



# The Dove

"IT'S ALL ABOUT LEARNING

AND HAVING HIGH EXPECTATIONS

OF OURSELVES AND EACH OTHER"

## Term 4

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### Upcoming Events:

## Term 4

### Week 5

Mon 6 Nov 2017

- HSC Exams

Tue 7 Nov 2017

- PASS Assessment @ Springwood Aquatic and Fitness Centre

Wed 8 Nov 2017

- Year 7 Step Up Program
- 5pm Year 7, 2018 Parent /Student Welcome Meeting @ STA Church
- Yr 11 & Yr 10 Drama Excursion to Belvoir Street Theatre
- Year 10 Geography Excursion 10.1, 10.3, 10.5

Fri 10 Nov 2017

- Year 7, 2018 Orientation Day

Sat 11 Nov 2017

- Remembrance Day

### Week 6

Mon 13 Nov 2017

- Parramatta Diocese Sports Awards Evening

Tue 14 Nov 2017

- 11: 30 Year 11 Semester 2 Awards Ceremony

Fri 17 Nov 2017

- 18: 30 Year 12 Formal @ Fairmont Resort, Leura
- 14: 30 Japanese Film Festival @ Event Cinemas, George St

## Dear members of the St Columba's community

### Orientation Evening for Year 7 2018

On Wednesday the 8<sup>th</sup> of November, we will welcome to our College the newest members of our College community, our Year 6 students and their families from our feeder Catholic Schools and students and families from our surrounding community schools. **Our Orientation Evening will begin at 5pm and should conclude no later than 6pm at St Thomas Aquinas Parish Church.**

*Parents, if you are aware of any family who has still not accepted enrolment for their son/daughter for Year 7, 2018. Please encourage them to contact the College Office for an enrolment package.*

### School Fees

If any parent or guardian is having difficulty paying school fees please contact Mr Chris Carpenter our Business Manager and arrange for an interview to discuss this with him. Please be assured that you will be treated with absolute dignity and respect at all times. Whilst Catholic schools cannot exist without the support of school fees, no child will ever be refused an education in any Parramatta Diocesan Systemic Catholic school because of financial hardship.

### Nobody should ever forget a good teacher.

*Once upon a time, a powerful King decided to honour the greatest person among his subjects. He sent out heralds and messengers to every part of his kingdom, to find the heroes of the land. On the appointed day, those chosen, assembled in the throne room.*

*The wealthiest person in the kingdom was there alongside the best-selling author. The leading doctor stood with the famous scientist.*

*There was a celebrated lawyer who had won many courtroom battles. A brilliant musician sat with a gifted artist. The King had brought together many men and women of talent, achievement and status.*

*The King gazed at the glittering assembly of talented and successful people and wondered how he could choose the greatest among them.*

*Then he noticed a man and woman standing quietly at the back. Many people greeted them with respect and affection.*

*'Who are these people'? asked the King. 'Why are they here?'  
'What have they done'?*

*'My lord' replied his chief minister, 'you have met and spoken with all the greatest people of your kingdom'. 'These are their teachers'.*

*The King then came down from his throne to honour them, and the assembled crowd burst into cheering and applause.*

*The King then spoke and a great hush went over the assembled crowd. No matter how great the achievements, how great the person, **all success begins with learning**. Nobody should ever forget a good teacher.*

### Parents and teachers an important partnership

The partnership between parents and teachers is expressed in many ways. Some of the most basic elements of this important partnership are also the most important for a happy adolescent doing well at school.

- Let your adolescent know each day how much you love and value them as unique individuals.
- Encourage your adolescent to take responsibility for his or her own learning.
- Talk with respect about their teachers. Deal with any issues involving their teachers in private and not in front of your adolescent.
- Place a high value on good manners and respect for others and their property.
- Model and teach time management and organisational skills. Use calendars and planners for school and family life.
- Show your love of learning by modelling to them that reading and discovering new learning is an exciting adventure for you and not something that only takes place in a classroom. Encourage them to go with you to libraries, museums, galleries and other places of interest.
- Start each day smoothly and peacefully with kind words, smile and a hug. An adolescent leaving a happy home starts the day in a happy state of mind – the best precondition for learning.
- Send your adolescent to school with a nutritious breakfast inside of them – one that includes all the major food groups – protein, fruit and good carbohydrates. Ensure that they have healthy and tasty food for their lunch and that they eat it all, not getting into the habit of skipping meals.
- Make sure they get plenty of sleep – every adolescent needs at least **8 to 9 hours of sleep** to allow their brains and bodies to grow.
- Use non-aggressive conflict resolution strategies so your adolescent learns by example how to deal effectively with their anger and frustration with others. Help them learn to forgive and reconcile with others by modelling this at all times.
- Find time every day after school to spend time with your adolescent, hearing about their day, listening to what they are saying and paying full attention with no interruptions.

Thank you for taking the time to read this, the message is simple and uncomplicated, it's about a partnership between teachers and parents with one goal in mind, to ensure that each child is given every opportunity to achieve their personal best at all times.

God bless you always,

**Mr Paul Ryan**  
**Principal**

# Student News

## Blue Fringe Art Exhibition

On Saturday Mr David O'Doherty (CAPA Department) attended the opening of the Blue Fringe Art Exhibition for mental health. A number of our Visual Design students exhibited their work there. Emma Lowe (Year 9) won an award for her textile. Congratulations Emma! (*Pictured below with Trish Doyle, MP*)





## Kayaking success



The Australian Freestyle Kayak team will compete at the 2017 ICF Canoe Freestyle World Championships in San Juan, Argentina later this month and Luke Carter (Year 12) will be representing Australia as part of the Men's team. Freestyle kayaking is a white-water discipline, where competitors perform technical manoeuvres on features in a river. Watching these kayakers you will see

moves that include flips, cartwheels and other aerial tricks all performed and judged in 45 second intervals. There are four categories and Luke will be competing in two: the K1 class and Squirt boat. Squirt boating places greater emphasis on smooth control and graceful moves, with most points for this category dependent upon how deep and how long the boat can be kept under water.

The New South Wales team trains weekly at the Penrith Whitewater Stadium with three time World Cup Champion Jez Blanchard and UK World Champion Clare O'Hara, and were accepted as part of the Western Sydney Academy of Sport earlier this year. The team will spend a week training before competition starts on the 27th of November and are looking forward to further developing their skills as they compete with other teams from around the world.





# Facebook Posts

**St Columba's Catholic College Celebrates** added 16 new photos.  
20 October at 2:53 pm · 🌐

Today we had a visit from author and illustrator Tohby Riddle! All students in Yr 9 were able to hear how picture books are written and the impact that the illustrations can have when telling a story. After the talk, students were able to brainstorm ideas for their own picture books and do some initial character sketches.



**St Columba's Catholic College Celebrates**  
23 October at 9:13 am · 🌐

🏏 Due to rain over the weekend, today's Downie Trophy Cricket match has been relocated to St Johns Oval, Blandland.

**St Columba's Catholic College Celebrates**  
25 October at 2:25 pm · 🌐

🏏 Congratulations to our Downie Shield Cricket team who played a fantastic game against Marcellin College, Randwick. Our boys won the first round and are successfully through to the second round. Well done. 🌟🌟🌟



**St Columba's Catholic College Celebrates** added 13 new photos.  
25 October at 8:26 pm · 🌐

Today at our College Assembly we celebrated all the students who received awards for their achievement in the Language Perfect World Championships, for the students who received College Yellow Awards for their contribution to Art, Music and performance, and the Uni Steer Challenge Team. We done to all these students!



**St Columba's Catholic College Celebrates** added 3 new photos.  
Friday at 4:33 pm · 🌐

Science class 7.5 were learning about forces to overcome gravity. No parachutes were lost and there were lots of smiling faces when some went up 🌟🌟



**St Columba's Catholic College Celebrates** added 11 new photos.  
Thursday at 10:05 pm · 🌐

There has been quite a lot of activity down in the Ag plot lately. Students in Yr 7 and Yr 9 have been attending to many jobs...  
Mixing cow manure into garden beds  
Preparing pots for seeds  
Looking after baby chicks 🐣  
Watering the vegetables  
Working with new cattle - getting used to the harness and walking  
Planting in the greenhouse  
Well done everyone!



**St Columba's Catholic College Celebrates** shared St Columba's Catholic College Students's post.  
Friday at 12:35 pm · 🌐

💜💜💜💜💜 DISCOVER. CONQUER. CURE.  
If you would like to support Amy in raising money for NeuRA, please click on the link below. 💜💜💜💜💜

**St Columba's Catholic College Students**  
Thursday at 5:20 pm · 🌐

Are your crazy socks ready for tomorrow? Also don't forget your donation for Amy Ruston you can also donate more on... Continue reading

**Help Amy's Kokoda Adventure make a difference...**  
When I was 8, my strong loving...  
neura-kokoda-2017.everydayhe...

**St Columba's Catholic College Celebrates** added 3 new photos.  
Monday at 9:43 am · 🌐

Q&A tonight!  
A group of St Columba's students are heading down to be audience members on Q&A tonight. They have written a selection of excellent questions to be considered to be asked on air. We are pleased that you, as young people, have the opportunity to put your voice forward.  
Panel members will include Kevin Rudd, Alan Jones, Laura Tingle and Judith Brett.  
Q&A 9.30pm tonight on ABC and live on ABC iView.



**St Columba's Catholic College Celebrates**  
Monday at 1:54 pm · 🌐

🏆 Congratulations to our junior Futsal team who came 2nd in the finals after extra time and a penalty shoot out! Outstanding effort. 🌟🌟



**St Columba's Catholic College Celebrates** added 7 new photos.  
Monday at 11:17 pm · 🌐

Great night at Q&A.  
Our students were interested and enjoyed the experience of being in a live audience.

Chloe Humphreys of Year 11 asked an insightful question.  
Super proud of our celebrity students!  
Huge thanks to Mr Dennis, Mr Gawthorne, Mr Holmes, Mrs Moore and Ms Norris for accompanying our students.



**St Columba's Catholic College Celebrates**  
1 hr · 🌐

It's an awesome Friday with the Sydney Conservatorium Choir singing to our Parramatta Diocesan students at our College.  
Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta Sydney Conservatorium of Music, The University of Sydney



**St Columba's Catholic College Celebrates**  
1 hr · 🌐

How lucky! Sydney Conservatorium of Music is playing at St Columba's Catholic College. Our students with St Thomas Aquinas Primary School, McCarthy Catholic College, Bede Polding Catholic College and Caroline Chisholm Catholic College are loving this experience. Thank you to our CEDP CAPTIVATE leaders and USyd for this opportunity.  
Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta Sydney Conservatorium of Music, The University of Sydney



**St Columba's Catholic College Celebrates** added 2 new photos.  
Sunday at 5:43 pm · 🌐

Blue Fringe Arts Festival update:  
Congratulations to Emma Lowe who won the Textiles award with her t-shirt design 'Be Free'. Well done Emma and to all the students who entered designs to support the cause of Blue Fringe Arts.





# Careers News

## UNI

### Commerce or Computer Science - University of Wollongong – Global Leaders Development Program

UOW is offering tomorrow's young leaders the opportunity to join a unique undergraduate program. The first of its kind in Australia, our GOLEaD Program offers the country's best and brightest students the opportunity to gain a truly global experience. Students will undertake a global degree and study, live, work and travel in some of the world's most vibrant cities – gaining skills and experience that will uniquely position them to be among the most sought after graduates in the world. Register your interest here:

<https://coursefinder.uow.edu.au/golead/index.html>

### University of Wollongong Learning Labs for Year 7-10

The Learning Labs program is for students up to Year 10 during 2017 who are bright and inquisitive. You are capable of performing in the top 10-15% of your age peers in any subject area. We welcome everyone who would like to meet other kids that share your interests and meet inspiring teachers.

<http://www.uow.edu.au/in2uni-myway/learninglabs/index.html>

### UTS Nursing Discovery Session

15 November

Discover a career in nursing at the University of Technology, Sydney. Attend Discover Nursing @ UTS and learn about the Bachelor of Nursing, meet students and academics and meet our robotic patients.

<https://youtu.be/d1DpIQrCZA>

Register at:

[https://www.uts.edu.au/future-students/health/why-health-uts/events-and-brochures/discover-sessions? sm\\_au =iVVD173nDt40j7nP](https://www.uts.edu.au/future-students/health/why-health-uts/events-and-brochures/discover-sessions? sm_au =iVVD173nDt40j7nP)

### University of Newcastle Supports Elite Athletes

Closes 31 October

Through the provision of academic support and flexibility, sport scholarships and world-class training facilities, UON and NU Sport can assist in achieving a 'dual career' – that of sporting prestige and completion of tertiary study.

<https://www.theforum.org.au/elite-athletes>

### Business & Commerce Insight Evening – University of Newcastle

Register by 8 November

15 November. 5.30pm to 7.00pm

The Faculty of Business and Law invites students in years 10 and 11 and their families to an information evening to learn about the Newcastle Business School. Register online:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/business-and-commerce-insight-evening-tickets-37438464455?aff=eac2>

### Law Insight Evening – University of Newcastle

21 November . 5.30pm to 7.30pm

The Faculty of Business and Law at the University of Newcastle invites students in years 10 and 11 and their families to an information evening to learn about the Newcastle Law School. Register online:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/law-insight-evening-tickets-37438254828?aff=eac2>

### Ma & Morley Scholarship Program University of Newcastle

Closes 17 November

The program aims to inspire, educate and cultivate the next generation of globally aware and socially conscious Australian leaders and is only made possible by a generous US\$20 million philanthropic commitment by the Jack Ma Foundation. Should you have any questions be sure to complete the form on this page or contact us on [mamorley@newcastle.edu.au](mailto:mamorley@newcastle.edu.au) or by phoning (02) 4921 8764.

<https://www.newcastle.edu.au/scholarships/ma-and-morley-scholarship-program/about>

### Honeywell Summer School

10 - 15 December in Sydney

130 Herring Road, North Ryde

**Honeywell Engineering Summer School (HESS) aims to give NSW and ACT high school students a better understanding of what engineering is and how it works in everyday life.** Successful applicants will spend six days living at Dunmore Lang College. Over the week, students will attend lectures and demonstrations at five prestigious NSW universities. They will also have the opportunity to meet and interact with professional engineers employed by government, private companies, researchers and academics in a wide range of engineering disciplines.

[https://www.engineersaustralia.org.au/portal/event/honeywell-engineering-summer-school? sm\\_au =iVVD173nDt40j7nP](https://www.engineersaustralia.org.au/portal/event/honeywell-engineering-summer-school? sm_au =iVVD173nDt40j7nP)

### Northparkes Indigenous Scholarships

Closes 31 January

Successful applicants receive between \$5,000 (non technical) and \$10,000 (technical) funding each year of their university studies. We provide constant support throughout your studies, and work placement opportunities during uni holidays. This ensures scholarship holders can attend, and eventually obtain employment in their chosen field.

<http://www.northparkes.com/one-team/indigenous-scholarships>

## TAFE

### Pre-Apprenticeship & Pre-Employment Courses

Skillings Australia Foundation & WPC Group are running Pre-Apprenticeship & Pre-Employment Courses in various locations and industries. To find out more information, please contact Nicole Lean on 0418 819 468 or [nlean@wpcgroup.org.au](mailto:nlean@wpcgroup.org.au)

### Discover a world of opportunity through an apprenticeship or traineeship

Training Services NSW has published their latest guide, Create your future now – apprenticeships and traineeships in NSW, to help young people to make informed career decisions. For further information on apprenticeships and traineeships and other VET options, contact your local regional office by calling 13 28 11. Please visit:

[https://www.training.nsw.gov.au/apprenticeships\\_traineeships](https://www.training.nsw.gov.au/apprenticeships_traineeships)

#### Trainee Service Technician

Our Client - A global leader in access management and ticketing solutions, providing fast and safe access for people and vehicles is now searching for a Trainee Service Technician. This role to provide functional support for the general day-to-day maintenance and repair of access control equipment. Sydney Based Role- Company Car - Certificate III in Information Technology & Digital Media [loutsis@blackadder.com.au](mailto:loutsis@blackadder.com.au) 03 9977 9100.

#### Business Pre-Vocational Course Starting

6 November

MyTradeStart alongside Apprenticeships R Us, are conducting a business pre-vocational course. This goes for two weeks in Parramatta, followed by a week work experience. Course is government funded, and students can stay enrolled in school whilst completing the course, giving them a greater opportunity for a traineeship. Contact Luke

[ltabone@apprus.com.au](mailto:ltabone@apprus.com.au).

#### Penrith City Council 12 Month Traineeships

Closes 5 November

##### ICT Traineeship

Penrith City Council is looking to employ a committed, enthusiastic and passionate individual to undertake a 12 month traineeship in Information & Communications Technology. Your positive attitude, willingness to learn and strong customer focus will ensure you are successful in securing this exciting opportunity.

<http://careers.penrith.city/cw/en/job/492269/2018-information-communications-technology-traineeship>

##### Child Care

Penrith City Council is looking to employ committed, enthusiastic and passionate individuals to undertake a 12-month traineeship in Children's Services.

<http://careers.penrith.city/cw/en/job/492270/2018-child-care-traineeships>

##### Business Admin

Are you currently completing or have recently completed the HSC, or are interested in kick starting a career in Business Administration?

<http://careers.penrith.city/cw/en/job/492268/2018-business-administration-traineeships>

## COLLEGES

### Explore Backstage Careers at NIDA

Closes 29 October

There's still time to apply to NIDA in non-acting courses which open pathways to employment in events, theatres and concerts. HSC school leavers are encouraged to apply for Bachelor of Fine Art courses in Costume, Design for Performance, Properties and Objects, Technical Theatre and Stage Management.

<https://apply.nida.edu.au/>

### Unlocking the Potential of Young Minds in the Creative Industry

Apply Now for January Intake

The Australian Institute of Music with campuses in Sydney and Melbourne, welcomes visits from high schools. If your students have a passion for the performing arts industry, then arranging a visit to campus could be a valuable experience. Workshops are interactive, informative and will give students the opportunity to explore their musical interests and talents. Call 02 9219 5444. <http://www.aim.edu.au/>

### Trial a Trade training for new Cookery, Patisserie or Hospitality Students

12 December 2017 or 16 January 2018. 10.00am to 12.00 noon

William Angliss Institute Sydney are hosting free 2 hour sessions. For anyone interested in commercial cookery, patisserie, events & hospitality or Barista coffee training. This hands on training is fun and informative Please book your spot by clicking on the following link

<https://www.angliss.edu.au/register-for-trial-a-trade-cookery-patisserie-hospitality-and-events>

### Scholarships Available

9 November

William Angliss Institute Foundation provides educational opportunities and financial assistance to support students achieve their career ambitions in either Cookery, Patisserie, Hospitality or Event sectors. For information please visit the website:

<https://www.angliss.edu.au/future-students/scholarship-information>

### Australian Careers Business College Open Days

4 November (Liverpool) and

11 November (Parramatta)

This is a great opportunity for students to visit our campuses to discuss study & career options. 2018 EVET study options now available for students, online or classroom based delivery. Visit our website or call 9824 0000

<http://acbc.nsw.edu.au/>

### The Hotel School Scholarship Info Day

22 November . 11.30am to 4.30pm

The Hotel School recognises talent and invests in the development of high-potential students interested in a business degree in Hotel Management. Through its marquee scholarships program, The Hotel School annually selects a number of recipients who demonstrate potential to become future leaders in the industry.

RSVP now :

<https://hotelschool.scu.edu.au/events/scholarships-day-sydney-2017/>

### Coco Republic Design School Drawing and Illustration Masterclass

11 November. 10.00am to 3.30pm

A collaboration between Coco Republic and the Design Centre Enmore, this one day workshop will introduce students to the drawing techniques used by designers to express design ideas. Through studying a basic variety of drawing techniques students will be introduced to the skills needed to present design ideas with expression and dynamism.

<http://sydneytafe.edu.au/newsevents/events/drawing-illustration-master-class-november>

### Australasian College of Natural Therapies New Student Scholarship

Closes 9 December

If you're passionate about natural therapies and keen to kick-start your exciting career in the industry, you can apply for a new student scholarship. Each year we invite aspiring practitioners to apply for an ACNT scholarship for our health science courses. Awarded on merit, our scholarships are designed to help a broad range of new students access our highly respected courses.

<http://www.acnt.edu.au/apply/scholarships/new-student-scholarship>

**Dr John Taccori**  
Careers Advisor

## RECRUITMENT DAY

Attention 2017 School Leavers

Parents also welcome



Limited Spaces Available!  
Thursday 9th  
November 2017  
9:30am

START YOUR EXCITING  
CAREER PATH TODAY  
WITH ATC!

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WHILE YOU STUDY

RECEIVE A NATIONALLY  
RECOGNISED  
QUALIFICATION

The Australian Training Company is offering students an opportunity to explore their career options and find their path to success.

Come and join us at ATC to explore the options available in IT, Sport and Recreation, Business Administration, Horticulture, Warehousing and more.

Information session will be held at  
30-32 Pomeroy Street Homebush

\*Attendees must bring a copy of their resume

To register contact Rachael on 9704 1500 or  
rbrummell@austrg.com.au  
For training enquiries contact Ian on 9704  
1522 or iwaltz@austrg.com.au

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## GENERAL

### Year 12 Open Day with Free Air Experience Flights at Sydney Flight College

19 November

Bankstown Airport

Becoming a commercial pilot is easier than you think, and at Sydney Flight College our Passion for Flying can get your students in the air. We are proud to offer free air experience flights to the first ten Y12 students to register for our open day. To register for a free flight visit or call us on 9709 8488:

<http://bit.ly/2x12Weo>

### Find out about mechatronic engineering

Forty-four per cent of jobs are under threat from automation, according to CSIRO. And it's not just manufacturing, even jobs like accounting and law are at risk. But the news is not all bad. Just as fast as robots are replacing jobs, new careers are being created and many of them are in robotics.

<https://careerswithstem.com/mechatronic-engineering/>

### Last NSW Info Sessions for 2017

Do you dream of eating croissants in France? Walking the iconic halls of an American high school? Discovering beautiful Italy or Australia's cooler cousin, Canada? Come along to a Student Exchange Info Session to find out more about this once-in-a-lifetime experience! We'll be visiting Sydney, Albury and Ballina in October. RSVP 1300 884 733.

<https://wep.org.au/>

### Beyond School Study Guide

The Department of Education and Training (DET) has produced the Beyond School study guide - the Guide is a digital resource for year 10-12 students providing information about Australian Government assistance so they are able to make informed choices about their future studies.

<http://studyassist.gov.au/sites/studyassist/beyond%20year%2012/pages/beyond%20school%20study%20guide>

## VET COURSES

### FACTS

You should look at post graduate options and seriously consider if a Vocational Education Training (VET) course is right for you?  
First, lets break down some myths about VET courses.

#### MYTH #1

28% of think university graduates gain work easier post graduating.

Employment Rates Post-Grad  
68% UNI  
78% VET

#### MYTH #2

3 out of 5 Australians suggest that VET education is no longer as relevant as University education

#### FACT

The VET sector provides training in 9/10 of the predicted occupations to have the greatest growth over the next 5 years

#### MYTH #3

21% of Australia believe an increasing amount of students are undertaking Uni course because VET graduates earn less.

#### FACT

The average salary for a VET graduate is \$56,000 compared to a University graduate salary of \$54,000

\*Perceptions Are Not Reality: myths, realities & the critical role of vocational education & training in

Why should you choose a VET qualification? • Flexibility • Adaptability • Practicability



## 2017 Apprenticeships

Current as at: 27 October 2017

Earn while you learn and receive on the job training and mentoring from professionals. Get a nationally recognised qualification.

Apply for one of the following apprenticeships and kick start your career now!

### Chatswood

#### Landscape Construction Apprentices

We are looking for 2 apprentices to complete a 4 year apprenticeship in Landscape Construction Certificate III including 3 years at TAFE. Duties include, garden renovation, new landscaping, planting, retaining walls, paving, brickwork, pergolas, fencing, water features and lots of other duties related to building new gardens. Skills you will learn are carpentry, planting, bricklaying, fencing, concreting and lighting. Most work is residential. Work is in north western Sydney, north shore, inner west and surrounding suburbs. Drivers Licence and own transport is required. White card is also required or be willing to obtain.

Contact Nicky Bruce on 9704 1512 | Reference No: 2280317172 | Job ID: 687/17

### Sydney

#### Landscape Construction Apprentice

Are you interested in an Apprenticeship? ATC are looking for 2016 or 2017, HSC leavers to begin their career in Landscape Construction!

Duties: High rise landscaping, Streetscape, New landscaping, Planting, Retaining walls, Paving, Brick work, Pergolas, Water features and Stonemasonry.

Requirements: Drivers licence (p's) preferred, OH & S Induction Card (White card) is also required (or you must be willing to obtain), Need to be physically fit and Prepared to work overtime.

Contact Nicky Bruce on 9704 1512 | Reference No: 2280317125 | Job ID: 731/17

### Castle Hill

#### Landscape Construction Apprentice

We are looking for a recent school leaver to complete a 4 year apprenticeship including 2.5 years at TAFE in Landscape Construction Certificate III.

Duties include, garden renovation, installing swimming pools and surrounds, new landscaping, planting, retaining walls, paving, pergolas, fencing, stonemasonry, water features and lots of other duties related to building new gardens. Location is metro Sydney including Hills district, Concord, inner west, lower north shore and northern beaches. Drivers Licence and transport is required.

Contact Nicky Bruce on 9704 1512 | Reference No: 2280317163 | Job ID: 632/17

27 October 2017

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Carpentry

To apply and for more information please go to:

<http://austrg.com.au/job-vacancies/>

or

go to our home page

<http://austrg.com.au>

and click on

**JOB VACANCIES**



Horticulture – Parks and Gardens

To apply and for more information please go to:  
<http://austrg.com.au/job-vacancies/> or go to our home page <http://austrg.com.au> and click on

## JOB VACANCIES

### Carpentry Apprenticeship Available

Blue Gum Carpentry & Building in Glenbrook is seeking an apprentice.

You should have a car licence (or close to getting one) and White card.

You need to be keen to learn carpentry and building.

Call Aaron Toner- 0432747330

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## INFORMATION SESSIONS 2018 COURSES

**BSB50415**

**DIPLOMA OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

**BSB50215**

**DIPLOMA OF BUSINESS**

**VET Student Loans**

An Australian Government Initiative



**95% COMPLETION RATE**

**95% EMPLOYMENT RATE**

**SUNDAY  
12 NOVEMBER  
@ 11 AM**

**UNIVERSITY  
PATHWAYS**



**LEVEL 1**

**65 YORK ST  
SYDNEY**

 0407 278 164

 [admin@spie.edu.au](mailto:admin@spie.edu.au)

### Air conditioning Apprenticeship

Bill Kershaw Air conditioning of Blaxland is looking for an air-conditioning apprentice. For inquiries, please call Vanessa on 47392072

### Junior Receptionist Traineeship

**(Open to any Year 10-12 School leaver)**

**Commencing 22 January 2018**

Traineeship:

The successful applicant will undertake a traineeship for Certificate III in Business Administration.

Conditions:

The successful applicant will:

- have a willingness to learn
- willing to work in a team within a fun environment
- be proactive
- be neat and well presented
- have a drivers licence or have commenced the procedure to obtain a licence within 6 months from commencement

Advancement:

- This position is entry level for a career in the legal industry including: legal secretary, conveyancer or paralegal

**All applicants are to send a letter of application and their resume ASAP to:**

**Glenbrook Legal Services**

**PO. Box 182 Glenbrook 2777**

# Diocesan News

## Represent our Diocese: Share your Wisdom

Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv is calling for greater participation of lay people through new advisory councils. Please consider nominating or encourage someone you know. Details, including the nomination kit, are available from [parracatholic.org/advisorycouncils](http://parracatholic.org/advisorycouncils) or by contacting Tanya from the Diocesan Ministry Centre on 02 8838 3460. Nominations close on Sunday, 5 November 2017.

## Pre-marriage preparation

The Life Marriage & Family Office in the Diocese of Parramatta has now launched an online booking system, allowing couples to enrol for pre-marriage preparation programs and to pay by credit card. Couples will be guided on the website to the most appropriate form of preparation, i.e., the Pre-Marriage Weekend Course (Friday evening & Sunday) or Prepare/Enrich, an individual couple preparation with face to face feedback sessions. Both preparations are designed to strengthen and enrich the couple's relationship and work on building a rewarding life together. Bookings may be made and dates chosen by visiting our website [www.parracatholic.org/pmp](http://www.parracatholic.org/pmp) or enquiries may be made to our office on 8838 3460 or email [lmf@parra.catholic.org.au](mailto:lmf@parra.catholic.org.au).

## Employment

The position of Admin, Youth, Networking & Events Coordinator at the newly-opened Columban Centre for Christian-Muslim Relations (CCCMR) in Blacktown is available. Details are available at: <https://catholicjobsonline.com.au> or emailing Rev Dr Patrick McInerney on [patrickmcinerney@columban.org.au](mailto:patrickmcinerney@columban.org.au)

## Mass in the African tradition: 5 November

Join us as we celebrate Mass in the African tradition. Very Rev Peter G Williams will celebrate Mass at 2.00pm at Mary, Queen of the Family Parish, 51-59 Allawah Street Blacktown. Contact Stella Nwosu 0405 478 472.

## Seminar for Couples hoping to conceive: 12 November

Waiting for Gabriel is a seminar allowing couples to hear about Restorative Reproductive Medicine and natural methods of achieving pregnancy that are more successful than IVF. This topic is of particular interest to couples that are trying to conceive a child where they may have infertility issues and are seeking medical intervention to help them.

Hear from trained professionals on the different methods of Natural Fertility Awareness which are used in conjunction with NaPro Technology (Natural Procreative Technology). There will be guest couples' testimonies and the opportunity for questions. Afternoon tea will be catered. Sunday, 12th November 2017, 1:30pm-4:00pm at the Institute for Mission (IFM), 1-5 Marion St, Blacktown. To reserve your place, please RSVP to [nfs@parra.catholic.org.au](mailto:nfs@parra.catholic.org.au) or 8838 3460. For more information about the event, visit [www.parralmf.org.au/nfs](http://www.parralmf.org.au/nfs)

## Nigerian Mass in Igbo: 12 November

Rev Fr Chukwunonyerem Akamadu, Chaplain to the Nigerian Catholic community, will celebrate Mass at 11.30am at Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish, 198 Old Prospect Road, Greystanes. Contact Fr Akamadu tel 0451 174 438, Stella Nwosu 0405 478 472.

## Concert at St. Finbar's, Glenbrook: 12 November

From 3pm, The Mystery of the Earth concert is a choir and organ, exploring our connection to the earth and beyond. This will be a wonderfully relaxing concert performed by Academy Singers, an experienced and well-known choir, directed by the esteemed Paul Terracini and accompanied by organist Amy Johansen. Amy will play music by Haydn and Mendelssohn. Choral music by Bainton, Mendelssohn, Lauridsen, Whitacre and young Australian composer Ban van Tienen. Adults \$25, Concession \$20, Child \$10. Enquiries on 4754 1780.

## Shrine Time for Young Adults 18-35: 26 November

One Holy Hour with prayer, reflection, meditation, praise & worship. 2017 is devoted to Praying for Vocations and Devotion to Mary as per our Holy Father's intentions for WYD 2018 in Panama. From 7.30pm-8.30pm followed by social gathering.

Mary, honoured as the Mother Thrice Admirable, offers 3 graces in the Shrine, this monthly event is a unique opportunity to experience them regularly: Discover your HOME in the hearts of Jesus and Mary; See breakthrough TRANSFORMATION in your life; and Get your spiritual boost to be an authentic WITNESS. In the Shrine at Mount Schoenstatt, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa.

## Volunteer overseas information session: 29 November

Palms Australia is looking for people - such as teachers, health and community development workers - to volunteer in Catholic communities all over the world to mentor workers in their fields of expertise. Australian donors cover your costs and outstanding support is provided through the church's single biggest global volunteer mission agency. Information Session on Wednesday November 29, 5:45 - 7:00 pm. More information: [www.palms.org.au/projects/](http://www.palms.org.au/projects/).

For more events please go to: <http://parracatholic.org/events/>



# Community News

What's On at Penrith Observatory in December

Date: 9 December 2017

Event name: You Are Here Part Three, The Universe

Event details:

Dr Nick Tothill

Leaving our own Galaxy behind, we travel out into the Universe, looking for the biggest objects of all. Clusters, superclusters, walls of galaxies and voids full of nothing, all pushed and pulled around by mysterious dark matter and even more-mysterious dark energy. As we travel onwards, we travel back in time towards the beginning of the universe, and ask, 'what happens now....?' It doesn't matter if you missed the first parts in this series.

Includes presentation, short 3D movie, tour of the dome and viewing of the night sky through a range of telescopes (weather permitting).

\$18.00 Adult

\$12.00 Child/Concession

\$50.00 Family (2 adults + 2 children)

Children under 3 years of age free.

Please Note: Parents/carers are responsible for and need to remain with their children at all times


BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Time: 8pm – 10pm

Venue Address: Penrith Observatory (Building AO), Western Sydney University, Werrington North campus, Great Western Highway, Werrington

Contact website for public enquiries and bookings:

[https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/observatory/penrith/observatory/whats\\_on](https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/observatory/penrith/observatory/whats_on)



**FUTURE SCHOOLS!  
FUTURE READY!  
WHERE TO NEXT?**

Monday, 13 November 2017

The Parent Representative Council Diocese of Parramatta  
welcomes

**Mr Mark Holyoake**  
DIRECTOR OF ENTERPRISE – CATHOLIC EDUCATION DIOCESE PARRAMATTA

**Term 4 PRC Meeting**

Where: Diocesan Assembly Centre, Cnr Flushcombe Rd and Marion St, Blacktown NSW

When: 6:30pm for 7:00pm start  
(PRC General Meeting will be held prior to our speaker session)

Register FREE at PRCParra on Facebook or at  
<https://goo.gl/forms/m7vK9Tv210A0ogLf2>

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## Gateway Family Services Parenting Group Program Term 4, 2017



Program	Date & Time	Location	Registration
<b>Circle of Security</b> <i>Learn how to be a strong, wiser &amp; kinder parent with your kids. Suitable for parents of 0-12 year old.</i> <i>* NO Childcare available</i>	Wednesday 18th Oct – 29th Nov 7:00pm–9:00pm <i>** NO Childcare</i>	Penrith Church of Christ (Cottage) 158 Stafford St, PENRITH (Onsite parking available)	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)
<b>123 Magic Parenting</b> <i>Learn how to understand &amp; manage your child's difficult behaviour. Suitable for parents with 0-12 year olds.</i> <i>* NO Childcare available</i>	Tuesday 7th Nov – 21st Nov 7:00pm–9:00pm <i>** NO Childcare</i>	Heatherbrae 1 Benang Street, Lawson	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)
<b>Bringing Up Great Kids</b> <i>Learn your parenting style, the meaning behind children's behaviour, ways parents can take care of themselves &amp; find support when they need it.</i> <i>* Childcare—Bookings essential</i>	Wednesday 25th Oct – 29th Nov 10:00am–12:00noon <i>* Childcare available</i>	Tanderra OOSH 14 Raymond Rd, SPRINGWOOD (behind Neighbourhood Centre)	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)
<b>From Floundering to Flourishing</b> <i>Helping adults identify how to maximise kids successes giving you tools to enhance and improve kid's resilience</i> <i>* NO Childcare available</i>	Wednesday 1st November 7:00pm–9:00pm <i>** NO Childcare</i>	Blaxland Pre-School Boorea St & Park Ave, BLAXLAND	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)
<b>Let's Talk about .....</b> <b>Siblings without Rivalry</b> <i>Discussion and practical tools for parents who want to help their children live well together so you can all live.</i> <i>* Childcare—Bookings essential</i>	Friday 20th Oct – 10th Nov 10:00am–12noon <i>* Childcare available</i>	Blaxland Public School 5 Baden Place, BLAXLAND	Gateway— 1300 316 746 (free call)

For more information and Individual Flyers go to:  
[www.gatewayfamilyservices.org.au](http://www.gatewayfamilyservices.org.au) or [www.facebook.com/GatewayFS](https://www.facebook.com/GatewayFS)

Gateway family services parent group program is funded by DSS and NSW FACS.

Gateway works collaboratively with community partners to bring parent groups to communities from St Marys to Blackheath.  
Thanks to MMM for providing childcare for the Daytime groups.




**eSafety WORKSHOP**

**About**  
An eSafety expert from the Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner will be delivering a FREE workshop on how you can help keep young people safe online.  
For more information visit [esafety.gov.au](http://esafety.gov.au).

**Learn how**  
\* young people are using social media and technology  
\* to make a complaint about child cyberbullying  
\* we can help remove serious cyberbullying material.

**When**  
Monday 27th November 2017  
5:30pm - 6:30pm  
Blaxland High School Auditorium  
MUST RSVP BY: 17/11/2017  
S/Cst Michelle Jancso 4751 0268

Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner  
[esafety.gov.au](http://esafety.gov.au)

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