Reminders:
- Focus on Melbourne - Music and VCA; www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/events.
- Experience ACU – 1300 275 228; Register: www.acu.edu.au/uni-experience;
- Experience La Trobe – 9 July (Bundoora); Register: www.latrobe.edu.au/experience.
- UniExperience at Melbourne - Year 11s; See http://futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au.
- Science RMIT Lab Tours - 29 June; Info/reg’n: www.rmit.edu.au/appliedsciences/discover;
- Information Technology and Engineering Seminar for Girls – at Monash Uni, 30 June; Contact: Melina Talanis ph 9902 0108, melina.talanis@monash.edu.
- Occupational Therapy Information evening; 16 July, Austin Hospital; RSVP: to Lucinda.russell@austin.org.au by 9 July.

1. MELBOURNE CAREERS EXPO – Another careers expo is coming. It will be a large and comprehensive careers event, encompassing all career opportunities from employment to education and training in the trades, corporate and professional sectors. There will be vast array of career advice, and university and training representation. When: Fri 24, Sat 25 & Sun 26 July; Where: Melbourne Exhibition Centre, Clarendon St, Southbank; Info: info@careersexpo.com.au, Phone 9620 9920, obtain free ticket and get information: www.careersexpo.com.au

2. OPEN DAYS – Remember that Open Days are coming up in August, mainly on Sundays. Open Days are a great opportunity to see the campuses that interest you, attend information sessions about courses and careers, and get your questions answered. Here is a reminder of the dates:

- Sat 1 Aug – Monash (Berwick & Peninsula campuses)
- Sun 2 Aug – Deakin (Warrnambool); Monash (Caulfield & Clayton); Swinburne (Hawthorn)
- Sun 9 Aug – Australian Catholic University (ACU) (Fitzroy); Deakin (Geelong campuses); La Trobe (Bundoora); RMIT; William Angliss Institute
- Sun 16 Aug – Melbourne; Monash (Parkville – Pharmacy); La Trobe (Bendigo)
- Sun 23 Aug – Box Hill Institute; Deakin & Deakin College (MIBT), Victoria (Footscray)
- Sun 30 Aug – ACU (Ballarat); Federation (Ballarat & Gippsland)

3. YEAR 12 NEWS –
VTAC - Year 12 students who wish to apply for tertiary courses for 2016 will be able to do so through the Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC) website from 3 August, 2015. Applications will be open for several weeks after that, with opportunities to change applications occurring for some time. More details next term. See: www.vtac.edu.au.

SECURE YOUR PLACE AT LA TROBE BEFORE YOUR ATAR – Don’t forget that La Trobe University’s Aspire Early Admissions Program applications have opened. The Aspire Early Admissions Program acknowledges students’ volunteering efforts when you apply. If you are a successful applicant, you will receive an offer into a course in September, before receiving your ATAR.
To check out the program and key dates’ go to apply now. REMINDER: ACU offers the similar Early Achievers Program (www.acu.edu.au/eap). Applications open on 10 August.

4. UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE NEWS –
STATISTICS – Melbourne is a large university, with over 42,000 students, of whom about 13,000 are international students. In last year’s VTAC applications for courses, Melbourne was students’ first choice for Arts, Biomedicine, Commerce and Science. In world university rankings, Melbourne ranks very highly.
ACCESS MELBOURNE - Melbourne offers a program called ‘Access Melbourne’ through which students can access courses on lower ATAR’s due to some disadvantage they have experienced. This year 2,530 offers were made to Access Melbourne students. For 2016 entry to Melbourne, Guaranteed Access is offered for these students if they achieve at least 78 for Environments or Science, 80 for Arts, 88 for Commerce and 95 for Biomedicine. Access Melbourne students are also eligible to apply for the Diploma of General...
Studies at Melbourne, a possible pathway into a degree. The Bachelor of Arts (Extended) is offered to Indigenous students, offering extra support and a lower ATAR. The Bachelor of Science (Extended) will be offered from 2016.

MELBOURNE JD SHOWCASE – This is designed to give Year 11 and 12 students an interactive experience combining sample law classes on topics of interest with information about Melbourne Law School and the JD (Juris Doctor) program. Some highlights will be: a panel discussion with JD students, So Sue Me!, dispute resolution session and criminal law, new media and open justice. When: 9am-3pm, Tues 7 July; Where: Melbourne Law School; Cost: $20 (incl morning tea and lunch); Register: www.law.unimelb.edu.au/jd/showcase.

MUSIC AT MELBOURNE – The University has music programs at the Conservatorium of Music (Parkville) and at the Victorian College of the Arts (Southbank). These two programs will amalgamate in 2016 into one Bachelor of Music. Students will be able to tailor their degree to suit their requirements, and students from both courses will work more closely together, and with other Fine Arts students. Music will still be offered at both campuses for the present.

WHAT IS HEALTH AND BIOMEDICAL INFORMATICS? This is a new area of study which uses information to improve health care and to give insights into the causes of disease. Digital technology in the future will greatly affect health care, as it has banking and insurance, for example. Some of the challenges in medicine are earlier diagnosis, more personalised therapies, better clinical trials, risk profiling, and controlling health system costs. Biomedical information involves nano informatics, imaging, clinical information and public health information; these can be used to stop people dying due to inadequate IT systems. This is a career for those wanting to combine ICT with biomedical information (www.healthcarenews.com/news/why-informatics-top-new-career).

5. MONASH UNIVERSITY NEWS -

YEAR 10 AND 11 STUDENTS - Monash is offering the following holiday programs:
Year 10 Independence Day - learn about the importance of prerequisites, subject selection and key considerations when choosing courses, university and career. When: 11am-3.30pm, Thurs 2 July; Where: Clayton campus; Cost: Free (lunch included); Info/bookings: http://destination.monash/year10-day.

Year 11 Inspiration Day - students will be inspired to make the most of their final school years, and learn about available resources and recommended research strategies when considering study and career options. When: 11am-3.30pm, Wed 8 July; Where: Caulfield campus; Cost: Free (including lunch); Information and bookings: http://destination.monash/year11-day.

Faculty-based workshops will be available to students. Upon registration, your preferences for workshops will be made (first-come-first-served) so register ASAP.

DRAMA WORKSHOP FOR YEAR 12’S – Monash Centre for Theatre and Performance invites interested Year 12s to a one-day drama workshop. When: 10am-4.30pm, Tues 30 June; Where: Clayton; Cost: Free; Register: Nicholas.sofos@monash.edu or 9905 8737.

COMPUTER GAMES BOOT CAMP (CGBC) is an opportunity for students to learn more about areas of computer games such as graphic design and 3D animation. Workshops, industry leaders, games tournaments. When: 9.30am-6pm, 7-9 July; Where: Monash Clayton; Cost: Free; Book: Melina Talanis, Ph 9902 0108, melina.talanis@monash.edu.

6. FLIGHT ATTENDANT PRE-TRAINING COURSE AT WILLIAM ANGLISS INSTITUTE - Do you like the idea of your office at 32,000 feet and the view from your window changing daily? Then the lifestyle of a flight attendant could be for you. William Angliss Institute in La Trobe St, Melbourne is offering a nationally accredited Cert III in Aviation (Flight operations) AVI 30208 course including units to ensure that your flight attendant application and interview stand out. The course will provide insights into the life of a flight attendant (it doesn’t guarantee you a job). For information ph 1300 ANGLISS or email study@angliss.edu.au.

7. CHISHOLM INSTITUTE HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS – Chisholm invites Year 9-12 students to attend introductory school holiday workshops. They are designed to give you a taste of life as a Chisholm student, experience a range of courses, and see the facilities at the Frankston campus. Bookings, dates and info: http://chisholm.edu.au/workshops (Ph 1300 244 7460).

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