



Wodonga Senior Secondary College

PEPPER

Training Restaurant (in the Seminar Room)

Open

Tuesday 21st June
Tuesday 26th July
Tuesday 23rd August
Tuesday 6th September

From 6.00pm - 9.30pm

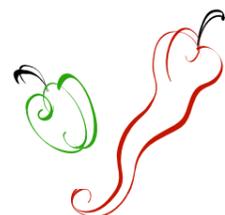
A la Carte - Mains from \$15.00
\$15.00 deposit pp to secure booking

**MAXIMUM PER TABLE 8
BYO**

Non-alcoholic drinks, tea and espresso coffee are available at small cost

**TO SECURE A RESERVATION
PLEASE MAKE PRE-PAID
BOOKING AT THE OFFICE**

Ph: 0260 437 500



LEADERSHIP REPORT

Welcome to Semester 2

Students began Semester 2 subjects today. All students should have their new timetables. We expect all students to make use of these two weeks prior to the holidays to consolidate their work in these new units. Year 12 students have only 15 weeks left of study. Please optimise the use of your time.

Thank You to Karen Zhou

Karen will be accompanying our students as they travel to China on Wednesday 22nd June. However this time she will not be returning to the College. Karen will be resettling in Weihei City in China, rejoining her family. On behalf of the College I thank her for all her tireless work in establishing our very successful International Student Program and sister school links with Weihei No 1 Middle School in China.

Refugee Week

At WSSC we have 16 students who are refugees. To recognise this group of our community SBS is screening a documentary called "Go Back to Where You Came From" starting on Tuesday 21st June at 8:30pm and running over three nights which features a WSSC student - Chris Masudi - and his family.

The Year 12 Sociology class has been studying issues related to refugees and asylum seekers in their citizenship and culture units.

Exam Week

At the end of the exam period students are to be commended on their approach and behaviour during their own exams and whilst in the yard area when other exams were being held.

Casual Wear Day

The Student Leadership Group will hold a Casual Wear Day on Friday 1st July to raise funds towards assisting Josh McLennan to travel overseas for medical treatment for Cerebellum Atrophy. Please support our students making a difference in someone's life by bringing a gold coin donation to wear casual clothes.

Debutante Ball

The Wodonga Senior Secondary College Debutante Ball will be held in Term 3 this year. Further details will be given in future newsletters. Expressions of interest are sought from those who would be interested in managing and organising the debutante balls. Please contact the College for further information on 0260 437 500.

Vern Hilditch
Acting Principal

YOUTH WRITE IN "WRITE HERE, WRITE NOW"

Celebrate National Young Writers Month by putting your pen to paper, your hands to the keyboard and your imagination to the test.

- ◆ Discuss your writing with other young people
- ◆ Find where to get your writing published
- ◆ Boost creativity through writing activities
- ◆ Work on your own writing projects

When: Thursday 23rd June from 5.00pm

Bring: Your notepad or laptop

Bookings: RSVP at the Wodonga library front desk or on (02) 6022 9117.

We hope to see Wodonga Senior Secondary College students represent us there!



Nicole Jasinowicz
English Coordinator

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Monday 20th
June 2011

CALENDAR

Tuesday 21st June
Peppers Restaurant

Wednesday 22nd June
Year 12 - TIS Day

Friday 1st July
Last Day of Term

REFUGEE WEEK STORY TIME

Wednesday 22nd June
10.00am

To celebrate Refugee Week, the library will have a special bilingual Story Time in Bhutanese and English.

Come along and have some fun listening to stories and songs in both languages.

Nicole Jasinowicz
English/ESL Coordinator

2011 TERM DATES

Term 1
4th February - 8th April

Term 2
27th April - 1st July

Term 3
18th July - 23rd September

Term 4
10th October - 22nd December

CAREERS NEWS

FOCUS ON: FUTURE CAREERS- CHOOSING THE RIGHT PATH FOR YOU

It's 2012 and you've finished school. What now?

Employment? TAFE? Apprenticeship/ Traineeship? University? Pretty straight forward really. It's what most of your friends have done in the past and it seems like it's just expected that you will make a decision and go from there.

But have you sat down and really thought about the next 5 years? Even the next 2? Is the course or training area you are thinking about the right one for you? Have you developed a pathway plan? Or are you just traveling along in the passenger seat, hoping things will fall into place.

Between 20 - 30% of first year students drop out of or change their University course. About 50% of employees drop out of their apprenticeships/traineeships. Don't become a statistic- make sure you don't just fall into a course or job. You still have heaps of time to make the right decisions and put in the ground work.

You will be making the wrong career choice if you base your decision-making solely on any of the following

It Looks Cool on TV

(i.e., Boston Legal, CSI, Rescue Special Ops). This is NOT reality. You will not be swanning around a crime scene wearing high heels with your long hair falling about your shoulders. Nor will you spend copious amounts of time dating your co-workers in the Law world. You will be in an office working long hours poring over mountains of paper work. If you want to watch a program, watch a reality series like Recruits, Border Security or Customs.

Your parents/siblings/second cousins neighbor does it.

Sure, your Mum likes accounting, but how do you know you will? Do you enjoy maths, problem solving, using computer software, networking with people?

Your Friend is Looking at Studying the Course

See above.

The Job Pays a Lot of Money

We know occupations like Dentistry, Law and Mathematics pay well. But would you want to sit through four years of Law if your heart wasn't in it and you didn't enjoy things like researching, debating, reading and analyzing. And would you want to commit years of study to becoming a Dentist or Surgeon through taking subject after subject in sciences when you loved humanities?

Your Parents Expect You to Do It

This is a tricky one. You want to study history, but your parents expect you study medical imaging because in their eyes it is 'more respectable', 'earns more money', or simply it is just an expectation in your family that you will study something in the medical field. Following your parents' guidance will make them happy, but it's important that YOU are happy and fulfilled.

If you want to follow the path that will lead you to a satisfying career, there are a few things to think about.

You Don't Know What You Don't Know

There is a world of opportunity out there with an enormous range of career options. There are jobs that will suit you that haven't even been invented yet! How would you know that you would like to studying biomedical engineering if you have only studied physics and math methods at school? How would you know that you would love anthropology if you have only studied sociology at school?

You need to attend University, TAFE and Private College Open Days and Industry/Faculty Seminars. It is a must to attend pre apprenticeship evenings and career expos. Anything that is going, make it a priority to be there. One information session or taster day may spark your interest in an area you hadn't even considered before.

Network

Do work experience. Even one or two days- you don't have to go for a whole week. Worried about missing school? Go through the school holidays. You won't be able to build up a realistic picture of what building or real estate is like by reading a brochure. Seek out managers and business owners in your career interest areas and make contact with them. Ask them about the pathway they have taken since school, what the good things are about the job and the not so good things, ask if you can meet them for a coffee- start to build up your contacts.

Be Flexible and Ready for Change

You will change your career direction several times throughout your lifetime and you will work for different companies. You may also change your course or apprenticeship, drop out of study, work for a while, go back to study, drop out again, travel, pick up some TAFE study, work in different jobs...you just don't know what lies ahead in your future but be prepared to be flexible and resourceful. For many people of your generation, it's completely normal. Most importantly, speak to the people who know you best. They will be able to advise you well and support you throughout your journey.

CAREERS NEWS

VOCATIONAL AND HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS

Folio Preparation and Career Discovery Courses

RMIT are running folio preparation courses for students during the July holidays. These courses will give you the opportunity to learn and try new techniques to use in your folio and help you decide the best design area for you. Career Discovery courses give insight into a particular design industry, the study options available and the selection procedures. Starting from July, courses will be offered in the following areas: Advertising, Building Design and Drawing, Graphic Design, Interior Decoration, 3D Product Design, Visual Merchandising, and AutoCAD. For more information and to enrol, please go to www.shortcourses.rmit.edu.au, 03 9925 8111.

Interested in Psychology and Sport?

Swinburne University is now offering a Bachelor of Arts (Psychology and Sport Science) and a Bachelor of Social Science (Psychology and Sport Science) commencing in 2012. You will gain an understanding of how psychological factors influence performance in a sport setting, how statistical techniques are used to evaluate sport performance and predictions, and interaction between sport and social relationships. A background in sports psychology will provide students with a clear advantage when applying for jobs in the sports industry. Please contact Dosedá Hetherington, Faculty of Life and Social Sciences on (03) 9214 5662 with any questions.

New Associate Degree in Legal Practice at RMIT

This course aims to develop skills in case analysis, legal research, file management, legal writing and drafting, interview and negotiation skills together with an awareness of legal professional and social responsibilities. Graduates of the program will have the knowledge and skills required to seek employment at senior paraprofessional levels in the private and public legal sector. Paralegals may have specialised roles in legal fields such as litigation, probate administration, criminal law, property and land law, family law, corporate and commercial law. For further information visit www.rmit.edu.au/browse:ID=i4ytv99socyv

Film and Television at Swinburne

This year the ATAR cut off for Swinburne's Bachelor of Film and Television was 85 and they accepted 80 people into the course. It is a highly competitive course and many students miss out on places each year. Previously, if you completed the Advanced Diploma or Diploma of Screen and Media at Swinburne, you were guaranteed entry into the degree. As of 2012, this guarantee will no longer be available. Several other University and TAFE Institutes offer screen and media and film courses. Explore the course search link at www.vtac.edu.au to find out more.

COMPETITION

Enter the Myfuture Video Competition to Win \$10 000

This competition is open to all secondary school students. You create a video of up to three minutes profiling an occupation you are interested in. The two categories are best school and best youth video. The aim of the competition is to assist you in exploring career ideas. There are free resources available to support you in developing your video. Entries close on 31st October 2011. For information on how you can enter, go to www.myfuture.edu.au/

SCHOLARSHIPS

Applying to the Chisholm Institute of TAFE for Semester 2?

You may be eligible for a scholarship in a wide range of course areas. Please check your eligibility at www.carolinechisholm.org.au/Pages/default.aspx

UPCOMING EVENTS

Do you study Physics?

Swinburne's Faculty of Information and Communication Technologies invites VCE students to attend Physics Day. The event has been designed for VCE students studying Physics, Maths Methods or Specialist Maths to increase their knowledge in electronics, photonics, telecommunications and networking engineering. For more details and to register, please visit www.swinburne.edu.au/ict/schools

Free Creative Industries Workshops

JMC Academy will be hosting free workshops for school students in the areas of Audio Engineering and Sound Production; Digital Animation; Digital Film and Television; Popular Music and Performance; and Entertainment Business Management. The workshops will be held between Monday 4th July and Thursday 14th July at their Melbourne Campus. To find out more and to register, go to www.jmcacademy.edu.au/News.cfm or contact Maria Duarte at mduarte@jmc.edu.au, 03 9696 4117

Ever Dreamed of Being a Zookeeper?

The Healesville Sanctuary run a program called 'Keeper for a Day'. This is a full-on day of activities for aspiring zookeepers where students spend a day working alongside their Zookeepers. Learn about the busy lives of keepers, meet beautiful animals and visit the secret off-limits areas where keepers work. The program for students in Years 7 and 8 will run on Tuesday 5th July and the program for students in Years 9 - 12 will run on 6th and 12th July (same session repeated). To register, phone 03 9285 9406 or go to www.zoo.org.au/learning/holiday/HS-Zoo-Keepers

CAREERS NEWS

JUNE EVENTS

- 22. Albury Wodonga Tertiary day (TIS Day)- all Year 12 students at Wodonga Senior Secondary will be attending this day. Permission notes have been sent home and need to be returned to the College on Monday 20th June.
- 22: Creative Arts Industries Day, Australian Catholic University, Melbourne Campus, www.acu.edu.au
- 22: Info Evening, Academy of Interactive Entertainment, Melbourne Campus, www.aie.edu.au/announcements/info-evening-june-2011
- 23 - 1 July: Architecture and Landscape Architecture student exhibitions, RMIT, www.rmit.edu.au
- 25: Drama Workshop, Murray Arts, Beechworth, Victoria, lesleymilne@aapt.net.au
- 26: Victoria University Open Day, www.vu.edu.au
- 27: Careers Expo, Catholic College Wodonga, 2 - 6pm, smckoy@ccw.vic.edu.au
- 28: Scholarships Evening, University of Sydney, 1300 362 006
- 29: Engineering Expo, University of Melbourne, www.eng.unimelb.edu.au/events
- 30: Focus on the Victorian College of the Arts (VCA), South Melbourne Campus, www.vca.unimelb.edu.au/

JULY EVENTS

- Get Real Experience Programs, RMIT: Electrical & Computer Engineering (4 & 5- identical days), Medical Laboratory Visits (4, 5, 6, 7, 8), Computing & Information Technology (7), www.rmit.edu.au/seh/experience
- 4 - 5: Folio Workshop, La Trobe University, Bendigo Campus, j.uren@latrobe.edu.au
- 4 - 14: Creative Industries Workshops, JMC Academy, www.jmcacademy.edu.au/News.cfm
- 5 - 7: Experience La Trobe, La Trobe University, Bundoora Campus (5) and Bendigo Campus (7), www.latrobe.edu.au/experience
- 5, 6, 12: Healesville Keeper for a Day, Healesville Sanctuary, www.zoo.org.au/learning/holiday/HS-Zoo-Keepers
- 6: Games and Animation Workshop, RMIT, City Campus, www.rmit.edu.au/gamesanimation/workshop
- 9 - 15: Gaming Boot Camp, Monash University, Clayton Campus, <http://infotech.monash.edu/promotion/games-boot-camp/2011/>
- 11 - 15: Career Week, International College of Hotel Management, Adelaide, SA, admissions@ichm.edu.au 1800 246 875
- 13: Industry Experience Day, Academy of Interactive Entertainment, Melbourne Campus, www.aie.edu.au/announcements/industry_exp_day_13july2011
- 15: Qantm College Open Day, Melbourne Campus, http://melbourne.qantm.com/en-gb/content/2512/Events_and_Workshops
- 26 & 27: Parent Information Evening, Deakin Uni, Geelong Waterfront Campus (26) and Melbourne Campus (27), www.deakin.edu.au/parents
- 27: Physics Day, Swinburne University, Hawthorne Campus, www.swinburne.edu.au/ict/schools
- 31: Open Day, Brighton Bay Design and Photography, www.brightonbay.net

Rod Pritchard
Post School Options

Christ's College Choir Concerts and Tours

The choir is doing a tour of NSW and finishes in Melbourne. It is comprised of university students aged from 18-25., mixed voices with an international reputation as one of Britain's best mixed voice university college choirs which have been in existence for 500 years.

For more information about the choir please visit www.cambridgechoir.co.uk

Even Her Excellency, the Governor of NSW will be present to hear the choir sing in the fine acoustics of St Matthew's.



Student Email

Student email is provided through the Ultraset and available to students at every year level. Students can send/receive emails to/from students and teachers in their own school by searching for their email address using 'Find People'. They can also send emails to students and teachers in other schools if they know their email address.

There are bad language filters, spam and virus checks, which occur as emails are sent and received.

However student emails cannot be moderated by the school. It is therefore important that the appropriate use of email is discussed with students, including:

- ◆ Advising students that they cannot send inappropriate content anonymously via email - their email address identifies them to other students and staff at the school
- ◆ Encouraging students to alert a teacher or parent if they are receiving inappropriate emails.



AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE CADETS NOW RECRUITING

- Looking for a challenge?
- Want to push yourself to the limits?
- Thought about flying an aircraft before you drive a car?
- Want to try gliding or abseiling?
- Enjoy teamwork?
- Consider yourself a future 'leader'?
- Are considering a military career?
- Are you aged between 13 and 18 (at July 2011)?

If you answered YES to ANY of these questions, then come to our:

INFORMATION EVENING
Sunday 26 June 2011, 5pm-6:30pm

412 Squadron - Australian Air Force Cadets
Cnr Avalon St & Dalton Place, Albury Airport

For more information please contact
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0427 414 894

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Check out our National website at
www.aafc.org.au

