3. **DEAKIN UNIVERSITY PARENT/STUDENT EVENING** – Start planning your VCE, university and career. **When/Where:** Burwood, 6-8pm, May 21, Building I, Lecture Theatre 1A, 221 Burwood Hwy, Burwood; Geelong Waterfront, 6-8pm, Wed 28 May, Building D, Percy Baxter Lecture Theatre, Gheringhap St, Geelong; **Maps and registration:** www.deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/why-choose-deakin/parent-information/parent-and-student

4. **RMIT NEWS** – RMIT is a university and VET provider, with campuses in the City and at Bundoora. RMIT school holiday opportunities:
   - **CHECK OUT SCIENCE AT RMIT** – ‘Science in the City’ is a tour of RMIT facilities where students and parents can learn more about science programs. Find out about the range of 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; **Reg’n:** www.rmit.edu.au/appliedsciences/discover
   - **RMIT EXPERIENCE DAYS** – 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; 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 Reg’n:** www.rmit.edu.au/experiencedays
   - **RMIT HOSPITAL LABORATORY VISITS** - These are for students interested in careers as medical scientists. Tours give a chance to see the 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

5. **FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE** – ‘My Melbourne’ is the University’s monthly newsletter for future students. It’s a great way to CourseLink and set up an account to do some research.
to keep up to date with what’s happening at the university and find out about the opportunities for students. Current students contribute to ‘My Melbourne’, so readers find out what it’s really like to be a student. Get tips, learn about experiences, find out about college life - blogs.unimelb.edu.au/mymelb.

6. LA TROBE UNIVERSITY NEWS – Career Practitioners were told about developments at La Trobe at the recent annual Career Practitioners conference.  

- 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 4 aggregate point bonus for those completing a 3/4 LOTE

- A new Early Admissions Program is starting (Aspire Program). Conditional offers will be made on the basis of: school principal’s recommendation, and the applicant’s demonstrated non-academic contribution and leadership, with the requirement of a minimum ATAR of 50.3 (some exceptions apply), the applicants’ completing a VTAC application, and an application to La Trobe. Applications: 1 July-31 Aug. Offers in Sept. Program updates: www.latrobe.edu.au/aspire.

- La Trobe is moving to two Colleges, away from five faculties. They will be The Social Science, Arts and Communications and Law College, and the Science, Health and Engineering College.

- Some Health Science degrees will be renamed Applied Science degrees. Eg B. Health Science/B. Podiatry will become B. Applied Science/B. Podiatry.

7. NEW YORK JAZZ SYMPOSIUM – Students aged 14-17 wanting to learn from some of the world’s greatest jazz musicians can join the New York Jazz Symposium at Trinity College (Uni of Melbourne). Carl Allen (drums), Rodney Jones (guitar), Mat Jodrell (trumpet) and Carla Cook (vocals) will work with passionate young jazz musicians from around the world. Live on campus at college and form part of an ensemble group, focussing on jazz performance, hear the journey of a musician, increase confidence to perform, and jam with other musicians. Some students say it is like having six months’ worth of practice in one week! When: Sun 29 June – Sat 5 July, 2014; Cost: $1,650 (scholarships available); Applications: Close Fri 23 May; Info: www.trinity.unimelb.edu.au/learning/trinity-institute/new-york-jazz-symposium.html; Inquire: Lisa Mac, ph 03 9348 7565, lisamac@trinity.unimelb.edu.au.

8. WHAT IS AN ACTUARY? Many people have never heard of actuarial studies, and have no idea what an actuary does. Actuaries are responsible for identifying, analysing and assessing risk. They determine the likelihood of risk to ensure an organisation’s safeguards and they advise on the potential consequences of risk. This is done by creating mathematical models using past data and the actuary’s own knowledge and experience. These models are used to generate future scenarios to find out how likely and how severe future risks may be. Actuaries traditionally work in consulting, banking, superannuation, stockbroking, insurance and investment and can also find work in consumer behaviour analysis and developing areas like environmental studies, climate change and genetics. At Monash University actuarial studies can be taken as part of the Bachelor of Commerce or the Bachelor of Economics, and at the University of Melbourne in the Bachelor of Commerce. Pre-requisite subjects are 3/4 English (any) and 3/4 Maths Methods. Website of the professional body, Actuarial Institute of Australia: www.actuaries.asn.au/default.aspx.

9. AVIATION CAREERS EXPO – If you want to find out more about Swinburne’s aviation courses for 2015, attend the Aviation Careers Expo. Representatives from CAE Oxford Aviation Academy, from some of Australia’s top aviation organisations and major airlines will attend. When: 5.30pm, Mon 2 June; Where: Hawthorn campus; Register by Fri 30 May: Online registration.

10. FLYING TRAINING SCHOLARSHIP – The Royal Victorian Aero Club with the 460 Bomber Squadron Scholarship Trust is offering a flight training scholarship to take the successful candidate to the GEPT stage of the Private Pilot’s Licence. Term and conditions available at www.rvac.com.au; Application forms are available at the Royal Victorian Aero Club at Moorabbin Airport, ph 85867777.

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