenten fundraising and awareness-raising appeal. Millions of Australians come together in solidarity with the world's poor to help end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity' (Lent.Caritas.com). Money raised

by each House between now and the Easter break will help support the actions of Caritas within Australia and across the globe.

## Swimming Carnival

It has been a wonderful week in many ways with the swimming carnival a definite highlight. Thank you to the many students, staff, parents and families who attended and supported this great community celebration. Congratulations to all students on the wonderful college spirit across the day in the support and encouragement of others.

Congratulations to Age Champions on the day and to all students who gave their best effort in the pool and by supporting others.

## Child Protection

With the devastating news about St Kevin's and the boys who have suffered abuse at the hands of others, it is a sad time for all who support the young. These young men should be commended for their incredible courage to ensure their voice is finally heard across the community. This is a good reminder to all who deal with children to remind parents and students of the need to understand the Child Protections laws and student rights.

At the beginning of each year and then progressively throughout the year, all students, staff and volunteers at Marian College are educated in Child Protection

policies and procedures, expectations, and the ability to recognise signs of abuse. It is important too, that all parents and guardians understand the College Child Protections policies and procedures to protect the innocent and often most vulnerable. The College Child Protection policies can be found on the College website - <http://www.mcararat.catholic.edu.au/policies>

Marian College has two Child Protection Officers - Ms Stephanie Saravanja and Mr Kevin Griffiths. While the policies have detailed information to assist families, our Child Protection Officers - Stephanie Saravanja (Head of Wellbeing) and Kevin Griffiths (College Counsellor) can assist you with any questions. We encourage all parents and guardians to be familiar with these policies.

## Marian College Incident Reports

For other matters, students and parents are reminded of the college procedures to address concerns related to conflict between students, alleged bullying, exclusion, cyber-safety issues or other student-related behaviours. For any incident impacting school life - including travel to and from school, students have been asked to report to the RTC (Responsible Thinking Classroom) to complete an Incident Report. This provides a documented record of an incident and actions taken. All Incident Reports are investigated by Leadership or House Leaders. For any urgent matter, we ask that parents or the child contact the office immediately.

## Uniform

Six weeks into term, I have noticed a number of students choosing to wear shorts other than the college uniform and black runners instead of the more sturdy approved black leather shoes for formal wear. All students are reminded once again of the College Uniform Code. Students are not permitted to wear shorts or track pants other than that approved by the college. Black runners are not approved unless it is with the sports uniform for scheduled Physical Education

classes. The new uniform, either formal or sports, cannot be worn in parts but with the approved new sports pants, socks and shirts. Before winter arrives, it may be worth ordering the college rain jacket. While this is not a compulsory item, students are not permitted to wear other jackets. If any families have concerns with purchase of the uniform, please contact the college to discuss.

## Stations of the Cross

On the last day of term (Friday 27th March), our Year 12 students will present a dramatisation of the Stations of the Cross. This year, the Passion Narrative will be presented within the college grounds. Details about the various session times will be available soon. Parents are most welcome to attend and are asked to sign in and out through the front office.

Carmel Barker  
Principal

# IN MY WORDS *with Annie Felini* Clancy House Leader



In a few short paragraphs, I am going to take you on the rollercoaster of Annie Grace Felini's life.

I graced this earth on the 10th of April 2003 at a disgustingly early 8.30 am. From that day on I became my two older sisters (Mollie and Marneigh's) worst nightmare and my parents (Kelli and Scotts) favourite child. I started kinder at St Andrew's and followed onto St Mary's at a ripe age of four, where I met some lifelong friends and then onto Marian hence why I am here writing my in my words for you.

Now that the boring usual information is out of the way, the real story can begin. I have been what you would call a difficult child for most of my life, I wouldn't eat food unless "dad touched it", I sooked for 3 years that I wanted to go back to kinder because primary school involved something called "learning" right through to Mum and Dad having to persuade me to come home from my babysitters with lollies.

As I grew older I also grew outwards and definitely not upwards, you could blame it on karma for being a difficult child but I'll be blaming it on my parents. Thanks to Mum I have been vertically challenged most my life and thanks to Dad and his Italian background I can grow

a better moustache than half the boys in Year 12. Life was pretty "normal" as I would say until 2013 when Mum was diagnosed with breast cancer, at the time I was only 10 years of age and it was a very scary and difficult time to comprehend what was actually happening. I had to step up and mature and help look after Mum which isn't something a 10-year-old should be having to worry about, no, most normal 10-year-olds were more worried about who was opening the first door in Call of Duty: Zombies.

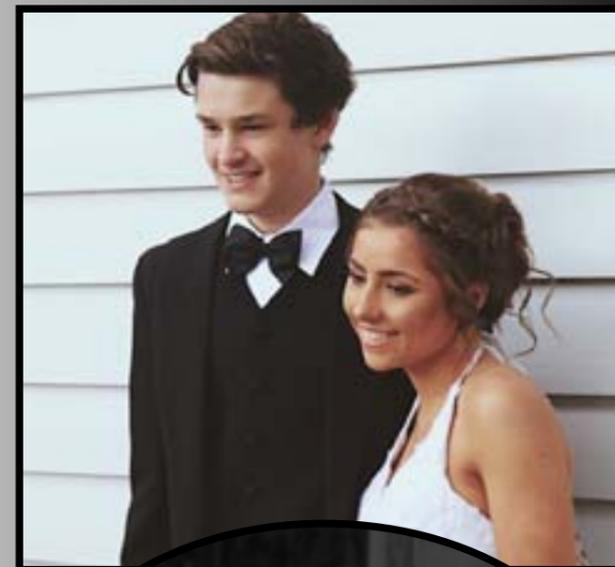
Not long after Mum started treatment I was hospitalised for a 2-year long stomach pain that was finally diagnosed as a perforated and gangrenous appendix that had leaked toxic fluid into my bloodstream, this is where I was told by doctors that I could potentially die from the fluid, at 10 years of age that was a really scary thing to be told, this experience was a real wake up call and if I learned anything from it it would be to trust your "gut instinct".

They say "life is a box of chocolates" and awesome for me, I'm lactose intolerant. Not everything goes to plan and that became evident to me in 2019 when I struggled badly with my mental health and still to this day is something I am trying to overcome and get on top of. As a happy child, and someone who loved life and was barely seen upset it was extremely difficult for me to believe that I was being affected by depression and anxiety. Thanks to my amazing support network such as family, teachers and friends (you know who you are), that picked me up when I was down, never gave up on me and showed me the light that I couldn't see I wouldn't be here where I am, accomplishing the things I am today. And for that, I am extremely grateful.

For as long as I can remember, I aspired to be a checkout chick and nothing more than that... Oh, how the turntables, I have made some great achievements (such as remembering my grade three class roll in order). I have also been fortunate enough to travel to Indonesia and the United States where I created unforgettable memories. I am now working two jobs, Clancy House Captain, studying my Cert 3 & 4 in Fitness, aiming to smash and complete Year 12 VCE, accomplish 10 years of dancing, 7 years of netball, continue my love/hate relationship with kickboxing and save up as much do\$h for my first car and to travel my favourite place in the world, Australia.

Although entering Year 12 at the age of 16 with already completing a Year 12 subject is really overwhelming PLUS juggling so many other things I am genuinely proud of myself for getting this far! My life has been a rollercoaster that has taught me to never take life for granted, pursue the things you love and to surround yourself with loving and supportive people and to just have fun, make mistakes and just embrace it because life is so short and genuinely does go by at a blink of an eye.

That is all from me and in the words of the legend (Scott Felini) "love god" and enjoy.





# SWIMMING CARNIVAL



Another year down and another year of Barron dominance at the swimming carnival.

It was a fantastic day to hold the swimming carnival with the sun shining and the water enticing for students to jump in and compete. Throughout the day we saw some wonderful Year 12 costumes and some wonderful competition between each and every age group.

A few highlights on the day were the big bomb with a massive number of students competing with also some staff jumping in. Jack Cameron was the overall winner against Mr Naus in the final.

Also the staff vs Year 12 student relay, with Mr James, Mr Armstrong, Mr Lloyd and Mr Barnes beating Nick McInnes, Havana Madex, Mikayla Walker and Marcus Donnan. Much to the surprise of everyone Mr Barnes had a half length of the pool lead as the final swimmer against Marcus Donnan and was able to swim a strong leg to take out the relay for the staff.

## Results as follows:-

- 1st- Barron 650**
- 2nd- Kelly 551.5**
- 3rd- Clancy 549**
- 4th- Synnott 536.5**

## The age group champions were as follows:

### Age Champions

- |           |                              |                             |
|-----------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>13</b> | <b>Girls Georgie Carra</b>   | <b>Boys Jack Kuchel</b>     |
| <b>14</b> | <b>Girls Alexis Collins</b>  | <b>Boys Jed Murray</b>      |
| <b>15</b> | <b>Girls Navasha Madex</b>   | <b>Boys Jayde McMurtrie</b> |
| <b>16</b> | <b>Girls Ivana Donnan</b>    | <b>Boys Gabriel Tonks</b>   |
| <b>17</b> | <b>Girls Mekaylah Kuchel</b> | <b>Boys Dylan Ryan</b>      |
| <b>18</b> | <b>Girls Havana Madex</b>    | <b>Boys Marcus Donnan</b>   |

Congratulations to all the individual age champions.

Thank you to all parents and friends who came and supported throughout the day and a massive thank you to all staff who assisted on the day to make it run as smoothly as possible.

Michael Harricks  
Head of Sport

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## WELCOME NEW STAFF

**Name:** Emily Lindsay

**Teaching Domains:**

Psychology, Legal Studies and Religious Education

**My story so far...**

I grew up in the Western Suburbs of Melbourne, with an older sister and many pets. I always wanted to be a Japanese Teacher, then began studying Psychology in VCE (many moons ago). I decided to study Psychology and Sociology at university, which I really enjoyed. After graduating I still felt passionate about teaching so I enrolled in my Masters of Teaching at Australian Catholic University. Whilst working as a Learning Support Officer at a school in the Western Suburbs of Melbourne and finishing up my Masters I decided to apply for a teaching position at Marian College. I have always wanted to teach in a regional area and having completed a teaching placement at Marian College in Sunshine West, applying to Marian College in Ararat felt like a great choice for me. At the start of 2020 my cat and I made the journey to Ararat, a move which we are both happy with.

**What I love about teaching is:**

Many things, but the most rewarding part of this career is that I get to help students learn, surprise themselves, challenge themselves and grow as people.

**When I was at school I was:**

Very shy.

**I am always being asked:**

If I miss Melbourne (Only my dogs, because they don't understand Skype).

**It's not really fashionable but I love:**

Peanut Butter and Celery.

**My friends say that I:**

Am a typical Hufflepuff.



## WELCOME NEW STAFF

**Name:** Robert Armstrong

**Teaching Domains:**

P.E, Health and Humanities

**My story so far...**

I am an ex-student of Marian College, graduating from Year 12 in 2015. I grew up living just outside of Stawell and was a very sporty, active child playing a variety of sports. This led to me deciding to become a health and physical education teacher. I studied my bachelor at Federation University from 2016 until I graduated last year. I completed my teaching placements at Mount Rowan Secondary College, Stawell Secondary College and at the senior campus of The Geelong College.



**What I love about teaching is:**

I enjoy getting to know the students the most and learning how they react to different teaching methods and general conversations. Understanding their hobbies, interests, dislikes and other aspects is something I value highly and I work hard to know all my students.

**When I was at school I was:**

A reasonably quiet and reserved student for most of my schooling, worked well at times and always enjoyed coming to school. My favourite subjects included P.E, tech, maths, home eco and I found english challenging. I was privileged to finish my final year at Marian College as school captain working with a variety of teachers and leaders that are still here. Year 12 was a year I thoroughly enjoyed and have reflected on positively especially now that I have returned home.

**I am always being asked:**

If I think I look like Adam Trelor from Collingwood, if I have strong arms and am related to either Neil or Lance Armstrong.

**It's not really fashionable but I love:**

Having tomato sauce in the fridge

**My friends say that I:**

Am always positive, up for a laugh and bring good energy to whatever I do.



NEWS

## FROM YOUR HOUSE LEADER

The Kelly Gang has had a great start to 2020. Last Tuesday we had our annual Swimming Carnival at the Ararat pool. Once again we improved our ranking from 3rd to 2nd.

- 1st Barron 650
- 2nd Kelly 551.5
- 3rd Clancy 549
- 4th Synnott 536.5

Let's hope in 2021 we can go one better and put Barron's fire out because they have been 'on fire' for the past 7 years.

Kelly had 3 individual champions. Congratulations to the following three students:-

Georgie Carra U/13, Jack Kuchel U/13 and Mekaylah Kuchel U/17. Another impressive effort came from Nathan Start who swam 2 lengths of the pool for his Under 16 relay team because they were a man down. It's performances like this that make me extremely proud to be the leader of the Kelly Gang. Top job Nathan. A special thanks to our Kelly captains Alicia and Freya who worked tirelessly all day to ensure we had as many swimmers as possible in each event. You were sensational. Once again our attendance rate was excellent with only 14 students absent. This is also an improvement from last year. Well done.

Our Year 7s have made a positive start to their secondary schooling. They were very excited to begin their formal classes and from all reports they have settled in well.

This year we have given our Year 7s key locks instead of combination locks. As a result some students have misplaced, lost or left their key at home. Mr. Barker has organised a filing system for each House and TA to store their spare key in the front office. This should take a little pressure off students if they require their spare key.

Special thanks to Mr. Casey, Mr. Parker and Ms Wirper for going on the Year 12 Retreat. We rely heavily on staff to give up their time to assist with school camps and retreats. Without their support we would be unable to offer these extra curricular activities to students. Remember to keep being the best possible version of yourself. Life balance is extremely important work whilst in class, play at home and rest at night in bed. If you follow this you'll make Mrs. Spalding's life so much easier.

Mrs Spalding



## From the Business Manager



### 2020 Fees

2020 fees statements will be progressively mailed out this week. This mail out will include credit statements.

In keeping with our aim of affordable fees, we have capped our fee increase in 2020 to around 2% which is close to the annual increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The new fees will be as follows:

No Students	2019 Fees	2020 Fees
1st Student	\$1,850	\$1,890
2nd Student	\$1,365	\$1,390
3rd Student	\$1,110	\$1,130
4th Student	\$860	\$880

In addition to the normal yearly fee, the College also purchases electronic textbooks in bulk (often at a discount) and recovers these fees through fee accounts. For students in Years 7 to 10 the following fees will also appear on fee statements:

- Digital Textbooks.
- iPad Levy

In the case of the yearly iPad Levy, ownership of the iPad will pass to parents at the end of Year 10.

For students in Year 11 and 12, there are no e-book charges, however, the College will purchase access to a VCE resource called EDROLO that provides expert online lessons and resources for a range of VCE subjects. The cost of this is around \$30 per VCE subject (where the resource is available). This will not appear on fee statements until the College has paid the cost, usually around March/April.

As in previous years where parents/guardians are entitled to claim the State Government Camps Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) we will credit this against your fee account. Normally we do not receive the CSEF funds until May/June so the credit will not appear on the statements currently being mailed out. The College will also provide an additional discount to parents/guardians that qualify for the CSEF allowance.

Our expectation is that College fees are fully paid before the end of the College year. Fees may be paid in a number of ways, including Cash, Bpay, EFTPOS, Credit Card, Direct Debit and Cheque. Many parents set up a regular payment process via Bpay, Direct Debit or Credit card payment. For more information on this please contact Mrs Claire Todd on 5352 3861 or e-mail fees@mcararat.catholic.edu.au

If you have any fee concerns or believe you may have difficulty fully paying the fees, please contact me at the College.

Russell Barker

Business Manager

# BLACK RANGES TENNIS

Marian College travelled to sunny Stawell, Tuesday 11th February with 4 teams. Tim Hartwich led the senior boys with help from Archie Conboy, Ryan Weppner and Kaiden Walton. Tim was accurate and heavy hitting, Ryan placed the ball well and Kaiden played well in the big points. The boys won both matches convincingly to progress to the next round.

Senior girls started well and beat Stawell Secondary in the first round. Freya Hart was in the zone earlier, Grace Lording was hitting a consistent forehand, Jesse Bligh wore down the opposition and Rita Dyer had good court coverage. The girls had a close win over St. Brigid College to advance to the next round.

The intermediate boys beat Warracknabeal College but lost to Horsham A & B teams. Noah Wineberg, Sam Phillips, Fraser Dunn, Jacob Van Straaten, Gabriel Tonks and Thomas Bartlett played good tennis and got better as the day went.

The intermediate girls had several wins but lost to Horsham College who went through to the next round. Elise Monaghan led the team with consistent hitting, Jemima Harney served well, Jac Grayling played good forehands, Annabelle Price returned well and Sabaya Woods was effective in her double matches.

Nathan Baker



## FRED HYDE HOTDOGS!

FRIDAY, 6TH  
MARCH  
@ LUNCH TIME

ITEM DESCRIPTION	PRICE
Hotdog	\$3.00
Vegetarian hotdog	\$3.00
softdrink can	\$2.00

All of the money raised will be donated to Fred Hyde for our kindergarten in Bola, Bangladesh

**THANK YOU!**

# 2020 PRODUCTION ANNOUNCED



I am pleased and excited to announce the production for 2020 will be the madcapped, murder comedy, 'Lucky \$tiff' by the talented duo Lynne Aherns and Stephen Flaherty. (Seussical).

Yes, I know it is a little known show but I just hate following trends.. Based on the novel, *The Man Who Broke the Bank at Monte Carlo* by Michael Butterworth, *Lucky \$tiff* is an offbeat, hilarious murder mystery farce, complete with mistaken identities, six million bucks in diamonds and a corpse in a wheelchair. The story revolves around an unassuming English shoe salesman who is forced to take the embalmed body of his recently murdered uncle on a vacation to Monte Carlo. Should he succeed in passing his uncle off as alive, Harry Witherspoon stands to inherit \$6,000,000. If not, the money goes to the Universal Dog Home of Brooklyn... or else his uncle's gun-toting ex!

Featuring a quirky and offbeat Flaherty and Ahrens score and an ensemble cast of zany characters, *Lucky \$tiff* is an audience charmer and a great vehicle for actors, singers and dancers. There are loads of ensemble roles for beginners and experienced performers alike.

"LUCKY STIFF" 2014 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vvalt8LIhqY> (NB: The play script has been adapted and altered for film)



# CAST/ROLES

**Harry Witherspoon:** A shy, sweet-natured, and insecure shoe salesman from England. He feels incapable of taking risks and tries to change that all with a very special trip. Gender: Male Age: 30 to 40 Vocal range top: F#4 Vocal range bottom: Bb2

**Annabel Glick:** A no-nonsense representative for the Universal Dog Home of Brooklyn. She is a proactive citizen with an attentive and aggressive personality, and becomes the unexpected love interest of Harry Witherspoon. Gender: Female Age: 25 to 35 Vocal range top: E5 Vocal range bottom: F#3

**Rita La Porta:** Vinnie's high-strung sister with poor eyesight. Impulsive, erratic, and very insecure. Gender: Female Age: 35 to 40 Vocal range top: D5 Vocal range bottom: F#3

**Dr. Vincent Di Ruzzio:** Rita's mild-mannered brother who is dragged into her mess. He is an optometrist with predictably conservative tendencies. Gender: Male Age: 35 to 40 Vocal range top: F#4 Vocal range bottom: A#2

**Luigi Gaudi:** Luigi is a mysterious, boisterous Italian who wears a beard and an eye patch. Tony is Rita's lover from New Jersey. Gender: Male Age: 40 to 50 Vocal range top: F#4 Vocal range bottom: B2

**Dominique Du Monaco:** A vivacious nightclub singer (Alto)

**The Body of Uncle Anthony:** The body of a man believed to be "Uncle Anthony," who Harry brings with him on a very special trip. Doubles as Commuter on Train. Gender: Male Age: 45 to 60

## Ensemble:

Male: Surly Lorry Driver, Solicitor, Prosperous Man on Train, Clothing Salesman, French Emcee, Croupier, Nun, Old Texan, Offstage Telegram Deliverer, Vicious Punk, Mr. Loomis the Eye Patient, French Waiter on Train, Stationmaster's Voice, Bellhop, French Waiter in Club, Dapper Gambler, Leper

Female: Landlady, Miss Thorsby the Secretary, Puerto Rican Nurse, Southern Lady #1, Dancing Portrait, Drunken Maid, Spinster, Southern Lady #2, Dancing Roulette Wheel, Dominique du Monaco

**PRODUCTION DATES: August 13, 14 & 15 2020 at the Ararat Town Hall**

**Audition Material will be shared on Google Classroom "LUCKY \$TIFF" to be released shortly.**

**Auditions will be held in the last two weeks of Term 1. (Dates TBC)**

**Rehearsals will be Monday and Wednesday evenings from 3.30 -5.30**

**Teresa Tonks  
Director**



Tuesday 25 February 2020

## Journalism opportunity

Applications for the 2020 YMCA Victoria Youth Press Gallery are now open! If you're a young aspiring journalist, aged 16-25, this is your opportunity to build a portfolio, get published, develop your journalism skills and work closely with a team of people who share your passions.

Participants will serve as the Press Gallery for YMCA Victoria Youth Parliament by writing articles about the program and the issues being debated. Applications close Sunday, 29 March. Email any questions and your completed application pack to [pressgallery@ymca.org.au](mailto:pressgallery@ymca.org.au) Download the application pack here: <https://bit.ly/37SwSS5>

## Passionate about photography?

Photography Studies College is a private college located at Melbourne. The institute offers vocational and university level courses in photography and photoimaging. To learn about careers in photography and read about the awards their graduates have recently received, go to <http://bit.ly/2ETkpUX>

## Interested in business?

You can take a Virtual tour of the Australia National University College of Business and Economics building at this link - <http://bit.ly/2IZZu86>

## Careers in Insurance

**Have you considered a career in insurance?** As one of the biggest, most diverse industries in the world, insurance has more roles than you'd imagine – including ones that are perfect for you. Love numbers? You're needed. Love people? Insurance has roles for you. Analytical? A big thinker? A problem solver?

Whatever you are, insurance has a job with your name on it. To learn about where a career in insurance can take you, check out the website 'Careers in Insurance' at this link - <http://bit.ly/2FaCbSZ>

## Artificial Intelligence (AI) and apprenticeships

AI will transform the way we work across all industries in the future. For example, more than 5 million jobs will disappear from manufacturing and customer service by 2020. Can apprenticeships help young people make a smooth transition to new jobs created by AI?

According to the World Economic Forum it's believed they can. There are new jobs and skills to be learned, with employers driving the change. See examples at this link - <http://bit.ly/2HKuHo5>

Interesting articles about the future world of work:

Eight futures of work: Scenarios and their implications, <http://bit.ly/2HOcJ3O>

Towards a reskilling revolution: a future of jobs for all, <http://bit.ly/2osxLgp>

## Forensic Science Careers

Victorian Institute of Forensic Medicine has put together information about careers in forensic science. You can access the information at this link - <https://bit.ly/2Eb7R7W>

**Courses:** the following are several universities that offer courses in forensic science.

### Victoria

Deakin University, <https://bit.ly/2VWwafX>

### NSW

University of Western Sydney, <https://bit.ly/39Rpp7k>

University of Technology Sydney, <https://bit.ly/32i7WIS>

University of New England, <https://bit.ly/2wFLPu5>

### Canberra

Canberra Institute of Technology, <https://bit.ly/38WKJlu>

University of Canberra, <https://bit.ly/3c17YmU>



## Year 12 – University Pathway Planner

If you're planning to apply for university courses this year, there are many dates you will need to be aware of. These dates will vary between states. Having a diary or a planning app on your phone or device will help you to feel organised and ensure you don't miss any key dates.

Many dates for aren't available yet, but the following breakdown by term will give you some guidance on what to plan for and when.

### TERM 1

**Career appointment, career events, work experience, university applications and scholarships**

#### CAREER APPOINTMENT

Book in an appointment with your career adviser to discuss any course/career/occupation goals you may have. Your adviser will be able to give you advice specific to the state you would like to study in, the best courses to suit your goals and also suggest other options you may not have considered yet.

Don't have any course goals or career interests? No worries! Your adviser will be able to assist you to identify interest areas that align with your values, skills, academic aptitude, and personal competencies.

#### CAREER EVENTS

It's never too early to attend career events. The following are examples of events running in February and March.

**Victoria Police:** You will be able to learn about careers with Victoria Police and the recruitment process.

**Date:** Various dates in February and March  
**Location:** Various locations  
**Info and RSVP:** <https://bit.ly/2HsUXEt>

**La Trobe University – Experience Clever:** Students will be able to explore three study areas through one-hour workshops (e.g., business, allied health, science, arts) and speak to course advisers.

**Date:** Friday 28 February, 9am – 3pm  
**Location:** Albury-Wodonga campus  
**Info and RSVP:** <https://bit.ly/31JsL9H>

**The Melbourne US & UK University Expo:** Get crucial advice from recent student admits and speak with world leading admission experts at the US & UK University Expo! Put the world's top universities like Harvard, Yale, Oxford and Stanford within your reach!

**When:** Sunday 15 March, 1pm – 5.15pm.  
**Where:** State Library Victoria, Melbourne  
**Info and RSVP:** <https://bit.ly/2UVXRJj>

**Charles Sturt University – new Doctor of Medicine:** The first intake for the Doctor of Medicine will be in 2021. Find out about entry requirements and the admissions process at an information session.

**Dates in March:** Bathurst (9), Orange (10), Wagga Wagga (16), Sydney (24).  
**Info and RSVP:** <https://bit.ly/2OKtTZ>

**Charles Sturt University – Explore Days:** Students will be able to explore two study areas through one-hour workshops (e.g., business, education, allied health, science, veterinary science), and speak to course advisers.

**Dates in March:** Port Macquarie (10), Bathurst (17), Albury-Wodonga (24), Wagga Wagga (31)  
**Info and RSVP:** <https://bit.ly/39oQIFP>

**UCAT Preparation Sessions:** Any Year 12 student planning to study medicine or dentistry in 2021 may need to sit the University Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT) in July 2020, <https://bit.ly/2HcrTki>

The following companies are running UCAT preparation sessions:

NIE, Saturday 21 March, Melbourne, 9am – 6pm, <https://bit.ly/36Q7coQ>

MedEntry, 28 – 29 March, 2-day weekend workshop, <https://bit.ly/2RSrv0B>

**TAA Hotel Careers Expo:** Tourism Accommodation Australia is running a careers expo for prospective students where they can meet Melbourne's major hotel brands and explore the range of career opportunities within the industry.

**When:** 25 March, 2020. 10am – 1pm.  
**Where:** The Hotel Windsor, 111 Spring Street Melbourne.  
**Info and RSVP:** <http://taavic.com.au/>

**ACN Nursing and Health Expo:** The Australian College of Nursing (ACN) is hosting a Nursing and Health Expo in April. You will be able to speak to employers in the industry, nursing specialists and TAFEs and universities.

**When:** Saturday 4 April, 8.30am – 2.30pm.  
**Where:** The Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre  
**Info and RSVP:** <https://bit.ly/2HtwEpR>



**Victorian Careers Show:** This event is for Victorian students who would like to explore their career and study options. You will also be able to attend seminars and workshops

**When:** 17 – 18 March.  
**Where:** Melbourne Showgrounds  
**Info and RSVP:** <https://bit.ly/2U7RbZ>

**VCE and Careers Expo:** This annual event enables senior school students and their families to participate in a diverse range of seminars related to VCE subjects, gap year opportunities, vocational and higher education courses, career pathways and study skills. HSC students are also encouraged to attend.

**When:** 30 April – 3 May.  
**Where:** Caulfield Racecourse  
**Info and RSVP:** <https://bit.ly/2SUaX7G>

## WORK EXPERIENCE

Speak to your Work Experience Coordinator or Career Adviser about undertaking work experience.

## UNIVERSITY APPLICATIONS

The following two universities have early application programs for the 2021 intake. Offers can be deferred.

### University of New England

Applications are now open for the direct early entry program. It's free to apply and applications will close Friday 25 September. You will need a recommendation from your school to be eligible. Offers will be made in November before your final ATAR and results are released. For information to start your application, visit <https://bit.ly/39H4IVo>

**Australia National University - applications open soon for courses, accommodation and scholarships**

From March, Year 12 students who are planning to study at ANU in 2021 (or defer their studies until 2022) will be able to apply for courses, accommodation and scholarship in the one online application direct to the university. For information on dates and the new admissions process, go to <https://bit.ly/2WVbyHn>

## UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS

**The University of Melbourne – George Hansen Scholarship:** If you are planning to study at The University of Melbourne in 2021, you should consider applying for the prestigious George Hansen Scholarship. Stage 1 applications are now open and close on the 9th of March. You must be able to prove financial disadvantage to be eligible, <https://bit.ly/2IB4IDC>

**Australia National University (ANU) – Tuckwell Scholarship:** If you are planning to study at ANU in 2021, you should consider applying for the prestigious Tuckwell Scholarship. Applications will open on 4 March and will close 25 March, <https://bit.ly/2Sja5r7>



## TERM 2

**Early entry applications, career events, work experience**

### EARLY ENTRY

Several early entry programs open in term 2. The following are examples:

**Australian Catholic University, Community Achievers Program:** Recognises community service and leadership. Successful applicants will be guaranteed entry into their desired course with a lowered ATAR.

**Date:** Applications will open in May or June (TBC)  
**Info and RSVP:** <https://bit.ly/2PgCRtK>

**La Trobe University – Aspire Program:** Recognises community service and leadership. Successful applicants will be guaranteed entry into their desired course with a lowered ATAR.

**Date:** Applications will open in June (TBC)  
**Info:** <https://bit.ly/2uZAh4w>

**Charles Sturt University – Advantage Program:** Recognises soft skills such as empathy and resilience and a commitment to creating a world worth living in (i.e., motivation to study chosen degree). Successful applicants will be guaranteed entry into their desired course with a lowered ATAR.

**Date:** Applications will open in June (TBC)  
**Info:** <https://bit.ly/32jftRz>

## CAREER APPOINTMENTS

As above for term 1. You can also start to refine your career action plan, plan for Term 2 dates and events and continue to explore suitable university courses.

### CAREER EVENTS

As for term 1. Check the Weekly Career News for term 2 career events.

### WORK EXPERIENCE

Speak to your Work Experience Coordinator or Career Adviser about undertaking work experience.

## TERM 3

**Uni applications, scholarships, accommodation, special consideration, early entry and open days**

### UNIVERSITY APPLICATIONS

In August you will be able to start your university applications. For most universities, you apply for courses via the state-based tertiary admission centre:

**Victoria:** Victoria Tertiary Admissions Centre, [www.vtac.edu.au](http://www.vtac.edu.au)

**NSW/ACT:** Universities Admissions Centre, [www.uac.edu.au](http://www.uac.edu.au)

**Tasmania:** University of Tasmania, [www.utas.edu.au](http://www.utas.edu.au)

**SA/NT:** South Australia Tertiary Admissions Centre, [www.satac.edu.au](http://www.satac.edu.au)

**WA:** Tertiary Institutions Service Centre, [www.tisc.edu.au](http://www.tisc.edu.au)

**QLD:** Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre, [www.qtac.edu.au](http://www.qtac.edu.au)

You will create a user account, and add course preferences into the system.

It's important to note that for most courses, you won't need to finalise your preferences until after your Year 12 results are released.

Some courses such as medicine and performing arts will have earlier closing dates.

'Timely applications' usually close at the end of September and you will need to pay an application fee.



## UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS

You will be able to apply for university scholarships through three ways:

**Tertiary Admission Centre:** You can apply for Access and Equity scholarships via an online form (for some states).

**University:** You can apply for scholarships direct to the universities

**Other:** you can also apply for scholarships that aren't associated with any particular university.

The application period for scholarships can run between August – March. Dates will vary for each method.

### ACCOMMODATION

You can apply for university accommodation generally between July – January. There are several types of accommodation including on-campus, off-campus, private student housing, home stay, etc.

Dates will vary based on the type of accommodation and the universities you apply to for on-campus accommodation.

Some universities have a first-year accommodation guarantee, others have a 'first in, first served' policy, some hold places for rural applicants, some charge you for applying. Every university is different.

### SPECIAL CONSIDERATION

When you apply for courses via the Tertiary Admission Centre, you will also be able to apply for special consideration.

Universities will consider any disadvantages you have experienced and take these into consideration during the selection process. The following are examples of two schemes:

**Victoria,** Special Entry Access Scheme, <https://bit.ly/2v9dWkV>

**NSW/ACT:** Educational Access Schemes, <https://bit.ly/38OtxoB>

Examples of disadvantage include: long term illness/disability, financial, rural, and difficult circumstances.

### OPEN DAYS

Will run on weekends during August for Victoria and during August/September for NSW and Canberra.

It's crucial you attend open days before making a final decision on your course preferences. You will be able to attend seminars and workshops, campus and accommodation tours, and speak directly to course and faculty advisers.

## EARLY/GUARANTEED ENTRY SCHEMES

Schemes for several universities will open in August, such as RMIT, Victoria University, University of Melbourne, Monash University, University of Wollongong, University of Canberra etc.

## TERM 4

**Results, change of preference, offers, enrolment/deferment**

### RESULTS

You will receive your VCE/HSC results late December. Your results will be sent to the universities you've applied to.



### CHANGE OF PREFERENCE

Once you receive your results, you will have a few days to change your course preferences before offers are released. For most courses, you will be able to add/delete/re-order courses on your list.

You will also be able to change your preferences between offer rounds. Dates will vary between states.

### OFFERS

There will be several offer rounds for each state. Offers are made late December for Victoria and NSW/ACT and then again in January and February. It's important to note the following:

You can only receive 1 offer per round

If you receive an offer, it will be the highest course on your preference list you are eligible for.

The Tertiary Admission Centre acts as a link between you and the university through the selection and offer process.

### OFFER DECISION

Once you receive your offer, you will need to make a decision – you can accept, defer or decline your offer. If you accept your offer, you will need to enrol into your course.

If you defer your offer, you can delay the start of your course to another intake period (usually 12-months). Your career adviser can assist you with this process.

## Focus on the Bachelor of Arts

**Considering studying a Bachelor of Arts in the future?**

The Bachelor of Arts is an excellent choice of degree for students and one of the most popular choices in the country.

The degree offers flexibility for students and majors/minors can cover areas such as science, economics, visual arts, IT, languages, humanities, media, communications, and design etc.

In fact, sit 10 Bachelor of Arts students at a table and each will most likely be studying very different courses.

The following are three excellent Bachelor of Arts programs to consider.

### Bachelor of Arts (Professional), Swinburne University

This course offers 18 majors, 28 co-majors from other faculties and 42 minors. Students are guaranteed one-year of paid industry experience as part of the degree, and it will take 4-years full time to complete the course. Applicants will need to achieve an ATAR of approximately 80 to be considered for admission. This could rise for the 2021 intake, <http://bit.ly/1UTb3pZ>

### Bachelor of Arts, Monash University

The Monash Global Immersion Guarantee (GIG) provides a guaranteed two-week overseas study experience for all first year Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Global Studies students, with the cost of airfares, accommodation and local travel covered as part of the program. This is the first initiative of its kind in Australia.

Students will study the impact of the global movement of people and goods on environmental sustainability. For information, visit <https://bit.ly/37ThuFk>



### Bachelor of Arts, La Trobe University

This course offers 50 majors and minors – the largest in Victoria. Bachelor of Arts students are able to apply for a 2-week funded international experience to China or Vietnam.

They will spend a week working on sustainability projects, helping to find solutions to real-world problems. La Trobe will cover the cost of airfares, accommodation, food, transport, visa fees and insurance. For information, visit <https://bit.ly/32x6D1T>

## Federation University

**Federation graduates rated highly by employers**

Federation University Australia graduates once again have demonstrated their strong employability by performing above the national average in three important fields as part of the latest Employer Satisfaction Survey – employability, foundation skills, and adaptive skills, <https://bit.ly/2HPB8ax>

### Australian Federal Police signs MOU with Federation University

The Australian Federal Police (AFP) will be working with the Internet Commerce Security Lab (ICSL) to establish a cybercrime internship program for students studying in School of Science, Engineering and IT. The Internship program will provide opportunities for students to work with Australian Federal Police officers to learn about Cyber Crime investigation in a real-world environment, <https://bit.ly/3c1Entg>



## Elite Sport Programs

The University of Wollongong has partnered with two of the world's biggest sporting clubs, Tottenham Hotspur and Crusaders to deliver world class football and rugby programs to UOW and UOW College students.

**The UOW Tottenham Hotspur Global Football Program** is a unique opportunity to study a qualification of your choice at UOW's Wollongong campus, while also developing your football skills with training provided by fully qualified coaches from English Premier League (EPL) club Tottenham Hotspur, <https://bit.ly/2w2elpa>

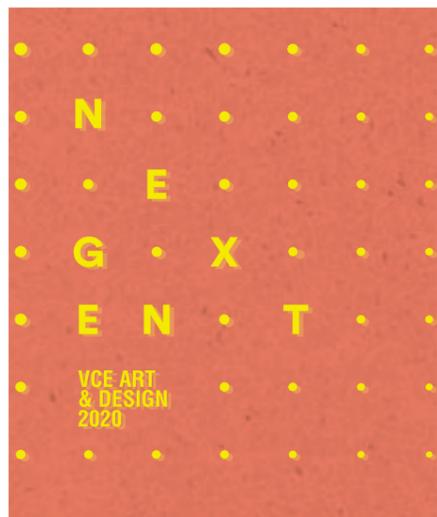
Commencing in February 2021, **The UOW Crusaders Global Rugby Program** will foster the next generation of Rugby Union talent, helping participants achieve excellence on the field and in the classroom. It is your opportunity to receive professional standard coaching from the most successful Club in Super Rugby, while studying at a globally rated 5-star university.



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 VCE ART & DESIGN 2020  
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**29 February–3 May 2020**

*Next Gen 2020* showcases work by students from Ballarat and region who studied VCE art and design subjects in 2019.

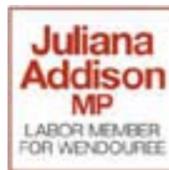


Details of *Next Gen* programs including exhibition tours and folio viewing at [artgalleryofballarat/learn](http://artgalleryofballarat/learn)



**ART GALLERY OF BALLARAT**

Exhibition supporters



Tuesday	3rd	March	A. King
Wednesday	4th	March	HELP NEEDED
Thursday	5th	March	M. McGeoch, K. Little
Friday	6th	March	P. McKay
Monday	9th	March	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Tuesday	10th	March	HELP NEEDED
Wednesday	11th	March	HELP NEEDED
Thursday	12th	March	C. Woods
Friday	13th	March	J. Cameron, S. Rigby

**HOMEWORK HELP**

Are you behind in your work?  
 Are you not sure about any topic in your study?

HELP is AVAILABLE.

WEDNESDAYS in Marian College library - about 3.20 to allow a small break after class.

All teachers are happy to assist until 4.00pm so help is available in all subjects.

Fruit juice and biscuits are on offer and we are in relax mode!!!

If the need arises, just come along ... any Wednesday - no need to reserve a place!

Sr John

Run The Gap

**No.9** **24.5.20**

**Halls Gap 24.5.20**

In the heart of the Grampians National Park supporting tourism, community, good health and fitness. Run the Gap is fun for family and friends and is open to all ages.

**Save the Date. Book the Weekend.**

Events: 6km Walk/Run, 12km Run, 21km Run

All profits go to community projects to enhance walk/bike paths plus \$1 from each registration goes to the Grampians Walking Groups support group to maintain NP trails.

**2012–2019**  
Fitness Station installation and new equipment update completed. Partial extension to Tymna Drive section of walk/bike path with \$10k RTG donation.

**2020**  
The completion of Tymna Dve section scheduled for February 2020

**Lost Property**

Lost property from swimming carnival - A student has reported a PE uniform from Synnott area - large PE shorts & size 18 PE T-shirt as being lost. If your child picked up a uniform from that area that does not belong to them could you please hand into the front office.

Just a reminder also to make sure that all items that students bring to school are named so that if it is misplaced we can return to rightful owner.

**U13 Registration Night**  
**Wed. 11 March, 6pm**  
**Richardson Oval**  
Meet and Greet coaches, players and families  
*Sausage sizzle provided*  
**AGM**



**GRAMPIANS GIANTS**

**Join the Grampians Giants!**

A mixed gender football team for people with an intellectual disability. Generally suitable for people aged 14 - 40 years old.

**First training for 2020: Friday 28 February in Stawell**

**About the team:**

- We play in the FIDA Western Conference against teams from Ballarat, Hamilton, Warrnambool and the Wimmera.
- Weekly training is Friday, 4:30pm - 5:30pm. Alternates between our shared home grounds North Park Oval (Stawell) and Alexandra Oval (Ararat)
- Modified match format (60 minutes).
- Matches every 3-4 weeks on weekends April - August.



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			<b>J &amp; D SEMINAR</b>	
9 LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	10	11	12	13 TOP CLASS MUSIC EXCURSION  GIRLS IN PHYSICS BREAKFAST
			<b>YEAR 8 RETREAT</b>	
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