Reminders

- **PARENT EVENING AT MONASH** – Caulfield Campus, Building H116 Date: 6.30pm, Thurs 6 Sept
  Register: www.monash.edu.au/parent
- **OPEN DAYS** –
  - Sun 19 Aug – Deakin (Geelong campuses); La Trobe (Bendigo); Melbourne (Parkville & Southbank - VCA); Swinburne (Uni & TAFE)
  - Sun 26 Aug – Australian Catholic Uni (Ballarat); Ballarat Uni; Box Hill Institute; Deakin (Melbourne Burwood); La Trobe (Melbourne Bundoora)
- **EXPLORE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY** - Thurs 13 Sept; Austin Hospital, email Kathy.MAGGS@austin.org.au
- **RMIT NUCLEAR MEDICINE TOUR** – 27 & 28 Sept; Reg’n: www.rmit.edu.au/medical-radiations/nucmedvisits
- **RMIT SCIENCE IN THE CITY – LAB TOUR** – 26 Sept; Register: www.rmit.edu.au/appliedsciences/discover
- **FACULTY OF EDUCATION SESSIONS AT MONASH UNI** – Peninsula campus (Theatre building A, A4.16): 6.30pm, 12 Sept, Early Childhood and Primary Ed; 6.30pm, 13 Sept, Outdoor Rec and double degrees; Clayton (Rotunda Theatre): 6.30pm, 7 Sept, Secondary Ed; Berwick (Building 901, room 117): 6.30pm, 14 Sept, P-10.

**YEAR 12’S REGISTER WITH VTAC AND APPLY FOR COURSES FOR 2013** – Year 12’s need to be registering as applicants with VTAC now (at www.vtac.edu.au – see Register here). This is required before making an application for courses. Don’t keep putting it off…the $26.00 fee can be paid later. You might like to subscribe to the applicant blog (http://vtacmedia.wordpress.com/).

**UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE NEWS** –

- **CLOSING DATES FOR SCHOLARSHIPS AT MELBOURNE** – Each scholarship has its own closing date. To find out about the different scholarships available to students, as well as opening and closing dates, go to: www.unimelb.edu.au/scholarships. Many faculties have specific scholarships and benefits for those applying to their course. Check the website carefully
- **NEW COURSE SEARCH FACILITY** – The University of Melbourne has launched a redeveloped Course Search including more detailed undergraduate course information, details of all majors offered, concurrent diplomas, popular study pathways entry requirements and so on. See: www.coursesearch.unimelb.edu.au.
- **SOUTHBANK CAMPUS** - Those planning to apply for the Bachelor of Fine Arts at Southbank (VCA) are advised to see www.vca.unimelb.edu.au/bfa. For a Flow Chart explaining the application process for domestic students go to the specialisation of interest, click ‘Domestic’, then go to the ‘Apply Now’ tab.

**VICTORIA UNIVERSITY NEWS** -

- **INFORMATION DAY** – VU has an information day at the Footscray Park campus with tours, presentations and a mini faculty expo to find out more about courses. **When**: Sat 8 Sept; **Register** or find out more: http://www.vu.edu.au/news/events-for-future-students.
- **VCE SUMMARY LECTURES** – VU is offering a series of summary VCE lectures to help Year 12 students prepare for exams and final assessments. The next series will take place in September-October. See: http://www.vu.edu.au/news/events-for-future-students.

**SCHOLARSHIPS AT MONASH UNIVERSITY** – More students are guaranteed scholarships in the undergraduate program of their choice at Monash in 2013. Monash has expanded its undergraduate scholarship offerings with the launch of the Sir John Monash Scholarship Program. It recognises the dedication and talent of Australia’s highest-achieving students and provides support to those who otherwise might not have the opportunity to participate in a world-class education. Monash will
offer more than 1200 new scholarships and bursaries in 2013 as part of the coursework scholarship program worth over $16 million. More than half will be offered to indigenous students, students from regional and remote areas in Australia, and to students from disadvantaged backgrounds. See: www.monash.edu.au/study/scholarships.

**EARN UP TO $34,000 WHILE STUDYING I.T.** – Monash Uni has an Industry Based Learning Information Technology program where you earn while you study. Find out about scholarships, how to increase career opportunities and career pathways. **When:** 7-9pm 23 Aug; **Where:** Alexander Stewart Theatre (E7) Bld 72, Monash Clayton; **Register:** Jack Sotiriou, ph 9905 2494, jack.sotiriou@monash.edu.

**CHECK OUT THE UNIVERSITY OF BALLARAT –**

- Ballarat Open Day is 10am-3pm, **Sunday 26 August** at all campuses. A free shuttle bus will operate between the Mt Helen, SMB and Camp St campuses, Gillies St, Mt Rowan and the Ballarat Railway station, making it easy for local and visitors from further afield to get around.
- **September Campus Tours** will be held in the holidays on 27 Sept and 2 Oct at 1pm. Bookings essential. Find them at www.ballarat.edu.au/future-students/open-day. Don’t forget to ask about the First Year Accommodation Guarantee offered by the university.

**WHAT ABOUT CHARLES STURT UNIVERSITY?** Charles Sturt is a NSW university which has a campus at Albury-Wodonga and Victorian Year 12 students can apply for their courses through the VTAC system (see p 170 of the VTAC Guide). A limited range of degrees is offered as it is a small campus, however, some students might want to consider, for example, physiotherapy (last year’s ATAR: 93.44), occupational therapy (75.00), speech pathology (75.00) and podiatry (70.00). These degrees have no prerequisite subjects. Accommodation is available on-site.

**WHAT DO NUTRITIONISTS DO?** They help advise the community about good food choices for healthy eating. They consider the nutritional value of foods, the nutrients that bodies need at different stages of development, and the role nutrients and diet play in health and in disease prevention. With the increase in rates of diabetes, obesity and heart disease, nutritionists will play an integral role in reducing mortality rates in communities across Australia. Graduates of nutrition degrees go on to employment in food companies, government organisations and the health industries. Some courses in nutrition that you might wish to consider are: the Bachelor of Human Nutrition at La Trobe Uni, Bachelor of Food and Nutrition at Deakin, Bachelor of Food and Nutritional Science at Ballarat, Food Technology and Nutrition at RMIT and Bachelor of Nutritional Science at Monash. NOTE: Nutrition and Dietetics is available at Monash and La Trobe, and as a post-graduate qualification at Deakin.

**PRE-APPRENTICE BRICKLAYERS WANTED** – Want a job as a bricklayer? Over 90% of Holmesglen’s pre-apprentices get jobs after completing their training. Pre-apprenticeships teach students the basic skills of a particular industry so that they are prepared when starting an apprenticeship. Employers know that when the new apprentice has experienced the industry before taking on the commitment of an apprenticeship and are passionate about the field. This pre-apprenticeship takes 14 weeks incorporating on-site training. Next intake: 20 August; other intakes to follow; Contact: Glenn Mcgill, 9564 1584, glenn.mcgill@holmesglen.edu.au.

**ELECTRICAL INDUSTRY NEWS** – NECA APPRENTICESHIP PRE-SELECTION ASSESSMENT – NECA conducts pre-selection assessments for students interested in an electrical or electronic career. This assessment is highly regarded by employers, providing a common assessment of all candidates from an industry standpoint and a successful result in the assessment will enhance the entry prospects of those interested in electrical apprenticeships. The assessment is set at about a Year 10 level and an average level of English comprehension and maths should produce satisfactory results. The assessment will be conducted in Melbourne and regional centres during October. **Cost:** $55.00; **Register:** www.neca.asn.au (go to NECA Victoria site then to Careers and Apprenticeships on left hand menu).

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